

# Transit program gets employees to work in Greensburg

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Thanks to an on-demand transit program, more than 40 people in and around the Greensburg area have a chance to work, learn new skills and gain their independence. DSI Industries in Greensburg – a nonprofit organization that assists adults with disabilities – contracts with Catch-A-Ride, which offers rides throughout six counties in eastern Indiana.



Every time there are talks of cuts to the program, a wave of fear runs through the organization. People rely on transportation to get the services they need. Without it, they would be homebound. It's not just offering services to DSI clients; it's offering them a chance to be successful.

"We've been able to help them develop independent skills," said Jenny Maddux, the day program manager, who's worked at DSI 15 years. "Our clients have such a sense of accomplishment."

Riders schedule transit service, which picks them up at their homes and takes them to the DSI workshop. It also provides rides for those who have part-time jobs and/or volunteer in the community.

Thanks to the local automotive industry and other businesses, the nonprofit has plenty of work to offer, and because Catch-A-Ride goes outside county lines, it has helped open up opportunities to people who live outside Decatur County.

"It's so important," Maddux says of the transit program. "DSI and our families would be in a world of hurt if we lost it."

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