**Full-time Paratransit Operator**

**Hourly Rate:** $13.84 - $17.43

**Agency:** Des Moines Area Regional Transit Authority

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**Job Description:** Provide transportation for senior citizens and persons with disabilities living in Polk County who are functionally unable to independently use the regular DART bus service get to their medical appointments, the grocery store, and other miscellaneous trips. You may be required to provide assistance from the door of a house of building to the bus and back.

**Job Qualifications:**

* 21 years of age or older
* Must possess a High School Diploma/GED or equivalent.
* Be able to earn a valid Iowa Commercial Driver's License w/Air Brake and Passenger endorsements.
* Physical exam, DOT drug screen and background check required.

**Knowledge, Skills, and Abilities**

* General knowledge of the Greater Des Moines Area
* Ability to understand and navigate the city, suburbs and county streets and landmarks.
* Ability to communicate effectively with supervisors regarding construction, weather, traffic, construction, and trip changes
* Ability to follow direction
* Skill of providing excellent customer service
* Flexible schedule

**Additional Job Information**

DART quickly implemented a variety of measures to promote health and safety of our employees and riders. These precautions will continue until further notice, and include:

* Barrier between the driver and passengers
* Daily cleaning and sanitizing of all DART vehicles, and common spaces of DART's facilities
* Providing employees with protective materials, including sanitizer, gloves, and masks
* Requiring all riders wear masks when on board a DART bus, or when waiting for a bus at DART Central Station or at a bus stop with other riders
* Asking riders and employees to practice safe social distancing whenever possible

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