

Accessible transportation, can it be on-demand

Presentation abstract

Open Doors Organization (ODO) operates Open Taxis, the only "on-demand" accessible transportation company in the world. In Chicago Open Taxis operates 325 wheelchair accessible taxis using app and phone order placing systems. There is high demand for accessible transportation and by using regulated taxis Open Taxis has been able to create enough demand with incentives to provide the entire Chicago area on-demand accessible transportation. ODO also conducts driver training for rideshare companies by teaching them that you do not necessarily need an accessible vehicle to offer transportation. ODO is responsible for product and training development. Product concept was designed to satisfy need for immediate inclusion of people with disabilities in rideshare transportation. The training gives rideshare drivers the tools and skills necessary to help people with disabilities who do not need fully accessible vehicle.

Lead speaker : Eric Lipp

Organisation : Open Doors Organization

City (Country) : Chicago(USA)

Biography : Eric Lipp is the founder and Executive Director of Open Doors Organization a non profit based in Chicago and founded in 2000. He is a frequent speaker on the topic of accessible travel tourism and transportation. He is considered an expert in US Air Carrier Access Act and Americans With Disabilities Act. He also founded Open Taxis which dispatches 325 wheelchair accessible taxis and helped found Global Repair Group.

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