

1. Project title: **Aging in Place: Intermodal Transportation and Options for Meeting the Unmet Transportation Needs of Nonmetropolitan Older Adults**
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**7. Project description:**

The purpose of this study will be to catalog different models of elder transportation across the country, in communities of varying population densities, and use that information to design a nationwide survey of older adults' transportation needs. The survey will ask participants about their activities outside the home and immediate neighborhood. Next, they will be asked to consider alternative forms of transportation that might supplement or replace personal driving, while maximizing independence. Next, respondents will be asked to evaluate the accessibility, affordability, and convenience of alternative forms of transportation. Transfer between transportation systems, (i.e., public versus private, and short versus longer distance) will be a significant component of the survey. Economical, environmentally friendly systems could be set up to coordinate transportation to large medical centers.

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