

Dear W.C.,

I moved out of the homeless shelter last month after finally finding a job that pays me enough to support myself and my daughter, if we live very carefully. My biggest concern at the time is my car. It has over 100,000 miles on it and the check engine light turned on today. I do not have any money for a repair or a new car. I received an estimate for the repairs needed, and it is far more than I could ever afford. I do not want to risk losing this wonderful new job due to unreliable transportation. We will for sure end up back in the homeless shelter if I do. I was told The Time is Now to Help is sometimes able to provide cars to working families. Could we please be considered for your transportation assistance program? The last thing I want to do is put my daughter through becoming homeless again.

Dear W.C.,

I recently escaped an abusive relationship and, in the process, lost my car. My ex had put my car in his name and taken control of all our finances. I have been left trying to get by on my own income, without any savings, which does not include enough money for a vehicle. I cannot afford to pay for rides to work every day and I have no one that can drive me. Please help me regain my independence with the help of reliable transportation.

Dear W.C.,

My family is going through a very difficult time since we lost our vehicle last month. My wife was sick and missed work for eight weeks, which caused us to fall behind in all our expenses, including her car payment. We never thought her car would be repossessed but it was. Now that she is well again and ready to return to work, she does not have any transportation. We work the same hours but 30 miles apart in opposite directions, so it is very hard for us to share a car. We used all our savings to get by while she was sick and are still behind in our utilities. There are no funds to purchase a used car. I am sure you receive a lot of requests for help, so I am humbly asking for your consideration.

These are just a few of the recent requests we have received for transportation assistance. It would be impossible for us to answer every request for a vehicle that we receive, so very careful consideration must be given to who receives this help. We give priority to working poor families and single mothers that need transportation for jobs. They gain the most benefit from assistance with reliable transportation.

A lack of transportation can make all the difference between hunger, access to medical care and safe shelter. For working single mothers, it provides the ability to work and support their families, often on one income. For the handicapped it provides access to medical care and other services that would be unachievable without a wheelchair accessible van.

For many years we have been providing transportation assistance by facilitating car donations to those in need, purchasing used vehicles, providing car repairs, new tires and auto maintenance. We have found it to be one of the areas we see the largest return on our

investment in our fellow creation's futures. For us, the past has shown reliable transportation matched with a determined spirit often equals success.

For the three requesters of vehicles featured above, we worked hard to find solutions to their transportation difficulties. One was provided a reasonable car repair by one of our trusted repair shops when the estimate she had received was found to be taking advantage of a single hardworking mother. After a thorough review, two used cars were provided to the other requests for assistance. The single mother remains employed and independent since she has received the gift of a used car. The working family also remains employed and free of the expense of driving in opposite directions while being in fear of being late to work.

Thank you for providing the gift of reliable transportation to these people during such a difficult time. This has saved them from certain progression into poverty and an uncertain future. God Bless You for your support that made this assistance and all our poverty relief efforts possible.

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