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### **SECTION 1: DEVELOPMENT PLAN**

### **INTRODUCTION**

The following report, entitled Lake County Transportation Disadvantaged Service Plan (TDSP) is a major update and fulfills the requirements of the Florida Commission for the Transportation Disadvantaged (CTD) as it relates to the TDSP, which requires each Community Transportation Coordinator (CTC) submit a TDSP, or an annually updated tactical plan that includes the following components for the local transportation disadvantaged (TD) program:

- (1) Development Plan;
- (2) Service Plan including Cost/Revenue Allocation and Rate Structure Justification; and
- (3) Quality Assurance

The annual update of the Lake County TDSP is a coordinated effort between the Lake~Sumter Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) and the Lake County CTC with the guidance and approval of the Lake County Transportation Disadvantaged Coordinating Board (TDCB).

The TDSP also serves as the Locally Coordinated Human Services Transportation Plan (LCHSTP) for the Lake County area, as required by the Federal Transit Administration (FTA) for funding under its Job Access and Reverse Commute (JARC), New Freedom (NF) and Elderly Individuals and Individuals with Disabilities Programs. The TDSP fulfills the FCTD requirements for the TDSP submittal and FTA requirements for and LCHSTP.

# 1. BACKGROUND OF THE TRANSPORTATION DISADVANTAGED PROGRAM

### **Transportation Disadvantaged**

The purpose of this section is to provide information about the organization and development of Florida's Transportation Disadvantaged Program.

The Florida Coordinated Transportation System (FCTS) was created in 1979 with the enactment of Chapter 427, F.S. Chapter 427 defines TD as:

"...those persons who because of physical or mental disability, income status, or age are unable to transport themselves or to purchase transportation and are, therefore, dependent upon others to obtain access to health care, employment, education, shopping, social activities, or children who are handicapped or high-risk or at-risk as defined in Section 411.202, Florida Statutes."

The statewide TD program was developed in order to better coordinate existing TD services sponsored by social and human service agencies. The purpose of coordination is to provide transportation services in a manner that is cost-effective, efficient and reduces fragmentation and duplication of services.

The 1979, Chapter 427, *Florida Statutes*, created the Coordinating Council for the Transportation Disadvantaged within the Department of Transportation to foster the coordination of transportation services.

In 1989, the Florida Legislature reviewed and amended Chapter 427, *Florida Statutes*. As a result of the amendment an independent Commission was created along with a first-time dedicated trust fund. Through Chapter 427, *Florida Statutes*, and Rule 41-2, *Florida Administrative Code*, the Commission for the Transportation Disadvantaged (CTD) is responsible for accomplishing the coordination of transportation services provided to the transportation disadvantaged individuals in the State of Florida.

The following sections identify each of the major components of Florida's Transportation Disadvantaged Program.

# Florida Commission for the Transportation Disadvantaged (CTD)

The CTD is an independent state-level commission reporting directly to the Governor and the Legislature. The 1989 revisions assigned the Commission to the Florida Department of Transportation for administrative and fiscal accountability purposes. The CTD is responsible for establishing policies, procedures and standards for the delivery of statewide coordinated transportation disadvantaged services; administering the Transportation Disadvantaged Trust Fund; providing statewide training and technical assistance to local partners in establishing coordinated transportation systems, managing contracts, and developing a five-year plan to address the transportation needs of transportation disadvantaged person.

The CTD is comprised of seven members, all of whom are appointed by the Governor. Five of the members must have significant experience in the operation of a business, and it is the intent of the Legislature that, when making an appointment, the Governor selects persons who reflect the broad diversity of the business community in this state, as well as the racial, ethnic, geographical, and gender diversity of the population of this state. Two of the members must have a disability and use the transportation disadvantaged system.

Each member shall represent the needs of the transportation disadvantaged throughout the state. A member may not subordinate the needs of the transportation disadvantaged in general in order to favor the needs of others residing in a specific location in the state. Each member is appointed to a term of four (4) years and may be reappointed for one (1) additional four (4)-year term. Each member must be a resident of the state and a registered voter. At any given time at least one member must be 65 years of age or older.

The Chairperson shall be appointed by the Governor, and the Vice Chairperson of the Commission shall be elected annually from the membership of the Commission.

Page 5 contains an organization chart identifying parties involved in the provision of TD transportation services in Florida.

# **Designated Official Planning Agency**

The Designated Official Planning Agency is appointed by the Commission to assist the Commission at the local level in accomplishing the coordination of transportation services to the transportation disadvantaged. A planning agency may be responsible for multiple service areas. In the urbanized areas of the state, the planning agencies are metropolitan planning organizations (MPOs). In the rural areas of the state, organizations eligible to serve as planning agencies are:

- County or city governments;
- Regional Planning Councils;
- Metropolitan Planning Organizations;
- Local planning organizations that are currently performing planning activities.

The Lake~Sumter Metropolitan Organization began serving as the Planning Agency for Lake County in April, 2005.

The duties of the planning agency include providing sufficient staff support to enable the Coordinating Board to fulfill its responsibilities, procure and recommend a Community Transportation Coordinator to the Commission and coordinate and conduct transportation planning at the local level.

# **Transportation Disadvantaged Coordinating Board (TDCB)**

The purpose of the local coordinating board is to provide advice and direction to the CTC concerning the coordination of transportation services. The Designated Official Planning Agency is responsible for appointing an elected official from Lake County to serve as the official chairperson for all coordinating board meetings. The Vice-Chairperson is elected annually by the voting members of the board. Additional member groups which compose the LCB include:

- A local representative of the Florida Department of Transportation
- A local representative of the Florida Department of Children and Families
- A local representative of the Public Education Community
- A local representative of the Florida Division of Vocational Rehabilitation or the Division of Blind Services, representing the Department of Education

- Veterans Service Office representing the veterans of the County
- Florida Association for Community Action (President) as representing the economically disadvantaged in the County
- A person over sixty years of age representing the elderly in the County
- A person with a disability representing the disabled in the County
- A citizen's advocate representative in Lake County
- A citizen's advocate representative in Lake County, who uses the transportation services
- A local representative for children at risk
- A local representative of the Florida Department of Elder Affairs
- A representative of the local private for profit transportation industry
- A local representative of the Florida Agency for Health Care Administration
- A representative of the Regional Workforce Development
- A representative of the local medical community

The duties include providing guidance for the local coordination of services and to oversee the Community Transportation Coordinator.

# **Community Transportation Coordinator (CTC)**

The Community Transportation Coordinator is responsible for ensuring that coordinated transportation services are provided to serve the transportation disadvantaged. The CTC may provide all or a portion of transportation disadvantaged service in a designated area. CTCs may also subcontract or broker services if it is cost effective and efficient. The CTC is responsible for planning, administration, monitoring, coordination, arrangement and delivery of the coordinated transportation disadvantaged services originating in their designated service area. The CTC for Lake County is the Lake County Board of County Commissioners.

# 2. DESIGNATION DATE/HISTORY

On June 7, 1983, Lake Sumter Mental Health Center and Hospital was designated as the TD Provider for Lake County by the TD Advisory Committee of the Lake County Board of County Commissioners and the East Central Florida Regional Planning Council. In November 1990, Lake Sumter Mental Health Center and Hospital was recommended by the Lake County Board of County Commissioners, which was the County's Designated Official Planning Agency, and approved by the State of Florida CTD to be the CTC for Lake County. In September 1992, Lake Sumter Mental Health Center and Hospital changed its name to LifeStream Behavioral Center (LifeStream).

Beginning in 2001, the Lake County Board of County Commissioners became the County's CTC, and subsequently contracted with LifeStream for the management and provision of TD service in Lake County (which LifeStream provided under the operation of "Lake County Transit"). On November 7, 2003, the CTD extended Lake County's CTC designation until October 30, 2008.

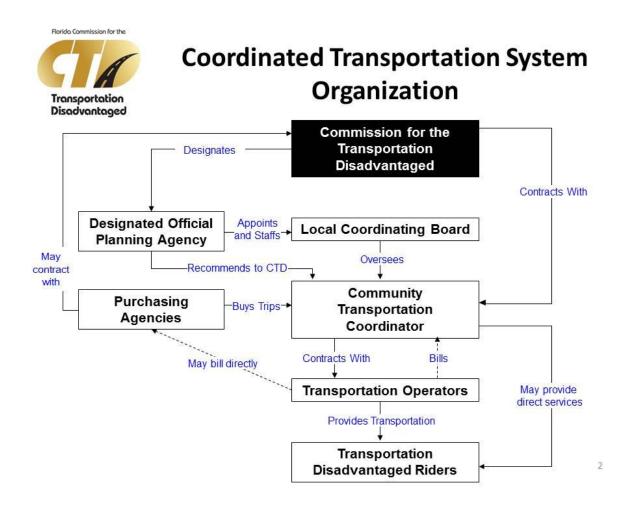
The Lake~Sumter MPO began serving as the Planning Agency for Lake County on April 25, 2005.

On May 3, 2005 the Lake County Board of County Commissioners entered into an agreement with MV Transportation to be its transportation provider. The contract with MV Transportation will end on September 30, 2013.

On March 7, 2013 the CTD extended Lake County's CTC designation effective July 1, 2013 through June 30, 2018.

On July 30, 2013 the Lake County Board of County Commissioners entered into an agreement with Ride-Right, Inc. to be its transportation provider. The agreement will begin on October 1, 2013.

### 3. ORGANIZATION CHART



### 4. SUMMARY OF EXISTING PLANS AND DOCUMENTS

This section provides a summary of existing plans, programs, and documents that are or may be relevant to the preparation of a Transit Development Plan (TDP) and TDSP for Lake County. The purpose of reviewing this information is to ensure consistency, coordination, and understanding of other transportation planning and programming activities that were recently completed or are in the process of being developed.

# Lake County Comprehensive Plan

Florida law requires every incorporated municipality and county to adopt a comprehensive plan that is consistent with the Growth Management Act of 1985. The Growth Management Act requires all comprehensive plans to be consistent with state and regional plans. For communities with a population over 50,000, all comprehensive plans must include a transportation-related element that summarizes the existing and future transportation conditions, how those conditions relate to what the community considers the ideal transportation situation, and how they propose to get there. The Lake County Comprehensive Plan "*Planning Horizon 2030*" is the primary policy document concerning land use, transportation, and other planning categories for the County and was adopted in 2010.

These documents provide information that can be used in preparing the TDP and TDSP, including the following:

- Historical overview of public transportation in Lake County
- Inventory of existing transit services, including public and private
- Map of locations for existing transit providers
- Discussion of existing paratransit services
- Analysis of Lake County transit services
- Map of locations for hospitals, post-secondary schools, and shopping centers
- Miscellaneous data related to demographic and residential characteristics in Lake County
- Currently adopted goals and objectives for the Mass Transit Element, along with proposed changes for the transit portions of goals and objectives in the update of the Transportation Element of the Comprehensive Plan update.

# East Central Florida Strategic Policy Plan

The most recent East Central Florida 2060 Plan Strategic Policy Plan is a long-range guide for the physical, economic, and social development of a planning region. Included in the Plan are regional goals and policies. The Plan provides a basis for the review of resources and facilities included in local government Comprehensive Plans throughout the region. Section 5 of the Plan addresses Transportation and specifically, public transportation. To the extent possible, the current TDSP is consistent with this regional policy plan and will be considered during this update of the TDP and TDSP.

# Florida Commission for the Transportation Disadvantaged 2005 Five/Twenty Year Plan

The Commission's 2005 Five/Twenty Year Plan was reviewed as part of the current TDP and TDSP update. This Plan identifies goals, objectives, and actions for the Commission to pursue in the next five to 20 years. Included in the five -year plan is a forecast of demand for TD services, projected costs of meeting the demand, and estimated future funding. In addition, the 20-year plan provides a longer-term picture of transportation disadvantaged services in the state of Florida. The short- and long-term plan of the CTD will be considered throughout the development of the TDP and updated TDSP.

# Lake~Sumter Transit Development Plan (TDP) 2013-2023

The TDP documents a planning process that builds on and formulates the regions goals and objectives for transit service. The TDP assessed the current and forecasted TD population in the region when developing the list of recommended transit alternatives. The TDP is scheduled for Lake County BCC approval October 2013.

# MPO Long Range Transportation Plans

The current TDSP is consistent with the goals, objectives and strategies outlined in *Transportation* 2040 adopted December 2015. *Transportation* 2040 was adopted as the MPO's regional vision for a true multimodal transportation network and included extensive public involvement throughout the plan development process.



# Transportation Improvement Plan (TIP)

The Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) for the Lake~Sumter MPO identifies the transportation improvements and projects that have been programmed for the following five year period. Consistent with the transportation projects identified in the MPO Long Range Transportation Plans, the TIP provides funding sources that will advance each project over the five year timeframe. Section 7 of the TIP identifies Transit and Transportation Disadvantaged funds for Lake County and Sumter County.

# Memorandum of Agreement (Transportation Disadvantaged Services In Lake County)

The fully executed Memorandum of Agreement between the CTD and Lake County Board of County Commissioners (BCC), which designates the BCC as the CTC was also reviewed as part of this task. This agreement specifies the responsibilities pertaining to the provision TD services in Lake County. One requirement identified in the agreements specifies that the CTC "shall arrange for all services in accordance with Chapter 427, Florida Statutes, and Rule 41-2, Florida Administrative Code." The agreement also

requires the preparation of a TDSP for approval by the TDCB and the CTD. Numerous other requirements are identified in the agreement that is made as a basis for the provision of funding. Lake County executed a new five year Memorandum of Agreement effective July 1, 2013 through June 30, 2018.

# Annual Performance Report from the CTD

The 2013 Annual TD Performance Report prepared by the CTD was reviewed for Lake County. The performance report provides an overview of the operating environment, the CTC, and other information related to the TD program in Lake County. Statistics reported by Lake County CTC in their Annual Operations Report are also provided in the CTD Annual Performance Report, including service statistics, passenger trip information, a financial summary, and a graphical summary of performance indicators. This information will be used in subsequent tasks of the TDP and TDSP project.

# **Annual Operations Report**

An Annual Operations Report (AOR) is submitted to the CTD. The AOR for fiscal year 2014 was reviewed for this TDP and TDSP update effort. The AOR is compiled by the CTC based on information from Lake County Connection and other Coordination Contractors. Information submitted in the AOR is used to develop the Lake County section of the 2014 Annual Performance Report produced by the CTD, as discussed previously.

# Lake County CTC Operations Manual

The Lake County CTC Operations Manual establishes the daily operation guidelines for the Transportation Disadvantaged Program. This manual is designed to enhance the delivery of fixed route transportation services within Lake County and addresses issues ranging from employee standards to vehicle inspection and operations to passengers with disabilities.

# Lake County ADA Transition Plan

In 2010, the MPO and the Lake County Public Transportation Division completed an evaluation of bus stops and shelters within the County with regard to ADA accessibility. The primary purpose of the bus stop evaluation conducted as part of the study was to identify and design accessibility issues, especially as it related to ADA guidelines, operational efficiency, and the overall safety of the systems and its use by patrons.

As a result of the assessment, the ADA Transition Plan was drafted in 2012. The plan highlighted FTA accessibility requirements and outlined an approach, financial plan, and implementation schedule for replacement of Lake County bus shelters and barrier removal at bus stops.

# Lake County Public Transportation Substance Abuse Program

In order to ensure a safe environment for passengers and employees of the County public transportation system, as well as the safety of the general public, Lake County has

adopted a Substance Abuse Program to address drug abuse and alcohol misuse by employees that are a part of the public transportation system. The Lake County Substance Abuse Policy was updated to reflect the "return to work" policy adopted by the Federal Transit Administration and the Florida Department of Transportation in February, 2012. This Substance Abuse Program is in response to, and in compliance with, regulations published by the Federal Transit Administration (FTA) prohibiting drug and alcohol use by transit employees and requiring transit agencies to test for prohibited drug use and alcohol misuse, as part of the Omnibus Transportation Employee Testing Act of 1991.

# Lake County Public Transportation System Safety Program Plan

In compliance with Chapter 14-90 of the Florida Administrative Code, Lake County has developed a System Safety Program Plan that meets the state's minimum safety standards for equipment and operations related to public transportation programs. The purpose of this Plan "is to provide for improved communication, documentation, and coordination within the entire system to decrease injuries, property damage, and delays in service."

Florida Department of Transportation District Five Emergency Operations Plan The Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) has provided an Emergency Operations Plan for major public and private transportation providers within FDOT District Five, which includes Lake County. The Emergency Operations Plan provides, and annually updates, contacts for both public and private transportation providers that operate in the nine counties within District Five.

# Lake~Sumter MPO Public Involvement Plan (PIP)

The PIP identifies the planning strategies and the planning activities to be undertaken by the Lake-Sumter Metropolitan Planning Organization. The purpose of the PIP is to provide a process that ensures opportunities for the public to be involved in all phases of the LSMPO planning process. The PIP was adopted on April 25, 2012. The Sumter County TDSP is consistent with and developed using the public involvement and public access guidelines and procedures in the PIP.

### 5. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Pursuant to Chapter 427, Florida Statutes, the purpose of the TDCB is to develop local service needs and to provide information, advice, and direction to the community transportation coordinator on the coordination of services to be provided to the transportation disadvantaged.

In addition to the requirement of meeting on a quarterly basis, the TDCB assists the CTC with many issues related to the delivery of transportation disadvantaged services. The board reviews the TDSP and evaluates the services provided by the CTC.

Representatives of Lake County and Sumter County governments, the 14 municipalities of Lake County, five (5) municipalities in Sumter County, the Central Florida Railroad, Lake County Schools, Sumter County Schools, the Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT), Central Florida Expressway Authority and the U.S. Department of Transportation (USDOT) are involved in the transportation planning process facilitated by the MPO. Examples of other agencies that are consulted in various phases of the planning process include the Department of Environmental Protection, the Federal Aviation Administration, Federal Rail Administration and the Water Management District Offices (St. John's River WMD and Southwest Florida WMD). The MPO's purpose is to provide effective leadership in the initiation and development of transportation plans, programs and strategies.

As the governmental body most directly responsible for the guidance of the transportation planning process, the MPO strives to ensure that the recommendations are in keeping with the goals and standards of the Federal Government, the State, Lake County, Sumter County, and the 19 incorporated jurisdictions. The MPO functions include, but are not limited to, the preparation of the tasks required by state rule or by federal policy.

As with all transportation planning legislated by federal and state laws, the MPO is responsible for ensuring adequate representation of, and compatibility among, state, county, and municipal projects in the transportation planning process. This includes consideration of all modes of transportation with respect to various members of the public. For example, the MPO incorporates into its planning efforts the needs of the elderly and handicapped as outlined in the Americans with Disabilities Act.

As part of the MPO planning process, public involvement is given a major priority. Projects funded through public dollars are to be planned in a manner that encourages public participation and incorporates public comments into planning efforts. As a result, a responsibility is placed on the MPO to develop a plan where the opportunity for public involvement is assured. As part of that plan, a required element is the outlining of the means by which to measure the success of the public involvement activities. By strategizing public involvement techniques and then monitoring and measuring the effectiveness, better planning products emerge that genuinely capture the needs of the public.

The MPO efforts to secure participation will target individuals, groups, or entities that could significantly be affected by the transportation plan recommendations or could significantly influence implementation. Stakeholders include but are not limited to: the general public; low-income, minority and disabled communities; neighborhood representatives; chambers of commerce; special transportation interests such as the transportation disadvantaged, freight shippers, transit users, bicycle and pedestrian organizations; local officials; federal and state transportation agencies.

The MPO supports the public's right to have a strong voice in the transportation planning process. Public involvement informs and educates the public about transportation

planning and creates an informed community, which in turn leads to better planning. Public involvement also engages the public and encourages meaningful feedback to be incorporated into planning products.

The MPO has an adopted PIP that reflects all aspects of our outreach program; please refer to www.LakeSumterMPO.com for more information.

### SERVICE AREA PROFILE AND DEMOGRAPHICS

### 1. SERVICE AREA DESCRIPTION

Lake County is located in East Central Florida and is bordered by seven counties, including Volusia, Seminole, Orange, Osceola, Polk, Sumter, and Marion Counties. According to the 2010 Census, the County is composed of 1,157 square miles, with 953 square miles of land area and 204 square miles of water area. The substantial number of lakes within the County is an important consideration as the future of public transportation is evaluated as part of the preparation of the TDP and TDSP. Map 1 (Appendix H) shows Lake County's location in relation to the other counties in the state.

The service area is all of Lake County. Also the CTC does provide services outside of Lake County for medical purposes to Orange, Alachua and Sumter Counties. Other areas are approved when services are not available in the county.

### 2. DEMOGRAPHICS

### a. Land Use

Lake~Sumter MPO plays an active role in merging the needs of public transportation with regional development plans. This includes neighborhoods, shopping centers, and medical facilities.

The transportation of people and goods in a community is one of the most important elements of a community. Without access, land cannot be developed or used for residential, commercial, recreational, or other purposes. While recognizing that automobile transportation is the single most important component of Lake County's transportation system, review of a number of issues outside the simple provision of streets and highways is needed. In order to look at the whole community transportation system, the Lake~Sumter MPO includes automobile circulation, parking, airport, railroad, mass transit, transportation disadvantaged, rail, bikeways and pedestrian facilities in all planning efforts

As the population of Lake County continues to increase, significant traffic volume increases on the County's major roadways will continue, and the expansion and widening of roadways cannot continue indefinitely. The high costs of right-of-way acquisition and concerns related to neighborhood impacts have already become deterrents to roadway

expansion. Therefore, the County's future transportation planning will focus on a multimodal transportation network to reduce the demand for automobile travel and to maximize the efficiency of the transportation system.

The goal of Lake~Sumter MPO is a community that emphasizes more efficient use of the existing transportation system and contributes to the wider national objectives of energy conservation, improved air quality, and increased social and environmental amenity and increased mobility of all residents.

Lake~Sumter MPO shall strive to address the need for a public transit system that serves major trip generators and attractors, and transit-dependent populations and land uses to provide a viable alternative to single-occupant vehicle travel in the urbanized areas of Lake County and within the region. The County shall cooperate with the Lake~Sumter MPO and the municipalities to implement the Lake County Transit Development Plan.

To ensure the accessibility of the transit system, Lake County will strive to provide to residents and business community the ability to move from one mode of travel to another with ease using parking strategies such as having available parking at transfer stations and major stops; park and ride lots; parking garages to reduce on-street parking; and locating bus stops at existing, major parking facilities (i.e., malls, shopping centers, and parking garages). The County will establish, in the Land Development Regulations, land use, site, and building guidelines and requirements for development in public transit corridors. Lake County will work with the Lake~Sumter MPO, CTC, and the Transit Service Provider to determine and help eliminate the inefficiencies in public paratransit service provided for the transportation disadvantaged population and implement recommendations from the Transportation Disadvantaged Service Plan that maximizes the efficient provision of access to facilities required for a healthy lifestyle.

### b. Population Profile

Lake County population increased from 297,432 persons in 2010, to an estimated 316,569 persons in 2015, an overall increase of approximately 6 percent. There are 14 incorporated municipalities and several unincorporated communities. Table 1-1 presents population by municipality for the years 1990, 2000, 2010-2015; percent change from 1990 to 2015; and the projected population change into 82019.

Table 1-1 Lake County Population Trends

Municipality	1990	2000	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	Percent Change (1990-2015)	2020
Astatula	981	1,298	1,623	1,795	1,783	1,793	1,800	1,824	85.93%	2,055
Clermont	6,910	9,338	24,632	29,358	29,827	30,201	31,745	32,348	368.13%	36,438
Eustis	12,967	15,106	18,210	18,483	18,571	18,795	19,098	19,432	49.86%	21,889
Fruitland Park	2,754	3,186	4,257	4,086	4,148	4,182	4,153	4,214	53.01%	4,747
Groveland	2,300	2,394	7,352	8,800	9,060	9,529	10,546	12,077	425.09%	13,604
Howey-in-the-Hills	724	956	1,212	1,100	1,097	1,083	1,089	1,106	52.76%	1,246
LadyLake	8,071	11,828	14,254	13,946	13,909	13,947	14,148	14,207	76.03%	16,004
Leesburg	14,903	15,956	20,757	20,251	20,263	20,761	21,163	21,547	44.58%	24,272
Mascotte	1,761	2,687	4,648	5,091	5,127	5,158	5,329	5,401	206.70%	6,084
Minneola	1,515	5,435	9,173	9,485	9,562	9,743	10,062	10,470	591.09%	11,794
Montverde	890	882	1,176	1,455	1,447	1,451	1,464	1,472	65.39%	1,658
Mount Dora	7,196	9,418	11,687	12,557	12,693	12,870	12,949	13,167	82.98%	14,832
Tavares	7,383	9,700	13,333	14,015	14,054	14,260	14,582	15,106	104.61%	17,016
Um atilla	2,350	2,214	3,083	3,456	3,481	3,546	3,658	3,798	61.62%	4,278
Unincorporated County	81,399	120,129	162,035	154,387	154,655	155,998	157,950	160,400	97.05%	180,683
Total	152,104	210,527	297,432	298,265	299,677	303,317	309,736	316,569	108.13%	356,600

Source: 1990, 2000 and 2010 Census, 2011, 2012, 2013, 2014, and 2020 Bureau of Economic and Business Research (BEBR) projections

# c. <u>Demographic and Journey-to-Work Characteristics</u>

Demographic and travel behavior characteristics were compiled using data from the 1990, 2000, and 2010 Census of Population and Housing, as well as the America Community Survey estimates. Table 1-2 provides a summary of this information for the County as a whole including the percent changes from 1990 to 2012 in each category, while Maps 1-1 through 1-16 display selected information of Lake County relevant to the TDP and TDSP. The maps focus on developing an understanding of the geographic locations of populations with characteristics conducive to transit use and provide base data that will be used in subsequent tasks to assist in establishing transit demand and mobility needs for Lake County.

According to the 2010 American Community Survey (ACS), nearly 80 percent of Lake County commuters drove to work alone and 13 percent carpooled; little has changed since 1990 in this regard. The average trip time for commuters to get to work was approximately 30 minutes. According to 2010 ACS estimates, 40 percent of Lake County residents travel to other counties for place of work, up from 5 percent a decade ago.

Table 1-2
Lake County Demographic and Journey-to-Work Characteristics

Characteristics         1990         2000         2010         Percent Change (1990-2010)           POPULATION CHARACTERISTICS           Persons         152,104         210,528         297,052         95.3%           Households         63,550         88,413         115,635         82.0%           Number of Workers         56,934         86,307         132,151         132.1%           Land Area (square miles)         953         953         953         N/A           Water Area (square miles)         204         204         204         N/A           Person per Household         2.45         2.34         2.57         4.9%           Workers per Household         0.90         0.98         1.14         27.0%           Persons per Square Mile         159.61         221.00         311.70         95.3%           Workers per Square Mile         59.74         91.00         138.67         132.1%           DEMOGRAPHIC CHARACTERISTICS           Gender           Male         47.80%         48.40%         48.46%         0.7%           Female         52.20%         51.60%         51.54%         -0.7%           Ethnic Origin         90.45% <td< th=""></td<>
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Other 0.99% 4.20% 4.40% 3.4%
Hispanic Origin by Race
Not of Hispanic Origin 97.27% 94.40% 87.90% -9.4%
Of Hispanic Origin 2.73% 5.60% 12.10% 9.4%
Age
<16Years 16.70% 16.90% 18.35% 1.6%
16 - 29 Years 13.62% 9.10% 13.94% 0.3%
30 - 59 Years 31.10% 41.00% 36.47% 5.4%
60+ Years 38.57% 32.80% 31.24% -7.3%
Education Level (persons over 18)
<12th Grade 31.08% 21.34% 9.00% -22.1%
High School Grad 36.07% 34.33% 32.80% -3.3%
Some College 17.99% 25.75% 25.40% 7.4%
College Grad 14.87% 3.92% 14.30% -0.6%
Household Income
Under \$10,000 16.24% 8.40% 5.34% -10.9%
\$10,000 to \$19,999 27.18% 7.20% 11.28% -15.9%
\$20,000 to \$29,999 23.14% 15.90% 13.33% -9.8%
\$30,000 to \$39,999 14.53% 15.60% 12.91% -1.6%
\$40,000 to \$49,999 8.03% 19.50% 10.32% 2.3%
\$50,000 or more 10.88% 33.50% 46.81% 35.9%
Median Household Income \$24,415 \$36,903 \$42,033 N/A
Poverty Status
Above Poverty Level 89.14% 91.00% 90.20% 1.1%
Below Poverty Level 10.86% 9.00% 9.80% -1.1%

Source: 1990, 2000, and 2010 Census of Population and Housing and 2010 ACS 5-Year Estimates

Table 1-2 (continued)

Lake County Demographic and Journey-to-Work Characteristics

Characteristics	1990	2000	2010	Percent Change (1990-2010)
Vehicles Available in Household				
None	6.48%	5.35%	3.86%	-2.6%
One	50.48%	44.37%	42.21%	-8.3%
Two	30.86%	37.33%	39.49%	8.6%
Three or More	12.18%	12.95%	14.45%	2.3%
JOURNEY TO V	VORK CHARA	CTERISTICS		
Place of Work				
Worked inside county of residence	75.13%	63.60%	58.76%	-16.4%
Worked outside county of residence	24.37%	35.60%	40.15%	15.8%
Worked outside state of residence	0.50%	0.80%	1.09%	0.6%
Means of Transportation				
Drive Alone	79.26%	78.80%	80.95%	1.7%
Carpool	13.84%	12.90%	11.25%	-2.6%
Public Transit	0.39%	1.90%	0.25%	-0.1%
Walk	2.34%	1.70%	1.12%	-1.2%
Work at Home	2.02%	3.00%	4.47%	2.4%
Other	2.16%	0.90%	1.96%	-0.2%
Travel Time to Work				
< 10 Minutes/ < 5 Minutes (2008)	18.75%	11.20%	2.27%	-16.5%
10 - 19 minutes/ 5 - 19 Minutes (2008)	34.59%	30.00%	35.84%	1.3%
20 - 29 minutes	16.54%	21.50%	16.85%	0.3%
30 - 44 minutes	15.00%	22.40%	18.19%	3.2%
45+ minutes	12.79%	14.90%	22.38%	9.6%
Work at Home	2.33%	3.00%	4.47%	2.1%
Departure Time to Work				
6 a.m. to 9 a.m.	70.99%	68.70%	64.87%	-6.1%
Other times	29.01%	31.30%	35.13%	6.1%
Private Vehicle Occupancy				
Drive Alone	79.26%	78.80%	87.80%	8.5%
2 - person carpool	11.24%	10.10%	9.40%	-1.8%
3 - person carpool	1.81%	1.70%	1.46%	-0.3%
4+ person carpool	0.78%	0.60%	1.34%	0.6%
Other Means	6.91%	8.80%	0.00%	-6.9%

Source: 1990, 2000, and 2010 Census of Population and Housing, 2008 ACS 3-Year Estimates

In 2008, the Census Bureau changed the way it measured disability status. Because of the critical distinctions between question frameworks and the disconnect in available comparison among data years, data on work disability was omitted from Table 1-2. In order to understand potential commuting patterns for public transportation, journey-to-work flows from and to Lake County should be identified. Table 1-3 provides a summary of the destinations for workers who lived within the County in 1990, 2000, and 2010, including the percent change from 1990 to 2010. In addition, Table 1-4 presents a summary of counties of origin for commuters who work in Lake County. This information will be used to identify potential commuter markets for transit, including fixed bus routes within the County and park-and-ride services between Lake and other adjacent counties.

According to ACS estimates, nearly 40 percent of the work trips originating in Lake County terminate outside the County, an increase of 15 percent since 1990. Similarly, the analysis also shows 24 percent of the work trips terminating in Lake County originate outside the County, a slight increase over previous decades. The commuter flow to Orange County increased significantly from 1990 to 2000, but remained fairly flat between 2000 and 2010. In addition, with the exception of Sumter County, the commuter flows from Orange, Seminole, Osceola, and other counties remained fairly constant for the same time period.

