



**Welcome from NAPO Chicago Chapter! We've assembled this "Know Before You Go" information to help plan your travel for the [NAPO 2018 Retreat](#). For updates and more info, please check the ["host city" page on our chapter website](#).**



**Location:** Please note, the [Q Center](#) in St. Charles, is in the far west suburbs, 45 Miles from Downtown Chicago (The Loop). Travel distance to the Q Center is 35 miles from O'Hare Airport, and 50 miles from Midway Airport. Please consider this in your time and travel planning.

**Traffic and Timing:** Depending on your arrival time, your travel times to Chicago or the Q Center will vary depending on traffic. During rush hours, travel times can be double or more. Typical Chicago traffic starts to slow each day around 6am, with congestion clearing at 10am. In the evenings, traffic begins to slow starting at 3pm, and subsides in most places around 7pm.

Google Maps estimated travel times for reference:

From O'Hare to Q Center: 40 minutes - 1 hour

From Midway to Q Center: 50 minutes - 1 1/2 hours

**Transportation to and from Airports:** Arranged and shared ride services are generally more economical than a taxi for transportation from the Chicago airports (Midway and O'Hare). Local driver, app-based ride services (Uber & Lyft) also offer options for shared transportation to and from airports.

**Taxi:** in addition to on-demand available Taxis at the airports, you can consult [Curb](#), and official taxi app for City of Chicago. The Curb site offers travel and pricing information for 10 local taxi companies.

**Uber:** for info on the Uber app and services and Uber Cab in Chicago [click here](#). On this Uber Chicago site you can search airport ride options and pricing. (samples below):

Uber from O'Hare to Q Center: \$95-\$125 Uber Select 1-4 seat vehicle, \$173-\$227 for 6 seat SUV, and \$141 - \$187 for Uber Black (high end service with professional driver)

Uber from Midway to Q Center: \$114-\$149 Uber Select 1-4 seat vehicle, \$208-\$274 for 6 seat SUV, and \$170-\$225 for Uber Black.

**Lyft:** for info on the Lyft app and services in Chicago [click here](#). You can also search online for discount [promo codes](#) if you are new to the service. On the Lyft website, you can search airport ride options and pricing (samples below):

Lyft from O'Hare to Q Center: estimated range \$59 for 1-2 seat vehicle, \$213 for 6 seat SUV.

Lyft from Midway Airport to Q Center: Estimated range \$71 for 1-2 seat vehicle, \$260 for 6 seat SUV

**A1 Limo:** [A1 Airport Limousine Service](#) is the Q Center's preferred transportation provider, and the [Business Center](#) can coordinate pick-ups, taking advantage of shared ride rates. Attendees requesting transportation will receive a confirmation number and airport arrival instructions directly from the hired car service 72 hours prior to their arrival. Attendees pay driver directly for car service.

**American Coach Limousine:** [American Coach Limo](#) offers economy and full size rates, and [5% discount for booking reservations online](#). See sample prices below (not including gratuity and taxes):

From O'Hare to St. Charles:

Economy Car: \$69, Full Size Car: \$75

Luxury Car: \$79, Luxury SUV: \$95

Stretch Limo: \$122

10 passenger van: \$163, 14 passenger van: \$197

From Midway to St. Charles:

Economy Car: \$82, Full Size: \$92

Luxury Car: \$86, Luxury SUV: \$102

Stretch Limo: \$143

10 passenger van: \$152, 14 passenger van: \$177

**Your Private Limousine Inc:** [Your Private Limo](#) offers economy and luxury rates as well as vans and buses for group options to and from the airports. In addition, they offer hourly rates if you want to [tour & visit downtown Chicago](#), or any other areas in Chicagoland. Rates shown are all inclusive (even including driver gratuity so there are no surprises). Rates from the airports are slightly higher than return trips, due to airport tax on arrivals.

From O'Hare to St. Charles:

Sedan (1 - 3 passengers): \$102.40

SUV (1 - 6 passengers): \$121.60

Limo (1 - 8 passengers): \$146.80

14 passenger Van: \$267.00

14 passenger Mini Bus: \$323.25

23 passenger Bus: \$370.13

39 passenger Bus: \$781.75

From St. Charles to O'Hare

\$98.40

\$117.60

\$142.80

\$231.00

\$287.25

\$334.13

\$727.75

From Midway to St. Charles:

Sedan (1 - 3 passengers): \$120.40

SUV (1 - 6 passengers): \$138.40

Limo (1 - 8 passengers): \$163.60

14 passenger Van: \$267.00

From St. Charles to Midway

\$116.40

\$134.40

\$159.60

\$231.00

14 passenger Mini Bus: \$338.87	\$302.87
23 passenger Bus: \$373.25	\$337.25
39 passenger Bus: \$350.50	\$296.50

Rates from St. Charles to Chicago (Point to Point):

Sedan \$105.60, SUV \$123.60, Limo \$147.60

14 passenger Van \$225.00, 14 passenger Mini Bus \$337.50

Hourly Rates (2 hour minimum):

Sedan \$69.60, SUV \$90, Limo \$126

14 passenger Van \$118.75, 14 passenger Mini Bus \$112.50

23 passenger Bus \$131.25, 39 passenger Bus \$143.75

**Public Transportation to and from Downtown Chicago**

**Metra Train:** Metra is a commuter railroad in the Chicago metropolitan area. 11 suburban commuter train lines from several downtown Chicago terminals. Rush hour service is frequent; otherwise every 1 to 2 hours. Most routes run daily.

Rail service runs between the [Ogilvie Transportation Center](#) (Chicago OTC) in downtown Chicago and Geneva. Geneva is located 5 miles south of the Q Center in St. Charles. Current fare is \$8.25 each way and is a 1-1.25 hour trip between Chicago OTC and [Geneva](#), IL. ( approx 5 miles from Q Center).

**CTA Bus & Trains:** The [CTA](#) operates the nation's second largest public transportation system and covers the City of Chicago and 35 surrounding suburbs. CTA runs buses (routes 1 to 206) and elevated/subway trains serving the city and 35 nearby suburbs. Most routes run daily through late evening, every 10 to 20 minutes.

**Downtown Transit Sightseeing Guide:** Click to download a downtown Chicago map with popular destinations: [Downtown Transit Sightseeing Guide](#) (PDF)

**St. Charles area Tourism Information:**

Check out these websites for information on the St. Charles area.

<http://www.visitstcharles.com/>

<http://www.westsuburbanliving.net/February-2018/St-Charles-Town-Focus/>