### Section 9: Recreation and Transportation

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<th><strong>Adaptive Mobility Systems</strong></th>
<th><strong>Contact:</strong></th>
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| **Purpose:** To assist individuals with disabilities locate accessible vehicles to purchase. | 5555 Oakbrook Parkway  
   Suite 555  
   Norcross, GA 30093  
   (770) 729-9878  
   Toll free: 1-888-880-8267  
   Fax: (770) 729-9669  
   www.aavans.com  
   Email: questions@aavans.com |

**Explanation:**
Adaptive Mobility Systems provides assistance to those individuals who need accessible transportation. They work with various businesses across the United States where they offer their modified and accessible mini- and conversion vans for purchase. They work with your individual budget and help you to select the vehicle that best suits your needs, while keeping in mind what features you would like to have. They have new and used vans available for purchase. Please contact the number above to find a location in your area.

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<th><strong>Baldwin Driver Training</strong></th>
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| **Purpose:** To assist people with obtaining their learner’s permit and driver’s license. | 3700 Baldwin Drive  
   Columbia, SC 29204  
   (803) 786-5230  
   Fax: (803) 786-8608  
   www.baldwintraining.com  
   Email: Customer_Service@baldwintraining.com |

**Explanation:**
Offers driver training classes and road training to help people obtain their driver’s license. Baldwin Driver Training has location throughout Columbia; please contact the number listed above to find out class schedules, fees and locations.

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<th><strong>Carolina Mobility Sales</strong></th>
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| **Purpose:** To provide vehicle modifications, accessories and equipment for people with physical disabilities. | South Carolina:  
   2546 Leaphart Road  
   West Columbia, SC 29169  
   (803) 791-7791  
   Fax: (803) 791-7191  
   www.carolinamobilitysales.com  
   North Carolina:  
   4025 Queen City Drive  
   Charlotte, NC 28208  
   (704) 399-0900  
   Fax: (704) 399-9009  
   Toll free: 800-596-8266 |


**Explanation:**

Carolina Mobility Sales, located in Charlotte, North Carolina and West Columbia, South Carolina, offers quality mobility solutions. We are providers of wheelchair lifts, accessible vans, driving controls and a variety of other mobility solutions. For many years, Carolina Mobility Sales has been fulfilling the needs of people with physical handicaps and disabilities providing the finest products and services that allow independence in transportation and residential living. At Carolina Mobility Sales, our vehicle inventory consists of a large selection of new and used Lowered Floor Minivans featuring Braun Entervan and Rampvan in Chrysler, GM and Toyota models to accommodate your individual needs. We also carry full size vans by Tuscany, Chariot and Sherry Designs. We offer up to 10-year financing and extended warranties on both vehicles and conversions and the highest possible price on your trade-in car, truck or van. Be sure to inquire about our accessible van rental program for emergency or short-term needs. They also have the following products: Scooter and Wheelchair lifts; Wheelchair Van lifts; Wheelchair tie down systems; Seat transfer aids; and hand controls.

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| To assist people with disabilities in the modification of their transportation. | 400 S. Dogwood Road  
Ridgeway, SC 29130-9321  
Phone: (803) 337-3336  
Fax: (803) 337-3210 |

**Explanation:**

Custom Electric Company alters and adds special equipment to cars, vans, busses, etc. so that persons with disabilities, or with physical limitations due to age, can drive and/or ride in them safely. They have been installing hydraulic lifts, hand controls, raised roofs, driving aids and servicing wheelchairs for 25 years. Custom Electric will also attach trailer hitches on the rear of Sport Utility Vehicles (SUV's) for people with limited mobility.

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<th><strong>Dial-A-Ride Transit (DART)</strong></th>
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| To assist the disabled community with meeting individual transportation needs in the Greater Columbia Metro Area. *** | Information, Reservations, Cancellations, and Dispatcher  
(803)-255-7123  
Customer Service  
(803) 255-7085  
http://www.gocmpta.com/dart.asp |

**Explanation:**

DART is a curb-to-cur, advanced reservation, shared ride transportation service for people with disabilities who are unable to access Central Midlands Regional Transit Authority buses. Riders share the vehicle with others and there are no restrictions on the trip purpose or frequency of reservations. DART operates a fleet of specially designed and equipped vehicles which can accommodate certified riders who utilize mobility devices that meet ADA guidelines. DART can help you get training to learn how to ride fixed route buses. DART costs $2.50 per one-way trip. DART operators cannot make change for riders. Trip tokens may be purchased by calling (803)-255-7123. To schedule a trip, call DART reservationists at (803)-255-7123. Reservations requests are accepted between 9:00 AM and 5:00 PM Monday through Sunday. Reservations can be made up to 14 days in advance. DART will not accept same-day trip requests or same-day schedule changes.  

