The Pines Foundation

MAC
Fire Island Pines
Mobility Access Carts

Dear Friends and Neighbors,

The Mobility Access Cart program is well established, having been operating for over fifteen years in the Pines. We operate our three vehicles (two electric carts and one roadway John Deere) seven days a week (weather permitting).

We completed over **600 trips in 2022** and our **volunteer** drivers take great pride in helping those who have extreme difficulty walking and, in many cases, cannot even be here in the Pines without us.

We also transport residents and visitors to the Care Center, drive elderly family members, families with small children and residents with elderly or sick dogs. In recent years, as much as 40% of our passengers are under the age of 35 largely because they have leg, foot, or other lower body injuries.

We also transport people and supplies for community and non-profit events such as for BOFFO, DRA, FIPAP, Pines Conservation Society, LAMDA, SAGE and Northwell Health for the Monkey Pox Vaccine Events. We have even helped transport firemen (from the mainland) during a major fire!

None of this would be possible without your support. Maintenance for our three vehicles costs between $10,000 and $12,000 annually, especially because of the hostile salt-air environment on the Island. We are also looking to build a new shed to house the mobility vehicles to keep then safe during winter months.

We are grateful for all your donations over the years and look forward to being able to service the community in 2023 with your continued support. Please help to keep this very much needed program going strong for our community.

Click here to **DONATE** to support our Mobility Cart Program.

Stay safe and warm this holiday season!

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