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Pontiac, Mich. – Oakland County, in collaboration with SMART (Suburban Mobility Authority for Regional Transportation), is launching a groundbreaking pilot program aimed at providing free transit for veterans.

The transportation program will offer door-to-door service throughout Oakland County Monday-Friday between the hours of 6 a.m. and 9 p.m. Weekend transit services will vary by provider. The pilot program will run from June 1 to Aug. 31, or until the allocated funds are exhausted. Personal care assistants, widows and widowers of veterans may also ride for free. Veterans need only show their DD214, veterans ID from the Oakland County Clerk's Office, or veteran designation on their driver's license to get a ride. To schedule a trip, call 248-419-7984.

"This service is a small way that we can honor the huge sacrifice our veterans have made for all of us," County Executive Dave Coulter said. "Veterans and their families can access essential services this summer without worrying about the financial cost of transportation."