RAFT wins STAR Award for Innovation

Rural Alternative for Transportation (RAFT) is a local volunteer transportation service, which provides rides to seniors (60+) and adults with disabilities living within the Berthoud Fire Protection District, but outside the Town boundary. Drivers are all volunteers, use their own vehicles, and donate their time.

Due to the Agency’s work in the community, Berthoud Golden Links, Inc./Project RAFT, won the 2016 STAR Award for Innovation from the National Volunteer Transportation Center. Along with the award, the organization will receive a $7,000 grant. For the 2016 cycle, nearly 150 volunteer driver programs submitted applications. RAFT was one of 21 agencies to win the award and the only winner in Colorado.

As part of the application for the STAR Award, each applicant was asked to submit a testimonial or story written by a client. In summer 2017, a book with these stories will be published.

Find out more about RAFT by visiting their website: http://berthoudraft.org

Senior Resource Services Awarded Grant

Senior Resource Services (SRS) was awarded a $50,000 grant from the Daniels Fund. The grant will be used to expand the services administered by the Greeley-based volunteer senior transportation provider. Daniels Fund is a Denver-based charitable foundation focused on grants, scholarships, and ethics initiatives. The organization’s aging focus is meant to support older adults remaining independent, engaged, and maintaining quality-of-life.

Rider’s Guide Updates

Over 510 users have logged onto noco.findmyride.info to find potential service matches since January 1, 2017, with 90 percent of users being new. To request printed Rider’s Guides, contact Alex Gordon at agordon@nfrmpo.org or (970) 416-2023.
Mobility Management Funding

The NFRMPO Mobility Coordination Program is funded with Federal Transit Administration (FTA) §5310 funds.

NFRMPO mobility coordination program activities are centered on education and cooperative resource-sharing to use existing transportation dollars most efficiently. Examples include travel training, cooperative research, public forums, program implementation, FTA grant administration and public education.

Funding has been secured through September 2017 after NFRMPO staff submitted applications for §5310 funds to both CDOT for Weld County and Fort Collins on behalf of the Fort Collins-Loveland-Berthoud TMA.

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For additional meeting details including agendas, notes & meeting location, visit nfrmpo.org/mobility