*** For individuals living outside of the Greater Columbia Metro Area, please contact your local DSN Board for service assistance.
### Dream Riders

**Purpose:**
To provide individuals with disabilities recreational activities through horse riding.

**Contact:**
156 Sandy Hills Road  
Lexington, SC 29072  
(803) 957-7906  
Fax: (803) 957-7906  
Email: dreamr2@mindspring.com  
www.dreamrider.org

**Explanation:**
The mission of Dream Riders is to serve their clients through the use of the horse for the purpose of contributing positively to the cognitive, physical, emotional, and social well being of people with disabilities. They achieve this by way of therapy, education, sports and recreational/leisure with a focus on safety at all times. They are a member of NARHA center.

### FLX Ride

**Purpose:**
To provide transportation for individuals with disabilities and seniors.

**Contact:**
(803) 771-4112

**Explanation:**
FLX-Ride provides non-emergency medical transportation for individuals with disabilities and seniors. They have installed GPS systems in their vans which allow them to give unlimited services around the state. Please contact them for more information.

### Five Points Wheels

**Purpose:**
To provide transportation for seniors and individuals with disabilities.

**Contact:**
Roger Cranford  
(803) 779-1971

**Explanation:**
Five Points Wheels provides transportation around the downtown five points area. Please contact Roger Cranford for more information regarding this program.

### Golden Age/Golden Access Passport: U.S. Department of the Interior, National Park Service

**Purpose:**
To provide people with disabilities access to national parks.

**Contact:**
P.O. Box 344108  
Washington, DC 20043-4108  
In SC: (803) 776-4396  
Fax: (202) 219-0910  
Toll free: 1-888-467-2757  
Email: parkspass@nationalparks.org  
www.nps.gov

**Explanation:**
Golden Age/Golden Access Passports provides free lifetime passport to federally operated parks, monuments, historic sites, recreation areas and wildlife refuges for persons who are elderly, blind or have permanent disabilities; applicant must provide proof of age or medical disability.
### Harbison Wheels

**Purpose:** To provide transportation for seniors and individuals with disabilities.

**Contact:**
- P.O. Box 210122
- Columbia, SC 29210
- (803) 749-1911

**Explanation:**
Harbison Wheels provides transportation around St. Andrews Blvd., Broad River Road, Piney Grove Road, and Lake Murray Blvd. On Thursdays, individuals can ride Wheels for doctor appointments and downtown areas only. Please contact the number listed above for more information.

### Life Lifts Independent Living Aids

**Purpose:** To assist people with disabilities in the modification of their transportation.

**Contact:**
- Hank van den Ende
- 37 Hazard Creek Village
- Suite 2
- Ridgeland, SC 29936
- (843) 987-3300

**Explanation:**
Life Lifts Independent Living Aids provides a variety of products and services to assist individuals with safety and mobility issues. Some of the products are stair lifts, elevators, ramps, scooters, bath and pool lifts and grabs bars/poles for home and vehicular modification. Please see their website for complete list. Life Lifts serves most of coastal SC and Columbia, depending on the product.

### National Seating & Mobility

**Purpose:** To assist individuals with physical disabilities find mobility equipment, products and technologies.

**Contact:**
- 140F Kay Drive
- Easley, SC 29640
- (864) 269-9430
- [www.nsm-seating.com](http://www.nsm-seating.com)

**Explanation:**
National Seating & Mobility is the largest company of its kind in North America. Their only business is to provide custom Rehab seating & mobility and adaptive seating systems. Since their founding in 1992, they have grown from five locations to a national network of professional Rehab Technology Suppliers serving our clients, therapists and physicians from facilities throughout North America. They serve those individuals with very severe physical disabilities, especially children. Over half their clients are pediatrics with typical diagnoses of birth defects, cerebral palsy, spina bifida and muscular dystrophy. They also specialize in providing custom seating & mobility systems for teens, adults and seniors with severe trauma, disease and skeletal disorders. We are recognized as the provider of choice by those who matter. Because of our unique commitment to wheeled mobility and the vast experience and qualifications of our people, we have become the provider of choice for clients and healthcare providers alike.
| North Charleston Rolling Hurricanes “Achieving Wheelchair Equality” (AWE) |
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| **Purpose:** To promote recreational activities for people with physical disabilities. |
| **Contact:** 7944 Dorchester Road  
North Charleston, SC 29418  
(843) 824-6887  
Fax: (843) 225-5082 |
| **Explanation:** AWE is a nonprofit organization that helps promote recreational opportunities for persons with mobility impairments. AWE offers training opportunities and financial assistance for disabled individuals. The North Charleston Rolling Hurricanes is a division of AWE basketball team that invites others to participants. They also offer peer support services. |

| Northeast Wheels |
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| **Purpose:** To provide transportation to seniors or adults with disabilities. |
| **Contact:** Roger Cranford  
Wheels Coordinator  
803-779-8033 ext. 17  
| **Explanation** The Northeast Wheels provides transportation to seniors or adults with disabilities to the grocery store, pharmacy, bank and doctor’s office. |

