

# **The Shopper Service**

## **a program of Special Mobility Services**

### **The Problem**

- Critical caregiver shortages for vulnerable seniors
- Unpredictable and rising gas prices
- Food deserts: this lack of access to fresh, healthy food contributes to poor diets and leads to obesity and chronic diseases such as diabetes and heart disease.
- A lack of transportation services fitted for large amounts of goods and groceries.

### **The Solution**

By first attacking the lack of transportation to grocery stores in a program that utilizes volunteers and pays for gas reimbursement we are able to decrease program costs dramatically.

### **The Result**

- Increased mobility to farmers' markets, grocery stores and pharmacies.
- Promoting independent living for seniors and people living with disabilities.
- Passengers benefit from new relationships and increased support networks in vulnerable housing complexes.

## **Impact and Scalability**

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**Each donation of 250.00 provides the gas for up to 100 rides.**

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**Each donation of \$40,000 provides the program to 10 more vulnerable housing complexes for one year.**

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