Table 1-3
County of Work for Workers Residing in Lake County

	County of Work for Workers Residing in Lake County										
		County of Work									
County of Residence		Lake County	Orange County	Seminole County	Sumter County	Osceola County	Other	Total			
Lake County (2010)	Number of Workers	71,055	28,670	3,555	3,175	2,750	7,554	116,759			
Lake (	% Distribution	60.86%	24.55%	3.04%	2.72%	2.36%	6.47%	100%			
e County (2000)	Number of Workers	51,842	20,009	2,979	1,214	1,110	4,309	81,463			
Lake County (2000)	% Distribution	63.60%	24.60%	3.70%	1.50%	1.40%	5.30%	100%			
e County (1990)	Number of Workers	42,777 7,948		1,261	510	457	3,981	56,934			
Lake County (1990)	% Distribution	75.10% 14.00		2.20%	0.90%	0.80%	7.00%	100%			
	t Change - 2010)	14.24%	-10.55%	-0.84%	-1.82%	-1.56%	0.53%				

Source: 2006-2008 ACS, 2000 and 2010 Census commuter flow data

Note: Data represent number of workers 16 years old and over in the commuter flow

Table 1-4
Commuting from Neighboring Counties to Lake County

Community From Neighboring Counties to Lake County											
		County of Residence									
County of Work		Lake Orange Seminole Sumter Osceola County County County County		Osceola County	Other	Total					
Lake County (2010)	Number of Workers	71,055	5,095	1,295	5,820	715	9,434	93,414			
2, 0, 2,	% Distribution	76.06%	5.45%	1.39%	6.23%	0.77%	10.10%	100%			
Lake County (2000)	Number of Workers	51,842	7,063	1,645	3,188	1,628	7,280	72,646			
Lake C (20	% Distribution	71.40%	9.70%	2.30%	4.40%	2.20%	10.00%	100%			
e County (1990)	Number of Workers 42,777 1,786		758	2,183	66	3,958	51,528				
Lake C (199	% Distribution	83.00%	3.50%	1.50%	4.20%	0.10%	7.70%	100%			
	t Change - 2010)	6.94%	-1.95%	0.11%	-2.03%	-0.67%	-2.40%				

Source: 2006-2008 ACS, 2000 and 2010 Census commuter flow data, and 1999/03 Lake County TDP/TDSP Note: Data represent number of workers 16 years old and over in the commuter flow

# d. Major Trip Generators / Activity Centers

Major travel generators in Lake County include activity centers such as hospitals, schools, shopping centers, employment centers and central business districts. Map 1-11 (Appendix H) illustrates major activity centers in Lake County. Most of the major activity centers are located along the US 441 corridor. The communities of Clermont, Minneola, Groveland, and Mascotte have experienced significant growth since the 2000 census. As a result, activity centers have emerged south of Leesburg, along the Florida Turnpike, SR 50, and the Four Corners area in the form of DRIs.

In addition to the effort to illustrate the major activity centers, a compilation of Employment by Industry was performed. The data, as recent as December 2015, were drawn from a series of data sheets provided by the Office of Economic & Demographic Research, a research arm of Legislature principally concerned with forecasting economic and social trends that affect policy making, revenues, and appropriations.

Table 1-6 represents Lake County Business Data as recent as December 2015. QuickFacts provides statistics for all states and counties, and for cities and towns with a population of 5,000 or more.

Table 1-5
Employment by Industry in Lake County

All Industries	% of Industry
Natural Resource & Mining	2.1%
Construction	7.7%
Manufacturing	3.9%
Trade, Transportation and Utilities	21.9%
Information	1.7%
Financial Activities	4.1%
Professional & Business Services	8.6%
Education & Health Services	19.0%
Leisure & Hospitality	13.1%
Other Services	3.5%
Government	14.4%
Average Annual Employment (2014)	85,652

Source: Office of Economic & Demographic Reseach http://edr.state.fl.us/Content/area-profiles/county/Lake.pdf
December 2015

Table 1-6
Lake County Business Data

Lake County Business Data										
Business Quick Facts	Lake County	Florida								
Private nonfarm establishments, 2013	6,526	510,389								
Private nonfarm employment, 2013	70,757	7,134,644								
Private nonfarm employment, percent change 2011-2012	3.9%	2.9%								
Nonemployer establishments, 2012	22,148	1,838,864								
Total number of firms, 2007	26,755	2,009,589								
Black-owned firms, percent, 2007	5.6%	9.0%								
American Indian- and Alaska Native-owned firms, percent, 2007	S	0.5%								
Asian-owned firms, percent, 2007	S	3.2%								
Native Hawaiian and Other Pacific Islander-owned firms, percent, 2007	S	0.1%								
Hispanic-owned firms, percent, 2007	8.7%	22.4%								
Women-owned firms, percent, 2007	27.5%	28.9%								
Manufacturers shipments, 2007 (\$1000)	\$825,472	\$104,832,907								
Merchant wholesaler sales, 2007 (\$1000)	\$726,344	\$221,641,518								
Retail sales, 2007 (\$1000)	\$3,441,893	\$262,341,127								
Retail sales per capita, 2007	\$11,391	\$14,353								
Accommodation and food services sales, 2007 (\$1000)	\$436,028	\$41,922,059								
Building permits, 2014	2,488	84,075								

 $Source: \ http://quickfacts.census.gov/qfd/states/12/12069.html \ \ (Accessed on March 16. \ 2016)$ 

D: Suppressed to avoid disclosure of confidential information

F: Few er than 100 firms

S: Suppressed; does not meet publication standards

# e. <u>Inventory of Available Transportation Services</u>

<u>Lake County Paratransit Service:</u> Lake County Connection <u>www.RideLakeXpress.com</u> (352) 323 5733 Lake County Fixed Route Service: LakeXpress www.RideLakeXpress.com (352) 326-8637

There is one private-for-profit operator under contract with Lake County providing transportation services to the coordinated system, and twelve coordination contractors. The area is also serviced by five (5) Other Private Operators and numerous Taxi Cab service providers.

Private for Profit Operator:

Ride-Right, Inc. effective October 1, 2013

Coordination Contracts as of May, 2016

Beacon College, Inc. Bridgeway Services Brower, Joan Building Blocks Ministries

Central Florida Group Homes, LLC
Community Supports, Inc. d/b/a Lakeview Terrace
Gifts of Love, LLC
Great Expectations of Lake County Corporation
Kinsman Transportation, Inc.
Life Care Services
Love Thy Neighbor
Sunrise Arc, Inc.

Other Private Operators:

American Logistics
Godoy Transportation
GT Transportation
Palmetto Transport & Logistic
Sunshine Shuttle & Charter Inc.

<u>Alternate Transportation Services in Lake County:</u>

Taxi & Shuttle Services #1 Cab A-1 Taxi AA South Lake Taxi Central Taxi

**Eustis Taxi** 

For A Ride Taxi Service

Home Town Taxi & Delivery Services

A-1 Taxi

A-1 Transport

Angie's Taxi

Clermont Taxi Cab Service

Eutco

Four Corners Transportation

Kings 321 Zoom Taxi Service

Kinsman Transportation, Inc.

Lucky's Taxi

Sunny's Taxi

Tri City Cab

The Village Transport

Lake Limo, Inc. (Airport & WC)

Mr. Taxi

Taxi Service

Village Airport Van

Wheelchair/Stretcher Services

Eagle Transport

Leopard Transport

Rite Way Transportation

Village Rehab & Nursing

Florida Hospital Waterman

# **SERVICE ANALYSIS/TREND ANALYSIS**

# 1. FORECASTS OF TRANSPORTATION DISADVANTAGED POPULATION/ DEMAND PROJECTIONS

Chapter 427 of the Florida Statutes defines transportation disadvantaged (TD) persons as:

"...those persons who because of physical or mental disability, income status, or age are unable to transport themselves or to purchase transportation and are, therefore, dependent upon others to obtain access to health care, employment, education, shopping, social activities, or children who are handicapped or high-risk or at-risk as defined in s.411.202."

One required element of the service analysis is the forecast of the TD population for the service area. TDSP guidance encouraged the use of the "Methodology Guidelines for Forecasting TD Transportation Demand at the County Level". The methodology was prepared in 1993 and was based on 1990 U.S. Census data. It predates some significant developments in the Florida public transportation environment, including the implementation of ADA mandated requirements for public transportation service providers.

The U.S. Census Bureau annually collects much of the demographic and socio-economic data that is necessary for the preparation of TD population and demand forecasts. The data source allows users to capture the changing population characteristics that influence transportation demand. With the growing population of seniors and people with disabilities seeking more mobility opportunities, there was a need for an updated forecast demand toolkit. CUTR completed a National Center for Transit Research (NCTR) sponsored project entitled "Forecasting Paratransit Services Demand – Review and Recommendations" for the CTD dated June 2013.

The new demand model was used in this TDSP update and accounts for impacts including the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990, Florida Medicaid, Census Data availability, trip rate assumptions and TD Trip definitions. Instead of using the terminology from the 1993 methodology to describe trip types (program trip or general trip) and trip categories (Category I and Category II), the new methodology defines the "general TD" population which includes the estimates of all disabled, elderly and low income persons and children who are "high risk" or "at risk" definition. These population groups are further refined to identify the "critical need TD" population. As defined in the NCTR report individuals who due to severe physical limitations or low incomes are unable to transport themselves or purchase transportation, and are dependent upon others to obtain access to health care, employment, education, shopping, social activities, or other life sustaining activities are considered "critical need TD". The forecasting demand model spreadsheets used for Lake County are included as Appendix I.

Figure 1-1 represents the Category 1 population groups that include all disabled, elderly and low-income persons, and children who are "high-risk" or "at-risk". As depicted there are overlaps among the disabled, elderly and low-income populations. Individuals may fall into more than one group. By utilizing the new methodology the spreadsheets automatically calculate the overlapping populations and the double counts are eliminated. The report asserts that age alone does not affect a person's ability to transport him or herself. Disability and income status, regardless of age, are the criteria that determine a person's ability to transport themselves.

Figure 1-1 D Disabled Elderly Disabled Elderly A В Disabled Elderly Low-Income Disabled G Elderly Low-Income Low-Income Low-Income С

The results provided in Table 1-7 represent the general TD population forecasts for Fiscal Years 2014-2024. The overlapping circle components are broken out in the table as well as total general TD population and total population. These projections are based on the estimates prepared in the demand model spreadsheet (Appendix J). Table 1-8 forecasts the critical need TD population. By using the population projections and applying the trip rate estimates that were developed for each county, the spreadsheet tool automatically calculated the annual trip demand for critical need paratransit services in the future. The annual trips are calculated by multiplying the estimated daily trips by the number of days per year special services operate. These projections are based on annual service days of 255 and an annual population growth of 2.48%.

Table 1-7
General TD Population Forecast

General TD Population Forecast	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024
Overlapping Circle Component											
E - Estimate non-elderly/disabled/ low income	4,528	4,640	4,755	4,873	4,994	5,117	5,244	5,374	5,507	5,644	5,783
B - Estimate non-elderly/ disabled/not low income	18,716	19,180	19,655	20,142	20,641	21,152	21,676	22,213	22,763	23,327	23,905
G - Estimate elderly/disabled/low income	3,154	3,232	3,312	3,394	3,478	3,564	3,653	3,743	3,836	3,931	4,028
D- Estimate elderly/ disabled/not low income	22,379	22,933	23,501	24,084	24,680	25,292	25,918	26,560	27,218	27,892	28,583
F - Estimate elderly/non-disabled/low income	3,410	3,494	3,581	3,670	3,761	3,854	3,949	4,047	4,147	4,250	4,355
A - Estimate elderly/non-disabled/not low income	52,844	54,153	55,494	56,869	58,278	59,722	61,201	62,717	64,271	65,863	67,494
C - Estimate low income/not elderly/not disabled	31,288	32,063	32,857	33,671	34,505	35,360	36,236	37,134	38,053	38,996	39,962
TOTAL GENERAL TD POPULATION	136,319	139,696	143,156	146,703	150,337	154,061	157,877	161,788	165,795	169,903	174,111
TOTAL POPULATION	311,239	318,949	326,850	334,946	343,243	351,746	360,459	369,388	378,539	387,916	397,525

Table 1-8
Critical Need TD Population Forecast

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Critical Need TD Population Forecast	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024
Total Critical TD Population											
Disabled	12,383	12,690	13,004	13,326	13,656	13,994	14,341	14,696	15,060	15,433	15,816
Low Income Not Disabled No Auto/Transit	6,135	6,287	6,442	6,602	6,765	6,933	7,105	7,281	7,461	7,646	7,835
Total Critical Need TD Population	18,517	18,976	19,446	19,928	20,422	20,927	21,446	21,977	22,522	23,079	23,651
Daily Trips - Critical Need TD Population											
Severely Disabled	607	622	637	653	669	686	703	720	738	756	775
Low Income - Not Disabled - No Access	11,650	11,938	12,234	12,537	12,848	13, 166	13,492	13,826	14, 169	14,520	14,879
Total Daily Trips Critical Need TD Population	12,256	12,464	12,674	12,888	13,106	13,338	13,574	13,814	14,059	14,308	14,532
Annual Trips	3,125,376	3,178,195	3,231,907	3,286,526	3,342,068	3,401,223	3,461,424	3,522,692	3,585,043	3,648,499	3,705,780

Assumes Annual Service Days = 255 Annual Population Growth (as a percent) = 2.48%

# 2. TREND ANALYSIS FROM FY 2010 THROUGH FY 2015

A trend analysis was conducted to examine the performance of the Lake County CTC over time. The tables and figures provided throughout the Trend Analysis present selected performance, effectiveness, and efficiency measures that are available from the Annual Operating Report. Results from the trend analysis are provided in the following paragraphs.

### a. Performance Measures

Shown in Table 1-9 and Figures 1-2 through 1-7 are six performance measures for the TD services provided by the CTC. Total annual passenger trips have decreased since FY 2010, resulting in an overall decrease of nearly 13 percent (from 224,363 trips to 195,804 trips). Vehicle miles of service over the six-year period have decreased by 28 percent and revenue miles over the six-year period have decreased by 31 percent. CTC operating expenses decreased by 10 percent over the six-year period and operating revenues have decreased by nearly 21 percent. The decrease in passenger trips is largely due to the statewide Medicaid Managed Care and the transportation service requirements.

In addition, although vehicle fleet size has fluctuated significantly during the review timeframe, overall it decreased from 91 vehicles in FY 2010 to 82 vehicles in FY 2015. This represents nearly a 10 percent decrease over the six-year period,

Table 1-9
Lake County CTC Trend Analysis

Performance Measures	FY 2010	FY 2011	FY 2012	FY 2013	FY 2014	FY 2015	Percent Change (2010-2015)
Passenger Trips	224,363	213,015	247,877	221,995	205,688	195,804	-12.73%
Vehicle Miles	2,522,672	2,615,090	2,324,550	1,794,833	1,907,581	1,812,650	-28.15%
Revenue Miles	2,102,883	2,302,415	2,021,928	1,524,756	1,587,367	1,451,195	-30.99%
Operating Expenses	\$5,037,403	\$4,677,740	\$5,190,848	\$4,530,922	\$4,877,440	\$4,533,582	-10.00%
Operating Revenues	\$6,165,996	\$5,647,622	\$4,866,505	\$5,445,914	\$5,338,015	\$4,872,269	-20.98%
Total Fleet	91	93	98	101	94	82	-9.89%

Source: Annual Performance Reports from 2010-2015, Florida Commission for the Transportation Disadvantaged.

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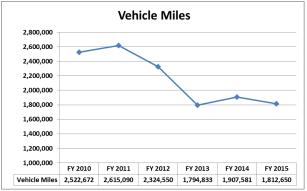


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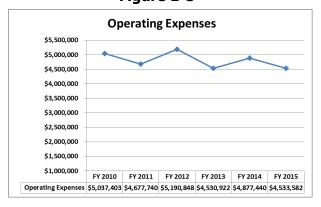


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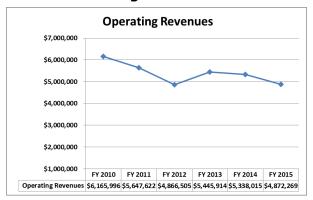
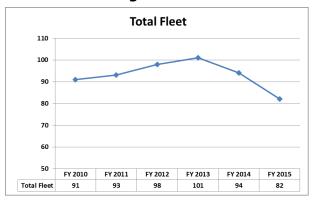


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# b. Effectiveness Measures

As stated previously, effectiveness measures indicate the extent to which various service-related goals are being achieved. In this analysis, the Lake County CTC was analyzed using six effectiveness measures. The results of the six-year analysis period are contained in Table 1-10 and Figures 1-8 through 1-13.

The last two effectiveness measures in Table 1-10 are measures of system safety and service reliability. Although this performance measure has fluctuated since FY 2010 with a high of 1.33 in FY 2012 accidents decreased during FYs 2013 and 2014. Accidents per 100,000 vehicle miles logged for FY 2015 have increased since 2014.

Table 1-10
Lake County CTC Trend Analysis
Effectiveness Measures

Effectiveness Measures	FY 2010	FY 2011	FY 2012	FY 2013	FY 2014	FY 2015	Percent Change (2010-2015)
Vehicle Miles per TD Capita	21.10	21.34	18.50	14.29	14.82	13.40	-37.20%
Vehicle Miles per Passenger Trip	11.24	12.28	9.38	8.09	9.27	9.26	-17.62%
Passenger Trips per TD Capita	1.88	1.74	1.97	1.77	1.60	1.45	-22.72%
Passenger Trips per Vehicle Mile	0.09	0.08	0.11	0.12	0.11	0.11	22.22%
Accidents per 100,000 Vehicle Miles	0.40	0.69	1.33	0.84	0.63	1.05	164.42%
Vehicle Miles between Roadcalls/Failures	17,279	26,685	23,246	28,044	34,683	50,351	191.41%

Source: Annual Performance Reports from 2010-2015, Florida Commission for the Transportation Disadvantaged.

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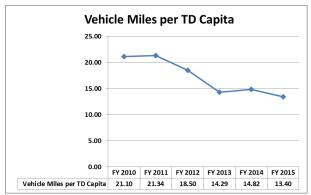


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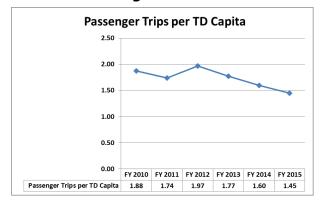


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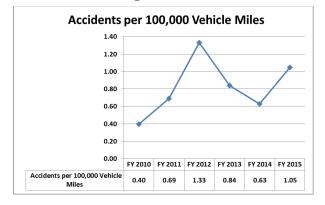


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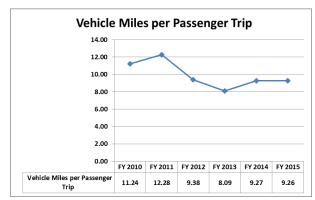
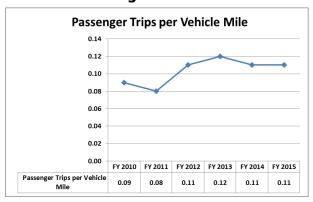
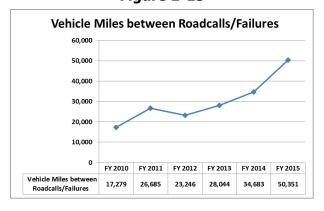


Figure 1-11



**Figure 1-13** 



# c. Efficiency Measures

The trend in system efficiency also was examined for the Lake County CTC. As stated previously, efficiency measures involve reviewing the level of resources required to achieve a given level of output. Five efficiency measures are listed in Table 1-11 and illustrated in Figures 1-14 through 1-19

The first two measures address operating expense efficiencies. Over the six-year analysis

period, operating expense per passenger trip increased by 8.4 percent and operating expense per vehicle mile increased by 12 percent. The operating expense per driver hour increased by 1.4 percent for the same period.

Table 1-11

Lake County CTC Trend Analysis

Efficiency Measures

Efficiency Measures	FY 2010	FY 2011	FY 2012	FY 2013	FY 2014	FY 2015	Percent Change (2010-2015)
Operating Expense Per Passenger Trip	\$21.35	\$22.45	\$21.96	\$20.94	\$20.41	\$23.15	8.43%
Operating Expense Per Vehicle Mile	\$2.23	\$2.00	\$1.79	\$2.23	\$2.52	\$2.50	12.11%
Operating Expense Per Driver Hour	\$39.72	\$42.08	\$39.08	\$35.43	\$35.09	\$40.28	1.40%
Local Non-Government Revenue Ratio	1.8%	2.9%	4.4%	2.8%	2.0%	2.3%	0.54%
Local Government Revenue Ratio	37.0%	27.5%	24.2%	24.8%	26.7%	32.7%	-4.25%
Federal Government Revenue Ratio	61.2%	69.6%	71.4%	72.4%	71.3%	64.9%	3.71%

Source: Annual Performance Reports from 2010-2015, Florida Commission for the Transportation Disadvantaged.

Note: Local Non-Government Revenues include Farebox, Medicaid Co-Pays Received, Donations, Contributions, In-Kind Services, and Other Non-Government Revenues

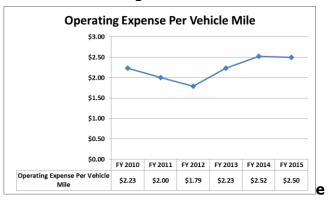
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Operating Expense Per Passenger Trip

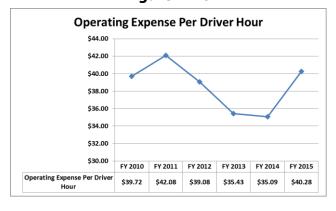
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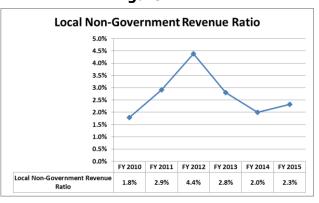
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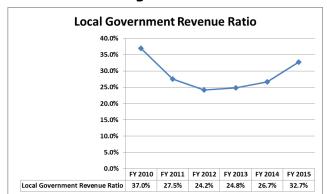
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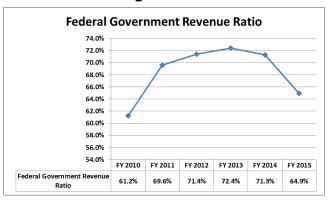
**Figure 1-17** 



**Figure 1-18** 



**Figure 1-19** 



The other three efficiency measures listed in Table 1-11 indicate the local non-government revenue ratio, the local government revenue ratio and the federal government revenue ratio. Over the six-year period, the local non-government revenue ratio, which is a ratio of farebox and other local non-government divided by total operating expenses increased .54 percent. The local government revenue ratio, which is a ratio of local government revenues divided by total operating expenses, decreased 4 percent between FY 2010 and 2015 and the federal government revenue ratio increased from 2010 to 2014. The local government revenue ratio has steadily increased between FY 2012 and 2015.

# d. Summary Results of Trend Analysis

Trend analysis is only one widely used aspect of transit performance evaluation. Strengths and weaknesses of the Lake County CTC will be referred to periodically as other aspects of performance are considered in subsequent work activities and when recommendations are prepared for the TDP/TDSP. Table 1-12 provides a summary of the trend analysis indicating each performance measure, along with the percent change FY 2010-2015,

Table 1-12
Lake CTC Trend Analysis Summary

Performance Indicators/Measures	Percent Change (2010-2015)
Performance Measures	
Passenger Trips	-12.73%
Total Vehicle Miles	-28.15%
Total Revenue Miles	-30.99%
Operating Expense	-10.00%
Total Fleet Size	-9.89%
Effectiveness Measures	
Vehicle Miles per TD Capita	-37.20%
Vehicle Miles per Passenger Trip	-17.62%
Passenger Trips per TD Capita	-22.72%
Passenger Trips per Vehicle Mile	22.22%
Accidents per 100,000 Vehicle Miles	164.42%
Vehicle Miles between Roadcalls	191.41%
Efficiency Measures	
Operating Expense Per Passenger Trip	8.43%
Operating Expense Per Vehicle Mile	12.11%
Operating Expense Per Driver Hour	1.40%
Local Non-Government Revenue Ratio	0.54%
Local Government Revenue Ratio	-4.25%
Federal Government Revenue Ratio	3.71%

# e. CTC Peer Review Analysis

A CTC peer review analysis was conducted comparing the performance of Lake County TD services with that of other CTC systems having similar operating characteristics. A peer group analysis serves two functions: first, it provides a comparison of how well Lake County CTC has performed relative to similar CTC systems within the state of Florida, and second, it helps to establish realistic performance standards for the evaluation process. The seven Florida peer CTC's included in the analysis are shown in Table 1-13. These seven systems were chosen in the previous Lake County TDP/TDSP because they were fairly similar to the Lake County CTC in terms of the following five key elements: demographic characteristics, system size (measured in terms of annual passenger trips provided), operating environment (urban or rural service area designation), organization type (transit agency, government, private non-profit, or private for-profit), and network type (sole provider, partial provider, or complete brokerage). Based on the assumption that the similarities in the five elements have not changed significantly over time, and based on discussions with Lake County staff, the same systems were used again. Table 1-13 also indicates which peers operate demand response, deviated fixed-route, and/or fixed-route services.

Table 1-13
Lake County CTC System Peers, FY 2015

Service Area	Community Transportation Coordinator	Organization Type	Demand Response	Deviated Fixed Route	Fixed Route
Charlotte County	Charlotte County Transit Department	County	Yes	Yes	N/A
Citrus County	Citrus County Transit	County	Yes	Yes	N/A
Collier County	Collier County Board of County Commissioners.	County	Yes	No	Yes
Indian River County	Senior Resource Association, Inc.	Private Non- Profit	Yes	N/A	Yes
Marion County	Marion Senior Services, Inc.	Private Non- Profit	Yes	N/A	Yes
Pasco County	Pasco County Public Transportation	County	Yes	N/A	Yes
St. Lucie County	St. Lucie Board of County Commissioners	County	Yes	N/A	Yes

Source: 2015Annual Performance Reports, Florida Commission for the Transportation Disadvantaged

The tables and graphs presented in this section summarize selected performance measures, effectiveness measures, and efficiency measures for the CTC's considered for this review. For each selected measure, the tabular analysis provides the Lake County CTC's performance, the minimum value among the peer group, the mean of the peer group, and the percent that Lake County CTC's values are away from the mean value.

The peer review was conducted for FY 2015 the most recent full fiscal year of data available to date. Data used in the peer review analysis is documented in Appendix G.

Each performance measure is depicted graphically on a bar chart, along with the peer group mean (the vertical line in each chart) to enhance the overall comparison. All performance statistics for the CTC peer group systems, were obtained from the CTD's 2015 Annual Performance Report, which contains a compilation of the Annual Operating Reports submitted to the CTD for FY 2015 by each local CTC.

### f. Performance Measures

Table 1-14 and Figures 1-20 through 1-27 present information pertaining to the eight performance measures that have been analyzed for the Lake County CTC and its peers.

As discussed previously in the trend analysis section, performance measures provide general information related to overall system performance.

In comparison to the peer group, Lake County TD transit service provided 195,804 trips, which is 18.46 percent above the mean number of trips 159,661 for the peer group. In addition, the system has provided the highest vehicle miles and revenue miles of service (43.48 percent and 40.52 percent above the peer group means, respectively) for this fiscal year. In keeping with its comparatively larger system size, the Lake County CTC also had the third largest vehicle fleet in the group, with a total of 82 vehicles. This fleet size is nearly 22 percent higher than peer group mean of 64 vehicles.

Data related to system total operating expenses and operating revenues also are presented in Table 1-14. The data show that Lake County CTC operating expenses are the highest in the group and nearly 34 percent higher than the peer group mean for FY 2015. Total operating revenue for the Lake County CTC is the highest of the peer groups nearly 38 percent higher than the peer group mean for FY 2015.

Table 1-14
CTC Peer Analysis
Performance Measures, FY 2015

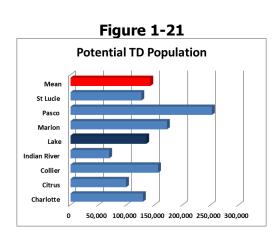
Performance Measures	Lake	Peer Group Minimum	Peer Group Maximum	Peer Group Mean	Lake: % From Mean
Service Area Population	315,690	139,377	485,331	279,075	11.60%
Potential TD Population	135,276	69,120	252,567	142,575	-5.40%
Passenger Trips	195,804	65,237	265,516	159,661	18.46%
Vehicle Miles	1,812,650	368,524	1,812,650	1,024,581	43.48%
Revenue Miles	1,451,195	305,839	1,451,195	863,210	40.52%
Operating Expenses	4,533,582	1,354,826	4,533,582	3,143,905	30.65%
Operating Revenues	4,872,269	1,191,466	4,872,269	3,042,842	37.55%
Total Fleet	82	23	93	64	21.95%

Source: 2015 Annual Performance Reports, Florida Commission for the Transportation Disadvantaged.

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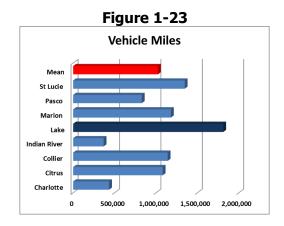
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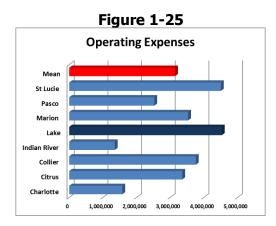
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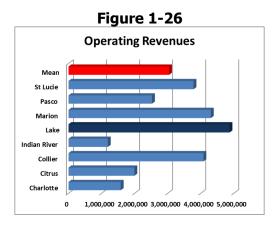
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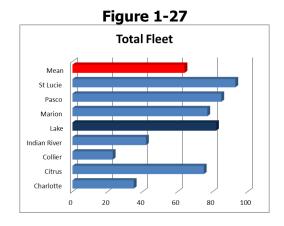


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# g. Effectiveness Measures

As stated previously in the trend analysis section, effectiveness measures indicate the extent to which various service-related goals are being achieved. Shown in Table 1-15 and Figures 1-28 through 1-33 are a variety of effectiveness measures for the Lake County CTC and its peer CTC's.

On average, the Lake County CTC had the highest ratio of vehicle miles of service to potential TD customers among the peer systems. The CTC traveled 45 percent more than the number of vehicle miles per TD capita as did the peers on average (8 miles per TD capita) in FY 2015. The Lake County CTC has provided 17 percent more passenger trips per potential TD customer than the peer group mean. Lake County CTC ranks first in this particular effectiveness measure overall.

The average length of the trips (i.e., vehicle miles per passenger trip) provided by the Lake County CTC in FY 2015 was 9.26 miles, which is 24.59 percent more than the peer group mean of nearly 7 miles. This represents the third longest trip length among the peers. The inverse effectiveness ratio, passenger trips per vehicle mile, gives a general indication of the passenger loading that is occurring for each mile of vehicle travel. In the case of this measure, the Lake County CTC performed significantly lower (i.e., nearly 55 percent below) than the peer group average in FY 2015. Specifically, for Lake County, there are .11 passenger trips occurring per vehicle mile of service, while the peer group average was 0.17 passenger trips per vehicle mile in FY 2015.

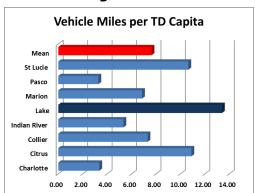
The other two effectiveness measures listed in Table 1-15 compare the Lake County CTC to its peers in terms of system safety and service reliability. Comparatively, the Lake County CTC experienced the second highest accident rate (per 100,000 vehicle miles) among the peers in FY 2015. The Lake County CTC's performance in this particular measure is highlighted by the system's increased vehicle mileage FY 2015, which in turn increases overall accident exposure.

