

Vote No on Chicago's New Rideshare Ordinance

A new ordinance could dramatically increase costs for riders & limit access to affordable transportation, at a time where inflation is at a 40-year high and our economies are recovering from the impact of the global pandemic.

The rideshare ordinance recently introduced in Chicago threatens to limit access to affordable transportation and the flexibility upon which drivers depend.

Similar ordinances in other cities have had unintended effects on drivers, while drastically increasing costs for riders.

SEATTLE'S MINIMUM PAY ORDINANCE INCREASED PRICES FOR RIDERS BY MORE THAN 50%¹

As families struggle with rising prices of everyday necessities, now is not the right time to add to transportation costs.²

Since it first launched in Chicago, rideshare has helped to equalize transportation and offer more access to affordable transit for riders in areas taxis did not service and in which the CTA had limited reach. Riders across Chicago report relying on rideshare for important needs³:



74%

Chicagoans report using Lyft when planning to drink or use a substance that could impair ability to drive



49%

Chicagoans report using Lyft to commute to and from work



63%

Chicagoans reported using Lyft for healthcare services



37%

Rides start or end in low-income areas

¹ <https://www.kiro7.com/news/local/uber-lyft-prices-up-significantly-seattle/KZDMDPNIGVGNDKVVW6BN7XB5GB4/>

² <https://chicago.suntimes.com/city-hall/2022/2/22/22946491/uber-lyft-drivers-pay-surge-pricing-proposed-city-ordinance-wage-increase-roderick-sawyer>

³ <https://www.lyft.com/impact/economic-impact-report>

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In addition to equalizing access to transportation for riders, app-based platforms also create more equitable income-earning opportunities.

A RECENT STUDY FOUND DRIVERS IN CHICAGO ARE MAKING ON AVERAGE \$35/HOUR AFTER EXPENSES⁴

A vast majority turn to driving to make extra money when and where their schedule allows.

A survey conducted by ALG research⁵ of app-based drivers in Chicago concludes that drivers are overwhelmingly satisfied with their jobs, while their earnings reach double Chicago's minimum wage:



≈50%

Drivers work less than 9 hours/week; another 38% work less than 29 hours/week



75%

Drivers report being satisfied with driving and their financial situation



63%

Drivers say they would stop driving with app-based platforms if they lost their independence

Let's continue to protect rideshare drivers and riders by rejecting this unfair ordinance.

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Visit www.IndependentworkIL.org to learn more.

⁴ <https://chicago.suntimes.com/2022/3/24/22993114/rideshare-drivers-uber-earnings-analysis-aeg-tyler-theile-op-ed>

⁵ <https://www.politico.com/f/?id=00000179-a1ea-d12b-ad7f-bdff7ae0000>