

### Council Presentation 2016

Good evening. I'm Sharron Roberts, chairman of Special Transportation Services Society, or STSS.

Mayor Katchur and members of city council, thank you for allowing me to speak to you this evening. Some of my board members are here with me this evening.

As you know, we have been function since 1980, providing subsidized transportation for seniors, disabled, chronically ill, and some short term disabilities. Our taxi service with Driving Miss Daisy is used by the majority of our clients, but we also have the wheelchair accessible vans for those unable to access the taxi service.

Our services remain in demand. DMD averages 346 in town and 80 out of town trips every month. The handivan averages 87 in town and 21 out of town trips every month

As our handivan is 11 years old, we purchased another MV1. As the MV1 is more economical to run, and the demand for the larger van is minimal, we felt this was a better use of our funds. As the new MV1 is now here, we will be selling the handivan. As we had already raised most of the funds for the new van, we did not have a fundraising drive this year. We had our second casino in August, and are now waiting for the proceeds to pay the remainder of the costs. The board would like to thank Arjun for his help at the casino.

We have seen an increase in the need of some clients to require a full subsidy when using our services.

We continue to need more board members, so some members are doing more than 1 duty.

We did receive an honor this year. Gail Steeves nominated our board for the Senior Services award. We were 1 of 8 groups or individuals to receive a special award at Government House in September. Thank you Gail.

Although we are not requesting a budget increase, we wanted to share all our good news with you.

Are there any questions?

Respectfully submitted,

Sharron Roberts.