Table 1-15
CTC Peer Analysis
Effectiveness Measures, FY 2015

Effectiveness Measures	Lake	Peer Group Minimum	Peer Group Maximum	Peer Group Mean	Lake: % From Mean
Vehicle Miles per TD Capita	13.40	3.28	13.40	7.64	43.02%
Vehicle Miles per Passenger Trip	9.26	3.32	12.12	6.98	24.59%
Passenger Trips per TD Capita	1.45	0.50	2.10	1.19	17.83%
Passenger Trips per Vehicle Miles	0.11	0.08	0.30	0.17	-54.92%
Accidents per 100,000 Vehicle Miles	1.05	0.23	1.14	0.62	40.63%
Vehicle Miles between Roadcalls	50,351	7,623	180,254	78,824	-56.55%

Source: 2015 Annual Performance Reports, Florida Commission for the Transportation Disadvantaged.

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**Figure 1-29** 

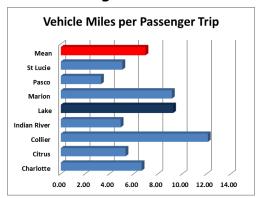


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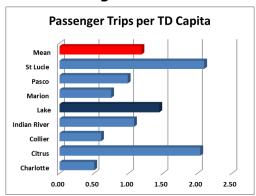
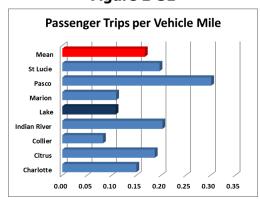
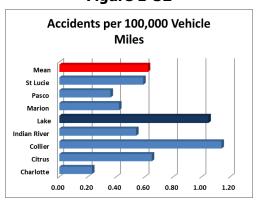


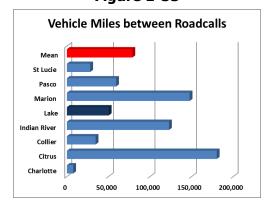
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**Figure 1-33** 



# h. Efficiency Measures

The final area addressed in the CTC peer analysis concerns system efficiency. The efficiency measures that are reviewed are detailed in Table 1-16 and presented graphically in Figures 1-34 through 1-39.

The first three efficiency measures listed in Table 1-16 pertain to unit costs based on total operating expenses. In the case of the operating expense per passenger trip ratio, the Lake County CTC performed at average compared to its peers in FY 2015. That is, Lake's

average cost per trip of \$23.15 is 4.76 percent higher than the peer group mean of \$22.05. This cost per trip figure also represents the fourth highest average value among the peers in FY 2015. Conversely, the data indicate that the Lake County CTC was cost efficient in terms of vehicle miles and driver hours compared to its peers for FY 2015. The CTC's cost drier hour of \$40.28 in FY 2015 is 11 percent lower than the peer group mean of \$44.82 for this measure.

Table 1-16 also presents the amount of local non-government revenue collected during FY 2013 from the CTC's in comparison to total operating expense. Local non-government revenues can include farebox, Medicaid co-pays received, donations, contributions, inkind services, as well as any other non-government revenues. The Lake County CTC's ratio of local non-government revenue collected to total system costs (2.33 percent) is lower than the peer group mean (9.74 percent) for FY 2015. Lake County had the lowest local non-government revenue ratio among the peers in FY 2015. However, the Lake County CTC's ratio of local government revenue collected to total system costs is slightly higher than that of the peer group mean in FY 2015. This signifies that Lake County is performing above average in terms of the total revenue contributed by local government sources (in comparison to its total operating expenses). This level of local government subsidy of the Lake County CTC makes up for the comparatively lower performance in terms of local non-government revenue generation.

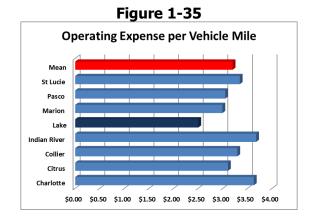
**Table 1-16 CTC Peer Analysis Efficiency Measures, FY 2015** 

Performance Measures	Lake	Peer Group Minimum	Peer Group Maximum	Peer Group Mean	Lake: % From Mean
Operating Expense per Passenger Trip	\$23.15	\$10.11	\$39.91	\$22.05	4.76%
Operating Expense per Vehicle Mile	\$2.50	\$2.50	\$3.68	\$3.20	-27.89%
Operating Expense per Driver Hour	\$40.28	\$30.06	\$55.29	\$44.82	-11.29%
Local Non-Government Revenue Ratio	2.33%	2.33%	23.83%	9.74%	-7.42%
Local Government Revenue Ratio	32.75%	9.06%	58.02%	32.44%	0.30%
Federal Government Revenue Ratio	64.92%	30.86%	86.17%	57.81%	7.11%

Source: 2015 Annual Performance Reports, Florida Commission for the Transportation Disadvantaged.

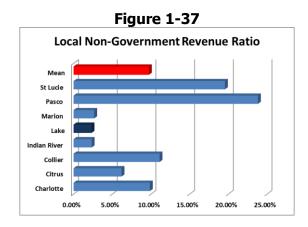
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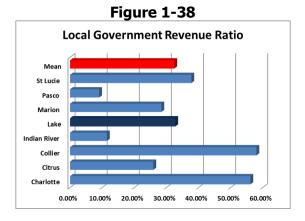
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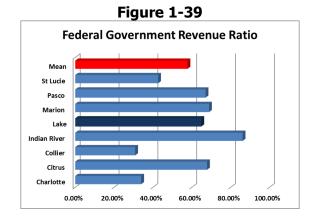


Operating Expense per Driver Hour

Mean
St Lucie
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Charlotte
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# i. Summary Results of Peer Review Analysis

Table 1-17 provides a summary of the peer review analysis for the Lake County TD services provided by the County's CTC. The summary includes each performance measure, as well as the percent that each measure is above or below the peer group mean for the Lake County CTC in FY 2015.

Table 1-17
Lake CTC Peer Analysis Summary, FY 2015

Measures Indicators	Lake: % From Mean
Operating Expense per Passenger Trip	4.76%
Operating Expense per Vehicle Mile	-27.89%
Operating Expense per Driver Hour	-11.29%
Local Government Revenue Ratio	0.30%
Potential TD Population Served	-5.40%
Accidents Per 100,000 Miles	40.63%
Miles Betw een Roadcalls	-56.55%

#### 3. NEEDS ASSESSMENT

A transportation disadvantaged needs assessment involves comparing the supply of transportation disadvantaged services to the demand for those services. Lake County continues to work hard to provide first-rate public transportation to the community

Lake County Public Transportation Division could apply for Job Access/Reverse Commute (JARC) and New Freedom grants. JARC grant funds can be used for projects that address transportation services to assist welfare recipients, low-income individuals and the general population to access employment opportunities.

Transportation services will be provided to the targeted population allowing for enhanced access to jobs, child care centers, health services, vocational, training, and educational opportunities. Long term goals are aimed at improving quality of life and standard of living.

Under the program we will be looking for capital equipment and resources, operating assistance, implementation of the \$mart Ride program, express services, transfer facilities, reverse commute programs, service expansions, weekends and after hour services to meet the needs of passenger of the targeted populations to access employment and employment opportunities.

New Freedom grant funds can be used for projects that provide transit services beyond the requirements of the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) by enhancing access to transit services, information and assistive devices that utilize technology that can be applied to different areas of transportation and community mobility.

We will be looking to expand transit mobility options to increase the level of services of the existing routes, reduce headways, operate service in both directions, transit facilities and amenities, purchasing vehicles to support new accessible taxi, ride sharing, and/or vanpooling programs, supporting the administration and expenses related to new voucher programs for transportation services offered by human service providers;

`supporting new volunteer driver and aide programs; and supporting new mobility management and coordination programs.

# a. Demand for TD Trips

Florida's TD system provides two types of trips: program trips and general trips. Demand for program trips is forecasted differently than for general trips, as summarized in the remainder of this section.

# b. <u>Demand for Program Trips</u>

A *program trip* is one made by a client of a government or social service agency for the purpose of participating in a program of that agency. Examples of program trips are Medicaid trips, trips to congregate meal sites, or trips to job training facilities.

Program trip demand is dependent upon the existence of the program to which the potential TD population group is transported. For example, demand for trips to sheltered workshops exists only because there are sheltered workshop programs. Thus, the demand for program trips is equal to the number of trips required to take advantage of the service offered by the program. Therefore, the demand for program trips depends on the funding level for the various social service programs.

# c. Demand for General Trips

General trips are trips made by TD persons (Category II) to destinations of their choice (not to agency programs). Examples of general trips are trips to work or grocery stores and non-Medicaid medical trips. Deriving the demand for general trips is different than for program trips.

Total demand for general trips is simply the TD population multiplied by the trip rates. The TD population (rather than the Potential TD population) was used to forecast demand because the TD population is the pool of persons eligible for general trips funded by the state. A large and growing gap exists between the demand for general trips and the supply of these trips. Unmet demand refers to demand that currently exists in the TD transportation market, but is not being met due to factors such as funding, price, convenience, comfort, eligibility, and the availability of other transportation modes.

Figures related to the demand and supply of TD general purpose trips in Lake County include trips that also will fall under the category of ADA complementary paratransit services. The ADA provides for unconstrained delivery of paratransit trips for persons who cannot use the fixed-route bus system due to the nature and/or extent of their disability. Persons may be certified as eligible for ADA paratransit trips, as well as for TD general purpose trips.

#### 4. BARRIERS TO COORDINATION

In order to attempt to meet the demand for transit service for the TD population, there is recognition that a more coordinated approach to transportation service provides an opportunity to improve service delivery. To successfully provide cost efficient transportation for the disadvantaged population it is imperative that the barriers to coordination be identified. A number of barriers currently exist that present challenges to coordination:

# a. Institutional Barriers: Federal and State

One area of common concern to all regions is the role of federal and state funding in promoting coordination. In this regard, this section analyzes to what extent federal funds inhibit coordination. Included in this discussion is a brief review of important transportation funding programs and associated regulations that could affect coordinated transit. Generally these programs do not restrict coordination through regulations. However, there are practical issues that make coordination challenging but not insurmountable.

# b. Lack of information

The general public and public service agencies need to be aware (or made more aware) of the TD program. The following are a number of community information resources that can promote the TD program:

- Elected Officials
- Public Hearings
- County Departments including Human Services, Community Action, Veterans Affairs.
- Community Based Organizations including Salvation Army, Charities,
- Transit Handbooks
- Riders Guide
- Transit Maps
- MPO website

# c. Lack of Cooperation within Agencies

Administrative barriers may inhibit cooperative arrangements between human services agencies and transportation agencies. Reporting requirements for public transportation providers are far more stringent than those imposed on human services agencies that fund transportation as an ancillary service. Transportation providers allocate costs on a per-trip basis, while human services providers often do not. One of the major benefits of a coordination working group is that bringing a diverse group together gives participants an opportunity to learn how each agency operates and to develop trust so barriers can be removed.

Another major barrier to coordination among different state agencies is turf. Participants may mistakenly believe that they are being pushed into this effort because another participant wants to assume their responsibilities or dictate program outcomes.

# d. Lack of Sufficient Funding

While there is on-going support for state legislators to approve an increase in funding for the Transportation Disadvantaged Trust Fund, there is not enough funding to assist everyone in need. Funding for transportation services has remained relatively constant over the past several years, but has not kept up with the increasing travel demands, resulting in CTCs struggling to maintain their existing service levels. Even though population numbers have slowed (in comparison to the growth in between 1990 and 2000) the population is growing older and the demand for public transportation services is expected to continue to increase.

- To offset the lack of funding a program offering a free monthly bus pass would enable a Transportation Disadvantaged rider to use fixed route public transportation.
- The downturn in Florida economies due to the collapse of the real estate industry has resulted in budget cutbacks at the local government level.
- The lack of adequate pedestrian access to and from the bus stops limits the ability
  of TD passengers to safely access the fixed route transit services.

#### e. Conclusion

Transportation coordination holds great potential for addressing multiple needs and goals with limited resources. As basic as it may seem, several dynamics are critical to success, including leadership, participation, and continuity. By establishing and supporting formal transportation coordinating mechanisms, Lake County CTC can leverage state, federal, local, and private resources to provide more effective transportation solutions that can lead to reduced congestion, better access to jobs, and more efficient provision of transportation services in our region.

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# GOALS, OBJECTIVES, AND STRATEGIES/IMPLEMENTATION SCHEDULE

The mission of Lake County Public Transportation is:

To provide a safe, professional, economically efficient, and accessible public transportation system that will meet the mobility and accessibility needs of all residents and visitors traveling in Lake County.

Developing a set of goals and objectives for a public transportation system is critical to establishing a vision for transit in the community and is a fundamental component of any Transit Development Plan (TDP) and Transportation Disadvantaged Service Plan (TDSP).

The following goals, objectives and strategies have been adopted to further the mission of the Lake County Transit.

# Lake County Transportation Disadvantaged Service Goals

- GOAL 1 Provide an efficient, effective, and fully coordinated transportation system to meet the mobility needs of the transportation disadvantaged in Lake County.
- **GOAL 2** Provide for the most cost-effective provision of transportation disadvantaged services.
- GOAL 3 For all transportation services that are provided, ensure that a high level of quality service is provided, maintained, and improved as necessary.
- GOAL 4 Encourage land use patterns that support and promote transit patronage through the clustering of mixed uses and other transit-oriented designs in medium and large scale planned developments.
- GOAL 5 Ensure the safety of the passengers, drivers, the general public and property in the delivery of all transportation services.

# TRANSIT GOALS, OBJECTIVES & STRATEGIES / IMPLEMENTATION SCHEDULE

# GOAL 1 Provide an efficient, effective, and fully coordinated transportation system to meet the mobility needs of the transportation disadvantaged in Lake County. Objective 1.1 Provide the needed vehicle capacity to meet the demand for transportation

Objective 1.1	Provide the	needed	vehicle	capacity	to	meet	the	demand	for	transportation
disadvantaged s	ervices.									

Strategies	Responsible	Date
	Agency	
1.1.1 Annually develop and update transit capital	CTC	annual
acquisition/replacement plan, Transit Capital Plan (TCP).		
1.1.2 Annually monitor demand versus available vehicle	CTC/Operator	annual
capacity as part of performance monitoring system.		

**Objective 1.2** Ensure both fixed route and paratransit system continues to remain responsive to the needs of the transportation disadvantaged population and the community.

Strategies	Responsible Agency	Date
<u>1.2.1</u> Maintain adequate, experienced and trained staff needed to operate, maintain, and administer all coordinated system functions.	СТС	ongoing
<u>1.2.2</u> Provide connectivity throughout the County with a focus on major attractors and other transportations options or modes.	СТС	ongoing
1.2.3 Annually review ADA, agency and TD trips to determine the major system attractors and the availability of multimodal options within those areas. Develop a facility gaps assessment report and include as part of the TSDP annual update.	CTC/MPO	annual

**Objective 1.3** Maximize coordination with public and private agencies and other transportation operators serving Lake County.

Strategies	Responsible Agency	Date
1.3.1 Pursue all available funding opportunities at the federal, state, local levels, and from private sources. Annually track and report available funding sources as part of the TDSP update.	CTC/MPO	ongoing
1.3.2 Maximize existing coordination contracts and execute new ones where feasible, needed and cost-effective.	CTC	ongoing
<b>Objective 1.4</b> Reduce the duplication of transportation disactive within and outside the county.	dvantaged services	provided
Strategies	Responsible Agency	Date
<u>1.4.1</u> Pursue coordination with transportation providers within Lake County and in other counties (e.g., Marion, Volusia, Hernando, Lake, Seminole and Orange).	CTC/Operator	annual
<b>Objective 1.5</b> Bring all of the social service organizations the coordinated system through purchase of service contracts, and/or joint-use agreements.	•	
Strategies	Responsible Agency	Date
<u>1.5.1</u> Ensure cooperation between all social service transit providers including private sector providers and the CTC.	CTC/MPO	ongoing
<b>Objective 1.6</b> Identify and address actual or perceived barrie transportation services in Lake County.	rs regarding coord	ination of
Strategies	Responsible Agency	Date
1.6.1 Research and discuss potential barriers to coordination with social service transit providers and others.	CTC/MPO	ongoing

Strategies	Responsible	Date
	Agency	
1.7.1 Provide mobility management training for transportation disadvantaged patrons wanting to make use of other transportation services within our region.	CTC/Operator	ongoing
1.7.2 Develop strategies to migrate 3 percent of clients from TD trips to the fixed route service.	CTC/MPO	ongoing

GOAL 2 Provide for the most cost-effective p disadvantaged services.	rovision of tra	nsportation
<b>Objective 2.1</b> Maximize the multi-loading of vehicle trips to remaximize efficiency.	educe the cost per	trip and
Strategies	Responsible Agency	Date
2.1.1 Quarterly track and monitor all trips using transportation scheduling software. Map and publish major origins and destinations maps to encourage coordination with other provides and or transportation options.	CTC/MPO	quarterly
2.1.2 Monitor and report number of passenger trips per hour. Include annual report in the TSDP.	СТС	annual
<b>Objective 2.2</b> Reduce the duplication of transportation disact the county.	dvantaged services	provided with
Strategies	Responsible Agency	Date
2.2.1 Continue to explore multi-loading opportunities such as group trips to major attractors.	СТС	quarterly
2.2.2 Continue to use Intelligent Transportation Strategies (ITS) Global Positioning System, (GPS), Mobile Data Terminals (MDTs) and Computer Aided Dispatch (CAD), Automatic Vehicle Location (AVL) to all new buses to assist with coordination services and reducing duplications for a more coordinated process.	CTC/Operator	annual

to meet the projected demand within specified service areas.		
Strategies	Responsible Agency	Date
2.3.1 Conduct quarterly brainstorming sessions with MPO, county, municipal staff to identify cost savings initiatives.	CTC/MPO	quarterly
2.3.2 Encourage Section 5310 grant recipients to participate in the coordination of the transportation disadvantages services and maximize the use of their vehicles.	СТС	annual
2.3.3 Continue to monitor and report cost per trip and work to operate as efficiently as possible.	СТС	quarterly
2.3.4 Annually review trips rates to ensure program sustainability.	СТС	annual
2.3.5 Ensure all paratransit clients are subject to recertification every three years.	СТС	ongoing
2.3.6 Explore the use of fixed route bus passes to reduce paratransit trips and increase client mobility options.	CTC/MPO	ongoing
<b>Objective 2.4</b> Improve cost-effectiveness through a reduction feasible.	ction in energy	demand as
2.4.1 Continue to evaluate the purchase of alternative fuel vehicles as replacement vehicles are needed.	СТС	annual

GOAL	<b>.</b> 3	Fo	r all trar	ısportati	on	services t	hat are provi	ded,	ensure tha	t a
high	level	of	service	quality	is	provided,	maintained,	and	improved	as
neces	ssary.									

<b>Objective 3.1</b> Increase on-time performance of 95 percent.		
Strategies	Responsible Agency	Date
3.1.1 Maintain a minimum number of drivers to prevent negative consequences when drivers are absent. Have relief drivers available.	CTC/Operator	ongoing

3.1.2 Ensure that scheduling is done in a manner that allows the most efficient loading of all vehicles.	CTC/Operator	ongoing			
Objective 3.2 Ensure all performance criteria are maintained.					
Strategies	Responsible Agency	Date			
3.2.1 Continue to monitor and report performance indicators on a monthly basis. These include the following: (On time performance; Unduplicated passengers; Cost per passenger trip; Cost per vehicle mile).	CTC/MPO	ongoing			
3.2.2 Continue to conduct weekly staff/customer service meetings to fully review complaints. Report findings to affected parties and take corrective actions when necessary.	CTC/MPO	ongoing			
Objective 3.4 Maximize customer comfort and safety.					
Strategies	Responsible Agency	Date			
3.4.1 Randomly select a preset number of rider's bi-monthly to conduct a post-trip rider phone survey and/or online survey tool.	CTC/MPO	ongoing			
3.4.2 Regularly inspect operator and coordination contract vehicles, monitor drivers and adhere to the drug and alcohol program.	СТС	annual			
3.4.3 Monitor and track safety related comments and complaints and seek ways to minimize.	CTC/Operator	ongoing			
<u>3.4.4</u> Utilize "Mystery Riders", and cameras to ensure accountability of staff to riders.	СТС	ongoing			
<u>3.4.5</u> Maintain and analyze accident records to determine future actions deemed necessary to improve the overall safety record.	CTC/Operator/ MPO	annual			
3.4.6 Maintain the quality of the vehicles by replacing older, high mileage vehicles.	СТС	annual			

3.4.7 Ensure that services are provided in a safe and secure manner in accordance with the CTD and FDOT standards and recommendations.		ongoing
<b>Objective 3.5</b> Increase avenues for customers to access transportation system.	information on tl	ne coordinated
Strategies	Responsible Agency	Date
3.5.1 Distribute schedules and system information in public places throughout the County for residents and visitors (e.g. shopping centers, Chambers of Commerce, clubs and community associations etc.).	CTC/Operator/ MPO	ongoing
3.5.2 Develop an on-going public involvement process through surveys, discussion groups, interviews, public workshops, marketing efforts, and other promotional activities.	CTC/MPO	annual
3.5.3 Pursue marketing opportunities through community associations and organizations, e.g., newsletters, radio, television and print media, internet and social networking.	CTC/Operator/ MPO	ongoing
3.5.4 Encourage marketing assistance from the TDCB and the CTD and obtain resources to expand marketing efforts.	CTC/MPO	ongoing
3.5.5 Ensure that all websites and other electronic media are compliant with Section 508 of the Rehabilitation Act, as amended in 1998.	CTC/MPO	annual
3.5.6 Update the Rider's guide annually to reflect changes in policy and procedures.	CTC/Operator	annual
3.5.7 Conduct informational and travel training workshops and training to organizations that serve the disabled.	CTC/Operator/ MPO	annual
3.5.8 Distribute information to Human Service agencies in accessible formats.	СТС	ongoing
3.5.9 Promote new and existing services in Lake County.	CTC/MPO	ongoing
3.5.10 Expand marketing and implementation of the Lake County vanpool program.	CTC/MPO/ Rethink	annual

3.5.11 Promote and assist with Rethink for commuter assistance program to target major employers and commuter options.	* *	ongoing
<b>Objective 3.6</b> Investigate and pursue all available funding o and local levels and from private source for programs or projection disadvantaged.	• •	•
Strategies	Responsible Agency	Date
3.6.1 Coordinate with the Lake~Sumter MPO in the utilization of its transit planning funds to support/improve transit planning in Lake County.	СТС	ongoing
3.6.2 Work with local agencies to continue to receive sufficient funding to provide agency trips.	СТС	annual
3.6.3 Educate the general public and local decision makers on the importance of public transportation and the need for local financial support.	CTC/MPO	ongoing

GOAL 4	Encourage land use patterns that support and promote transit
patrona	ge through the clustering of mixed uses and other transit-oriented
designs	in medium and large scale planned developments.

**Objective 4.1** Improve local knowledge of the benefits of transit supportive areas and land uses.

Strategies	Responsible Agency	Date
4.1.1 Encourage the expansion of the development review process to include the consideration of impacts on the multi-modal transportation system and infrastructure.	CTC/MPO	ongoing
4.1.2 Promote model land use regulations that encourages transit patronage through Transit Supportive Areas and Transit Oriented Development (TOD).	CTC/MPO	ongoing

4.1.3 Support land development regulation that requires transit amenities to be provided in new developments.	CTC/MPO	ongoing
<b>Objective 4.2</b> Improve connections of public trans transportation.	portation to other r	nodes of
Strategies	Responsible Agency	Date
4.2.1 Improve transit infrastructure along existing and future public transportation corridors.	CTC/MPO	ongoing
4.2.2 Ensure connectivity of infrastructure to current and future public transportation.	CTC/MPO	ongoing
<b>Objective 4.3</b> Provide opportunities for ADA and TD pasmodal corridors.	ssengers to safety acc	ess multi-
	Responsible Agency	Date
Strategies  4.3.1 Maximize effective migration of individuals to public transportation through the use of functional assessments, travel training, and other efforts to make shuttle service	Agency	Date ongoing
Strategies  4.3.1 Maximize effective migration of individuals to public transportation through the use of functional assessments, travel training, and other efforts to make shuttle service routes assessable to more people.  4.3.2 Continue to utilize a 100% accessible fleet.	Agency	
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# GOAL 5 Ensure the safety of the passengers, drivers, the general public and property in the delivery of all transportation services.

**Objective 5.1** Promote and educate the general public about the importance of transit safety.

Strategies	Responsible	Date
	Agency	
5.1.1 Establish a culture of safety with the Operator that	CTC	ongoing
permeates throughout the organization.		
Ed 2. December advertised according about transit	CTC/MPO	
<u>5.1.2</u> Promote educational campaigns about transit,	CTC/MPO	ongoing
pedestrian and bicycle safety.		
5.1.3 Maintain a transit accident and incident database to	CTC/MPO	ongoing
	CICINFO	Origority
effectively evaluate all events in order to establish		
corrective actions.		

#### **SECTION 2: SERVICE PLAN**

#### **OPERATIONS**

The operations element is a profile of the Coordinator's current system which provides basic information about the Coordinator's daily operations.

# 1. Types, Hours and Days of Service

Lake County's Public Transportation services are offered not only to passengers whose rides are paid by a sponsoring agency, but also to the general public. The general public who does not qualify for services under the Transportation Disadvantaged Program may pay the fully trip cost and receive services. All requests for transportation are accepted; however applicants must meet the requirements of the sponsoring agency. There is no differentiation between age, race, creed, national origin, or disability as long as the person qualifies for the service. There is a distinct possibility that trip reasons may be prioritized due to funding reductions experienced by most sponsoring agencies, and the prioritization format has been approved by the Ridership sub-committee of the TDCB. It should be noted that FDOT Section 5311 funded trips may not be prioritized.

Below is the CTC unmet trip request from 2005 through 2013:

Year	Number of unmet trips
July 1, 2004 - June 30, 2005	0
July 1, 2005 - June 30, 2006	0
July 1, 2006 - June 30, 2007	0
July 1, 2007 - June 30, 2008	18,371
July 1, 2008 - June 30, 2009	45
July 1, 2009 - June 30, 2010	6
July 1, 2010 - June 30, 2011	179
July 1, 2011 – June 30, 2012	3,111
July 1, 2012 – June 30, 2013	18,803

The zero unmet trips for the 2005, 2006 and 2007 were due to the increase of funding to the program by the CTC.

The CTC operates under the name Lake County Connection and has contracted with Ride Right effective October 1, 2013 as the County's provider. Services are provided from 6:00 a.m., until 7:00 p.m., Monday through Friday, with the exception of dialysis,

hospital discharges and out of county trips. The office hours are 8:00 a.m. until 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday, excluding selected holidays.

The current Transportation Disadvantaged (TD) vehicle inventory consists of 49 vehicles (47 of the 49 vehicles), or 96 percent are lift-equipped. Most trip origins and destinations (97 percent) are within the County.

Out of area trips are regularly provided to Gainesville and Orlando. The trips to Gainesville are on Monday, Wednesday, and Friday; the trips to Orlando are on Tuesday and Thursday. Return trips from both destinations leave when all passengers are finished with their appointments, but must leave no later than 2:00 p.m.

Passengers must find their own transportation for the return trip if their appointment lasts later than 2:00 p.m. However, accommodations for late return trips with notice to the reservation system will be provided. All passengers are advised of this stipulation and are strongly encouraged to make out of county appointments before 10:00 a.m.

When calling to schedule a trip, the customer service representatives will provide the caller with two (2) estimated pick-up times for all round trips.

The first estimated pick-up time will be from your home to your destination.

The second estimated pick-up time will be the return time from the passenger's destination back to their home.

Each pick-up time is the start of a one-hour window. A passenger should expect the driver to arrive within the one-hour window. A passenger will need to be ready to travel at any time within the one-hour window. Schedules are developed to allow multi-loading and for passengers to get to their destinations on time when they are picked up within the pick-up window.

Under certain circumstances pick-up times may be negotiated with riders to allow more efficient scheduling. Pick-up window adjustments of up to one hour may be required depending on the travel distance and the number of passengers being transported. Each estimated pick-up time includes:

- The one hour window.
- Additional time for the trip distance.
- Additional time for peak periods (rush hour).
- Additional time for other passengers scheduled on the vehicle.
- Additional "negotiated" time of up to one hour if necessary.

# Pick-up window based on 10:00 am requested appointment.

Ride time					
Pick-up window. One hour (Additional negotiated time up to 60 minutes in window)	Additional time for trip distance	Additional time for peak periods	Additional time for other passengers	Arrive at appointment	
Pick-up				<b>Drop Off</b>	
Between:				Between:	
9:00 - 10:00			·	9:00 -10:00	
8:40 - 9:40	20 min			9:00 -10:00	
8:20 - 9:20	20 min	20 min		9:00 -10:00	
8:00 - 9:00	20 min	20 min	20 min	9:00 -10:00	

**Pick-up window:** One hour before the appointment time plus applicable additional time for trip distance, peak periods and additional passengers.

# Pick-up window based on 11:00 am requested return

Ride time					
Pick-up window. One hour (Additional negotiated time up to 60 minutes in window)	Additional time for trip distance	Additional time for peak periods	Additional time for other passengers	Arrive Home	
Pick-up				Drop Off	
Between:				Between:	
11:00 - 12:00				11:00-12:00	
11:00 - 12:00	20 min			11:20-12:20	
11:00 - 12:00	20 min	20 min		11:40-12:40	
11:00 - 12:00	20 min	20 min	20 min	12:00-1:00	

- (1) Up to 60 minutes in negotiated time may be added to your one hour window to allow more efficient schedules system wide on cross county or out of county trips.
- (2) Estimated travel time for trip distance will be included.
- (3) Estimated additional time for peak periods will be included when applicable.
- (4) Up to 20 minutes for additional passengers will be added when applicable.

Multi-legged trips will be treated as round trips with multiple return (second, third, etc.) windows based on requested return times.

Please wait at least one hour past the scheduled pick-up time before calling Lake County Connection Customer Service at (352) 326-2278.

The driver can arrive up to the one hour past the scheduled pick-up time and still be considered "on time" as long as the passenger arrives at their destination on time. Please remember the pick-up time is based on factors such as the time the passenger needs to reach their destination, traffic delays, inclement weather conditions and multiloading of other passengers.

The one-hour return window does not apply to ADA and dialysis passengers. It is the goal of Lake County Public Transportation to pick up all ADA and dialysis passengers within thirty (30) minutes of their scheduled return pick-up time.

When drivers arrive early passengers cannot be force to be ready earlier or leave earlier than their scheduled pick-up time. Under such conditions the passenger cannot be classified as a No-Show.

# 2. Accessing Services

There is a two-day (48-hour) advance reservation requirement, although same-day urgent care service will be accepted pursuant to Medicaid guidelines if vehicles and drivers are available. Other service will be considered depending on the nature of the request and the availability of a vehicle and driver.

Transportation services are available only for residents of Lake County, unless there is an agreement with another Community Transportation Coordinator (CTC).

Customer Service Representatives have been instructed to listen to every request, discuss with the passenger the circumstances, and make a decision to accept or deny the reservation. If the reservation time is unavailable, an alternate day or time is offered. The CTC may authorize a trip outside these perimeters when extraordinary situations arise.

# a. Eligibility

Transportation services are available to anyone who meets the qualifications of the respective sponsoring agency. Medicaid transportation is available to anyone who is authorized under the Medicaid Program. Transportation Disadvantaged services are based upon Chapter 427 and meeting the Federal Poverty Guideline as adopted by the County, unless the client falls under the Mary Bennett Rule.

 This rule allows persons receiving dialysis treatment, as well as those with longterm medical condition such as cancer treatments, heart conditions, diabetes, neuropathy, etc. that require on-going treatment to qualify for services regardless of their income. Public-pay passengers pay the same fares as the sponsoring agencies. Applicants who are able to use LakeXpress or have other means of transportation service will not be approved to use Lake County Connections unless they meet an exception under the eligibility application.

Bus passes may be provided to Medicaid clients who are able to use Lakexpress as an incentive to use fixed route rather than the more costly door to door service.

This program is intended for those persons who because of physical or mental disability, income status, or age are unable to transport themselves or to purchase transportation and are, therefore, dependent upon others to obtain access to health care, employment, education, shopping, social activities, or other life-sustaining activities, or children who are handicapped or high-risk or at-risk as defined in s. 411.202.

