Public Transit Week in Nebraska (KLZA)--Governor Pete Ricketts has proclaimed April 8 – 14 as Nebraska Public Transit Week.

Nearly six percent of the homes in Nebraska have no access to a vehicle, representing about 105-thousand people.

Richardson County Transit operates out of the Falls City Senior Center and in 2017 had 5,069 riders traveling nearly 16-thousand miles. The service provides a connection to medical care, education and jobs.

Brenda Guilliams, who manages Richardson County Transit and also serves as one of the drivers says the service is open to the general public with no age restrictions and no handicap discrimination.

While a majority of the riders are within Falls City, you can use the service to go out of town. Wednesday's and Thursday's rides are offered to other towns in Richardson County and there are regularly scheduled trips to Lincoln and Omaha. In addition, you can also use the service for a ride to see a doctor in Auburn.

A ride from your home to a business in Falls City is \$1.50 and if you ride from business-to-business the cost if just 50-cents.

During Public Transit Week, those riding will have a chance to win some prizes as a thank you through various contests that are being sponsored.

Southeast Nebraska Community Action partners with both Richardson and Pawnee County to provide low-cost public transportation programs to local residents.

For more information on the program or to schedule a ride, In Richardson County call 402-245-3664. In Pawnee County call 402-852-2208.

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