In January 1997, the Ottawa County Board of Developmental Disabilities (OCBDD) was awarded a transportation coordination grant from the Ohio Department of Transportation and became the lead agency to coordinate transportation with other human service agencies. A total of thirteen agencies participated in the coordination project which resulted in the creation of the Ottawa County Transportation Agency (OCTA). The OCBDD became the centralized office for scheduling, dispatching, and billing. The project began operating with a fleet of 16 vehicles and a staff of 4 administrative personnel, 12 drivers, and 1 mechanic. The coordination project team also set the goal of becoming a Rural Transit system by January of 2000.

In July of 1999, the Ottawa County Commissioners named OCBDD as the designated grantee of state and federal funds for the operation of a public transit system. They also named a seven member Advisory Board for OCTA with a designation period schedule to end in December of 2002.

On July 11, 2002 the Commissioners created a seven-member County Transit Board. The OCBDD then transitioned staff, vehicles, equipment, and funding to the Ottawa County Transit Board to begin our rural public transit system.

The official start date for the Ottawa County Transit Board was January 1, 2003.
OCTA's Mission

OCTA PROVIDES QUALITY, ACCESSIBLE, COST EFFECTIVE, AND SAFE PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION FOR OTTAWA COUNTY.

The Ottawa County Transportation Agency (OCTA) is Ottawa County's public transit system. OCTA provides curb-to-curb, advanced reservation, shared ride service to anyone in the Ottawa County, within our hours of operation, to any destination in our service area.

OCTA helps people
Maintain their Independence

2014 EXPENSES

- $000,481, 12%
- $94,179, 11%
- $2,033,571, 77%
- $20,000, 1%
- Capital Expenses
- Operating Expenses
- Administrative Expenses

2014 REVENUE

- $187,433, 7%
- $646,356, 38%
- $161,209, 6%
- Federal
- State
- Local
- Passenger Fares
- Contract Revenue
- Other Revenue

2014 ACCOMPLISHMENTS

- OCTA provided 94,293 passenger trips.
- OCTA logged 866,690 service miles and 41,417 service hours.
- OCTA averaged 2.6 passenger trips per hour.
- The cost per passenger trip was $20.92.
- The cost per passenger mile was $2.64.