The Transportation Disadvantaged Program is a funding source of last resort. If a client is receiving funding from another agency such as Agency for Persons with Disabilities Medicaid Waiver Program or on a waiting list, then the client would have to utilize the Medicaid Waiver Program funding for transportation services. However, if a developmentally disabled client is not on any other program then they may request utilization of Transportation Disadvantaged Program funding through the eligibility application process.

All persons will be required to complete an Eligibility Application and must provide all of the required information, including verification of income. If a person provides false or misleading information they will be denied services. Incomplete applications may be granted 60 day provisional services if it appears that the applicant will qualify for services.

# b. Prioritization

The Transportation Disadvantaged Coordinating Board through a subcommittee sets prioritization guidelines when needed. The following guidelines are currently in effect.

- 1. Medical
  - a. Kidnev Dialysis.
  - b. Cancer Treatment.
  - c. Doctor Appointments.
  - d. Therapy.
  - e. Prescriptions.
  - f. Children at Risk.
- 2. Nutritional
  - a. Food/Grocery Shopping/ Meal Site/Food Stamps.

- 3. Employment (In-County Only)
- 4. Training/Education
- 5. Life- Sustaining/Other
  - a. Non-food Shopping.
  - b. Banking/Social Security.
  - c. Visits to Hospitals/Nursing Homes.
  - d. Recreational.

FDOT trips cannot be prioritized.

The following definitions are used by the Commission for Transportation Disadvantaged.

**Medical:** Anyone transported for medical reasons. Medical reasons include trips to the doctor, dentist, chiropractor, hospital or to purchase prescriptions.

**Employment:** Anyone transported to or from a current job, a job related duty, or a job interview, that is related to receiving payment for employment, including sheltered workshops where the riders receive minimal payment.

**Education/Training/Day Care:** Anyone transported to or from school, college, Vo-tech, or any other facility whose purpose it is to train, teach, or educate people, including day care for children or WAGES/Regional Workforce Boards. Sheltered workshops where payment for employment is not provided would be in this category.

**Nutritional:** Anyone transported for reasons of receiving a meal, nutritional benefits or grocery shopping. Meals on wheels should not be included in this report.

**Life-Sustaining/Other:** Anyone transported for the purpose of conducting personal business (e.g. banks, social service offices, visiting spouse/parent in nursing home); and shopping, excluding grocery shopping. Or anyone transported for reasons other than the above. This could include after school programs, transporting persons against their will (e.g. Baker Act, juvenile detention), social, or recreational reasons. Volunteer workers and support groups would also be included in this category.

Due to changes in the economy and to Medicaid providing prescription trips we now have excess in Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) Section 5311 Operating grant funding. Therefore, all Life-Sustaining/Other trips within Lake County will be reinstated. Should staff determine that these trips need to be reduced in the future, the request will be taken to the Transportation Disadvantaged Coordinating Board.

# c. Other Accessibility Policies/Procedures

**Door-to-Door:** Service is from the door of the trip origination to the door of the destination. Due to safety issues there may be times when a driver will not be able to assist a passenger to the door.

**Passenger Assistance:** The driver will provide a passenger with boarding assistance, if necessary or requested, to the seating portion of the vehicle.

The assistance may include opening the vehicle door, fastening safety belts or wheel chair securement devices, storage of mobility assistive devices, and closing the vehicle door.

If necessary and the safety of other passengers will not be endangered, drivers will open and close building doors for passengers. Assistance will be provided in a dignified manner.

Upon request, the driver will assist passengers to the door unless doing so would endanger other passengers by leaving the vehicle unattended.

Drivers will not assist a wheelchair passenger up or down more than one step and, in many cases; will not push a wheelchair through sand or mud.

Drivers are required to ring the bell or knock on the door of each client's home if the client is not waiting outside.

Drivers shall not blow the horn of the vehicle unless there is a dangerous dog, an unsafe condition or the fence is locked or other barriers prevent them from accessing the home. If the passenger does not respond the Lake County Connection office staff will call the passenger utilizing the telephone number on file.

**Road Way Access:** Being a partially rural county, there are some roads and driveways that a bus cannot navigate due to overhanging tree branches, loose sandy road, or other obstacles. In these cases, the passenger will be required to meet the bus at a predetermined pick-up point. Drivers will need to report such conditions to the County so appropriate actions may be taken to remedy the problems.

**ADA:** According to the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 (ADA), one escort is allowed to travel at no charge with each disabled passenger. Lake County CTC also allows two children under the age of six to travel with each adult at no charge if prior arrangements are made. Children age 6 to 12 pay 50% (percent) of the fare.

**Additional Riders:** There has been abuse of the system in the past with adults bringing too many children on the buses with them. This has caused problems with seat availability. As a result, only two children under the age of six may travel with each adult with prior approval. Due to the nature of door-to-door transportation, other exceptions will be considered with prior approval.

# 3. Transportation Operators and Coordination Contractors

There is one private-for-profit operator under contract with Lake County providing transportation services to the coordinated system, and fourteen (14) coordination contractors.

#### 4. Public Transit Utilization

Lake County currently offers fixed route as well as paratransit service and subscription service.

The CTC initiated fixed route service on May 21, 2007, under the name of LakeXpress. LakeXpress currently operates four routes from the Villages to Zellwood, covering the cities of Altoona, Eustis, Fruitland Park, Lady Lake, Leesburg, Mount Dora, Tavares, Umatilla and Zellwood.

In December 2006 the CTC entered into an agreement with Lynx to operate an express service (Link 204) from Clermont to downtown Orlando, and to extend Link 55 into the four corners area of South Lake County. LakeXpress Route 4 also connects with Lynx Link 44 in Zellwood which affords passengers with a regional connection to travel to Orange, Osceola and Seminole counties via Lynx.

#### 5. School Bus Utilization

There is an agreement between LifeStream and Ride Right Transit, LLC. to provide some school board trips to students going to LifeStream Academy. This service is provided using Ride Right vehicles. In accordance with federal guidelines the County does not allow vehicles which have been purchased with Federal Transit Administration (FTA) resources to be used for this service, unless a waiver has been granted from FTA. With Ride Right no longer being the operator for the CTC, Ride Right may assume this contract with LifeStream.

The School Board and CTC works together with Lake County Emergency Management to provide transportation during disasters and other catastrophic events for special needs transportation and when others may need to be evacuated.

# **6. Vehicle Inventory**

In FY 2014, there were a total of 59 CTC paratransit vehicles providing TD trips with 6 vehicles not being wheelchair equipped.

There were 14 Coordination Contractor vehicles providing transportation services for the developmentally disabled with 7 vehicles being wheelchair equipped.

The total number of vehicles providing TD trips in Lake County was 94 with a total of 63 vehicles, or 67% (percent) of the vehicles being wheelchair-lift equipped. The Lake County vehicle inventory is included in Appendix C.

# 7. System Safety Program Plan Certification

A copy of Lake County's CTC System Safety Program Plan and Certification is included in Appendix D.

# 8. Inter-County Services

Lake County CTC provides passengers with trips to Gainesville on Monday, Wednesday, and Friday, based on demand. On Tuesday and Thursday, passengers are transported to Orlando including the new Veterans Hospital in Orlando.

In addition, Transportation Disadvantaged Program services will be provided to The Villages in Summerfield, Lake-Sumter Landing, into Sumter County on CR 466 east of Buenos Aries, Langley Medical Center, Davenport Dialysis and DeLand Dialysis. Request for transportation services to Ocala must first be given a variance by the CTC staff before being scheduled.

If a Medicaid doctor is not available on the normal out of county days then the passenger may request to be transported the day the doctor can see the patient. The Customer Service Representative will request the doctor's telephone number from the passenger and will verify the appointment prior to the reservations being made.

The CTC provides service to other cities such as Tampa, Jacksonville, Miami, Ocala, Sumter County, etc. for Medicaid clients when services are not available in our immediate service area or for Veteran's on special occasions.

Efforts are being made to coordinate out of area trips with Sumter and Marion Counties in order to reduce costs and eliminate the duplication of services.

We are currently exploring a regional call center with Sumter County in order to better serve our region.

# 9. Natural Disaster/Emergency Preparedness

The CTC is the primary agency responsible for transporting special need clients during a natural disaster or other emergency. The CTC is part of the County Emergency Management Plan and is part of the Logistic Team as ESF 1.

# 10. Marketing

The CTC is continuously attempting to find new and innovative ways to reach the majority of the population in Lake County and to educate them about the public transportation system. When LakeXpress began, there were newspaper articles in both of the major newspapers that serves the area. Whenever there is a change in schedules or routes, there are coinciding articles in the newspapers, stories on the local news and articles posted on the internet. The CTC has used television as well as radio to market transit in Lake County. Promotional events were held to celebrate LX 5<sup>th</sup> Anniversary on May 21, 2012.

There are many speaking engagements made by the CTC staff. Local governments, home health care committees, faith based organizations, health care professional organizations, homeowner's organizations, mobile home parks and associations, and civic organizations have all been groups to which staff has spoken. A request for a CTC speaker has never been denied.

The CTC conducts satisfaction surveys of its clients. The surveys request customer's feedback regarding all aspects of the transportation services we provide. This marketing/diagnostic tool will continue to be utilized on a regular basis, with the results serving as a real change agent for the improvement of all transportation services. Survey results will be posted regularly on the <a href="https://www.ridelakexpress.com">www.ridelakexpress.com</a> and the <a href="https://www.lakesumtermpo.com">www.ridelakexpress.com</a> and the <a href="https://www.lakesumtermpo.com">www.lakesumtermpo.com</a> websites.

# 11. Acceptable Alternatives

Any agency that purchases or provides transportation for persons who are transportation disadvantaged utilizing TD funds are to do so through a contractual arrangement with the CTC. Exempt from this requirement are privately-owned vehicles of an agency volunteer or employee; state-owned vehicles; privately-owned vehicles of a family member or custodian; common carriers, such as commercial airlines or bus; emergency medical vehicles; and in instances where the CTC determines that it is unable to provide or arrange the required service.

The Board of County Commissioners as the CTC coordinates and provides services through a contracted provider for all passengers sponsored by Transportation Disadvantaged funds.

#### 12. Service Standards

Service standards have been jointly developed by the TDCB, Planning Agency and the Community Transportation Coordinator and are consistent with those of the Commission. The standards are integral to the development and implementation of a quality transportation program.

This section includes the standards currently in place for providers in Lake County. Service is door-to-door.

Door-to-door services are offered to individuals who are transportation disadvantaged according to Florida Statutes Chapter 427 and who cannot navigate the fixed route.

The driver will assist the customer within multi-floor medical buildings to the door of the suite, unless the client is on a stretcher. In such cases the driver will transport the client to his/her destination in the building.

At the customer's residence, the customer is expected to be waiting on the first floor. The driver will not enter the residence, unless it is for a stretcher client.

For the safety of the drivers and passengers, drivers will not assist wheelchair customers up or down more than one step, nor will they attempt to push a wheelchair through grass, sand or mud.

#### **Drug and Alcohol**

**Rule 41-2.006 (4) (a)** Drug and alcohol testing for safety-sensitive job positions within the coordinated system regarding pre-employment, randomization, post-accident, and reasonable suspicion as required by the Federal Highway Administration and the Federal Transit Administration.

**CTC Standard:** The Provider shall implement and maintain a drug and alcoholtesting program for safety sensitive job positions within the coordinated system regarding pre-employment, randomization, post-accident, reasonable suspicion, return to duty and direct observation as required by the Federal Highway Administration and the Federal Transit Administration.

#### **Transport of Escorts and Dependent Children**

**Rule 41-2.006 (4) (b)** An escort of a passenger and dependent children are to be transported as locally negotiated and identified in the local Service Plan.

**CTC Standard:** One escort, companion or dependent children will be permitted to be transported at no additional fare. Escorts must be at least 16 years of age. Escorts for Medicaid recipients must be at least 18 years of age. The CTC may allow additional family members to travel with a client under unique circumstances if space is available.

# **Child Restraint Devices**

Rule 41-2.006 (4) (c) Use of child restraint devices shall be determined locally as to their responsibility and cost of such device in the local Service Plan.

**CTC Standard:** Child restraint devices must be used in accordance with Florida Law. Parents will be responsible for providing the child restraint device. The driver will insure that the child restraint device is properly installed.

#### **Passenger Property**

Rule 41-2.006 (4) (d) Passenger property that can be carried by the passenger and/or driver in one trip and can be safely stowed on the vehicle shall be allowed to be transported with the

passenger at no additional charge. Additional requirements may be negotiated for carrying and loading rider property beyond this amount. Passenger property does not include wheelchairs, child seats, stretchers, secured oxygen, personal assistive devices, or intravenous devices.

**CTC Standard:** Personal belongings are the sole responsibility of the passenger. Passengers are responsible for loading and unloading their belongings. Under limited circumstances passengers may request the driver to assist with their belongings. However, there is a five (5) bag limit that do not exceed 20 pounds each. Passenger's personal belongings do not include wheelchairs, child seats, stretchers, secured oxygen, personal assistance devices, or intravenous devices.

# **Vehicle Transfer Points**

**Rule 41-2.006 (4) (e)** Provide Shelter, security, and safety of passengers at vehicle transfer points.

**CTC Standard:** To the best possible extent, the Provider shall provide shelter, security, and safety to its passengers at all transfer points.

# **Local Toll Free Number and TD Helpline**

**Rule 41-2.006 (4) (f)** Local toll free phone number for complaints or grievances shall be posted inside the vehicle. The TD Helpline phone number (1-800-983-2435) shall also be posted inside the vehicle. The local complaint process shall be outline as a section in the local Transportation Disadvantaged Service Plan including, advising the dissatisfied person about the Commission's Ombudsman Program as a step within the process as approved by the Local Coordinating Board. All rider information/materials (brochures, user's guides, etc.) will include the TD Helpline phone number.

**CTC Standard Complaints/Compliments:** The CTC number and the TD Ombudsman toll free phone number for compliments, complaints, comments or grievances shall be posted inside all vehicles.

The CTC goal is to have no more than one (1) per 1,000 complaints of total rides annually. Complaints are handled on an individual basis. Every complaint received through the CTC or Operator Office shall be recorded on a standardized complaint form. It is then investigated and findings are annotated on the complaint form. The person filing the complaint will receive a written reply of the complaint, findings, and resolution.

#### **Service Area**

**Rule 41-2.006 (4) (g)** Out-of-service area trips shall be provided when determined locally and approved by the TDCB, except in instances where local ordinances prohibit such trips.

**CTC Standard:** The service area is all of Lake County. Trips are made to Gainesville on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays and to Orlando including the Veterans Hospital on Tuesdays and Thursdays. Service to other areas will be provided only if Medicaid services are not available in the normal service area. Transportation Disadvantaged services will be provided into Sumter County as stated under Inter County Services and to DeLand Dialysis. Other request for

out of service area trips shall be provided when approved by the sponsoring agency or CTC.

#### **Vehicle Cleanliness**

**Rule 41-2.006 (4) (h)** The interior of all vehicles shall be free from dirt, grime, oil, trash, torn upholstery, damaged or broken seats, protruding metal or other objects or materials which could soil items placed in the vehicle or provide discomfort for the passenger.

**CTC Standard:** The interior of all vehicles shall be free from dirt, grime, oil, trash, torn upholstery, damaged or broken seats, protruding metal or other objects or materials which could soil items placed in the vehicle or provide discomfort for the passenger.

#### **Billing Requirements**

**Rule 41-2.006 (4) (i)** Billing requirements of the CTC to subcontractors shall be determined locally by the TDCB and provided in the local Service Plan. All bills shall be paid within seven (7) calendar days to subcontractors, after receipt of said payment by the CTC, except in instances where the CTC is a non-governmental entity.

**CTC Standard:** All bills shall be paid in accordance with the Prompt Payment Act.

#### Passenger/Trip Data Base

**Rule 41-2.006 (4) (j)** Passenger/trip data must be maintained by or accessible to the CTC on each rider being transported within the coordinated system.

**CTC Standard:** A Passenger/trip database must be maintained and be accessible to the CTC on each rider being transported within the system. A separate data base shall be maintained for special need clients who are enrolled with Lake County Emergency Management.

# **Adequate Seating**

Rule 41-2.006 (4) (k) Adequate seating for paratransit services shall be provided to each rider and escort, child, or personal care attendant, and no more passengers than the registered passenger seating capacity shall be scheduled or transported in a vehicle at any time. For transit services provided by transit vehicles, adequate seating or standing space will be provided to each rider and escort, child, or personal care attendant, and no more passengers than the registered passenger seating or standing capacity shall be scheduled or transported in a vehicle at any time.

**CTC Standard:** Adequate seating for paratransit services shall be provided to each rider and escort, child, or personal care attendant, and no more passengers than the registered passenger seating and standing capacity shall be scheduled or transported in a vehicle at any time.

#### **Driver Identification**

Rule 41-2.006 (4) (I) Drivers for paratransit services, including coordination contractors, shall

be required to announce and identify themselves by name and company in a manner that is conducive to communications with the specific passenger, upon pickup of each rider, group of riders, or representative, guardian, or associate of the rider, except in situations where the driver regularly transports the rider on a recurring basis. Each driver must have photo identification that is in view of the passenger. Name patches, inscriptions or badges that affix to driver clothing are acceptable. For transit services, the driver photo identification shall be in a conspicuous location in the vehicle.

**CTC Standard:** Drivers for the providers of paratransit services, including coordination contractors, shall be required to announce and identify themselves by name and company in a manner that is conducive to effective communication with the specific passenger, upon pickup of each rider, group of riders, or representative, guardian, or associate of the rider, except in situations where the driver regularly transports the rider on a recurring basis.

Each driver must have photo identification which is legible that is in view of the passenger. Name patches, inscriptions or badges that affix to driver clothing are acceptable. For transit services, the driver photo identification shall be in a conspicuous location in the vehicle.

#### **Passenger Assistance**

**Rule 41-2.006 (4) (m)** The paratransit driver shall provide the passenger with boarding assistance, if necessary or requested, to the seating portion of the vehicle. The boarding assistance shall include opening the vehicle door, fastening the seat belt or utilization of wheelchair securement devices, storage of mobility assistive devices, and closing the vehicle door. In the door-through-door paratransit service category, the driver shall be required to open and close doors to buildings, except in situations in which assistance in opening/closing building doors would not be safe for passengers remaining on the vehicle. Assisted access must be in a dignified manner. Drivers may not assist a wheelchair up or down more than one step, unless it can be performed safely as determined by the passenger, guardian, and driver.

**CTC Standard:** The paratransit driver shall provide the passenger with boarding assistance, if necessary or requested, to the seating portion of the vehicle. The assistance shall include opening the vehicle door, fastening safety belts or wheel chair securement devices, storage of mobility assistive devices, and closing the vehicle door.

Assistance shall also include allowing for the use of the lift when requested by a passenger. If necessary and as long as the safety of other passengers in the vehicle is not endangered, the driver may open and close building doors for passengers.

Passenger assistance must be provided in a dignified manner. Drivers may not assist wheelchair up or down more than one step.

#### **Smoking, Eating and Drinking on Vehicles**

**Rule 41-2.006 (4) (n)** Smoking is prohibited in any vehicle. Requirements for drinking and eating on board the vehicle will be addressed in the local Service Plan.

**CTC Standard:** Drivers and Passengers are prohibited from eating, drinking, or smoking on the vehicle. Exceptions to these vehicle operation policies would be made in accordance with guidance from ADA for persons who, for a medically necessary reason, must eat or drink on a strict time frame or nutritional regimen. Exceptions may be made for individuals on extended trips.

#### **Passenger No-Shows**

**Rule 41-2.006 (4) (o)** The CTC and TDCB shall jointly develop a policy on passenger noshows. Assessing fines to passengers for no-shows is acceptable but such policy and process shall be identified in the local Service Plan.

**CTC Standard:** Because Lake County Connection is a shared ride system, it is important each customer is ready to board the vehicle when the vehicle arrives to their destination, unless the bus arrives earlier than the scheduled pick-up time.

It is the County's policy that the drivers wait only five minutes for a passenger to board the vehicle unless there are extenuating circumstances with the client that have been documented in the clients eligibility application. Passengers must remember that there are other customers either on board or are waiting for their scheduled ride.

For nursing homes passengers as well as for dialysis patients, the wait time may be adjusted to take in consideration the population that is being served.

If a vehicle arrives to pick up a customer and he or she is not there or does not board the vehicle by the scheduled time, the customer will be considered a "No-Show".

If a customer places a child or other property on a vehicle and returns to their house and causes the bus to wait longer than five minutes, then the customer's transportation services may be suspended for ten (10) days.

Drivers must exit their vehicle and ring the doorbell or knock on the door before leaving or declaring the client a no-show. If the driver does not physically go the client's door and ring the bell or knock on the door the passenger cannot be considered a no-show.

However, if there is a dangerous dog, an unsafe condition, the fence is locked or there are other barriers that prevent the driver from accessing the home, the driver will notify dispatch and the office staff will call the passenger utilizing the telephone number on file. In such cases the driver may also blow the horn to alert the client.

Multiple "No-Show's" will result in a suspension of service. The steps leading up to a suspension of service are:

a. First "No-Show" recorded in passenger file and a door hanger left on the resident's door.

- b. Second "No-Show" within ninety (90) days of the first "No-Show" will result in a letter to the passenger stating that the next "No-Show" will result in a thirty (30) day suspension.
- c. Third "No-Show" within ninety (90) days of the first will result in a thirty (30) day suspension.
- d. Fourth "No-Show" within ninety (90) days of the first will result in a sixty (60) day suspension.

Customers may appeal this process if they have information can be proven to be inaccurate.

However, if the passenger outgoing trip is a "No-Show" the return trip will not be cancelled. Every attempt will be made to contact the passenger to confirm the return trip.

The driver will be given the same information the passenger provides to reservation staff. A client should not leave there designated pick up area. If a client leaves their pick —up to call to check on the status of their transportation the dispatcher needs to communicate that information to the driver and request that the client return to their scheduled pick-up location.

If a driver is not able to find a customer within five minutes of arriving at the designated pick-up, or if the customer did not cancel at least two hours before the scheduled pick-up time, the customer will be considered a "No-Show".

If the driver is late arriving at the designated pick-up location the client cannot be considered a no-show.

Repeat "no show" offenders may be assessed a "no show" fee.

#### **Two-Way Communication**

**Rule 41-2.006 (4) (p)** All vehicles ordered or put into service after adoption of this section of the rule, and providing service within the coordinated system, shall be equipped with two-way communications in good working order and be audible to the driver at all times to the base.

**CTC Standard:** All vehicles within the coordinated system shall be equipped with two-way communication devices that provide audible communications between the driver and base at all times. Verizon direct connect radios will be acceptable to meet this requirement as long as the system can provide adequate coverage throughout the county.

#### **Vehicle Air Conditioning/Heating**

**Rule 41-2.006 (4) (q)** All vehicles ordered or put into service after adoption of this section of the rule, and providing service within the coordinated system, shall have working air conditioners and heaters. Vehicles that do not have a working air conditioner or heater will be scheduled for repair or replacement as soon as possible.

**CTC Standard:** All vehicles used within the coordinated system shall have working air conditioners and heaters. If an air conditioner or heater fails, the vehicle will be scheduled for repair or replacement as soon as possible. In extreme weather condition the vehicle shall be removed from service until the problem is remedied.

#### **First Aid**

**Rule 41-2.006 (4) (r)** First Aid policy shall be determined locally and provided in the local Service Plan.

**CTC Standard:** Each vehicle must have a First Aid Kit on board when passengers are being transported.

### **CPR**

**Rule 41-2.006 (4) (s) Cardiopulmonary** Resuscitation policy shall be determined locally and provided in the local Service Plan.

**CTC Standard:** The Transportation Disadvantaged Coordinating Board (TDCB) has elected not to require CPR/First Aid training for drivers at this time.

#### **Background Checks**

Rule 41-2.006 (4) (t) Driver criminal background screening should be determined locally, dependent upon purchasing agencies' requirements, and addressed in the local Service Plan.

**CTC Standard:** The CTC requires that criminal history background check be completed on all drivers. The background check shall include an FBI Background Check as well as an FDLE Background check to meet the requirements of the Jessica Lunsford Act for school board service as well as the Agency for Persons with Disabilities, and a local criminal history check.

# **Public Transit Ridership**

**Rule 41-2.006 (4) (u)** In areas where fixed route transportation is available, the Community Transportation Coordinator should jointly establish with the Local Coordinating Board (LCB) a percentage of total trips that will be placed on the fixed route system

**CTC Standard:** The CTC has established that if a client is denied ADA transportation service the fixed route service is available to them.

#### **On-Time Performance**

**Rule 41-2.006 (4) (w)** The CTC and LCB should jointly establish a percentage of trips that will be on-time. This performance measure should be communicated to contracted operators, drivers, purchasing agencies, and passengers. This measure should also be included as a part of the CTC's evaluation of its contracted operators and the LCB's evaluation of the CTC.

**CTC Standard:** The CTC and LCB should jointly establish a percentage of trips that will be on-time. This performance measure should be communicated to contracted operators, drivers, purchasing agencies, and passengers. This measure should also be included as a part of the CTC's evaluation of its contracted operators and the TDCB's evaluation of the CTC. The CTC has established a standard of 95% on-time performance for all completed trips on LCC and for LakeXpress.

#### **Advance Reservation Requirements**

**Rule 41-2.006 (4) (x)** The CTC should establish a minimum 24-hour advance notification time to obtain services. This policy should be addressed in the local Service Plan and communicated to contracted operators, purchasing agencies, and passengers.

**CTC Standard:** The CTC establish a two-day (48-hour) advance reservation requirement, although same urgent care service will be accepted pursuant to Medicaid guidelines if vehicles and driver are available. CTC will meet the standards of each of its funding partners in providing service to their respective client.

#### **Accidents**

**Rule 41-2.006 (4) (y)** The CTC and the TDCB should jointly establish and address a performance measure to evaluate the safety of the coordinated system, in the local Service Plan. This measure should be used in the CTC's evaluation of the contracted operators and the TDCB's evaluation of the CTC.

**CTC Standard:** The CTC has established a standard of no more than one preventable accident per 100,000 miles traveled.

#### Reliability of Vehicles/Road Calls

**Rule 41-2.006 (4) (z)** The CTC and TDCB should jointly establish and address a performance measure to evaluate the reliability of the vehicles utilized in the coordinated system, in the local Service Plan. This measure should be used in the CTC's evaluation of the contracted operators and the TDCB's evaluation of the CTC.

**CTC Standard:** The CTC has established a standard of no more than one (1) road call per 15,100 miles.

#### **Phones**

**Rule 41-2.006 (4) (aa)** This performance measure can be used to address the accessibility of the service. The CTC and TDCB should jointly determine if a standard for call hold time is needed within the coordinated system. If determined necessary, the standard should be jointly established by the CTC and TDCB. The standard should be included as a part of the TDCB's evaluation of the CTC.

**CTC Standard:** The CTC requires that all calls be answered within three rings and the average hold per call will not be more than three (3 minutes). Music or announcements must also be played in the background while clients are on hold.

#### **Quality of Service**

**Rule 41-2.006 (4) (bb)** The Community Transportation Coordinator and the LCB should jointly establish and address in the local service plan a performance measure to evaluate the quality of service provided within the coordinated system. The measure should be used in the Community Transportation Coordinator's evaluation of the contracted operators, and the LCB's evaluation of the Community Transportation Coordinator.

**CTC Standard:** The CTC has adopted the same standards as addressed in the CTC evaluation process.

In addition, the CTC contract with the operator has specific performance measures which will be utilized to evaluate the operator.

Notes: The TDSP requirements were taken from the Commission for the Transportation Disadvantaged *Commission Standards Training Manual (Adopted June 1996, and updated as appropriate)* and Rule 41-2, Florida Administrative Code.

#### **Additional CTC Standards:**

#### **Safety Equipment**

**CTC Standard:** Each vehicle must be equipped with safety reflectors and have an un-expired workable fire extinguisher.

### **Hospital discharges**

**CTC Standard:** The CTC has set a standard that those clients being discharged from hospitals are to be picked up within three (3) hours of the Operator receiving a call from the hospital regarding the discharge, unless a sponsoring agency has a more stringent requirement.

#### **Trip Cancellation**

**CTC Standard:** Individuals, their guardian or agency must cancel trips at least two (2) hours in advance of their scheduled trip. If the trip is not cancelled at least two hours in advance the trip will be considered a "Late Cancellation".

Agencies, group homes or guardians must inform the CTC of any restrictions of their clients being able to cancel trips.

Late cancellations will adhere to the same suspension guidelines as the No Show policy.

If the passenger cancels when the driver arrives then the passenger will be considered "no show" and is subject to the "no show" suspension policy.

Suspensions will not be imposed for circumstances that are beyond the passenger's normal control. Examples of situations not within the passenger's control are:

A sudden verified personal emergency.

- Sudden or worsening illness.
- Late arrival of the vehicle.
- Disruptive behavior caused by a disability.
- A sudden death in the immediate family or household.

#### **Excessive Timely Cancellations**

**CTC Standard:** Any scheduled trip that is cancelled at least two hours before the schedule pick-up time will not be considered a late cancellation or a No Show. However, if a client cancels their trips regularly this will be considered Excessive Timely Cancellation and may be subject to the following suspension.

- Ten late cancellations in a calendar month written warning via letter.
- Eleven late cancellations in a calendar month 14 day suspension.
- Twelve late cancellations in a calendar month 30 day suspension.

Lake County Connection is a multi-loading service and the consideration and cooperation of all its riders is imperative for the system to work efficiently and be cost effectively.

#### **Minimum Age**

**CTC Standard:** A person must be at least 16 years of age to ride without an escort. However, for Medicaid the client must be 18 years of age.

#### Will Calls

**CTC Standard:** If the customer is not ready at the requested return time we will make every effort to return for the customer within ninety (90) minutes of the customer notifying the provider. If the client is a dialysis patient or taking chemotherapy treatment, efforts will be made to pick them up as soon as possible.

If the customer cannot be found at the scheduled destination then they will be considered a "No-Show". If the customer requests a return trip after the "No-Show" has been issued then the return will be scheduled with no set timeframe.

If a client arrives to their destination late because of an issue with the operator then steps must be made to adjust the pick-up time for that client. It is the CTC's objective that the client does not end up falling under a will call status as a result of a problem caused by the operator.

In cases where the operator causes a dialysis client or any other client going to a medical appointment to arrive late, the driver must notify dispatch so that the return driver will not arrive at the pre-scheduled pick up time. Under no circumstance shall such client be placed on will call. For instance, if a dialysis patient normal chair time is at 10:00 a.m. but the transit operator causes him/her to arrive at 11:00 a.m. and the normal return time is 3:00 p.m. the driver should not arrive at 3:00 p.m. expecting the client to be ready early and then be placed on will call. The operator will make every effort to pick up that

client as soon as possible. We need to remember that for every 156 hours a dialysis patient misses a treatment they lose 6.5 days of their lives. Therefore, it is imperative they arrive on time.

#### **Mobility Devices**

**CTC Standard:** Common wheelchairs and mobility devices that are no wider than thirty (30) inches and no longer than forty-eight (48) inches in length and do not exceed eight hundred (800) pounds combined mobility device/person weight can be accommodated by our vehicles.

#### **Bariatric Transportation**

**CTC Standard:** Our vehicles are designed to meet the Americans with Disabilities weight requirements. When a persons and their equipment exceed the lift requirements this places them and the driver at risk and as a result we will not be able to transport them.

Attempts may be made to get Lake Emergency Medical Services to provide such services, however, when a client exceeds the weight limitation of the equipment the CTC will be unable to safely transport the client. However, under no circumstance can the CTC transport a client who exceeds the weight limitations of the equipment.

#### **Personal Hygiene**

**CTC Standard:** Passengers are requested to respect fellow passengers and maintain good standards of personal cleanliness and hygiene as well as to practice common health courtesies when traveling while suffering from ailments such as the common cold.

Passengers are expected to maintain cleanliness and health standards that do not jeopardize the health of drivers, themselves, or other passengers.

Passengers are requested to not wear strongly scented personal care products while on board. This will help insure that vans are accessible for passengers with multiple chemical sensitivity or environmental illness.

Shirts and shoes or other footwear must be worn when being transported.