| South Carolina Department of Motor Vehicles |
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| **Purpose:** To assist citizens in obtaining services related to motor vehicles. |
| **Contact:** Mailing Address:  
Post Office Box 1498  
Blythewood, South Carolina 29016  
Street Address:  
10311 Wilson Boulevard - Building C  
Blythewood, South Carolina 29016  
1-800-442-1DMV |
| **To assist people in obtaining driver’s licenses for commercial and passenger vehicles; to assist in registering a vehicle and obtaining required insurance.** |

| South Carolina Department of Natural Resources |
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| **Purpose:** To provide individuals with a variety of different outdoor activity ideas. |
| **Contact:** http://www.dnr.sc.gov/index.html |
| **Explanation:** The South Carolina Department of Natural Resources provides information mainly regarding boating, hunting and fishing in South Carolina. It lists different areas for each and even provides various licensing applications. |
### State-by-State Guide to Transportation Assistance

**Purpose:** To provide a list of transportation assistance to persons in need.

**Contact:** [http://bulletin.aarp.org/yourworld/gettingaround/articles/state-by-state_guide.html](http://bulletin.aarp.org/yourworld/gettingaround/articles/state-by-state_guide.html)

**Explanation:**
The State-by-State Guide to Transportation Assistance provides a list of each state and links as to the different transportation systems offered.

### Tel-A-Ride

**Purpose:** To provide transportation to people with disabilities.

**Contact:**
3664 Leeds Avenue  
Carter Building  
North Charleston, SC 29405  
(843) 747-0007  
Fax: (843) 747-1688  
TTY: (843) 747-0007  
[www.ridecarta.com](http://www.ridecarta.com)

**Explanation:**
Tel-A-Ride provides ADA complimentary para-transit services for Charleston Area Regional Transportation Authority (CARTA). For information regarding eligibility and services, please contact the number above.

### ThinkSafe Driver Training

**Purpose:** To assist people with obtaining their learner’s permit as well as a driver’s license.

**Contact:**  
540 St. Andrews Road (Suite 116)  
Columbia, SC 29210  
Telephone: (803) 397 – 6582  
Fax: (888) 210-9655  
Email: whitney@thinksafedriving.com

**Explanation:**
Offers driver training classes and road training to help those who need their driver’s license. They cater to the Columbia, Irmo, Lexington, Chapin, West Columbia, and surrounding areas. Classes are on Saturdays from 8:30 – 5:30 p.m and behind – the – wheel training consists of 6 hours with driving instructor. Please call the number listed in the contact information to find out more information on fees and to schedule a class.
## Vann Mann Mobility

**Purpose:**
Private vehicle modification and equipment for people with physical disabilities.

**Contact:**
- Address: 2546 Leaphart Road, West Columbia, SC 29169
- Phone: (803) 791-7791
- Fax: (803) 791-7191

**Explanation:**
Offers private vehicle modification and other necessary accessories and tools for those with physical disabilities. Vann Mann accepts Medicaid waivers.

## Walton Rehabilitation Hospital—Goalls Program

**Purpose:**
To increase the quality of life through leisure skills and assistive devices.

**Contact:**
- Address: 1355 Independence Drive, Augusta, GA 30901-1037
- Phone: (706) 724-7746
- Fax: (706) 823-5292
- Toll Free: 1-866-492-5866
- Email: jthompson@wrh.org
- Website: www.wrh.org

**Explanation:**
The Walton Sports and Leisure programs consist of G.O.A.L.L.S. (Going Over and Above Life’s Limitations Successfully!) and Blaze Sports programs. Each program is specifically designed to enhance the quality of life for individuals of all ages with different abilities and offer the opportunity to get back into various activities with and without adaptation. Programs include:
- Camp TBI: An overnight summer camp designed to give children with an acquired brain injury a chance to experience a safe camping experience.
- Adaptive golf clinic: Golf skills are taught to persons of all ages with disabilities to either get them back out on the golf course or teach them golf for the very first time.
- Winners of Wheels: A scouting type program for children ages 6 to 16 in wheelchairs.

All programs are free for the persons with disabilities.

## Wheelchair Getaways of South Carolina

**Purpose:**
To provide quality service transportation to persons with disabilities.

**Contact:**
- Address: 2 Livingston Terrace, Greenville, SC 29067
- Phone: (864) 329-1644
- Fax: (864) 329-1644
- Toll Free: 1-866-288-8118
- Email: wcgsc@hotmail.sc
- Website: www.wheelchairgetaways.com

**Explanation:**
Wheelchair Getaways of SC rents wheelchair-accessible vans to wheelchair users by the day, week, month or year. They offer late model full size and mini-vans with wheelchair lifts and ramps. Vans can be delivered to the door anywhere in South Carolina for a reasonable delivery fee. Additional office located in Charleston, SC; please contact the toll free number for more information regarding additional office.