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Northeast Iowa Community Action Corporation (NEICAC)

NEICAC EARL PUBLIC TRANSIT LANSING BRIDGE SHUTTLE SERVICE PROVIDED TRANSPORTATION TO 150 RIDERS FROM JUNE 4TH TO JUNE 9TH.

On May 18th, travelers in northeast Iowa were notified that the Iowa 9/WI 82 Mississippi River Bridge had closed after the monitoring system detected movement in one of the piers that exceeded safety thresholds. NEICAC EARL Public Transit joined the Iowa DOT in the reestablishment of the shuttle and water taxi service based in Lansing, Iowa. The successful launch and initial phase of the EARL shuttle service officially began on June 4, 2025, and operated continuously through June 9, 2025, during which NEICAC provided transportation to approximately 150 riders.

On June 9, the Lansing Bridge reopened to traffic; however, NEICAC EARL Public Transit still served 4 riders that day. At the request of the Iowa Department of Transportation (DOT), service was extended through close of business on June 13, 2025.

The Iowa DOT has expressed repeated appreciation for NEICAC's swift and effective response in mobilizing vehicles, drivers, and other resources to support this critical community project. Our efforts ensured that residents of Lansing, IA, and De Soto, WI, had reliable transportation during the bridge closure.

A heartwarming example of the service's impact includes a family of six who were able to attend their parents' and grandparents' 50th wedding anniversary in Lansing—an event that would have been significantly more difficult to attend without this transportation option.

NEICAC is proud of the role NEICAC has played in supporting our communities and looks forward to continuing service in the future.

Learn more about how NEICAC provides the support and resources to improve the stability and quality of life for individuals & families with limited resources.
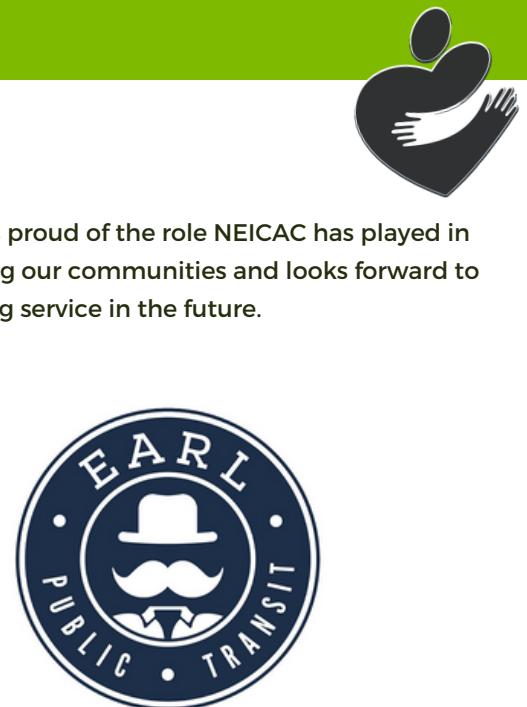
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