When using the bus, passengers who have health-related open sores and wounds need to ensure that all sores and wounds are properly covered.

Passengers who have open sores and wounds shall be transported unless their medical condition presents a direct threat to other passengers or the driver.

Any passenger, including passengers with disabilities, may be refused access to public transportation if visible body fluid leakage or dripping is occurring while at the bus stop. The passenger may also be requested to exit the bus if leakage or dripping occurs after they have boarded. Such leakage or dripping can create a biohazard to other passengers on the bus.

The existence of wounds and sores may limit securement on all securement points. The operator shall secure as many points as possible and transport the passenger.

#### **Designated Vehicles**

**CTC Standard:** Lake County Connection uses a variety of vehicles. You must ride in the vehicle that is sent to transport you. Special requests for specific vehicles and drivers cannot be honored unless there are extenuating circumstances to transport you safely and the CTC has the resources to accommodate such a request. Passengers should understand they may also be scheduled to ride with service animals of other clients.

During natural disaster riders need to be aware that they may travel with clients traveling with pets going to pet friendly shelters. In such cases all animals are properly secured in cages.

#### **Transporting Service Animals**

**CTC Standard:** Under Federal law persons with disabilities may travel with a trained service animal.

Service animals shall always be permitted to accompany their users in any system vehicle. The driver may ask if an animal is a service animal or ask what tasks the animal has been trained to perform, but cannot require special ID cards for the animal or ask about the person's disability.

Passengers are asked to please inform the customer service representative when booking your trip that you will be traveling with a service animal.

#### **Day Care Trips**

**CTC Standard:** Day care trips shall only be provided when the parent is gainfully employed, going to school, or the child has been court ordered to attend a day care program. No minor child can be transported without an adult escort.

#### **Rider Being Met**

**CTC Standard:** Some riders, due to their disabilities, need to be met when they are dropped off. If the person meeting the rider is not at the site when the driver arrives, the rider will be transported to the local police department or other safe place. We will notify the rider's guardian or caregiver and require that the rider be picked up at the local police department or other safe location.

#### **Delays**

**CTC Standard:** Everyone has occasional circumstances outside their control that can cause delays at scheduled medical appointments. If your appointment is running later than you expected, and there is a chance you will not be ready for your scheduled return trip, please contact Lake County Connection by phone as soon as possible to inform them of your status.

#### **Reporting an Incident**

**CTC Standard:** To allow Staff to follow-up on incidents, please be specific and provide Staff with the following information:

- a. Your name, address, and phone number.
- b. The date, time, and location of the incident.
- c. The vehicle number and driver's name.
- d. If it is concerning office staff, please provide the name of the employee and the date and time of your contact with that person.
- e. A detailed explanation of the incident or suggestion.

#### Replacement bus

**CTC Standard:** In case of a bus breakdown, Lake County Connection will send a replacement vehicle as soon as possible to transport you to your destination.

#### **Suspension from Service**

**CTC Standard:** Clients may be suspended from service for violating the following conditions and any other condition that may be detrimental to the welfare of the program, other passengers, staff, or the general public.

- **a. Verbal abuse:** Verbal abuse is defined as any oral presentation that is offensive to a passenger, driver, operator or CTC staff.
- **Disruptive Behavior:** Disruptive behavior is defined as a passenger who engages in violent, seriously disruptive, or illegal conduct directed at other riders, transit employees or CTC staff.

Such conduct includes, but is not limited to; threats or fear of physical or verbal abuse, unlawful harassment, including unwelcome verbal, nonverbal, or physical behavior having sexual or racial connotations, unauthorized use of equipment on the vehicle, voluntarily and repeatedly violating vehicle-riding rules, including smoking in the vehicle, eating or drinking without medical indication, vandalism or defacing equipment.

Failure to exit a vehicle shall also be described as disruptive behavior and will result in the suspension of services.

- **c. Dangerous behavior:** Dangerous behavior is defined as any threat or action that could cause direct or indirect physical harm to the driver, vehicle, other passengers, or to the person.
- **d. Physical abuse:** Is defined as any action that may cause direct or indirect physical harm to a passenger, driver, or other staff. Possessing a weapon or firearm. Throwing objects out of the vehicle windows. Placing your feet on the seats, seat backs or walls.

The driver may refuse transportation to an individual or group of individuals who disobey these rules, is disruptive, behave offensively or could imperil the safety or comfort of other passengers.

- **e. Providing False Information:** Providing false information on the application for service or regarding the nature of a trip can result in the disqualification of services.
- **f. Service animals:** Interfering or harming a service animal. This includes touching or petting a service animal without the owner's permission.
- **g. Other actions:** Other actions not specified but that are determined by the CTC to be an interruption to services.
- **h. Failing to submit an application:** Clients may be suspended for not recertifying or providing additional information to determine if the client qualifies for services.

#### Illness

**CTC Standard:** If you become ill, or notice another passenger who appears ill please immediately inform the driver.

#### Surveys

**CTC Standard:** Customers are required to assist in completing surveys as a condition of participating in the transportation disadvantaged program.

#### **Hardship Waivers**

**CTC Standard:** Hardship waivers may be granted to riders who cannot afford their co-pay such as those who are on prolonged medical treatment programs such as dialysis. Detailed personal information has to be submitted for consideration of a hardship waiver.

The driver may provide a No Pay Co-Pay slip to a transportation disadvantaged client if they do not have their co-pay. The driver is then to provide them with a Hardship Waiver application.

#### **Closest Facility**

**CTC Standard:** All passengers of the transportation disadvantaged program will be required to be transported to the closest facility provided the client's insurance is accepted at the location and the facility has seats available. This includes all clients under all programs. Clients may be transported over County lines when the facility is closer than the nearest facility in the County and when it is deemed to be the most cost effective means.

#### **Non-Stranded Procedure**

**CTC Standard:** Under no circumstance will the CTC leave a client stranded at a location. If a client does not return home by the normal time, please immediately contact Lake County Connection at 352.326.2278 or (the After Hours Number will be provided at a later date when our new Operator starts).

#### **Scheduling and Cancelling Trips**

**CTC Standard:** If a client is in the care of a guardian and does not have the mental capabilities to schedule or cancel their trips then their guardian shall apprise the Operator of those concerns when the clients signs up for service.

#### **13. Local Complaint and Grievance Procedure Process**

**Definition of Complaint:** Any customer concern involving timeliness, vehicle condition, quality of service, personal behavior, and other operational policies should be considered a complaint and should be addressed by the appropriate personnel.

Any complaint, verbal or written, should be researched to determine the validity. The resolution to complaints will vary depending on each situation. Some complaints can be resolved while speaking with the customer and others will require research in order to be resolved.

- 1. For any complaint received directly by the CTC, the complaint follow-up shall be handled in the following manner:
  - a. Complaint forms shall be completed.
  - b. The CTC staff shall notify the Operator of the said complaint either by phone, scheduling software, e-mail or fax to initiate an investigation into the complaint. When a complaint is made by phone a written report shall also be sent.
  - c. On any written complaint or voice mail complaint received a verbal acknowledgment will be made within twenty-four (24) hours to the customer to inform the person that their complaint is being investigated.

- d. Further, a written record of the complaint will describe and explain the remedial action taken within three (3) days of the date that the complaint was received and mailed to the customer.
- e. Within five (5) working days of receiving a complaint, a follow-up letter will be sent to the individual filing the complaint to determine if the problem has been resolved to the person's satisfaction.
- d. At the discretion of the CTC and depending on the severity of the complaint, a verbal response may replace the written response, but the complaint will still be documented in the Monthly Report.
- e. Complaints that are considered "HOT:" shall be responded to within 24 hours. Hot complaints are addressed in the contract with the operator.
- 2. For any complaint received directly by the Operator, the Operator shall log the call into the system under the customer's file and resolve the complaint as soon as possible or no longer than five days of receipt of the complaint.

It is important to note that in addition to a timely follow up and resolution to complaints, it is also imperative that the problem that caused the complaint is eliminated.

The Operator shall provide the CTC with a list of all such complaints on a monthly basis, along with resolution of the complaint.

Local Coordinating Board Grievance Procedures – See Appendix B

## 14. CTC Monitoring Procedures of Operators

Annual site visits of the operator and coordination contractors are done to review maintenance, driver records, performance standards, and daily operational procedures as well as annual site visits to providers to ensure fiscal responsibility.

Sub-contractor and coordinated contractor monitoring procedures reflect contract and performance checklists with written reports including corrective action requirements if necessary.

The CTC staff, MPO staff and Operator hold weekly meetings to discuss concerns and issues regarding transportation services. The CTC direct involvement in the day-to-day operations of the service shall include, but not be limited to, on-street monitoring of drivers and vehicles, inspection of equipment, customer service functions, contract compliance oversight, and quality control.

The CTC conducts unannounced periodic inspections to determine whether the Operator meets the required specifications and ensures the vehicles are in compliance with standards. Additional quality surveys and monitoring may occur through the use of

a "mystery rider" program under the direction of CTC.

The CTC as well as the Contractor shall perform on-street monitoring of actual trips to include, but not be limited to:

- 1. On-time performance.
- 2. Knowledge of service area and routing.
- Driver assistance.
- Manifest accuracy and completeness.
- 5. Driver appearance.
- Vehicle appearance.
- 7. Wheelchair lift condition and operation.
- 8. Wheelchair securement systems condition and use thereof.
- 9. Safety equipment.
- 10. Driving habits.
- 11. Compliance with Florida Motor Vehicle Regulations.
- 12. Substance abuse review.
- 13. Compliance with Chapter 14-90.
- 14. Review of driver records.
- 15. Customer courtesy.
- 16. Alcohol and Substance Abuse requirements.
- 17. System Safety.
- 18. Driver records.
- 19. Accidents and incidents.
- 20. Criminal history background checks.

The CTC conducts system performance monitoring on a daily and monthly basis. Each day, a Daily Operations Report is produced showing the number of trips, trip type and mileage for trips provided under each funding source, such as Medicaid, TD, and other community sponsored programs.

On a monthly basis, the Operator produces a report detailing trip origins and destinations, trips provided with cancellations and no-shows, trips by type, complaints about service with resolutions, and trips by sponsor. This report is presented to the TDCB at each meeting.

All operators within the Coordinated System are evaluated annually for contract compliance. Areas reviewed include, but are not limited to, System Safety Program Plan, driver records, Drug Free Workplace, insurance, and local standards. Monitoring is done on site and conducted by CTC staff.

## 15. CTC Monitoring of Coordination Contractors

Each Coordination Contractor shall be evaluated on an annual basis. The review will at a minimum consist of the following items:

- 1. A quarterly Year to Date Operating Report (from the Annual Operating Report) detailing demographic, operational, and financial data regarding coordination activities in the designated service area. The report shall include the following information:
  - A. Number of unduplicated passengers.
  - B. Number of vehicle miles while operating under the coordinated system.
  - C. Number of revenue miles, if different from (B).
  - E. Types of passengers transported, i.e. wheelchair, elderly, low income.
  - F. Trips reasons, i.e. medical, nutritional, employment, and educational.
  - G. Total dollars billed while operating under the coordinated system.
  - H. Total accidents and road calls.
- 2. Driver records.
- 3. Compliance with Section 341.061, Florida Statutes and Rule 14-90, Florida Administrative Code concerning System Safety.
- 4. Compliance with local, state, and federal laws, and Commission policies relating to drug testing.
- 5. Compliance with the System Safety Program Plan (SSPP).
- 6. Compliance with the insurance requirements of maintaining at least minimum liability insurance coverage in the amount of \$100,000 for any one person and \$300,000 per occurrence.
- 7. Comply with all standards and performance requirements of the:
  - A. The CTD (Attachment II as applicable).
  - B. The TDCB approved TDSP.

# **16. Planning Agency Evaluation Process**

The Commission for the Transportation Disadvantaged began biennial evaluations of planning agencies in July 1998. The Commission's Quality Assurance and Program Evaluation team will conduct the evaluations. In Lake County the Designated Official Planning Agency is the Lake~Sumter Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO). The MPO board appoints the TDCB members. While the TDCB does not review the performance of the planning agency, their input, suggestions, and requests are transmitted directly to the MPO for discussion and action.

# **COST/REVENUE ALLOCATION AND RATE STRUCTURE JUSTIFICATION**

This section provides information about how the overall costs of the CTC's operations will be allocated, and an explanation of the fare structure. The Lake County CTC issued a Request for Proposal for a Transportation Operator for a full brokerage system, which invited firms to submit proposals based on a Scope of Services that included provisions for the following:

- Service operations.
- Service area.

- Hours and days of service.
- Response time scheduling and dispatching.
- Minimum service delivery.
- Location of waiting passenger.
- Travel time.
- Trip reservations.
- Customer services.
- Passenger assistance.
- Eligibility determinations.
- Radio communications.
- Personnel.
- Training.
- Alcohol, narcotics and dangerous drugs.
- Facilities/equipment/supplies.
- Vehicle minimum standards.
- Maintenance.
- Accident response/road calls.
- Safety inspections.
- Vehicle records.
- Reporting/record keeping.
- Response to complaints.
- Accident reporting.
- Fares and reimbursement.

As CTC the Lake County Board of County Commissioners absorbs all cost for:

- Program Oversight.
- Coordination and Contractor Inspection.
- Coordination and Contractor Monitoring.
- Coordination and Contractor Reporting.

Fully Allocated Operating Cost	\$4,533,582
Total System Vehicle Miles	
	1,812,650
Total System Passenger Trips	195,804

Source 2014-2015 Annual Operating Report (AOR).

Cost per passenger mile \$ 2.50 Cost per passenger trip \$ 27.02

<u>Cost/Revenue Allocation</u> — Rates charged to individual agencies that either subsidize or purchase transportation for their clients are based on the cost of providing service to that agency's clients. Each contract is negotiated separately. In some cases, authorized rates are less than the fully allocated cost of providing the

service. In those cases general public support must cover the remaining costs, or the service cannot be provided.

The CTC expenses are itemized below.

Labor	\$	290,308
Fringe Benefits	\$	56,435
Services	\$	561,738
Material and Supplies	\$	714,162
Utilities	\$	6,614
Casualty and Liability	\$	92,016
Taxes	\$	2,268
Miscellaneous	\$	4,306
Interest	\$	0
Leases & Rentals	\$	9,843
Annual Depreciation	\$	616,336
Indirect Expense	\$	0
Contracted Transportation Svcs.	\$2	,179,556
Total Expenditure	\$4	,533,582

# TRANSPORTATION DISADVANTAGED TRUST FUND RATE STRUCTURE SUMMARY OF SERVICE RATES

<u>TYPE</u>	PER TRIP RATE				
Non-Sponsored	Ambulatory	\$ 23.86			
	Wheelchair	\$ 40.91			
	Stretcher	\$ 85.22			
Non-Sponsored with no subsidy	Ambulatory	\$ 43.62			
	Wheelchair	\$ 74.77			
	Stretcher	\$ 155.77			
Agency for Persons with Disabilities*	Short Trip	\$ 8.15			
After July 1, 2011	Medium Trip	\$10.19			
	Long Trip	\$15.28			
CTC Rate	Flat Fee	\$18.78			
	Hourly	\$37.29			

<sup>\*</sup>APD sets all the rates and mileage for their trips. The County is working with APD on a rate increase.

The CTC does not directly provide transportation. The CTC contracts with its operator, Ride Right Transit, LLC. at a trip rate for ambulatory and wheelchair trips and an hourly rate for stretcher service.

## **SECTION 3: QUALITY ASSURANCE**

#### MONITORING AND EVALUATION PROCESS

## **Community Transportation Coordinator**

The evaluation of the Lake County Community Transportation Coordinator (CTC) is conducted annually by the Transportation Disadvantaged Coordinating Board (TDCB) with the guidance of the Lake~Sumter MPO planning staff. The purpose of the annual review is to evaluate the CTC's performance. The evaluation ensures quality of service is being obtained and that it is being provided in the most cost effective, efficient, unduplicated manner. The evaluation also ensures that all requirements are met in providing provision of any services by operators or coordination contractors in the coordinated system.

The evaluation is conducted utilizing the Commission for the Transportation Disadvantaged CTC Evaluation Workbook. The workbook outlines a formal process for evaluation the CTC (and its operators). Several of the CTC Evaluation Workbook worksheets are used in order to fully evaluate the CTC.

At a minimum the TDCB reviews the following areas:

- Chapter 427, Rules 41-2 and 14-90, CTD Standards and Local Standards
- Following up on the Status Report from the prior year and any calls from the Ombudsman Program
- Monitoring of contractors
- Surveying riders/beneficiaries, purchasers of service

The coordinators are also evaluated against the established standards for service that ensure quality transportation for the transportation disadvantaged community.

The CTC Evaluation sub-committee performs the evaluation and presents the CTC evaluation report in its entirety at the 4th quarterly meeting and provides a list of recommendations at this time. If there are any deficiencies noted the board will recommend a timeline for corrective action. A follow up report addressing how the CTC is addressing the recommendations is presented at the next quarterly meeting.

# **APPENDIX A**

Transportation Disadvantaged Coordinating Board Certification & Roll Call Vote Sheet

#### COORDINATING BOARD MEMBERSHIP CERTIFICATION

NAME:	Lake~Sumter Metropolitan Planning Organization	
ADDRES	S: 1616 South 14 <sup>th</sup> Street, Leesburg, FL 34748	

The Metropolitan Planning Organization/Designated Planning Agency named above hereby certifies to the following:

1. The membership of the Local Coordinating Board, established pursuant to Rule 41-2.012 (3), FAC, does in fact represent the appropriate parties as identified in the following lists; and

2. The membership represents, to the maximum extent feasible, a cross section of the local community.

Signature: Havy Valyan

Date: June 6, 2016

Nancy Valenzano, Transportation Disadvantaged Coordinator

# Lake County Transportation Disadvantaged Coordinating Board

Representation	Member	Alternate	Term
1. Chairperson	Leslie Campione	N/A	12/30/14
2. FDOT	Jo Santiago	Samuel Weekley	
3. Dept. of Children & Families	Sheri Peterson		
4. Public Education Community	John Carr	Dr. Marilyn Doyle	
5. FL Div. Voc Rehab/Education	Danielle Delgado	Candice Stoutamire	
6. Veterans	Vacant	Allison Thall	
7. Community Action CAA	Jim Lowe	Tim Bridges	
8. Person over 60 /Elderly	Vacant		08/2017
9. Person with Disability	Colleen Kollmann		08/2017
10. Citizen Advocate	Bebe Chudeusz		08/2017
11. Citizen Advocate/User	Vacant		
12. Children at Risk	Lesha Buchbinder	Tameka Mays	
13. Local Mass Transit	N/A		
14. FL. Dept. of Elder Affairs	Mat Kline/Scott Stevenson		
15. Private for Profit Transit	Vacant		
16. Florida ACHA	Millie Chervoni		
17. Workforce Board	Cheryl Ridley		
18. Local Medical Community	David Taylor	Darren Armstrong	

# TRANSPORTATION DISADVANTAGED SERVICE PLAN TRANSPORTATION DISADVANTAGED COORDINATING BOARD

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Lesle Cangione	June 6, 2016
Leslie Campione, Chairman	Date
Florida CTD Designee	 Date

**ROLL CALL VOTE - June 6, 2016 TDSP Amendment** 

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Representation	Member	Voted	Voted	Absent
		For	Against	From
				Voting
Chairperson	Leslie Campione	/		
FDOT	Jo Santiago/Samuel Weekley			X
Dept. of Children & Families	Jesse Young Sheri Petersa			
Public Education Community	William Davis/Dr. Marilyn Doyle	V-		
Fl. Div. of Voc. Rehab/Education	Danielle Delgado	V		
Veterans	Vacant/Allison Thall			X
Community Action/CAA	Jim Lowe/Tim Bridges	V		
Person over 60/Elderly	Ronald Hartz Vacant		2	
Person with Disability	Colleen Kollmann	/		X
Citizen Advocate	Bebe Chudeusz	V		/
Citizen Advocate/User of System	vacant			
Children at Risk	Lesha Buchbinder/ Tameka Mays	1		
Local Mass Transit	n/a			
FL Dept. of Elder Affairs	Mat Kline/Scott Stevenson			X
Private for Profit Transit	vacant			
Florida ACHA	Andrew Singer Milit	/		X
Workforce Board	Cheryl Ridley	V/		
Local Medical Community	David Taylor/ Darren Armstrong			

# LAKE COUNTY TRANSPORTATION DISADVANTAGED SERVICE PLAN (TDSP) ANNUAL UPDATE – June 6, 2016

#### Section I DEVELOPMENT PLAN

Service Area Profile and Demographics Service Analysis

#### Section II SERVICE PLAN

Cost, Revenue and Expense – FY 2014-15 data

CTC Trip Rate – FY 2016/17 rates:

Ambulatory Trip \$23.85 Wheelchair Trip \$40.91 Stretcher Trip \$85.22

*Prioritization Life-Sustaining* – language reinstating all Life-Sustaining Trips due to changes in the Medicaid program and economic changes.

Inter-County Services – added "Davenport Dialysis"

Marketing – Added <u>www.LakeXpress.com</u> and <u>www.LakeSumterMPO.com</u>

**Appendix A** Coordinating Board Membership Certification – June 6, 2016

Roll Call Vote Sheet - June 6, 2016

**Appendix C** Vehicle Inventory List – April 30, 2016

**Appendix D** Annual Safety Certification – January 19, 2016

**Appendix E** FY 2016/17 Approved Rate Calculations – Approved June 6, 2016

Note: Current TDSP document may be reviewed online:

www.lakesumtermpo.com/transit/tdsp.aspx



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Leslie Campione, Chairman	November 9, 2015  12-1-15  Date
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Representation	Member	Voted For	Voted Against	Absent From Voting
Chairperson	Leslie Campione	Х		
FDOT	Jo Santiago/Samuel Weekley	Х		
Dept. of Children & Families	Sheri Peterson	Х		
Public Education Community	Will Davis/Dr. Marilyn Doyle			X
Fl. Div. of Voc. Rehab/Education	Danielle Delgado/ Candice Stoutamire	Х		
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Citizen Advocate/User of System	vacant			
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Local Mass Transit	n/a			
FL Dept. of Elder Affairs	Mary Stahl	Х		
Private for Profit Transit	vacant			
Florida ACHA	Benjamin Akinola			Х
Workforce Board	Cheryl Ridley			Х
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Signature: Yang Vallague

Date: November 9, 2015

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4. Public Education Community	Kenneth Klindt	Dr. Marilyn Doyle	
5. FL Div. Voc Rehab/Education	Danielle Delgado	Candice Stoutamire	
6. Veterans	Tom Osebold	Allison Thall	
7. Community Action CAA	Jim Lowe	Tim Bridges	
8. Person over 60 /Elderly	Ronald Hartz		08/2017
9. Person with Disability	Colleen Kollmann		08/2017
10. Citizen Advocate	Bebe Chudeusz		08/2017
11. Citizen Advocate/User	Vacant		
12. Children at Risk	Lesha Buchbinder	Tameka Mays	
13. Local Mass Transit	N/A		
14. FL. Dept. of Elder Affairs	George Popovich		
15. Private for Profit Transit	Vacant		
16. Florida ACHA	Andrew Singer		
17. Workforce Board	Cheryl Ridley		
18. Local Medical Community	David Taylor	Darren Armstrong	

# TRANSPORTATION DISADVANTAGED SERVICE PLAN TRANSPORTATION DISADVANTAGED COORDINATING BOARD

The Lake County Transportation Disadvantaged Coordinating Board (TDCB) hereby certifies that an annual evaluation of this Community Transportation Coordinator was conducted consistent with the policies of the Florida Commission for the Transportation Disadvantaged and all recommendations of that evaluation have been incorporated in this Service Plan. We further certify that the rates contained herein have been thoroughly reviewed, evaluated, and approved. This Transportation Disadvantaged Service Plan was reviewed in its entirety and approved by this Board at an official meeting held on:

Lull S-	May 11, 2015
Leslie Campione, Chairman	Date
Florida CTD Designee	Date

**ROLL CALL VOTE - May 11, 2015 TDSP Amendment** 

Representation	Member	Voted For	Voted	Absent From
		FOI	Against	Voting
Chairperson	Leslie Campione			
FDOT	Jo Santiago/Samuel Weekley	1/		
Dept. of Children & Families	Jesse Young	V		
Public Education Community	Kenneth Klindt/Dr. Marilyn Doyle			A
Fl. Div. of Voc. Rehab/Education	Danielle Delgado/ Candice Stoutamire			
Veterans	Tom Osebold/Allison Thall			
Community Action/CAA	Jim Lowe/Tim Bridges			
Person over 60/Elderly	Ronald Hartz			
Person with Disability	Colleen Kollmann	1		A
Citizen Advocate	Bebe Chudeusz	/		
Citizen Advocate/User of System	vacant			
Children at Risk	Lesha Buchbinder/ Tameka Mays	<b></b>		
Local Mass Transit	n/a			
FL Dept. of Elder Affairs	George Popovich			-A
Private for Profit Transit	vacant	/		
Florida ACHA	Andrew Singer	1		
Workforce Board	Cheryl Ridley			
Local Medical Community	David Taylor/ Darren Armstrong			

## LAKE COUNTY TRANSPORTATION DISADVANTAGED SERVICE PLAN (TDSP)

### **ANNUAL UPDATE - May 11, 2015**

#### **Updates to the TDSP include:**

### Section I DEVELOPMENT PLAN

Inventory of Available Transportation Services
Service Area Profile and Demographics (2014 data)
Service Analysis (2014 data)

#### Section II SERVICE PLAN

TYPE OF SERVICE TO BE PROVIDED	UNIT (Passenger Mile or Type)	COST PER UNIT
Ambulatory	Trip	21.52
Wheelchair	Trip	36.89
Stretcher	Trip	76.85

## **Accessing Services**

- Eligibility heart conditions, diabetes, neuropathy added
- Nutritional Medicaid Recertification removed

Number of vehicles
Inter-County Services

**Cost Revenue Allocation and Rate Structure Justification – reflects 13/14 data** 

**Appendix A** Coordinating Board Membership Certification – May 11, 2015

Roll Call Vote Sheet - May 11, 2015

**Appendix C** Vehicle Inventory List

**Appendix D** Annual Safety Certification – Approved January 12, 2015

**Appendix G** Peer Group Analysis Data (2014 data)

Current document may be reviewed online: <a href="https://www.lakesumtermpo.com/transit/tdsp.aspx">www.lakesumtermpo.com/transit/tdsp.aspx</a>



# **APPENDIX B**

**Grievance Procedures** 

# GRIEVANCE PROCEDURES OF THE LAKE COUNTY TRANSPORTATION DISADVANTAGED COORDINATING BOARD

#### ARTICLE I: PREAMBLE

The following sets forth the grievance procedures of the Lake County Transportation Disadvantaged Coordinating Board (TDCB), serving to assist the Lake-Sumter Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO). The intent is to provide policies and procedures pursuant to Chapter 427, Florida Statutes, and Rule 41-2.012, Florida Administrative Code, for the resolution of formal grievances concerning paratransit services from agencies, users, potential users, subcontractors, and other interested parties.

# ARTICLE II: GRIEVANCE SUBCOMMITTEE NAME, PURPOSE, AND MEMBERSHIP

Section 1: <u>Name:</u> The name of the subcommittee to process, investigate, hear and decide grievances or complaints for the Lake County TDCB shall be the Grievance Subcommittee.

Section 2: <u>Purpose</u>: The primary purpose of the Grievance Subcommittee is to process, investigate, hear and decide grievances or complaints from agencies, users, transportation operators, potential users of the system and the Community Transportation Coordinator (CTC), to review and make recommendations, as necessary, for amendments to paratransit eligibility guidelines, and to make recommendations to the TDCB for improvement of services. The Grievance Subcommittee shall meet as often as necessary to process grievances and complaints in a timely manner.

Section 3: <u>Membership</u>: The Grievance Subcommittee shall consist of five (5) voting members chosen from the TDCB. The TDCB shall approve the Grievance Subcommittee appointees by a two-thirds (2/3) vote of a quorum of the members present and voting. The Subcommittee shall be appointed at the first quarterly meeting and shall serve for a period of one year.

#### ARTICLE III: DEFINITIONS

Section: 1: <u>Definitions:</u> For the purpose of the TDCB and the Grievance Subcommittee, the following definitions shall apply:

- 1. *Community Transportation Coordinator (CTC):* The Lake County Board of County Commissioners serves as the CTC for Lake County.
- 2. Formal Grievance: A formal grievance is a written complaint to document any concerns or an unresolved service complaint regarding the operation or administration of Transportation Disadvantaged Program services by the Transportation Operator, CTC, MPO or the TDCB. The Grievant, in their formal complaint, should demonstrate or establish their concerns as clearly as possible. Formal Grievances may include but are not limited to:

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- a. Chronic or recurring or unresolved Service Complaints.
- b. Violations of specific laws governing the provision of Transportation Disadvantaged services (i.e., Chapter 427 of the Florida Statutes, Chapter 41-2 of the Florida Administrative Code and accompanying documents, Sunshine Law and/or ADA violations).
- c. Contract disputes (Agencies/Operators).
- d. Bidding disputes.
- e. Agency compliance.
- f. Conflicts of interest.
- g. Supplanting of funds.
- h. Billing and/or accounting procedure violation.
- i. Denials of applications for paratransit services.
- 3. Service Complaints: Service complaints are routine incidents that occur on a daily basis that are reported to the CTC, Operator, drivers or dispatchers, or to other individuals involved with the daily operations, and are resolved within the course of a reasonable time period suitable to the complainant. Service standards are established by the CTC and the TDCB. Service complaints may include, but are not limited to:
  - a. Late trips (late pickup, late drop off, and/or late returns).
  - b. No-show by Transportation Operator.
  - c. No-show by client.
  - d. Client Behavior.
  - e. Driver Behavior.
  - f. Passenger discomfort.
  - g. Refusal of service to client for any reason.

#### ARTICLE IV: GRIEVANCE AND COMPLAINT PROCEDURES

Section1: <u>General:</u> The following procedures are established to provide regular opportunities for grievances and appeals to be brought before the Grievance Subcommittee and the TDCB.

Section 2: Filing a Grievance: Should a grievant wish to file a formal grievance, the grievant shall provide a written statement of their grievance, containing the name, address, telephone number and any other contact information for the grievant, a clear and concise statement of the grounds for the grievance, supporting documentation, if any, and an explanation of the relief desired by the grievant. Assistance in filing a formal grievance shall be provided by staff to the MPO, if requested. The grievance shall be sent to the Public Transportation Manager for the CTC, who shall render a decision in writing within fifteen (15) days of receipt of the grievance, giving the grievant an explanation of the facts that lead to the CTC's decision, providing any suggestions for resolution and providing information as to the appeals process. If the grievant is not satisfied with the decision or proposed resolution of the CTC Transportation Manager, the grievant may appeal by sending the formal grievance, the CTC response and any information or documentation the grievant wishes to add to the MPO for scheduling of a hearing before the Grievance Subcommittee for the TDCB, at the following address:

Lake~Sumter Metropolitan Planning Organization
Attn: Transportation Disadvantaged Coordinating Board, Grievance Subcommittee
1616 S. 14<sup>th</sup> Street
Leesburg, FL 34748

Within seven (7) working days following the date of receipt of the formal grievance, the MPO shall schedule a meeting of the Grievance Subcommittee, unless there is a TDCB meeting that is scheduled within thirty (30) days of the date of the MPO's receipt of the formal grievance, in which case the MPO may schedule the formal grievance to be heard directly by the TDCB at that upcoming meeting. The process outlined in Section 3 of these Procedures shall be utilized in such an instance.

If there is no TDCB meeting that is scheduled within thirty (30) days of the date of the MPO's receipt of the formal grievance, then the MPO shall ensure that the meeting of the Grievance Subcommittee to hear the grievance is held within thirty (30) days of receipt of the formal grievance to address it and any other appeal from any other party received by the MPO at least fourteen (14) days prior to the meeting of the Subcommittee.

The Grievance Subcommittee shall send notice of the scheduled meeting in writing to the grievant. The notices shall clearly state:

- (i). The date, time, and location of the meeting
- (ii). The purpose of the discussion and a statement of issues involved.

