



MUNICIPALITY OF
GREENSTONE

Municipality of Greenstone Policy Manual

Subject: Specialized Transit Fee Relief for Eligible Low Income Persons

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Section: Community Services

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Approval Authority:

Purpose:

- The Municipality of Greenstone deems it desirable and in the public interest to provide relief of financial hardship to low income persons by way of a rate reductions to those seniors (55+) and persons with a disability who qualify under this policy.

Application:

- The policy applies to those seniors eligible to use the out of town Aging at Home medical transportation program and receive payments under the Guaranteed Income Supplement (GIS) or the Ontario Disability Support Program (ODSP).

Policy Statement/s:

The Director of Community Services and the Community Services Administrative Assistant will provide guidance to seniors (55+) and persons with a disability on program eligibility.

Applications for the Transportation Fee reduction shall be received by the Community Services Administrative Assistant for approval.

The Director of Community Services shall manage the program budget and shall periodically review this policy and may make recommendations for Council's consideration.

Definitions:

"GIS" - Guaranteed Income Supplement

"Low Income Person" - Means a person who is in receipt of an increment paid under the Guaranteed Income Supplement (GIS), or a person who is in receipt of an increment paid under the Ontario Disability Support Program Act

"ODSP" Ontario Disability Support Program Act

Policy:

Entitlement to Rate Reduction

The Director of Community Services is authorized and directed to allow a 10% fee relief for eligible low income persons provided that:

1. The client annually completes an Accessible Specialized Transit Rebate Application Form;
2. The client can demonstrate, in a form acceptable to the Director of Community Services, that they are in receipt of the GIS or ODSP in the year in which they are seeking the relief.