

WHEELS TO WORK

- Wheels to Work – is a hub-based, ride-to-work transit program designed to meet the needs of employers in the West Michigan Area and its employees. Hope Network and The Rapid in conjunction with area organizations are partnering to provide affordable and reliable transportation to and from work.
- We cover all 3 shifts.
- Yes, we are expanding to other areas.



Wheels to Work – a hub based transportation program, has been a partner in providing success with area employers and employees. This program allows West Michigan businesses to provide a reliable means of transportation to all employees, including those that depend upon public transportation.

Often businesses are not on a bus line. This results in many potential employees not able to take a job offer. Wheels to Work solves this problem by providing affordable transportation from home to work and back home again. Additionally, if an employee doesn't have reliable or affordable transportation, absenteeism increases. This puts their job at risk.

In one case, an employee at a large manufacturing plant in the area was having difficulty paying for his rides to-and-from work. Due to this, his job was in jeopardy. He had missed a number of days. This employee was paying **\$40.00 per day** via taxi to get to work! He and his employer joined Wheels to Work. His transportation bill **went from \$200.00 per week to \$30.00 per week!** That is a savings of \$170.00 per week.

Now, the employee is very happy to have such a savings and a shorter ride to-and-from work each day. His employer is extremely happy to know that this employee is reliably getting to work every day.