The Grievance Subcommittee shall have the power to hear and decide formal grievances. Within fifteen (15) days of the meeting of the Subcommittee, the Subcommittee shall render a decision in writing to the grievant. Written decisions shall include the following information:

- (i). A statement that a meeting was held in which the involved parties, their representatives, and witnesses were given an opportunity to present their position.
- (ii). A statement that clearly defines the issues discussed.
- (iii). The decision of the Grievance Subcommittee based on the information presented.

The Grievance Subcommittee shall submit a report to the TDCB for the TDCB's information and review at the next regularly scheduled TDCB meeting, containing a brief summary of each grievance and the Subcommittee's decision.

Section 3: <u>Grievances Before and Appeals to the TDCB</u>: The TDCB may hear grievances scheduled before it by MPO staff pursuant to Section 2 of these procedures. In addition, the grievant may appeal the written decision of the Grievance Subcommittee to the TDCB, if the grievant is not satisfied with the decision or proposed resolution of the Grievance Subcommittee, by notifying the MPO, in writing, that the grievant wishes to appeal the decision of the Grievance Subcommittee.

Assistance in filing a grievance or an appeal shall be provided by staff to the MPO, if requested. The grievance or appeal shall be heard at the next regularly scheduled TDCB meeting, and the grievant shall be notified in writing of the date, time, and place of the TDCB meeting where the grievance or appeal shall be heard. This written notice shall be mailed at least ten (10) days in advance of the meeting. The TDCB shall render its written decision as to the grievance or appeal within fifteen (15) days of the regularly scheduled TDCB meeting when the grievance or appeal was heard. A copy of the written decision made by the TDCB shall be mailed to the grievant.

Section4: <u>Notices:</u> All written correspondence between the Grievance Subcommittee, MPO and the TDCB to the grievant/appellant shall be sent via USPS Return Receipt service.

Section5: Commission for Transportation Disadvantaged: If the grievant is dissatisfied with the decision of the TDCB, he/she may continue the process with the Florida Commission for the Transportation Disadvantaged. The customer may begin this process by contacting the Commission through the TD Helpline at (800) 983-2435 or via mail at: Florida Commission for the Transportation Disadvantaged, 605 Suwannee St., MS-49, Tallahassee, FL 32399-0450 or online at www.dot.state.fl.us/ctd.

#### ARTICLE V: SCHEDULED MEETINGS

When a meeting of the Grievance Subcommittee is necessary, staff to the MPO shall schedule a meeting for the Grievance Subcommittee.

#### ARTICLE VI: RECORDS RETENTION

Records retention shall be in accordance with the retention schedules prescribed by the Secretary of State of the State of Florida.

#### ARTICLE VII: AMENDMENTS

The TDCB Grievance Procedures may be amended by a two-thirds (2/3) vote of a quorum of the members present and voting, providing the proposed change (s) is/are mailed to all members at least seven (7) days in advance of the meeting.

#### ARTICLE VIII: CERTIFICATION

The undersigned hereby certifies that he/she is the Chairman of the TDCB and that the foregoing is a full, true and correct copy of the Grievance procedures of this TDCB as adopted by the TDCB on the 9<sup>th</sup> day of November, 2015.

Leslie Campione, Chairman

Lake County Transportation Disadvantaged

Coordinating Board

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# LAKE COUNTY CONNECTION GRIEVANCE

Name:	Today's Date:
Physical Address:	·
Mailing Address (if different):	
Home Telephone:	Other Telephone:
Date of Grievance:	Approximate Time:
Grievance Statement:	
Report Received By:	Date:
Action/Results:	
Signature:	Date:

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# **APPENDIX C**

Vehicle Inventory List

### Community Transportation Coordinator Odometer Readings for FY 15-16 Month Ending 04/30/16

Fixed	l Rout	te V	eh	ic	es
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No.												Stand				Replace-	Mileage	Mileage	Total
Of	PCR	FDOT	Tag	Year	Make	Model	Size	VIN	Fuel	Amb	W/C	ing	Funding			ment	1-Oct	30-Apr	Annual
Veh.	No.	No.	No.						Type	Cap	Cap	Cap	Source	Tablets	Cameras	Year	2015	2016	Miles
1	24793	FTA-1	239156	2006	Bluebird	Ultra LF	30'	1BAGEBPA96W100477	Diesel	29	2	14	FTA	Υ	Υ	2013	288,019	309,934	21,915
2	24794	FTA-2	239157	2006	Bluebird	Ultra LF	30'	1BAGEBPA66W100484	Diesel	29	2	14	FTA	Υ	Υ	2013	293,145	306,538	13,393
3	24795	FTA-3	239158	2006	Bluebird	Ultra LF	30'	1BAGEBPAX6W100486	Diesel	29	2	14	FTA	Υ	Υ	2013	281,310	298,531	17,221
4	24797	FTA-4	239159	2006	Bluebird	Ultra LF	30'	1BAGEBPA86W100485	Diesel	29	2	14	FTA	Υ	Υ	2013	320,584	327,177	6,593
5	24798	FTA-5	TA4885	2006	Bluebird	Ultra LF	30'	1BAGEBPA16W100487	Diesel	29	2	14	FTA	Υ	Υ	2013	278,831	308,655	29,824
6	25411	90589	TB5328	2008	Int'l	VT365	30'	1HVBTAFM27W384901	Diesel	24	2	0	FDOT 5310	Υ	Υ	2015	139,147	143,910	4,763
7	25734	FTA-6	TB7556	2008	Eldorado	EZ Rider II	29'	1N9MNAC688C084085	Diesel	33	2	16	FTA	Υ	Υ	2015	264,636	284,562	19,926
8	25956	FTA-17	TB7975	2009	Eldorado	EZ Rider II	30'	1N9MNAC679C084225	Diesel	33	2	16	FTA	Υ	Υ	2016	222,141	229,727	7,586
9	25957	FTA-18	TB7974	2009	Eldorado	EZ Rider II	30'	1N9MNAC659C084224	Diesel	33	2	16	FTA	Υ	Υ	2016	266,712	281,749	15,037
10	26118	FTA-19	TB7980	2010	Eldorado	EZ Rider II	31'	1N9MNACL6AC084100	Diesel	33	2	16	FTA	Υ	Υ	2017	303,253	303,291	38
11	26363	FTA-22	TC1761	2011	Eldorado	EZ Rider II	31'	1N9MNAC63BC084048	Diesel	33	2	16	FTA	Υ	Υ	2018	186,297	303,378	117,081
12	26550	FTA-23	TC5553	2012	Eldorado	EZ Rider II	31'	1N9MNAC61CC084101	Diesel	33	2	16	FTA	Υ	Υ	2019	153,355	181,723	28,368
13	27913	FTA-24	TC5585	2013	Eldorado	EZ Rider II	32'	1N9MNAC68DC084159	Diesel	33	2	16	FTA	N	N	2020	109,954	136,155	26,201
14	28618	FTA-25	TE1324	2015	Gillig	Low Floor	35'	15GGB2718F1184635	Diesel	29	2	14	FTA	N	Y	2025	6,785	37,837	31,052
15	28619	FTA-26	TD1322	2015	Gillig	Low Floor	35'	15GGB271XF1184636	Diesel	29	2	14	FTA	N	Υ	2025	7,627	39,967	32,340
16	28620	FTA-27	TE1323	2015	Gillig	Low Floor	35'	15GGB2711F1184637	Diesel	29	2	14	FTA	N	Y	2025	6,590	44,442	37,852
										400	26	182					3,130,401	3,537,576	409,190

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No. Of Veh.	PCR No.	FDOT No.	Tag No.	Year	Make	Model	Size	VIN	Fuel Type	Amb Cap	W/C Cap	Stand ing Cap	Funding Source	Tablets	Cameras	Replace- ment Year	Mileage 1-Oct 2015	Mileage 30-Apr 2016	Total Annual Miles
1	26095	80501	TC2646	2010	Chevy	E4500	26'	1GBE4V1G49F412228	Unleaded	16	2	0	FDOT ARRA	Υ	Υ	2015	177,059	188,476	11,417
2	26111	80502	TC3714	2010	Chevy	E4500	26'	1GBE4V1G09F412257	Unleaded	16	2	0	FDOT ARRA	Υ	Υ	2015	194,113	217,252	23,139
3	26113	80507	TC3712	2010	Chevy	E4500	26'	1GBE4V1G19F412199	Unleaded	16	2	0	FDOT ARRA	Υ	Υ	2015	196,213	207,412	11,199
4	26116	80510	TC2750	2010	Chevy	E4500	26'	1GBE4V1G89F413110	Unleaded	16	2	0	FDOT ARRA	Υ	Υ	2015	183,145	203,770	20,625
5	26117	80508	TC2751	2010	Chevy	E4500	26'	1GBE4V1G99F412192	Unleaded	16	2	0	FDOT ARRA	Υ	Υ	2015	186,063	199,618	13,555
6	26119	80512	TC3723	2010	Chevy	E4500	26'	1GBE4V1G39F413094	Unleaded	16	2	0	FDOT ARRA	Υ	Υ	2015	180,472	194,655	14,183
7	26120	80505	TC3720	2010	Chevy	E4500	26'	1GBE4V1G99F412175	Unleaded	16	2	0	FDOT ARRA	Υ	Υ	2015	139,888	155,798	15,910
8	26121	80509	TC3721	2010	Chevy	E4500	26'	1GBE4V1G19F412283	Unleaded	16	2	0	FDOT ARRA	Υ	Υ	2015	178,826	191,787	12,961
9	26122	80518	TC3724	2010	Chevy	E4500	26'	1GBE4V1G19F412249	Unleaded	16	2	0	FDOT ARRA	Υ	Υ	2015	173,175	188,568	15,393
10	26124	91545	TC3725	2010	Chevy	E4500	26'	1GBE4V1909F413118	Unleaded	16	2	0	FDOT 5310	Υ	Υ	2015	177,347	181,534	4,187
11	26130	91546	TC3727	2010	Chevy	E4500	26'	1GBE4V1G79F413082	Unleaded	16	2	0	FDOT 5310	Υ	Υ	2015	207,437	222,228	14,791
12	26321	FTA-20	TC4414	2011	Chevy	E4500	23'	1GB9G5AG3A1129930	Unleaded	12	2	0	FTA	Υ	Υ	2016	160,365	179,386	19,021
13	26479	91567	TC4310	2011	Chevy	E4500	26'	1GB6G5BG7B1143820	Unleaded	18	4	0	FDOT 5310	Υ	Υ	2016	155,636	175,604	19,968
14	26480	91568	TC4309	2011	Chevy	E4500	26'	1GB6G5BG9B1144628	Unleaded	18	4	0	FDOT 5310	Υ	Υ	2016	139,923	153,375	13,452
15	26481	91569	TC4311	2011	Chevy	E4500	26'	1GB6G5BG1B1144204	Unleaded	18	4	0	FDOT 5310	Υ	Υ	2016	126,825	149,509	22,684
16	26625	CTD-8	TC9059	2012	Ford	F450	23'	1FDFE4FL2CDA82410	Unleaded	12	2	0	CTD	Υ	Υ	2017	120,298	169,281	48,983
17	26626	91594	TC9060	2012	Ford	F450	23'	1FDFE4FL4CDA82411	Unleaded	12	2	0	FDOT 5310	Υ	Υ	2017	150,045	169,281	19,236
18	26627	91593	TC8487	2012	Ford	F450	23'	1FDFE4FL6CDA82412	Unleaded	12	2	0	FDOT 5310	Υ	Υ	2017	123,165	141,560	18,395
19	26628	91595	TC8486	2012	Ford	F450	23'	1FDFE4FL8CDA82413	Unleaded	14	4	0	FDOT 5310	Υ	Υ	2017	122,321	142,904	20,583
20	27943	94521	TC6638	2012	VPG	MV-1	17'	523MF1A69CM101165	Unleaded	3	1	0	FDOT 5310	Υ	Υ	2018	83,173	105,406	22,233
21	27944	94522	TC6637	2012	VPG	MV-1	17'	523MF1A66CM101186	Unleaded	3	1	0	FDOT 5310	Υ	Z	2018	78,320	99,364	21,044
22	27945	94542	TC6649	2012	VPG	MV-1	16'	523MF1A64CM101574	Unleaded	3	1	0	FDOT 5310	Υ	N	2017	58,470	74,976	16,506
23	28087	94536	TD4285	2013	Ford	E250 Str	22'	1FTNE2EL6DDB32216	Unleaded	2	0	0	FDOT 5310	N	Ν	2018	3,827	3,827	0
24	28088	94537	TD4286	2013	Ford	E250 Str	22'	1FTNE2EL8DDB32217	Unleaded	2	0	0	FDOT 5310	N	N	2018	10,295	10,338	43
25	28127	94538	TC6647	2013	Ford	E450	23'	1FDFE4FS0DDB27241	Unleaded	12	2	0	FDOT 5310	Υ	Υ	2018	66,262	85,877	19,615
26	28128	94539	TC6648	2013	Ford	E450	23'	1FDFE4FS2DDB27242	Unleaded	12	2	0	FDOT 5310	Υ	Υ	2018	70,301	89,436	19,135
27	28132	94540	TC6646	2013	Ford	E450	23'	1FDFE4FS4DDB27243	Unleaded	12	2	0	FDOT 5310	Υ	Υ	2018	59,404	79,678	20,274
28	28133	94541	TC6645	2013	Ford	E450	23'	1FDFE4FS1DDB28852	Unleaded	12	2	0	FDOT 5310	Υ	Υ	2018	66,797	86,510	19,713
29	28238	CTD-9	TD7374	2014	Ford	E450	23'	1FDFE4FS8EDA99013	Unleaded	12	2	0	CTD	Υ	Υ	2019	34,182	55,439	21,257
30	28622	CTD-10	TE3385	2015	Ford	E450	23'	1FDFE4FS1EDA04534	Unleaded	12	3	0	CTD	N	Υ	2020	4,193	26,402	22,209
31	28623	CTD-11	TE3386	2015	Ford	E450	23'	1FDFE4FS2EDA04509	Unleaded	12	3	0	CTD	N	Υ	2020	4,348	25,205	20,857
32	28628	94565	TE0570	2015	Ford	E450	23'	1FDFE4FS9FDA34978	Unleaded	12	2	0	FDOT 5310	N	N	2020	1,439	3,129	1,690
33	28629	94566	TE0569	2015	Ford	E450	23'	1FDFE4FS0FDA34979	Unleaded	12	2	0	FDOT 5310	N	N	2020	1,433	3,147	1,714
34	28630	94567	TE0568	2015	Ford	E450	23'	1FDFE4FS7FDA34980	Unleaded	12	2	0	FDOT 5310	N	N	2020	1,448	3,253	1,805
35	28631	94568	TE0567	2015	Ford	E450	23'	1FDFE4FS9FDA34981	Unleaded	12	2	0	FDOT 5310	N	N	2020	1,442	3,939	2,497

No.												Stand				Replace-	Mileage	Mileage	Total
Of	PCR	FDOT	Tag	Year	Make	Model	Size	VIN	Fuel	Amb	W/C	ing	Funding			ment	1-Oct	30-Apr	Annual
Veh.	No.	No.	No.						Type	Cap	Cap	Cap	Source	Tablets	Cameras	Year	2015	2016	Miles
36	28632	94569	TE0571	2015	Ford	E450	23'	1FDFE4FS0FDA34982	Unleaded	12	2	0	FDOT 5310	N	N	2020	1,413	3,791	2,378
37	28633	94570	TE0573	2015	Ford	E450	23'	1FDFE4FS2FDA34983	Unleaded	12	2	0	FDOT 5310	N	N	2020	1,441	4,161	2,720
38	28634	94571	TE0572	2015	Ford	E450	23'	1FDFE4FS4FDA34984	Unleaded	12	2	0	FDOT 5310	N	N	2020	1,431	3,605	2,174
39	28646	94572	TE3107	2015	Ford	E450	23'	1FDFE4FS8FDA34969	Unleaded	12	4	0	FDOT 5310	N	Υ	2020	1,499	4,642	3,143
40	28647	94574	TE3108	2015	Ford	E450	23'	1FDFE4FS4FDA34970	Unleaded	12	4	0	FDOT 5310	N	Υ	2020	1,527	6,483	4,956
41	28648	94573	TE3109	2015	Ford	E450	23'	1FDFE4FS6FDA34971	Unleaded	12	4	0	FDOT 5310	N	Υ	2020	1,448	3,613	2,165
42	28649	94575	TE3110	2015	Ford	E450	23'	1FDFE4FS8FDA34972	Unleaded	12	4	0	FDOT 5310	N	Υ	2020	2,104	4,505	2,401
43	28650	94579	TE3111	2015	Ford	E450	23'	1FDFE4FSXFDA34973	Unleaded	12	4	0	FDOT 5310	N	Υ	2020	1,506	2,769	1,263
44	28651	94576	TE3112	2015	Ford	E450	23'	1FDFE4FS1FDA34974	Unleaded	12	4	0	FDOT 5310	N	Υ	2020	1,428	4,082	2,654
45	28652	94577	TE3113	2015	Ford	E450	23'	1FDFE4FS3FDA34975	Unleaded	12	4	0	FDOT 5310	N	Υ	2020	1,410	2,962	1,552
46	28653	94582	TE4405	2015	Ford	E450	23'	1FDFE4FS5FDA34976	Unleaded	12	4	0	FDOT 5310	N	Υ	2020	1,527	4,477	2,950
47	28654	94578	TE3106	2015	Ford	E450	23'	1FDFE4FS7FDA34977	Unleaded	12	4	0	FDOT 5310	N	Υ	2020	1,415	5,219	3,804

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Vehicles that have been removed from service and are being retired/auctioned.																			
No.												Stand				Replace-	Mileage	Mileage	Total
Of	PCR	FDOT	Tag	Year	Make	Model	Size	VIN	Fuel	Amb	W/C	ing	Funding			ment	1-Oct	30-Apr	Annual
Veh.	No.	No.	No.						Type	Cap	Cap	Cap	Source	Tablets	Cameras	Year	2015	2016	Miles
1	23223	<90510	230484	2005	Chevy	Impala	16'	2G1WF52E559360143	Unleaded	4	0	0	FDOT 5310	N	N	2010	238,871	238,871	0
2	23483	*90518	231426	2005	Ford	E350	18'	1FDWE35L45HB19898	Unleaded	4	2	0	FDOT 5310	N	N	2010	304,262	304,262	0
3	24363	90539	X83299	2006	Chevy	C3500	23'	1GBJG31U161225196	Unleaded	2	1	0	FDOT 5310	N	N	2011	203,144	203,144	0
4	24577	~CTD-4	240299	2007	Chevy	C4500	23'	1GBE4V12X7F404247	Diesel	12	2	0	CTD	N	N	2012	264,216	264,216	0
5	*24831	90561	TA1024	2007	Chevy	3500	25'	1GBE4V1267F404682	Diesel	16	2	0	FDOT 5310	Ν	N	2012	209,081	218,432	9,351
6	*24890	90564	TA2123	2006	Int'l	VT365	30'	1HVBTAFM36W325192	Diesel	24	2	0	FDOT 5310	Υ	Υ	2013	206,965	211,201	4,236
7	24896	CTD-5	TA2125	2007	Chevy	C4500	23'	1GBE4V1267F404262	Diesel	12	4	0	CTD	N	N	2012	293,590	309,122	15,532
8	25002	90572	TA2128	2007	Chevy	C4500	23'	1GBE4V1947F424510	Diesel	12	2	0	FDOT 5310	Υ	Υ	2012	236,368	215,644	-20,724
9	25003	90573	TA2129	2007	Chevy	C4500	23'	1GBE4V1917F424755	Diesel	12	2	0	FDOT 5310	Υ	Υ	2012	242,818	242,818	0
10	25004	90571	TA2127	2007	Chevy	C4500	23'	1GBE4V1927F424487	Diesel	12	2	0	FDOT 5310	Υ	Υ	2012	228,981	243,525	14,544
11	25812	91506	TB8231	2009	Chevy	General	21'	1GBJG31K181233249	Unleaded	9	2	0	FDOT 5310	Ν	N	2014	223,538	223,538	0
12	25813	91505	TB8232	2009	Chevy	General	21'	1GBJG31K081231122	Unleaded	9	2	0	FDOT 5310	N	N	2014	265,664	265,664	0
13	25825	91507	TB8233	2009	Chevy	General	21'	1GBJG31K181232294	Unleaded	9	2	0	FDOT 5310	Υ	Υ	2014	242,463	242,463	0
14	25892	FTA-9	TB9626	2009	Chevy	General	21'	1GBJG31K781234079	Unleaded	9	2	0	FTA	Υ	Υ	2014	233,445	240,590	7,145
15	25893	FTA-10	TB9133	2009	Chevy	General	21'	1GBJG31KX81231872	Unleaded	9	2	0	FTA	Ν	N	2014	221,566	221,566	0
16	25894	FTA-11	TB9132	2009	Chevy	General	21'	1GBJG31K381233107	Unleaded	9	2	0	FTA	Ν	N	2014	204,527	204,527	0
17	25895	FTA-12	TB9625	2009	Chevy	General	21'	1GBJG31K281232563	Unleaded	9	2	0	FTA	Υ	Υ	2014	204,911	204,911	0
18	25897	FTA-14	TB9628	2009	Chevy	General	21'	1GBJG31K781234504	Unleaded	9	2	0	FTA	Υ	Υ	2014	203,398	203,398	0
19	25898	FTA-15	TB9131	2009	Chevy	General	21'	1GBJB31K881234317	Unleaded	9	2	0	FTA	Ν	N	2014	233,853	233,853	0
20	25951	FTA-16	TB7599	2009	Chevy	General	21'	1GBJG31K391129797	Unleaded	9	2	0	FTA	Υ	Υ	2014	250,446	273,447	23,001
21	25992	CTD-7	TC2409	2009	Chevy	E4500	25'	1GBE4V1G69F409735	Unleaded	12	2	0	CTD	Υ	Υ	2014	201,683	210,426	8,743
22	26024	91535	TC2638	2009	Chevy	E4500	25'	1GBE4V1G49F412245	Unleaded	12	2	0	FDOT 5310	Υ	Υ	2014	206,560	214,595	8,035
23	26025	91536	TC2637	2009	Chevy	E4500	25'	1GBE4V1GX9F412184	Unleaded	12	2	0	FDOT 5310	Υ	Υ	2014	176,194	193,794	17,600
24	26042	BCC2	TB0349	2005	Chevy	E4500	20'	1GBJG31U451197652	Unleaded	8	2	0	LCBOCC	Ν	N	2010	183,004	183,004	0
25	26114	80503	TC3722	2010	Chevy	E4500	26'	1GBE4V1G29F412180	Unleaded	16	2	0	FDOT ARRA	Υ	Υ	2015	203,493	214,517	11,024
26	*26247	91547	237520	2010	Chevy	E4500	23'	1GB9G5AGXA1116835	Unleaded	12	2	0	FDOT 5310	Υ	Y	2015	186,139	196,169	10,030
27	26248	91548	237521	2010	Chevy	E4500	23'	1GB9G5AG7A1116355	Unleaded	12	2	0	FDOT 5310	Υ	Υ	2015	175,640	175,640	0
28	26322	FTA-21	TC4413	2011	Chevy	E4500	23'	1GB9G5AG5A1126530	Unleaded	12	2	0	ARRA	Υ	Υ	2016	160,748	174,465	13,717
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\*These are fixed route vehicles. All others are paratransit vehciles.

#### **CURRENT VEHICLE AND TRANSPORTATION EQUIPMENT INVENTORY**

Name of Applicant: Lake County BCC

Date of Inventory: August 31, 2015

Fix	ed Route	e Vehicles										
	Model		FDOT	County			Seats &	Mileage	Mileage	Total	Expected	Funding
	Year	Make/Size/Type	Control	Control	VIN	Ramp	W/C Pos.	1-Oct	31-Aug	Annual	Retirement	Source
	(B)	(C)	Number	Number	(D)	Manu.	(i.e.12+2)	2014	2015	Miles	Date	( <b>F</b> )
1	2007	Chevy 25' Champion	90561	24831	1GBE4V1267F404682	Ricon	6 + 2	182,761	205,848	23,087	2012	FDOT
2	2006	Int'l 31' Champion	90564	24890	1HVBTAFM36W325192	Lift U	18 + 2	185,664	206,965	21,301	2017	FDOT
3	2008	Int'l 29' Champion	90589	25411	1HVBTAFM27W384901	Lift U	18 + 2	115,932	135,625	19,693	2020	FDOT
4	2006	Bluebird 30' Ultra LF	FTA-1	24793	1BAGEBPA96W100477	Ricon	18 + 2	275,324	287,085	11,761	2016	FTA
5	2006	Bluebird 30' Ultra LF	FTA-2	24794	1BAGEBPA66W100484	Ricon	18 + 2	261,021	293,083	32,062	2016	FTA
6	2006	Bluebird 30' Ultra LF	FTA-3	24795	1BAGEBPAX6W100486	Ricon	18 + 2	243,008	279,128	36,120	2016	FTA
7	2006	Bluebird 30' Ultra LF	FTA-4	24797	1BAGEBPA86W100485	Ricon	18 + 2	272,342	316,564	44,222	2016	FTA
8	2006	Bluebird 30' Ultra LF	FTA-5	24798	1BAGEBPA16W100487	Ricon	18 + 2	247,240	277,733	30,493	2016	FTA
9	2008	Eldorado 29' EZ Rider II	FTA-6	25734	1N9MNAC688C084085	Lift U	29 + 2	237,105	264,636	27,531	2020	FTA
10	2009	Eldorado 30' EZ Rider II	FTA-17	25956	1N9MNAC679C084225	Lift U	29 + 2	195,162	219,740	24,578	2021	FTA
11	2009	Eldorado 30' EZ Rider II	FTA-18	25957	1N9MNAC659C084224	Lift U	29 + 2	243,467	266,712	23,245	2021	FTA
12	2010	Eldorado 31' EZ Rider II	FTA-19	26118	1N9MNACL6AC084100	Lift U	29 + 2	274,539	303,227	28,688	2022	FTA
13	2011	Eldorado 31' EZ Rider II	FTA-22	26363	1N9MNAC63BC084048	Lift U	17 + 2	160,268	185,297	25,029	2023	FTA
14	2012	Eldorado 31' EZ Rider II	FTA-23	26550	1N9MNAC61CC084101	Lift U	17 + 2	108,559	149,116	40,557	2024	FTA
15	2013	Eldorado 32' EZ Rider II	FTA-24	27913	1N9MNAC68DC084159	Lift U	17 + 2	66,750	108,855	42,105	2024	FTA
16	2004	Gillig 40' Phantom	LYNX	28555	15GCD291741112604	Ramp	43 + 2	536,945	536,945	0	2016	LYNX
17	2002	Gillig 40' Phantom	LYNX	28556	15GCD271121111652	Ramp	43 + 2	735,490	735,490	0	2014	LYNX
18	2002	Gillig 40' Phantom	LYNX	28557	15GCD271721111649	Ramp	43 + 2	735,132	735,132	0	2014	LYNX
19	2015	Gillig 35' Low Floor	FTA-25	28618	15GGB2718F1184635	Ramp	29 + 2	0	4,291	4,291	2027	FTA
20	2015	Gillig 35' Low Floor	FTA-26	28619	15GGB271XF1184636	Ramp	29 + 2	0	4,502	4,502	2027	FTA
21	2015	Gillig 35' Low Floor	FTA-27	28620	15GGB2711F1184637	Ramp	29 + 2	0	3,786	3,786	2027	FTA
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Pa	ratransit	Vehicles										
	Year		FDOT	County			Seats &	Mileage	Mileage	Total	Expected	Funding
	Model	Make/Size/Type	Control	Control	VIN	Lift	W/C Pos.	1-Oct	31-Aug	Annual	Retirement	Source
	(B)	(C)	Number	Number	(D)	Manu.	(i.e.12+2)	2014	2015	Miles	Date	( <b>F</b> )
1	2010	Chevy 26' Champion	80501	26095	1GBE4V1G49F412228	Braun	16 + 2	147,339	169,211	21,872	2015	FDOT ARRA
2	2010	Chevy 26' Champion	80502	26111	1GBE4V1G09F412257	Braun	16 + 2	154,502	185,754	31,252	2015	FDOT ARRA
3	2010	Chevy 26' Champion	80503	26114	1GBE4V1G29F412180	Braun	16 + 2	179,513	201,939	22,426	2015	FDOT ARRA
4	2010	Chevy 26' Champion	80504	26110	1GBE4V1G79F412188	Braun	16 + 2	181,442	208,550	27,108	2015	FDOT ARRA
5	2010	Chevy 26' Champion	80505	26120	1GBE4V1G99F412175	Braun	16 + 2	113,720	134,019	20,299	2015	FDOT ARRA
6	2010	Chevy 26' Champion	80506	26115	1GBE4V1GX9F412265	Braun	16 + 2	165,606	190,600	24,994	2015	FDOT ARRA
7	2010	Chevy 26' Champion	80507	26113	1GBE4V1G19F412199	Braun	16 + 2	169,227	191,422	22,195	2015	FDOT ARRA
8	2010	Chevy 26' Champion	80508	26117	1GBE4V1G99F412192	Braun	16 + 2	156,991	181,208	24,217	2015	FDOT ARRA
9	2010	Chevy 26' Champion	80509	26121	1GBE4V1G19F412283	Braun	16 + 2	150,167	174,139	23,972	2015	FDOT ARRA
10	2010	Chevy 26' Champion	80510	26116	1GBE4V1G89F413110	Braun	16 + 2	146,225	176,592	30,367	2015	FDOT ARRA
11	2010	Chevy 26' Champion	80511	26112	1GBE4V1G19F413059	Braun	16 + 2	153,290	183,341	30,051	2015	FDOT ARRA
12	2010	Chevy 26' Champion	80512	26119	1GBE4V1G39F413094	Braun	16 + 2	146,825	175,524	28,699	2015	FDOT ARRA

