



Melinda J. Metzger
Executive Director

December 1, 2025

Ms. Mary A. Keating
Director, Department of Community Services
DuPage County
421 N. County Farm Road
Wheaton, IL 60187

Dear Ms. Keating:

Enclosed are two original Intergovernmental Agreements for Paratransit Service between the County of DuPage and Pace and two original Intergovernmental Agreements for the Senior Grant Program between the County of DuPage and Pace.

Please sign all four originals and send one fully executed original copy of each agreement to my attention for our files.

Our mutual cooperation will provide a good service for the citizens of your area.

Sincerely,

Signature on file

Melinda J. Metzger
Executive Director

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Enclosures

INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENT FOR PARATRANSIT SERVICE – SENIOR GRANT PROGRAM

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The parties have caused this Agreement to be executed by their respective duly authorized signatory on the dates below.

PACE

By: **Signature on file**
Signature 

Print Name: **Melinda J. Metzger**

Print Title: **Executive Director**

Date: **12/1/2025**

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