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DuRide Reaches Milestone - 60,000 rides

The 60,000th DuRide ride will be provided *Thursday, November 12*. The 50,000th ride was provided February 2, 2015, and the 40,000th was provided April 8, 2014. DuRide was founded in 2008. Since then, *29,000 hours and 311,000 miles* have been provided.

DURIDE HISTORY	RIDES	MEMBERS	VOLUNTEERS
2008	57	34	16
2009	2,903	93	78
2010	5,905	145	106
2011	8,450	186	126
2012	9,259	208	126
2013	10,603	216	141
2014	11,830	244	155
2015 YTD	10,538	256	163
Plus ride on Nov 1-12			
TOTAL RIDES	60,000		

The 60,000th ride will be provided on Thursday, November 12. The exact time will be known noon Wednesday after all ride requests are processed.

DuRide is a non-profit organization that provides rides for members age 65 and older who can no longer drive, by matching ride requests with available volunteers.

Volunteers use their own personal vehicles, and no special license, training or insurance is needed.

Door-to-door service is provided 7 days a week, including all holidays in Asbury, East Dubuque and Dubuque.

<u>VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!</u> Volunteering is easy and flexible. Volunteers provide rides only when it is convenient, and a typical ride takes about 30 minutes.

Volunteers range in age from 23 to 84, and the average volunteer has been with DuRide 4.1 years. A record 163 people now volunteer for DuRide. A background check is done for new volunteers, and a short orientation session is required.

For further information about DuRide call 451-4999 or visit the web site at www.duride.org.