	Year		FDOT	County			Seats &	Mileage	Mileage	Total	Expected	Funding
	Model	Make/Size/Type	Control	Control	VIN	Lift	W/C Pos.	1-Oct	31-Aug	Annual	Retirement	Source
	(B)	(C)	Number	Number	(D)	Manu.	(i.e.12+2)	2014	2015	Miles	Date	( <b>F</b> )
13	2010	Chevy 26' Champion	80518	26122	1GBE4V1G19F412249	Braun	16 + 2	149,299	168,420	19,121	2015	FDOT ARRA
14	2010	Chevy 26' Champion	80519	26123	1GBE4V1G99F413133	Braun	16 + 2	134,402	157,365	22,963	2015	FDOT ARRA
15	2007	Chevy 23' Champion	90571	25004	1GBE4V1927F424487	Braun	12 + 2	198,983	227,171	28,188	2012	FDOT
16	2007	Chevy 23' Champion	90572	25002	1GBE4V1947F424510	Braun	12 + 2	205,547	293,590	88,043	2012	FDOT
17	2007	Chevy 23' Champion	90573	25003	1GBE4V1917F424755	Braun	12 + 2	212,036	239,073	27,037	2012	FDOT
18	2009	Chevy 25' Champion	91535	26024	1GBE4V1G49F412245	Braun	12 + 2	177,697	202,925	25,228	2014	FDOT
19	2009	Chevy 25' Champion	91536	26025	1GBE4V1GX9F412184	Braun	12 + 2	153,601	171,227	17,626	2014	FDOT
20	2010	Chevy 26' Champion	91545	26124	1GBE4V1909F413118	Braun	16 + 2	140,712	170,965	30,253	2015	FDOT
21	2010	Chevy 26' Champion	91546	26130	1GBE4V1G79F413082	Braun	16 + 2	171,716	203,016	31,300	2015	FDOT
22	2010	Chevy 23' Champion	91547	26247	1GB9G5AGXA1116835	Braun	12 + 2	151,179	180,590	29,411	2015	FDOT
23	2010	Chevy 23' Champion	91548	26248	1GB9G5AG7A1116355	Braun	12 + 2	150,343	174,067	23,724	2015	FDOT
24	2011	Chevy 26' Champion	91567	26479	1GB6G5BG7B1143820	Braun	18 + 4	131,243	149,097	17,854	2016	FDOT
25	2011	Chevy 26' Champion	91568	26480	1GB6G5BG9B1144628	Braun	18 + 4	113,986	139,077	25,091	2016	FDOT
26	2011	Chevy 26' Champion	91569	26481	1GB6G5BG1B1144204	Braun	18 + 4	99,733	99,733	0	2016	FDOT
27	2012	Ford 23' Champion	91593	26627	1FDFE4FL6CDA82412	Braun	12 + 2	92,142	117,368	25,226	2017	FDOT
28	2012	Ford 23' Champion	91594	26626	1FDFE4FL4CDA82411	Braun	12 + 2	108,244	142,095	33,851	2017	FDOT
29	2012	Ford 23' Champion	91595	26628	1FDFE4FL8CDA82413	Braun	12 + 2	83,944	115,607	31,663	2017	FDOT
30	2012	VPG Special Needs Van	94521	27943	523MF1A69CM101165	MV-1	3 + 1	40,321	78,027	37,706	2018	FDOT
31	2012	VPG Special Needs Van	94522	27944	523MF1A66CM101186	MV-1	3 + 1	35,863	71,400	35,537	2018	FDOT
32	2013	Ford 22' Stretcher Van	94536	28087	1FTNE2EL6DDB32216	N/A	2 + 0	632	632	0	2018	FDOT
33	2013	Ford 22' Stretcher Van	94537	28088	1FTNE2EL8DDB32217	N/A	2 + 0	4,912	10,247	5,335	2018	FDOT
34	2013	Ford 23' Champion	94538	28127	1FDFE4FS0DDB27241	Braun	12 + 2	25,301	25,301	0	2018	FDOT
35	2013	Ford 23' Champion	94539	28128	1FDFE4FS2DDB27242	Braun	12 + 2	24,700	61,287	36,587	2018	FDOT
36	2013	Ford 23' Champion	94540	28132	1FDFE4FS4DDB27243	Braun	12 + 2	26,902	26,902	0	2018	FDOT
37	2013	Ford 23' Champion	94541	28133	1FDFE4FS1DDB28852	Braun	12 + 2	26,784	60,065	33,281	2018	FDOT
38	2012	VPG Special Needs Van	94542	27945	523MF1A64CM101574	MV-1	3 + 1	25,256	54,040	28,784	2017	FDOT
39	2015	Ford 23' Glaval	94565	28628	1FDFE4FS9FDA34978	Braun	12 + 2	0	1,439	1,439	2020	FDOT
40	2015	Ford 23' Glaval	94566	28629	1FDFE4FS0FDA34979	Braun	12 + 2	0	1,433	1,433	2020	FDOT
41	2015	Ford 23' Glaval	94567	28630	1FDFE4FS7FDA34980	Braun	12 + 2	0	1,448	1,448	2020	FDOT
42	2015	Ford 23' Glaval	94568	28631	1FDFE4FS9FDA34981	Braun	12 + 2	0	1,442	1,442	2020	FDOT
43	2015	Ford 23' Glaval	94569	28632	1FDFE4FS9FDA34982	Braun	12 + 2	0	1,413	1,413	2020	FDOT
44	2015	Ford 23' Glaval	94570	28633	1FDFE4FS2FDA34983	Braun	12 + 2	0	1,441	1,441	2020	FDOT
45	2015	Ford 23' Glaval	94571	28634	1FDFE4FS4FDA34984	Braun	12 + 2	0	1,431	1,431	2020	FDOT
46	2015	Ford 23' Glaval	94572	28646	1FDFE4FS8FDA34969	Braun	12 + 2	0	1,499	1,499	2020	FDOT
47	2015	Ford 23' Glaval	94573	28648	1FDFE4FS6FDA34971	Braun	12 + 2	0	1,448	1,448	2020	FDOT
48	2015	Ford 23' Glaval	94574	28647	1FDFE4FS4FDA34970	Braun	12 + 2	0	1,527	1,527	2020	FDOT
49	2015	Ford 23' Glaval	94575	28649	1FDFE4FS8FDA34972	Braun	12 + 2	0	2,104	2,104	2020	FDOT
50	2015	Ford 23' Glaval	94576	28651	1FDFE4FA1FDA34974	Braun	12 + 2	0	1,428	1,428	2020	FDOT
51	2015	Ford 23' Glaval	94577	28652	1FDFE4FS3FDA34975	Braun	12 + 2	0	1,410	1,410	2020	FDOT
52	2015	Ford 23' Glaval	94578	28654	1FDFE4FS7FDA34977	Braun	12 + 2	0	1,415	1,415	2020	FDOT
53	2015	Ford 23' Glaval	94579	28650	1FDFE4FSXFDA34973	Braun	12 + 2	0	1,506	1,506	2020	FDOT
54	2015	Ford 23' Glaval	94582	28653	1FDFE4FS5FDA34976	Braun	12 + 2	0	1,527	1,527	2020	FDOT
55	2009	Chevy 25' Champion	CTD-7	25992	1GBE4V1G69F409735	Braun	12 + 2	173,128	194,774	21,646	2014	CTD

	Year		FDOT	County			Seats &	Mileage	Mileage	Total	Expected	Funding
	Model	Make/Size/Type	Control	Control	VIN	Lift	W/C Pos.	1-Oct	31-Aug	Annual	Retirement	Source
	(B)	(C)	Number	Number	(D)	Manu.	(i.e.12+2)	2014	2015	Miles	Date	( <b>F</b> )
56	2012	Ford 23' Champion	CTD-8	26625	1FDFE4FL2CDA82410	Braun	12 + 2	78,888	113,599	34,711	2017	CTD
57	2014	Ford 23' Champion	CTD-9	28238	1FDFE4FS8EDA99013	Braun	12 + 2	1,453	25,559	24,106	2019	CTD
58	2015	Ford 23' Turtle Top	CTD-10	28622	1FDFE4FS1EDA04534	Braun	12 + 2	0	716	716	2020	CTD
59	2015	Ford 23' Turtle Top	CTD-11	28623	1FDFE4FS2EDA04509	Braun	12 + 2	0	1,076	1,076	2020	CTD
60	2009	Chevy 21' General	FTA-9	25892	1GBJG31K781234079	Ricon	9 + 2	202,350	229,065	26,715	2014	FTA
61	2009	Chevy 21' General	FTA-16	25951	1GBJG31K391129797	Ricon	9 + 2	210,585	250,446	39,861	2014	FTA
62	2011	Chevy 23' Champion	FTA-20	26321	1GB9G5AG3A1129930	Braun	12 + 2	133,610	157,631	24,021	2016	FTA ARRA
63	2011	Chevy 23' Champion	FTA-21	26322	1GB9G5AG5A1126530	Braun	12 + 2	128,341	155,114	26,773	2016	FTA ARRA

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## **APPENDIX D**

System Safety Program Plan & Annual Safety Certification

## **Lake County Public Transportation**



# SYSTEM SAFETY PROGRAM PLAN (SSPP)

Update #3 November 3, 2014

## **SSPP Document Activity Log**

Date	Activity (Review/Update/Addendum/	Concerned Person	Distribution	
	Adoption/Distribution)	(Signature)		
Nov 1, 2012 to Dec 31, 2012	Number 1. Annual review by transportation staff.	David Hope	Complete	
Nov 1, 2013 to Dec 31, 2013	Number 2. Annual review by transportation staff.	David Hope	Complete	
Nov 1, 2014 to Dec 31, 2014	Number 3. Annual review by transportation staff.	David Hope	Working	
Nov 1, 2015 to Dec 31, 2015	Number 4. Annual review by transportation staff.			
Nov 1, 2016 to Dec 31, 2016	Number 5. Annual review by transportation staff.			
Nov 1, 2017 to Dec 31, 2017	Number 6. Annual review by transportation staff.			

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## 1.0 Management Safety Commitment and Policy Statement

14-90.004 (1) Each bus transit system shall develop and adopt an SSPP that complies with or exceeds the established safety standards set forth in this rule chapter.

Lake County Public Transportation is committed to providing safe, secure, clean, reliable, and efficient transportation services to the patrons. This policy statement serves to express management's commitment to and involvement in providing and maintaining a safe and secure transit system.

Section 341.041, Florida Statutes (F.S.); Section 334.044(2), F.S.; and Section 341.061(2)(a), F.S., requires the establishment of minimum equipment and operational safety standards for all governmentally owned bus transit systems; privately owned or operated bus transit systems operating in this state which are financed wholly or partly by state funds; all bus transit systems created pursuant to Chapter 427, F.S.; and all privately owned or operated bus transit systems under contract with any of the aforementioned systems. Safety standards for bus transit systems are provided by Rule Chapter 14-90, Florida Administrative Code (F.A.C.), hereinafter referred to as Rule 14-90. Bus transit systems are required to develop, adopt, and comply with a System Safety Program Plan (SSPP), which meets or exceeds, the established safety standards set forth in Rule 14-90.

In the interest of safety and security, and in order to comply with the statutory requirements, Lake County Public Transportation has developed and adopted this System Safety Program Plan (SSPP) that complies with established safety standards set forth in Rule 14-90. The SSPP is intended to document all policies, functions, responsibilities, etc. of the agency necessary to achieve a high degree of system safety and applies to all areas of the transportation system, including procurement, administration, operations, maintenance, etc.

Lake County Public Transportation management is responsible for maintaining a coordinated SSPP in order to identify and prevent unsafe acts and conditions that present a potential danger or threat to public safety. Management has the responsibility for maintaining and implementing the SSPP and complying with the policies, procedures, and standards included in this document. All departments, personnel, and contract service operators are charged with the responsibility of adhering to this SSPP. Any violation of safety and security practices is subject to appropriate administrative action. Management is ultimately responsible for enforcing the SSPP and maintaining a safe and secure system.

Signature

Ken Harley
Printed Name
Executive Director / Signatory Authority
Lake County Public Transportation
Date: Month/Day/Year

## 2.0 System Safety Goals and SSPP

According to 14-90.002(19), "System Safety Program Plan" or "SSPP" means a document developed and adopted by the bus transit system detailing its policies, objectives, responsibilities, and procedures against injuries or damage. 14-90.004(1)(a) specifies the safety elements and requirements that must be addressed by the SSPP.

Lake County Public Transportation has established the following goals for the system safety program:

- Achieve a high standard of system safety in all areas of the transportation system
- Develop and implement a comprehensive, systematic, and coordinated program to identify, assess, and control all safety hazards
- Develop and maintain a high level of safety awareness among all employees through pre-employment screening and systematic training and testing programs
- Establish safety standards for contract service operators and ensure compliance
- Ensure that system safety is integrated with daily operations through operational standards and procedures, vehicle maintenance, inspections, record keeping, audits, quality assurance and quality control
- Ensure that all vehicles and equipment operated by the agency meet established safety standards
- Maintain a formal process for event investigation, emergency preparedness and response, and handling security threats
- Ensure a drug free workplace
- Comply with all regulatory requirements.

The purpose of this SSPP document is to:

- Establish and document system safety policies and procedures in compliance with Rule 14-90
- Establish a coordinated and documented process to implement the SSPP during the operations of the system in order to achieve system safety goals
- Identify and delegate safety functions and responsibilities to units and personnel within the organization and contract service operators
- Facilitate internal and external safety audits to identify, track, and resolve safety program deficiencies.

In accordance with Rule 14-90 (included in Appendix A), the SSPP addresses the following safety elements and requirements:

- Safety policies and responsibilities
- Vehicle and equipment standards and procurement criteria
- Operational standards and procedures

- Bus driver and employee selection
- Driving requirements
- Bus driver and employee training
- Vehicle maintenance
- Investigations of events
- Hazard identification and resolution
- Equipment for transporting wheelchairs
- Safety data acquisition and analysis
- Wireless communication plan and procedure
- Safety standards for private contract bus transit system(s) that provide(s) continuous or recurring transportation services for compensation as a result of a contractual agreement with Lake County Public Transportation.

#### 2.1 SSPP Control and Update Procedures

According to 14-90.010, each bus transit system shall annually submit a safety and security certification to the Department. One of the requirements that the certification shall attest is that the SSPP has been reviewed to ensure that the document is up to date.

Lake County Public Transportation management will review the SSPP annually, update the document as necessary, and implement the changes within a timeframe that will allow the agency to timely submit the annual self-certification of compliance to the Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT). The annual review of the SSPP will be conducted as part of an internal audit beginning November 1 of each calendar year and ending prior to the end of the same calendar year. Necessary updates outside the annual update window will be handled as SSPP addendums which will be incorporated in the body of the SSPP during subsequent annual update.

All proposed changes will be documented by the management as proposed SSPP addendums and distributed to all affected parties including employees and contract service operators. All parties must comment within two weeks of the issuance of the proposed changes unless otherwise specified. Following the approval of any modifications to the SSPP by the Public Transportation Director, management staff will distribute the SSPP addendum to all affected parties, with a cover memo highlighting the changes. All parties receiving the updates are required to sign for its receipt and acknowledge their responsibility in implementing the changes. Management will document and retain the proof of SSPP receipt by all employees during initial hire and subsequent updates. A copy of the adopted SSPP will be distributed to all employees and contract service providers. A copy of the adopted SSPP will also be forwarded to the FDOT District Office. Document reviews of the SSPP by the local agency, any subsequent updates, addendums, adoption, and distribution activities will be documented in the SSPP Document Activity Log included in this document.

## 3.0 Security Program Plan (SPP)

14-90.004(2) Each bus transit system shall develop and adopt an SPP that meets or exceeds the security requirements set forth in this rule chapter. The SPP shall be adopted separately from the SSPP.

In accordance with Rule 14-90, Lake County Public Transportation has adopted, and implemented a Security Program Plan (SPP), which covers the hazard and security portion of the system safety program. The SPP contains information about prevention, mitigation, preparedness, response, recovery, and associated organizational responsibilities. The SPP is applicable to all modes of service. The purpose of the SPP is to specify:

- Actions required of employees on a daily, weekly, monthly, and annual basis to prevent
  or reduce the likelihood of security and emergency events from occurring, and to
  mitigate the effects of those events that do occur
- Measures needed to prepare for incidents occurring within the transportation system and in the surrounding community
- Agency procedures that should be established to respond to security hazards and emergencies that affect the system and its customers
- Formal processes to recover from routine security events or major emergencies
- Roles, responsibilities, and interagency coordination required to respond to a disaster or security event.

The SPP addresses the following hazard and security elements and requirements:

- Security policies, goals, and objectives
- Organization, roles, and responsibilities
- Emergency management processes and procedures for mitigation, preparedness, response, and recovery
- Procedures for investigation of events described under subsection 14-90.004(5), F.A.C.
- Procedures for the establishment of interfaces with emergency response organizations
- Procedures for interagency coordination with local law enforcement jurisdictions
- Employee security and threat awareness training programs
- Security data acquisition and analysis
- Emergency preparedness drills and exercises
- Requirements for private contract transit providers that engage in continuous or recurring transportation services for compensation as a result of a contractual agreement with the bus transit system.
- Procedures for SPP maintenance and distribution.

The SPP has been adopted separately from the SSPP. Bus transit systems are prohibited by Section 119.071(3)(2), Florida Statutes, from publicly disclosing the SPP, as applicable under any circumstance. The document is maintained in a secure location by the management and access to the document is restricted to select agency personnel and appropriate FDOT personnel exercising oversight in this area. On-site access to the SPP is granted to regulatory authorities (FDOT, FTA, etc.) on as-needed basis. Select portions of the SPP may be shared with employees depending on their job responsibilities.

## 4.0 System Description

#### Services provided and history:

Lake County is located in East Central Florida and is bordered by seven counties, including Volusia, Seminole, Orange, Osceola, Polk, Sumter, and Marion Counties. According to the Census, the County in composed of 1,157 square miles, with 953 square miles of land area and 204 square miles of water area.

Lake County Public Transportation provides both fixed route and paratransit public transportation. The paratransit service area is all of Lake County. Also the CTC does provide services outside of Lake County for medical purposes to Orange, Alachua and Sumter Counties. Other areas are approved when services are not available in the county.

On June 7, 1983, Lake Sumter Mental Health Center and Hospital was designated as the TD Provider for Lake County by the TD Advisory Committee of the Lake County Board of County Commissioners and the East Central Florida Regional Planning Council. In November 1990, Lake Sumter Mental Health Center and Hospital was recommended by the Lake County Board of County Commissioners, which is the County's Designated Official Planning Agency, and approved by the State of Florida CTD to be the CTC for Lake County. In September 1992, Lake Sumter Mental Health Center and Hospital changed its name to LifeStream Behavioral Center.

Beginning in 2001, the Lake County Board of County Commissioners became the County's CTC, and subsequently contracted with LifeStream for the management and provision of TD service in Lake County (which LifeStream provided as "Lake County Transit").

On May 3, 2005 the Lake County Board of County Commissioners entered into an agreement with a contracted operator for paratransit.

LakeXpress, the fixed-route system initiated in 2007, is also provided under contract and continues to successfully operate service on four routes and ridership continues to grow on all of these routes. Ridership for 2012/2013 was:

Rt 1	167,184
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Rt 3	45,261
Rt 4	33,211
Total	312,591

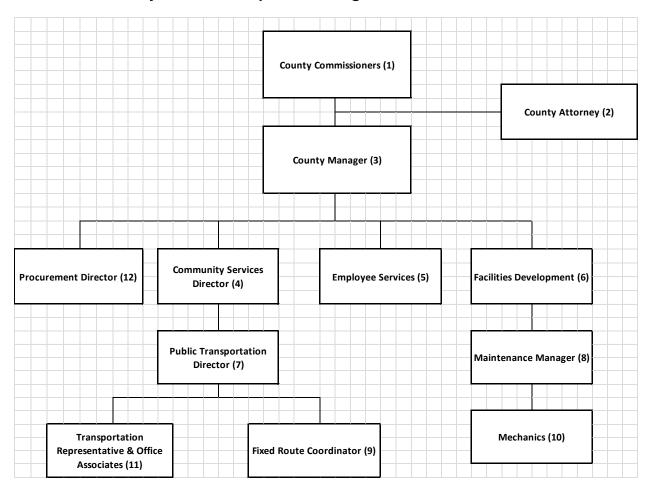
Paratransit System Profile for FY 2012/2013:
Number of operational buses: (Veh list) 77
Dispatch Location(s):Ride Right Leesburg Office
Maintenance Locations: Groveland
Community Transportation Coordinator (CTC): Yes _XNo
CTC Operator: Yes No _X
CTC Name: Lake County Board of County Commissioners
Contracted passenger service operations: (Describe) Lake County operates fixed route and paratransit operations as a complete brokerage. However, the county provides al maintenance, vehicles and fuel.
Contract operator(s) has own adopted SSPP and SPP approved by transit system or CTC:
YesNoX Describe Both entities have SSPP's and SPP's The Contractor
documents must comply with the County documents.
Contract operator(s) adopts and implements the transit system's or CTC's SSPP:
Yesx No Describe See above
Additional Information:

## 5.0 Organization Structure and System Safety Responsibilities

According to 14-90.004, the SSPP must address safety system responsibilities as one of the safety elements.

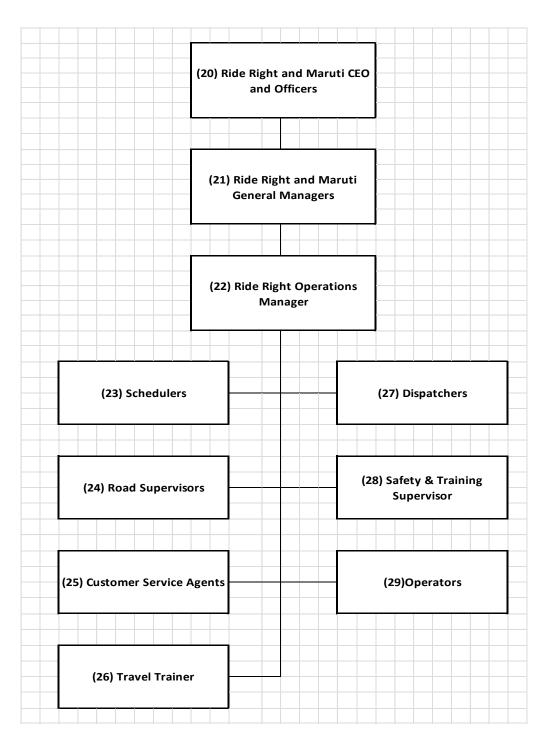
Management has the overall responsibility of safe and secure operations of Lake County Public Transportation and contract service operators. Each employee is required to carry out specific system safety responsibilities, depending on his/her position, in compliance with the SSPP. The organization information provided below describes each position and the reporting structure; the table in the following page shows system safety responsibilities of each position.

### 5.1 Lake County Public Transportation Organization Chart



Note: The chart above only shows Lake County departments/staff involved with transportation. (Numbers) indicate position number in matrix

## 5.2 Ride Right Organization Chart



Note: The chart above shows the Contractor departments/staff involved with transportation.

5.3	Lake County Public Transportation System Safety Responsibilities b	y
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### 5.4 System Safety Responsibilities of Contract Service Operator(s)

14-90.004 requires establishing safety and security requirements for private contract service providers that provide continuous or recurring transportation services for compensation as a result of a contractual agreement with the bus transit system. The Rule also requires monitoring and assurance that each private contract transit provider complies with established safety and security requirements during the term of the contract. In the event that transit service is contracted or subcontracted through private service operators, the local transit agency must respond to these requirements. Agencies not currently contracting with private providers may wish however to consider incorporating this section in their SSPP for future provisions.

Lake County Public Transportation requires all contract service operators to fully comply with the established safety standards set forth in Rule 14-90. Contract operators have the option to either adopt and implement the SSPP and SPP of Lake County Public Transportation, or develop, adopt, and implement their own program plans, but must ensure compliance with Rule 14-90. If the contract service operator opts to develop their own SSPP and SPP, the program plans must be reviewed and approved by Lake County Public Transportation management prior to initiation of service. In addition, each contractor/subcontractor shall submit a safety and security certification to Lake County Public Transportation no later than January 15, annually for the prior calendar year period.

The certification shall attest to the following:

- The adoption of an SSPP and an SPP in accordance with established standards set forth in Rule 14-90.
- Compliance with its adopted SSPP and SPP.
- Performance of safety inspections on all buses operated by the system in accordance with Rule 14-90.
- Reviews of the SSPP and SPP have been conducted to ensure they are up to date.

#### The certification shall include:

- The name and address of the contractor/subcontractor, and the name and address of the entity(ies) who performed bus safety inspections and security assessments during the prior calendar year, if different from that of the contractor/subcontractor.
- A statement signed by an officer or person directly responsible for management of the contractor/subcontractor attesting to compliance with Rule 14-90.

Contractors/subcontractors are subject to audits and inspections on an announced or unannounced basis at the discretion of Lake County Public Transportation management. Lake County Public Transportation, or its contractor, will conduct safety and security reviews of contract operators, at least once every three years, to ascertain compliance with the provisions of Rule 14-90. Lake County Public Transportation will prepare and submit a report of the audit to the affected contract operator within 30 business days of completion of the review containing the following:

Identification of the findings, including a detailed description of any deficiency.

- Required corrective action and a schedule for implementation of the corrective action to be taken for each deficiency.
- Any required suspension of bus transit system service should Lake County Public Transportation determine the continued operation of the service, or a portion thereof, poses an immediate danger to public safety.

If the contract operator fails to correct specific deficiency(ies) in accordance with Rule 14-90 and the established implementation schedule, Lake County Public Transportation will notify the FDOT District Office and initiate actions to dismiss the contract.

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## 6.0 Qualification and Selection of Drivers

- 14-90.004(3) requires bus transit systems establish criteria and procedures for the selection, qualification, and training of all drivers. The criteria shall include the following:
- (a) Driver qualifications and background checks meeting minimum hiring standards.
- (b) Driving and criminal background checks for all new drivers.
- (c) Verification and documentation of valid driver licenses for all employees who drive buses.
- (d) Training and testing to demonstrate and ensure adequate skills and capabilities to safely operate each type of bus or bus combination before driving on a street or highway unsupervised.
- (e) Bus transit systems shall provide written operational and safety procedures to all bus drivers before driving on streets or highways unsupervised.
- (f) The provisions in paragraphs (d) and (e), above, shall not apply to personnel licensed and authorized by the bus transit system to drive, move, or road test a bus in order to perform repairs or maintenance services when it has been determined that such temporary operation does not create unsafe operating conditions or create a hazard to public safety.
- (g) Bus transit systems shall maintain the following records for at least four years:
- 1. Records of bus driver background checks and qualifications.
- 2. Detailed descriptions of training administered and completed by each bus driver.
- 3. A record of each bus driver's duty status which shall include total days worked, on-duty hours, driving hours, and time of reporting on and off duty each day.
- (h) Each bus transit system shall establish a drug-free workplace policy statement in accordance with 49 C.F.R. Part 32 and a substance abuse management and testing program in accordance with 49 C.F.R. Parts 40 and 655, October 1, 2009, hereby incorporated by reference.
- (i) Bus transit systems shall require that drivers write and submit a daily bus inspection report pursuant to Rule 14-90.006, F.A.C.

Lake County Public Transportation contractor management is responsible for ensuring that the following minimum standards are met when hiring new drivers.

- Must possess a valid Florida driving license of appropriate class.
- Criminal background check (with local law enforcement and the Florida Department of Law Enforcement) and driving records check including, but not limited to, the following items:
  - o Driving records
  - Instant Social Security Number validations
  - o Instant identification of applicant's county of residence for the past seven years
  - County felony criminal history checks for up to three counties per applicant and other criminal records checks
  - Education verification
  - Employment reference checks
  - Personal reference check
  - Workers' Compensation claims
- Complete employment application.
- Successful completion of pre-employment physical including an eye examination and drug screening test.

- Signed acknowledgement of receipt and agreement to comply with drug-free workplace policy.
- Signed acknowledgment of receipt and agreement to comply with SSPP.
- Successful completion of required orientation, training and testing to demonstrate and
  ensure adequate skills and capabilities to safely operate each type of bus or bus
  combination before driving on a street or highway unsupervised.
- Signed acknowledgment of receipt and compliance with the following written operational and safety procedures <u>before</u> driving on a street or highway unsupervised.
  - o Communication and handling of unsafe conditions, security threats, and emergencies.
  - Familiarization and operation of safety and emergency equipment, wheelchair lift equipment, and restraining devices.
  - Application and compliance with all applicable federal and state laws, rules and regulations.
- Drivers are required to write and submit a daily bus inspection report pursuant to Rule 14-90.006, F.A.C.
- Personnel licensed and authorized by the bus transit system to drive, move, or road test
  a bus in order to perform repairs or maintenance services when it has been determined
  that such temporary operation does not create unsafe operating conditions or create a
  hazard to public safety are not bound to the following two provisions:
  - Training and testing to demonstrate and ensure adequate skills and capabilities to safely operate each type of bus or bus combination before driving on a street or highway unsupervised.
  - Bus transit systems shall provide written operational and safety procedures to all bus drivers before driving on streets or highways unsupervised.

Noncompliance with any regulatory or agency specific requirement may result in an employee administrative action up to and including suspension or termination of employment. It is the policy of Lake County Public Transportation to screen applicants to eliminate those that pose a safety or security threat to the agency or who would not be capable of carrying out agency safety and security policies.

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## 7.0 Driver Safety Training and Testing

14-90.004(3) establishes driver training and testing requirements to demonstrate and ensure adequate skills and capabilities to safely operate each type of bus or bus combination before driving on a street or highway unsupervised.

All employees and drivers of Lake County Public Transportation and all contract service providers are required to complete all training and testing requirements to demonstrate and ensure adequate skills and capabilities to safely operate each type of bus or bus combination before driving on a street or highway unsupervised. The Safety Training Manager is responsible for conducting and documenting all training and testing activities utilizing a certification process. Noncompliance with any regulatory or agency specific guideline or requirement may result in suspension or termination of employment. This section of the SSPP discusses the training and testing programs to be administered by the Safety Training Manager.

### 7.1 Initial Driver Training and Testing

Upon hire and prior to being placed into road service, all drivers are required to complete training and testing in the following areas:

- 1. Bus transit system safety and operational policies and procedures.
- 2. Operational bus and equipment inspections.
- 3. Bus equipment familiarization.
- 4. Basic operations and maneuvering.
- 5. Boarding and alighting passengers.
- 6. Operation of wheelchair lift and other special equipment.
- 7. Defensive driving.
- 8. Passenger assistance and securement.
- 9. Handling of emergencies and security threats.
- 10. Security and threat awareness.
- 11. Driving conditions.

As part of the driver training program, specific procedures have been incorporated to instruct the driver on how to safely approach and depart from a transit bus stop to avoid contact with pedestrians and other hazards.

In addition, new drivers are required to successfully undergo a road test with an experienced driver. A new-hire check-off list must be completed to ensure the employee has received all required 14-90 training and information before being authorized for over-the-road service.

After successful completion of each training and testing module, the agency is required to document and record the satisfactory completion of the employee's training and submit to the Safety Training Manager. Certificates of completion will be maintained in the driver files for a minimum of 4 years.

All newly hired employees are also provided instructional training by the Safety Training Manager. Drivers are given instruction in Lake County Public Transportation rules and standard operating procedures in the following areas:

- General rules: General rules of the agency including employee conduct codes
- Personal appearance and conduct: Covers uniforms, grooming, and employee conduct.
- Customer service: Covers expectations of employees when dealing with the public; includes instruction on how and to whom to report security incidents, and types of individuals or situations to be aware of and report.
- Traffic laws: Covers applicable traffic-related laws and regulations, drug and alcohol testing, and drug and alcohol use restrictions.
- Fare handling: Covers fare collection procedures and provides instruction in dealing with fare disputes, conflict resolution, and notification of security personnel.
- Americans with Disabilities Act requirements: Provides instruction in complying with ADA requirements and providing service to disabled patrons.
- Radio (Nextel) procedures: Provides instruction on radio procedure for both routine and emergency radio traffic. Includes instruction on reporting crimes, suspicious acts, and potentially hazardous situations.
- Report writing: Provides instruction on report writing, and reporting requirements.
- Substance abuse policy: Implements a drug and alcohol testing program.
- Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) standards: Covers blood borne pathogens and other occupational exposure to health hazards.

The Safety Training Manager will develop and maintain a Training Manual for new hire training and testing of employees as part of the Safety Training Program. The manual will contain training course content, curriculum, lesson plans, testing requirements, etc. All training and testing activities will also be adequately documented by the Safety Training Manager.

## 7.2 On-Going/Refresher Training and Testing

The Safety Training Manager will develop and maintain a Training Manual for on-going and refresher training and testing of employees. The manual will contain training course content, curriculum, lesson plans, testing requirements, etc. On-going/refresher training and testing sessions will be conducted as necessary to remain compliant with Rule 14-90. The drivers are required to attend training and testing in all areas specified by Rule 14-90 at least once every three years. All training and testing activities are to be recorded and retained in files for a minimum of five years.

#### 7.3 Remedial Training and Testing

Lake County Public Transportation will employ remedial training for drivers who have been involved in a serious collision or have developed unsafe driving behaviour or other driving problems. Other causes for remedial training may include persistent customer complaints, supervisor recommendations, or a result of ongoing evaluations. Depending on the

circumstances, the Safety Training Manager will determine the appropriate remedial training and testing, the results of which will also be documented and retained in files.

### 7.4 NIMS Training

The National Incident Management System (NIMS) provides a consistent nationwide template to enable all government, private-sector, and nongovernmental organizations to work together during domestic incidents (<a href="http://www.fema.gov/emergency/nims/">http://www.fema.gov/emergency/nims/</a>). The NIMS system requires that transit agencies comply with a number of specific activities to ensure personnel who will be conducting activities in response to emergencies use the standard Incident Command System (ICS).

Lake County Public Transportation SPP requires that management staff take available NIMS training to understand this requirement and to coordinate regularly with outside organizations to prepare for coordinated responses to incidents. In addition, all employees will be provided security training and drills every six months to ensure they are familiar with emergency policies. All training and testing activities will also be recorded and retained in files.

