



SOS DRIVER INFORMATION

Thank you for volunteering to assist with driving SOS guests to and/or from BUC! Below are the guidelines and information to help you plan your participation. If you have any questions, please contact Paul Plante 734-464-1577 or pplante@twmi.rr.com. The Minister of Transportation.

GENERAL INFORMATION

The SOS Center is located at 18505 W. 12 Mile Road (South side of street), Lathrup Village 48076, ¼ mile West of Southfield Road. There are (2) distinct black bands at window level around a tan (2) story office building. Please record your volunteer driving commitments day and time. Depending on the number of guests, you may or may not have a full car in the morning. Evening drivers should fill the car with the number of guests you are assigned. There will be guest luggage the first and last Sundays only. Sign in and out on the Volunteer Sheet at BUC including the driving time to and from guest transport pick up.

EVENING DRIVERS

Evening Drivers sign up to drive between 5:45 and 6:45 PM. The drive is from SOS Intake Center to BUC, about 20 minutes. Arrive at SOS at your designated time. Park in front of SOS, and go in. Inform the SOS person staffing the front desk that you are there to drive. Escort guests into BUC. No stops are permitted between SOS and BUC. Drivers will receive phone reminders only the day before.

LAST EVENING DRIVER

Arrive at SOS at 6:45 PM. Inform the SOS person staffing the front desk that you are there to drive, and will be taking the Guest List to BUC. Call Paul if any guests remain that do not fit in your vehicle.

MORNING DRIVER

We must be able to reach you by phone between 7:00 and 9:30 PM the night before you are scheduled to drive to confirm time, destination and number of passengers. Please indicate this contact phone number on the sign-up sheet. Morning Drivers sign up to drive between 5:00 and 8:00 AM. The drive is from BUC to destinations based on the needs of our SOS guests including school, job, SOS, bus station etc. The estimated max one way trip time from BUC is 30 minutes. Plan to arrive at BUC 5 minutes before your scheduled time. Check the driver's sheet with your name on it on the shelf outside the office for the list of guests that you will be driving, along with their destinations. Your guest's names are highlighted in yellow. Take the sheet with you for reference.

Seat Belt Requirements: All passengers must (State Law) wear a seat belt. Ages 4 thru 8 must have a car seat or booster. This seat/booster must be provided by the guest or SOS.

The law requires: Passengers 8-15 to buckle up in all seating positions. Drivers and front seat passengers to be buckled up. Michigan's child passenger safety law requires:

- Children younger than age 4 to ride in a car seat in the rear seat if the vehicle has a rear seat. If all available rear seats are occupied by children under 4, then a child under 4 may ride in a car seat in the front seat. A child in a rear-facing car seat may only ride in the front seat if the airbag is turned off.
- Children to be properly buckled in a car seat or booster seat until they are 8 years old or 4-feet-9-inches tall. Children must ride in a seat until they reach the age requirement or the height requirement, whichever comes first.