

Each host congregation is responsible for safely transporting its guests between their facility and Room In The Inn's downtown Campus. It is not necessary for congregations to own large vehicles to host Room In The Inn. In fact, many do not! No matter the type of transportation used, drivers set the tone for the night and leave the last impression on guests as they return in the morning.



### CONGREGATION-OWNED VEHICLE

Some congregations share with a neighboring congregation or organization



### RENTAL VEHICLE

Rent a van to be driven by your own volunteers



### TAXI OR CAR SERVICE

Some cab companies have given special discounts to Room In The Inn congregations.



### PERSONAL VEHICLES

Cars, vans, SUVs, trucks! Some downtown-area congregations make multiple trips.

## Transportation Tips

- Remember to plan on space for guests' luggage. Some congregations have used special trailers for bags.
- Save space in the front seat for guests who have difficulties with mobility.
- Have drivers help load vehicles in an orderly way, starting in the back.
- If you are running late, notify the Room In The Inn staff by calling 615-251-7019.
- Hospitality starts on the ride to your congregation. Think about offering bottled water, listening to music with wide appeal, or other special touches.
- Prepare your volunteer drivers for what to expect when they arrive at the downtown Campus. A sheet with instructions can be found in the Congregational Handbook, downloadable at [roomintheinn.org](http://roomintheinn.org).
- A few congregations will have their drivers take a photo of the guest roster and send it to those who are waiting so name tags can be made in advance and guests can be welcomed by name.
- Have drivers on-call who are comfortable driving in snowy or icy weather. They may be needed to transport both volunteers and guests.
- Do not transport guests to anywhere other than Room In The Inn's Campus or the congregation. Guests have the chance to make special arrangements for work, etc. with our staff prior to being assigned to a congregation.

Evening Pick-Up 5:15-7:00pm  
Morning Drop-Off 6:00-7:00am

705 Drexel Street  
Nashville, TN 37203

615-251-7019



Room In The Inn volunteers drive over 200,000 miles over the course of the winter season. That's the equivalent of 8 trips around the Earth's equator!

