



Neighbors Driving Neighbors

Belgrade, Fayette, Mount Vernon, Rome, Vienna

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NDN is a tax deductible 501c3 organization.

NDN's HISTORY

- NDN began in the fall of 2012 when the Mount Vernon Community Partnership Corp. began meeting with interested people who were concerned about the lack of transportation for people who can't drive.
- Townspeople from Belgrade, Fayette, Mount Vernon, Rome and Vienna knew how important the problem was and participated in starting the project.
- It received a planning grant from the Maine Community Foundation to hire consultants in 2014.
- It received start-up grants from The Betterment Fund and The Bingham Program in 2015.
- It hired a coordinator in 2015 and became NEIGHBORS DRIVING NEIGHBORS with its own board, bylaws, mission, and 501(c)(3) nonprofit.
- We began driving people in November 2015.

NDN's Mission is to enrich communities in northwestern Kennebec County by coordinating volunteer drivers who assist those who don't drive, so they can more easily remain in their homes. **NDN's Vision is** that central Maine communities will be a place where people of all ages are able to enjoy meaningful lives while living in their homes. **NDN's Service Area is** the residents of Vienna, Fayette, Mount Vernon, Belgrade and Rome. **NDN's Service is** free transportation for adults for errands, exercise sessions, classes, medical appointments, shopping, socialization or volunteering.

VOLUNTEER DRIVERS AND DRIVERS



The volunteers are generous neighbors who donate their time, vehicle, and gas with no compensation. All the drivers have had reference, driver and background checks to ensure the highest level of safety. NDN is looking for more people who like to drive, have a good driving record and would enjoy being part of this important effort. Drivers say 'It is very rewarding to be able to help others directly while meeting and visiting with neighbors.' If you are interested please contact NDN.

The riders are neighbors in Belgrade, Fayette, Mount Vernon, Rome, and Vienna, who cannot drive. Riders must be able to get in and out of a vehicle with minimal arm assistance. Priority will be given to those without other transportation options.

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