HALF-FARE PROGRAM APPLICATION

I am applying for a SunLine Half-Fare I.D. Card because:

__/ I am 60 years or older.
   To qualify applicant must provide a current government-issued photo identification that shows proof of age, such as:
   • Department of Motor Vehicle Driver's License
   • Department of Motor Vehicle Senior I.D.
   • Photo Identification that verifies birth date

__/ I have a disability.
   Is the disability permanent? ___/ Yes ___/ No
   If No, please estimate the number of months of temporary disability _____
   To qualify applicant must provide current government-issued photo identification and one of the following as proof of disability:
   • Medicare Card
   • SunLine ADA Certification Card
   • SSI Award Letter
   • SSDI Award Letter
   • Veterans Administration Letter for minimum 50% disability
   • Physician Verification of Disability Form* completed by physician

* Physician Verification of Disability Form:
   This form must be completed and signed by your doctor. You may print this form located on our website www.sunline.org or request this form in person at SunLine Transit Agency, 32-505 Harry Oliver Trail, Thousand Palms, CA

THE HALF-FARE I.D. CARD IS VALID FOR:
♦ Five years – seniors 60+ years
♦ Three years – persons with permanent disabilities
♦ One year – persons with disabilities

BE PREPARED to show your SunLine Half-Fare I.D. to buy passes or pay to ride SunBus at the discounted rate.

Fraudulently obtaining, copying or using identification cards to ride the bus at a reduced rate is a crime and will be prosecuted according to appropriate federal and state law.

The Federal Transit Administration’s (FTA) definition for an “elderly person” is any individual 65+ years and/or issued a Medicare card pursuant to Title II or Title XVII of the Social Security Act. Please note that SunLine’s definition for an “elderly person” is 60+ years.
SunLine Transit Agency has established a Half-Fare program based on the Federal Transit Administration’s guidelines. This program is for seniors, 60 years or older, or persons with disabilities who are able to ride SunLine’s fixed routes on SunBus.

If you are 60 years and older, or disabled, you can take advantage of SunLine’s Half-Fare Program. However, you must show proper identification to the coach operator when boarding. Listed below are the types of identification cards that are accepted.

**Government Issue ID / Medicare Card.**

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**To qualify for the Senior Half-Fare I.D. card,** the applicant must present current (not expired) government-issued photo identification as proof of age.

- Department of Motor Vehicle Driver’s License
- Department of Motor Vehicle Senior I.D.
- Photo Identification that verifies birth date

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**To qualify for the Disabled/Medicare Half-Fare I.D. card,** the applicant must present current (not expired) government-issued photo identification and one of the following:

- Medicare Card
- SunLine ADA Certification Card
- SSI Award Letter
- SSDI Award Letter
- Veterans Administration Letter for minimum 50% disability
- Physician Verification of Disability Form* completed by physician

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**To apply for this program,** submit the completed Half-Fare Program Application in person by visiting our Thousand Palms Administrative Office located at 32-505 Harry Oliver Trail, Thousand Palms, CA, Monday to Friday 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. You must bring current proof of age or disability. A photo will be taken.

Applicants may also call Customer Service at 760-343-3451 to inquire about our Community Outreach dates and locations.

If you meet the eligibility requirements for the program, your I.D. card will be mailed to you at the address provided on the application.

If you are determined ineligible, a letter stating that determination will be mailed to you.

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