



City of Chicago

Business Affairs and Consumer Protection

PUBLIC VEHICLE INDUSTRY NOTICE

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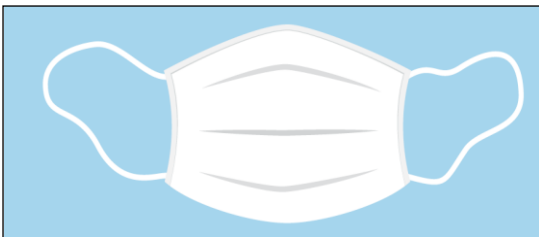
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Visit chicago.gov/reopening for Chicago's industry specific guidelines for business reopening, including "Be Safe. Taxi and Ride Hail - City of Chicago Phase 3 Guidelines".

PPE SUBSIDY FOR TAXICAB INDUSTRY

Earlier this year, the Department of Business Affairs and Consumer Protection (BACP) announced the launch of a new program that offers subsidies to all Chicago's taxicab medallion owners for the purchase the Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) they need to operate safely in Chicago. Under the program, **the City is making available \$200 per taxicab per year for reimbursements for face coverings, gloves, disinfecting products, partitions and other PPE products and service.**

Licensed Taxicab Medallion Holders and Taxi Affiliations are eligible to apply [here](#) for reimbursement today through a form which can be found on BACP's website. To be eligible, taxicabs must be in good standing with the PACE Taxi Access Program (TAP), through which paratransit customers travel via taxicab at reduced rates for trips originating within the City of Chicago. Applicants can receive reimbursement of up to \$200 per taxicab for PPE. **Items eligible for reimbursement include but are not limited to:**



- **Masks**
- **Gloves**
- **Hand Sanitizer**
- **Cleaning Products and Services**
- **Plastic or Vinyl Partitions**
- **Partition Installation Costs**

To assist taxicabs and all business owners secure affordable PPE supplies from verified sources, the City has partnered with local startup Rheaply to launch "Chicago PPE Market", a program that will facilitate access to PPE for Chicago's small businesses and nonprofits. Chicago-based organizations will be able to connect with a network of local manufacturers and suppliers to access protective shields, reusable face masks, hand sanitizer and other products at cost-controlled rates via chicagoppemarket.com. Buyers can register for the Chicago PPE Market here and then check their email for a link to access the online platform.

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- ▶ For questions, comments, or to join the Business Affairs and Consumer Protection-Public Vehicle Operations (BACPPV) e-mail list to receive industry notices and other news, send an email to BACPPV@cityofchicago.org.
 - ▶ Rules and Regulations governing City of Chicago licensed public vehicles and public chauffeurs are available at chicago.gov/bacp.
 - ▶ The Municipal Code of Chicago is available at www.amlegal.com.

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