

Illinois Department on Aging (IDOA)

Benefit Access Program Benefits

- Seniors Ride Free Transit Benefit
- Persons with Disabilities Free Transit Ride
- Secretary of State License Plate Discount

Per IDOA: To be determined eligible for these benefits, you must submit a Benefit Access Application on the Internet. Paper applications are not available.

Please note that as of 9/1/2020, processing times to determine eligibility of your Benefits Access Application is approximately 12 weeks.

Applicants Must Meet the Following Requirements:

Age	Must be 65 years of age or older by December 31 of the current year; or	Must be 16 years of age or older and totally disabled before January 1 of this year.	
Residency	Must live in Illinois at the time of application.		
Income Limit Eligibility for License Plate discount or Ride Free Transit Card	\$33,562 for a 1-person household (yourself only)	\$44,533 for a 2-person household (yourself and your spouse, or yourself and on Qualified Additional resident.	\$55,000 for a 3-person household (yourself, your spouse and one Qualified Additional Resident or yourself and 2 Qualified Additional Residents.

How do I find out if my application has been approved?

You may check the Website for the status of your application [here](#).

Apply Online

To file your application on the Internet, click here.

For information or help applying:

- visit a local office of the following:
 - [Senior Health Assistance Program](#) or
 - [Area Agency on Aging](#)
- Call toll-free:
1-800-252-8966 or 1-888-206-1327 (TTY)
Note: Have your Social Security number ready when you call.
- E-mail: Aging.ILSenior@illinois.gov