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## 8.0 Records Management

14-90 requires that system safety documents be maintained and retained by the agency for at least four years. Records of daily bus inspections and any corrective action documentation must be retained by the agency for a minimum of two weeks.

The Safety/Risk Manager is responsible for implementing a record management program that includes maintenance, retention, distribution, and safe disposal of all safety and security records of the agency in compliance with state and federal regulations.

All safety and security documents of the agency (SSPP, SPP, etc.) will be periodically revised, as needed, to ensure that they are up to date. Revisions and updates will be communicated with employees, contractors, and regulatory agencies as they occur or as deemed necessary by the management, depending on the nature of the revision or update. The SPP is considered a confidential document and will be retained in a secure location by management.

Lake County Public Transportation or the contracted operator will maintain and retain the following records for at least five years:

- Records of bus driver background checks and qualifications
- Detailed descriptions of training administered and completed by each bus driver
- A record of each bus driver's duty status which will include total days worked, on-duty hours, driving hours, and time of reporting on and off duty each day
- Event investigation reports, corrective action plans, and related supporting documentation
- Records of preventive maintenance, regular maintenance, inspections, lubrication, and repairs performed for each bus
- Records of annual safety inspections and documentation of any required corrective actions
- Completed and signed medical examination reports for each bus driver

In addition, Lake County Public Transportation Maintenance will retain records of daily bus inspections and any corrective action documentation for a minimum of two weeks.

An organized paper and electronic filing system will be maintained by the agency, adequately backed up to prevent potential loss of information. All sensitive personnel records will be protected from public access. When ready for disposal, both paper and electronic data will be disposed of in a secure manner ensuring that critical information is protected.

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## 9.0 Drug and Alcohol Program

According to 14-90.004, each bus transit system shall establish a drug-free workplace policy statement in accordance with 49 C.F.R. Part 32 and a substance abuse management and testing program in accordance with 49 C.F.R. Parts 40 and 655, October 1, 2009.

Lake County Public Transportation has established a Zero Tolerance Substance Abuse Policy Statement in accordance with 49 C.F.R. Part 32 and a substance abuse management and testing program in accordance with 49 C.F.R. Parts 40 and 655, October 1, 2009, a copy of which is included in Appendix B. The Drug and Alcohol Program Manager is responsible for ensuring the implementation of a drug and alcohol testing program for all safety-sensitive employees as identified and described within the subject policy.

The intent of the policy is to:

- Assure that employees are not impaired in their ability to perform assigned duties in a safe, productive, and healthy manner;
- Create a workplace environment free from the adverse effects of drug and alcohol abuse or misuse;
- Prohibit the unlawful manufacture, distribution, dispensing, possession, or use of controlled substances; and
- Encourage employees to seek professional assistance when substance abuse adversely affects their ability to perform their assigned duties.

Violation of this substance abuse policy is subject to disciplinary actions.

- Two versions of the Model Substance Abuse Policy are available agencies can either choose the "Zero Tolerance" or the "Second Chance" version. This template includes the "Zero Tolerance" version in Appendix B, the "Second Chance" version is also included in the Appendix folder of the DVD.
- Instructions for adopting one of the Policy versions is as follows -
  - Replace all [Agency] indicators with your specific agency name and remove yellow highlighting
  - Complete the sections where specific agency information and contacts are required; i.e.:
     Applicable Positions, MRO contact, SAP contact and DER contact (all areas highlighted in yellow)
  - The policy must be approved and signed by board of directors or other certifying official
  - The policy must be disseminated to all covered employees
  - The last page of the policy includes a documentation form to be signed by all current and future safety sensitive employees and must be kept on file (this is a compliance item).
  - Agencies choosing to add policy items under their own authority may do so. However, policy items that are implemented under Agency authority must remain italicized to differentiate them from DOT authorized policy items.
  - Any policy items that are added under agency authority must be approved by FDOT to ensure that compliance to DOT and FTA regulations is not obstructed.
  - One of the FDOT model policies must be adopted by all Section 5311 funding sub-recipient agencies and contractors.

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## **10.0 Vehicle Maintenance Program**

14-90.004 (4) Bus transit systems shall establish a maintenance plan and procedures for preventative and routine maintenance for all buses operated. The maintenance plan and procedures shall assure that:

- (a) All buses operated, and all parts and accessories on such buses, including those specified in Rule 14-90.007, F.A.C., and any additional parts and accessories which may affect safety of operation, including frame and frame assemblies, suspension systems, axles and attaching parts, wheels and rims, and steering systems, are regularly and systematically inspected, maintained, and lubricated to standards that meet or exceed the bus manufacturer's recommendations and requirements.
- (b) A recording and tracking system is established for the types of inspections, maintenance, and lubrication intervals documenting the date or mileage when these services are due. Required maintenance inspections shall be more comprehensive than daily inspections performed by the driver.
- (c) Proper preventive maintenance is performed when a bus is assigned away from the system's regular maintenance facility or when maintenance services are performed under contract.
- (d) Records are maintained and provide written documentation of preventive maintenance, regular maintenance, inspections, lubrication, and repairs performed for each bus under their control. Such records shall be maintained by the bus transit system for at least four years and, at a minimum, provide the following information:
- 1. Identification of the bus, the make, model, and license number, or other means of positive identification and ownership.
- 2. Date, mileage, description, and each type of inspection, maintenance, lubrication, or repair performed.
- 3. If not owned by the bus transit system, the name of any person furnishing a bus.
- 4. The name and address of any entity or contractor performing an inspection, maintenance, lubrication, or repair.

The function of the maintenance plan is to provide a consistent systematic program to properly maintain and service vehicles to meet or exceed the manufacturer's recommended maintenance schedule. The Lake County Public Transportation vehicle maintenance program will ensure that all buses operated, and all parts and accessories on such buses, including those specified in Rule 14-90.007, F.A.C., and any additional parts and accessories which may affect safety of operation, including frame and frame assemblies, suspension systems, axles and attaching parts, wheels and rims, and steering systems, are regularly and systematically inspected, maintained, and lubricated to standards that meet or exceed the bus manufacturer's recommendations and requirements. The Maintenance Manager is responsible for ensuring that a Maintenance Plan consistent with 14-90 has been developed and implemented by the agency and that all vehicles operated are regularly and systematically inspected, maintained, and lubricated according to the agency's Maintenance Plan and Preventative Maintenance Guidelines (included in Appendix C and Appendix D, respectively).

#### 10.1 Daily Vehicle Inspections (DVI)

Drivers are required to perform daily vehicle inspections prior to operating the assigned vehicle, during routes, and after all route schedules are completed. The pre-trip inspection includes an inspection of the following parts and devices to ascertain that they are in safe condition and in good working order:

- Service brakes
- Parking brakes
- Tires and wheels
- Steering
- Horn
- Lighting devices
- Windshield wipers
- Rear vision mirrors
- Passenger doors
- Exhaust system
- Equipment for transporting wheelchairs
- Safety, security, and emergency equipment

During the scheduled trips and at the end of the day, the operator will note any additional findings and submit the daily vehicle inspection forms. The process and form/s to be utilized for daily vehicle inspections is included in agency's preventative maintenance guidelines. The daily vehicle inspection forms must be complete with the operator's signature and a check in each box to document that the items are "OK" or a defect is noted in the comments section. If the driver finds any mechanical or other problems that could compromise the safety of the vehicle at any point, the drivers will immediately inform the Maintenance Manager and the vehicle will not be scheduled for service until repaired. Failure to report deficiencies by drivers may result in an administrative action taken against the employee.

The Maintenance Manager will review the daily inspections and document the corrective actions taken as a result of any deficiencies identified by the operator. Daily inspection records will be retained for a minimum of two weeks. The Maintenance Manager will periodically conduct vehicle inspections behind the drivers who have completed the vehicle inspections to ensure that the daily vehicle inspections are adequately performed. Once defects are noted they will be prioritized and sorted into categories for repairs. Once a defect is noted on the inspection form and repaired, the documentation will be attached to the work/repair order and filed in the maintenance files.

#### 10.2 Preventive Maintenance

A preventative maintenance schedule is implemented to inspect for safety hazards and to maintain vehicles in a manner conforming to safety regulations. Lake County Public Transportation will perform scheduled preventive maintenance on all vehicles at every 6,000-mile interval following the sequence "A"-"B"-"A"-"C", according to the agency's maintenance plan. As preventative maintenance inspections are scheduled by projected mileage, the agency will allow ±500 mile deviations in mileage interval, so long as the actual mileage interval meets the manufacturer's recommended maintenance schedule. Inspection "A" will be performed every 6,000 miles, inspection "B" will be performed every 12,000 miles, and inspection "C" will be performed every 24,000 miles on each vehicle. Safety inspections are part of the

maintenance inspections and will be performed at least once every year with inspection type "C" on each vehicle. When a vehicle is due for an inspection, it will be taken out of service until the inspection is completed. This allows a series of repairs to be carried out while minimizing costs and optimizing the number of operational vehicles. If a vehicle is "down" for an extended period of time due to unavoidable circumstances, preventative maintenance will be temporarily suspended until the vehicle can be returned to service. However, the annual inspection will be conducted on all vehicles regardless of "up/down" status and/or mileage accrued.

The Maintenance Manager will regularly perform Quality Control (QC)/Quality Assurance (QA) checks to ensure that the inspections and repairs, both in-house and contracted, are completed and documented properly. Each vehicle will have a written record documenting preventive maintenance, regular maintenance, inspections, lubrication and repairs performed. Such records will be maintained for at least four years and include, at a minimum, the following information:

- Identification of the bus, the make, model, and license number or other means of positive identification and ownership
- Date, mileage, description, and each type of inspection, maintenance, lubrication, or repair performed
- If not owned by Lake County Public Transportation, the name of any person furnishing a bus
- The name and address of any entity or contractor performing an inspection, maintenance, lubrication, or repair

For tracking purposes, a maintenance log will be kept containing vehicle ID, make and type of vehicle, year, model, special equipment, inspections, maintenance and lubrication intervals, and date or mileage when services are due.

#### 10.3 Bus Safety Inspections

Safety inspections are part of the maintenance inspections and are performed at least once every year on all buses operated by Lake County Public Transportation and contracted service providers. The Maintenance Manager is responsible for ensuring that each individual performing a bus safety inspection is qualified as follows:

- Understands the requirements set forth in Rule 14-90 and can identify defective components.
- Is knowledgeable of and has mastered the methods, procedures, tools, and equipment used when performing an inspection.
- Has at least one year of training and/or experience as a mechanic or inspector in a vehicle maintenance program and has sufficient general knowledge of buses owned and operated by the bus transit system to recognize deficiencies or mechanical defects.

Although not required by Rule 14-90, agencies are encouraged to require Automotive Service Excellence (ASE) certifications of mechanics performing bus safety inspectors.

Each bus receiving a safety inspection shall be checked for compliance with the requirements for safety devices and equipment as referenced or specified by Rule 14-90. Specific operable equipment and devices as required by Rule 14-90 include the following as applicable to Type I and II buses:

- Horn
- Windshield wipers
- Mirrors
- Wiring and batteries
- Service and parking brakes
- Warning devices
- Directional signals
- Hazard warning signals
- · Lighting systems and signaling devices
- Handrails and stanchions
- Standee line and warning
- Doors and brake interlock devices
- Step-wells and flooring
- Emergency exits
- Tires and wheels
- Suspension system
- Steering system
- Exhaust system
- Seat belts
- Safety equipment
- Equipment for transporting wheelchairs
- Working speedometer

A safety inspection report will be prepared by the individual(s) performing the inspection and will include the following:

- Identification of the individual(s) performing the inspection
- Identification of the bus transit system operating the bus
- The date of the inspection
- Identification of the bus inspected
- Identification of the equipment and devices inspected including the identification of equipment and devices found deficient or defective
- Identification of corrective action(s) for any deficient or defective items found and date(s) of completion of corrective action(s)

Records of annual safety inspections and documentation of any required corrective actions will be retained for a minimum of four years for compliance review.

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## 11.0 Safety Data Acquisition & Analysis

According to 14-90.004, the SSPP must address safety data acquisiton and analysis as one of the safety elements.

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Understanding safety data is an important step towards allocating important and scarce resources to implement safety program elements. Safety data relative to transit provider operations can be used to determine safety trends in system operation. The following data will be collected and retained by Lake County Public Transportation on an ongoing basis:

- · Accident and incident data
- Maintenance data including daily vehicle inspection forms
- Passenger claims and complaints
- Records of crimes and rule violations occurring in and around the transit agency

The data will be analyzed by Lake County Public Transportation management both qualitatively and quantitatively for safety hazard identification, resolution and risk management purposes. The analysis will be conducted in Microsoft Excel software and will account for frequency, severity, causal factors, and acceptability of occurrences. The analysis results will be useful for identifying necessary actions to minimize safety risks. Analysis of safety data will also help improve system performance, not only in respect to safety, but also in overall delivery of service to the public. In addition, trend analyses of safety data can help determine the effectiveness of safety initiatives that have been implemented. The results of such analysis will be shared with agency staff and law enforcement agencies on, at minimum, an annual basis for awareness and support.

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## 12.0 Hazard Identification and Resolution

According to 14-90.004, the SSPP must address hazard identification and resolution as one of the safety elements.

This is an area of 14-90 which is less prescriptive, but the agency must establish how it is addressing this requirement. Addressing the requirement is *not* optional, so the agency must elaborate on how it is meeting this requirement. The green colored text below is provided *as an example* of how the agency could address the subject.

Hazard management is a mechanism by which hazards are identified, analyzed for potential impact on the operating system, and resolved in a manner acceptable to the management and regulatory agencies. Lake County Public Transportation's hazard management consists of three primary components – hazard identification, hazard categorization, and hazard resolution.

#### 12.1 Hazard Identification

By means of safety data acquisition and analysis and coordination with Contracted Operator Operations Manager and County Maintenance Manager, the Contracted Operator Safety/Risk Manager will identify system hazards on an ongoing basis.

## 12.2 Hazard Categorization

Once the key system hazards have been identified, the Safety/Risk Manager will categorize the hazards based on severity and probability of occurrence.

Hazard severity is a subjective measure of hazard, supported by factual data, and will be categorized as follows –

- Catastrophic Death or system loss
- Critical Severe injury, severe occupational illness, or major system damage
- Marginal Minor injury, minor occupational illness, or minor system damage
- Negligible less than minor injury, occupational illness, or system damage

Hazard probability is a subjective measure of likelihood that a specific hazard will occur and will be categorized as follows –

- Frequent Likely to occur frequently
- Probable Likely to occur several times
- Occasional Likely to occur sometime
- Remote Unlikely but possible to occur
- Improbable So unlikely that it can be rejected from consideration

#### 12.3 Hazard Resolution

Once the hazards are identified and categorized, subsequent analysis will be undertaken to resolve the issue and minimize risk associated with the identified hazard. A hazard resolution matrix will be developed combining hazard severity and hazard frequency, as shown in the matrix on the following page, to identify the level of acceptance for a specific hazard/risk.

Hazard Resolution Matrix	Catastrophic	Critical	Marginal	Negligible
Frequent	Unacceptable	Unacceptable	Unacceptable	Acceptable with reservation
Probable	Unacceptable	Unacceptable	Undesirable	Acceptable with reservation
Occasional	Unacceptable	Undesirable	Undesirable	Acceptable
Remote	Undesirable	Undesirable	Acceptable with reservation	Acceptable
Improbable	Acceptable with reservation	Acceptable with reservation	Acceptable with reservation	Acceptable

The results of the analysis will be shared by the Safety/Risk Manager with the Transportation Director on an ongoing basis to identify appropriate actions. All "unacceptable" hazards must be eliminated and measures will be taken for the remaining risk acceptance categories to minimize risk. The results of such analysis will be shared with agency staff and law enforcement agencies on a quarterly basis for awareness and support.

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## 13.0 Event Investigation

14-90.004 establishes the requirements for investigating events involving a bus or taking place on bus transit system controlled property resulting in a fatality, injury, or property damage.

For the purpose of this SSPP, events are considered accidents or incidents that involve a transit vehicle or take place on Lake County Public Transportation controlled property. An "accident" is an event that causes damage to a vehicle, individual, or property while the vehicle is in motion. It may involve a single vehicle or multiple vehicles. An "incident" is defined as an event that causes damage to a vehicle, individual, or property, which is not an accident.

Any event involving a bus or taking place on property controlled by a transit system and resulting in a fatality, injury, or property damage will be investigated by The Lake County Public Transportation Contracted Operator. All events included but not limited to the following, will be investigated:

- A fatality, where an individual is confirmed dead within 30 days of a bus transit system related event, excluding suicides and deaths from illnesses.
- Injuries requiring immediate medical attention away from the scene for two or more individuals.
- Property damage to bus transit system buses, non-bus transit system vehicles, other bus system property or facilities, or any other property. The Lake County Public Transportation Contracted Operator will have the discretion to investigate events resulting in property damage less than \$1,000.
- Evacuation of a bus due to a life safety event where there is imminent danger to passengers on the bus, excluding evacuations due to operational issues.

In all events, drivers are required to contact the local law enforcement, dispatcher, or emergency medical services (as required) immediately. Supervisors will be sent to the scene depending on the severity of the event at the discretion of the Operations Manager. Each investigation will be documented in a final report that includes a description of the investigation activities, identified causal factors, and any identified corrective action plan. Each corrective action plan will identify the action to be taken by the bus transit system and the schedule for its implementation. The Contracted Operator will monitor and track the implementation of each corrective action plan. Investigation reports, corrective action plans, and related supporting documentation will be maintained by the Contracted Operator for a minimum of four years from the date of completion of the investigation.

The Contracted Operator shall require their dispatchers to notify the Coordinator during regular business hours, immediately after they notify 9-1-1 or any law enforcement or accident investigation agency. If the accident occurs after regular business hours and injuries are involved or suspected, the Coordinator shall be notified by telephone or pager.

The Contracted Operator shall complete an "Accident/Incident Review Form". This form shall be faxed to the Coordinator office within 24 hours of any traffic accident. The original shall be delivered to the Coordinator office within one week.

The Contracted Operator shall provide one original copy of the final report of any official law enforcement or accident investigation agency. The copy of this report shall be delivered to the Coordinator office as soon as it becomes available.
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## 14.0 Medical Exams for Bus Transit System Drivers

14-90.0041 requires that bus transit systems establish medical examination requirements for all applicants to driver positions and for existing drivers. The 14-90 requirements relating to this section are noted below and presented as general text. The points noted below in black text are all requirements under 14-90. To avoid redundancy of re-stating the requirements twice, (both here in this header box and in the general text which would follow below), we are deferring to the general text below which accurately states the 14-90 requirements.

This section of the SSPP establishes Lake County Public Transportation's medical examination requirements for all applicants for driver positions and for existing drivers.

- Medical examination requirements include a pre-employment examination for applicants, an examination at least once every two years for existing drivers, and a return to duty examination for any driver prior to returning to duty after having been off duty for 30 or more days due to an illness, medical condition, or injury.
- Medical examinations will be performed and recorded according to FDOT Form Number 725-030-11, Medical Examination Report for Bus Transit System Driver, Rev. 05/09.
- Medical examinations will be performed by a Doctor of Medicine or Osteopathy, Physician Assistant, or Advanced Registered Nurse Practitioner licensed or certified by the State of Florida. If medical examinations are performed by a Physician Assistant or Advanced Registered Nurse Practitioner, they must be performed under the supervision or review of a Doctor of Medicine or Osteopathy.
- An ophthalmologist or optometrist licensed by the State of Florida may perform as much
  of the medical examination as it pertains to visual acuity, field of vision, and color
  recognition.
- Upon completion of the medical examination, the examiner shall complete, sign, and date the medical examination form and maintain the original at his or her office.
- Upon completion of the medical examination, the examiner shall complete, sign, and date the medical examination certificate and provide a copy to Lake County Public Transportation.
- Upon completion of the medical examination the driver shall provide their driver license number, signature, and date on the medical examination certificate.
- Completed and signed medical examination certificate for each bus driver, dated within the past 24 months, will be maintained on file for a minimum of four years from the date of the examination.
- Lake County Public Transportation will not allow a driver to operate a transit bus without having on file a completed medical examination certificate dated within the past 24 months.

According to 14-90.0041, bus transit systems may adopt medical examination qualification standards that meet or exceed those provided in Department Form Number 725-030-11. If the transit agency decides to adopt qualification standards other than those listed in Department Form Number 725-030-11, the adopted standard's medical examination certificate or a signed letter from the medical examiner attesting to the completion of a medical examination shall be given to the transit agency in lieu of the Department's medical examination certificate. The adopted standards medical certification or letter must provide all of the information required on the Department's medical examination certificate.

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#### 15.0 Operating and Driving Requirements

14-90.006 requires that bus transit systems establish operational and driving requirements. The 14-90 requirements relating to this section are noted below and presented as general text. The points noted below in black text are all requirements under 14-90. To avoid redundancy of re-stating the requirements twice, (both here in this header box and in the general text which would follow below), we are deferring to the general text below which accurately states the 14-90 requirements.

The Operations Manager is responsible for overall compliance with all operating and driving requirements of the SSPP.

It is the responsibility of every Lake County Public Transportation Contracted Operator employee who performs driving and/or operational duties to strictly adhere to the following requirements:

- Under no circumstances is a driver allowed to operate a vehicle without having the appropriate and valid driver's license in his or her possession.
- Drivers are not permitted to drive a bus when his or her driver license has been suspended, cancelled, or revoked. A driver who receives a notice that his or her license to operate a motor vehicle has been suspended, cancelled, or revoked is required to notify his or her supervisor of the contents of the notice immediately, if possible, otherwise no later than the end of the business day following the day he or she received the notice. Violation of this policy may result in disciplinary actions including suspension or termination of employment.
- The Lake County Public Transportation Contracted Operator management will annually check Motor Vehicle Records (MVR) for all drivers for investigating information on license suspensions, revocations, accidents, traffic violations, unpaid summons, etc. Lake County Public Transportation Contracted Operator management will also check driver license status of each driver utilizing the Florida Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles website - https://www6.hsmv.state.fl.us/DLCheck/main.jsp.
- Buses must be operated at all times in compliance with applicable traffic regulations, ordinances, and laws of the jurisdiction in which they are being operated.
- Rule 14-90 defines "On Duty" and "Off Duty" status of drivers as follows -
  - On Duty" means the status of the driver from the time he or she begins work, or is required to be in readiness to work, until the time the driver is relieved from work and all responsibility for performing work. "On Duty" includes all time spent by the driver as follows:
    - (a) Waiting to be dispatched at bus transit system terminals, facilities, or other private or public property, unless the driver has been completely relieved from duty by the bus transit system.
    - (b) Inspecting, servicing, or conditioning any vehicle.
    - (c) Driving.
    - (d) Remaining in readiness to operate a vehicle (stand-by).

- (e) Repairing, obtaining assistance, or remaining in attendance in or about a disabled vehicle.
- "Off-Duty" means any time the driver is not on duty, required to be in readiness to work, or under any responsibility to perform work. Such time shall not be counted towards the maximum allowed on-duty hours within a 24-hour period.
- Drivers are not permitted to drive more than 12 hours in a 24-hour period, or drive after having been on duty for 16 hours in a 24-hour period. A driver is not permitted to drive until the requirement of a minimum eight consecutive hours of off-duty time has been fulfilled. A driver's work period begins from the time he or she first reports for duty to his or her employer. A driver is permitted to exceed his or her regulated hours in order to reach a regularly established relief or dispatch point, provided the additional driving time does not exceed one hour.
- Drivers are not permitted to be on duty more than 72 hours in any period of seven consecutive days; however, any 24 consecutive hours of off duty time shall constitute the end of any such period of seven consecutive days. A driver who has reached the maximum 72 hours of on duty time during the seven consecutive days is required to have a minimum of 24 consecutive hours of off duty time prior to returning to on duty status.
- A driver is permitted to drive for more than the regulated hours for the safety and protection of the public when conditions such as adverse weather, disaster, security threat, a road or traffic condition, medical emergency, or an accident occur.
- Drivers are not permitted to drive a bus when his or her ability is impaired, or likely to be impaired, by fatigue, illness, or other causes, likely to create an unsafe condition.
- Drivers will not report for duty or operate any vehicle while under the influence of alcohol
  or any other substance, legal or illegal, that may impair driving ability. All employees are
  required to comply with agency's Substance Abuse Policy.
- Drivers are required to conduct daily vehicle inspections and reporting of all defects and deficiencies likely to affect safe operation or cause mechanical malfunctions.
- Drivers are required to immediately report any defect or deficiency that may affect safe operations or cause mechanical malfunctions. Any defect or deficiency found shall be properly documented on a Daily Vehicle Inspection (DVI) form and should be submitted to the Maintenance Manager.
- The Maintenance Manager will review daily inspection reports and document corrective actions taken as a result of any deficiencies identified by daily inspections.
- A bus with any passenger doors in the open position will not be operated with passengers aboard. The doors will not be opened until the bus is stopped. A bus with any inoperable passenger door will not be operated with passengers aboard, except to move a bus to a safe location.
- Drivers will ensure that during darkness, interior lighting and lighting in stepwells on buses shall be sufficient for passengers to enter and exit safely. Adherence to pre-trip inspection requirements help insure the ability of this requirement to be met.
- Passengers will not be permitted in the stepwells of any bus while the bus is in motion, or to occupy an area forward of the standee line.

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- Passengers will not be permitted to stand on buses not designed and constructed for that purpose.
- Buses will not be refueled in a closed building. The fueling of buses when passengers
  are being carried will be reduced to the minimum number of times necessary during
  such transportation.
- Drivers are required to be properly secured to the driver's seat with a restraining belt at all times while the bus is in motion.
- Buses will not be left unattended with passengers aboard for longer than 15 minutes.
   The parking or holding brake device will be properly set at any time the bus is left unattended.
- Buses will not be left unattended in an unsafe condition with passengers aboard at any time.
- Drivers are discouraged from leaving keys in the vehicle at any time the bus is left unattended.
- Transit vehicles will not be used at any time for uses other than those that are authorized and permitted according to state and federal program requirements.

Noncompliance with these requirements may result in disciplinary actions including suspension or termination of employment.

#### 15.1 Wireless Communication

According to 14-90.004, bus transit systems must implement a wireless communication plan and procedure that provides for the safe operation of the bus transit vehicle. The wireless communication plan and procedure shall assure that:

- a. The use of a personal wireless communication device is prohibited while the transit vehicle is in motion, and
- b. All personal wireless communications devices are turned off with any earpieces removed from the operator's ear while occupying the driver's seat.

A policy on the use of a wireless communications device issued to the operator by the bus transit system for business related purposes must be developed that assure:

- a. Guidelines are developed that allow for the use of a wireless communications device in emergency situations, and
- b. The use of a wireless communications device does not interfere with the operator's safety related duties.

Also, bus transit systems shall develop a driver educational training program addressing:

- a. The proper use of a wireless communications device issued to the operator by the Bus Transit System while in the performance of their safety related duties, and
  - b. The hazards associated with driving and utilizing a wireless communications device.

This is an area of 14-90 which is less prescriptive, but the agency must establish how it is addressing this requirement. Addressing the requirement is *not* optional, so the agency must elaborate on how it will meet the requirement. Any green colored text indicates the language is serving as an *example* of how the agency could address the subject.

"Wireless communication device" means an electronic or electrical device capable of remote communication. Examples include cell phones, personal digital assistants (PDAs) and portable computers (commonly called laptop computers). "Personal wireless communications device" means an electronic or electrical device that was not provided by the bus transit system for business purposes. "Use of a wireless communication device" means use of a mobile telephone or other electronic or electrical device, hands-on or hands-free, to conduct an oral communication; to place or receive a telephone call; to send or read electronic mail or a text message; to play a game; to navigate the Internet; to play, view, or listen to a video; to play, view, or listen to a television broadcast; to play or listen to music; to execute a computational function, or to perform any other function that is not necessary for the health or safety of the person and that entails the risk of distracting the employee from a safety-critical task. Use of an electronic or electrical device that enhances the individual's physical ability to perform, such as a hearing aid, is not included in this definition.

Lake County Public Transportation requires all drivers to fully comply with the following wireless communication policies –

Policies on the use of a personal wireless communication device: Note: Our Contracted Operator uses Verizon Direct Connect cell phones rather than radios in vehicles. The term "radio" below is used interchangeably for the Verizon phones.

- The use of a personal wireless communication device is prohibited while the transit vehicle is in motion.
- All personal wireless communication devices must be turned off with any earpieces removed from the operator's ear while occupying the driver's seat.
- In an emergency, if a driver is unable to use the radio (e.g., driver is separated from the vehicle due to a need to evacuate, or the radio is inoperable because it is beyond the radio coverage area, or other malfunction), a personal cellular phone may be used to contact the agency. In such situation the driver must park the vehicle in a safe place off the road and call the direct line to the dispatcher.
- Drivers are not permitted to use any wireless communication device issued by the bus transit system while the transit vehicle is in motion except brief radio communications with the dispatcher. If the driver must use the radio for a long duration, he/she must stop the vehicle in a safe place off the road.
- The use of a wireless communication device is prohibited while loading or unloading a
  wheelchair patron or while conducting any other safety related duty that require the
  driver's undivided attention. If wireless communication is necessary, the driver will use a
  company issued wireless communication device before or upon completion of the safety
  related task.

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- Employees are permitted to use wireless communication devices issued by the bus transit system in the following situations
  - o A driver needing to communicate with the dispatcher and vise-versa.
  - o A driver requesting medical or emergency assistance.
  - A driver reporting an illegal activity, a traffic accident, a road hazard, or a safety or security threat.

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## 16.0 Vehicle Equipment Standards & Procurement Criteria

14-90.007 establishes the vehicle equipment standards and procurement criteria. The 14-90 requirements relating to this section are noted below and presented as general text. The points noted below in black text are all requirements under 14-90. To avoid redundancy of re-stating the requirements twice (both here in this header box and in the general text which would follow below), we are deferring to the general text below which accurately states the 14-90 requirements.

Lake County Public Transportation will procure vehicles utilizing the Transit Research-Inspection-Procurement Services (TRIPS) program, formerly known as the Florida Vehicle Procurement Program (FVPP), and other State Programs strictly adhering to the vehicle equipment standards and procurement criteria specified in 14-90.007.

- All buses procured and operated must meet the following minimum standards, as applicable:
  - a. The capability and strength to carry the maximum allowed load and not exceed the manufacturer's gross vehicle weight rating (GVWR), gross axle weighting, or tire rating.
  - b. Structural integrity that mitigates or minimizes the adverse effects of collisions.
  - c. Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standards (FMVSS), 49 C.F.R. Part 571, Sections 102, 103, 104, 105, 108, 207, 209, 210, 217, 302, 403, and 404, October 1, 2008, hereby incorporated by reference.
- Proof of strength and structural integrity tests on new buses procured will be submitted by manufacturers or bus transit systems to the Department.
- In addition, every bus operated by the agency will be equipped as follows:
  - Mirrors. There shall be two exterior rear vision mirrors, one at each side. The mirrors shall be firmly attached to the outside of the bus and so located as to reflect to the driver a view of the highway to the rear along both sides of the vehicle. Each exterior rear vision mirror, on Type I buses shall have a minimum reflective surface of 50 square inches. Neither the mirror nor the mounting shall protrude farther than the widest part of the vehicle body except to the extent necessary to produce a field of view meeting or exceeding the requirements of this section. All Type I buses shall, in addition to the above requirements, be equipped with an inside rear vision mirror capable of giving the driver a clear view of seated and standing passengers. Buses having a passenger exit door that is located inconveniently for the driver's visual control shall be equipped with additional interior mirrors to enable the driver to view the passenger exit door. In lieu of interior mirrors, trailer buses and articulated buses may be equipped with closed circuit video systems or adult monitors in voice control with the driver.
  - Wiring and Batteries. Electrical wiring shall be maintained so as not to come in contact with moving parts, heated surfaces, or be subject to chafing or abrasion which may cause insulation to become worn. Every Type I bus manufactured on or after February 7, 1988, shall be equipped with a storage battery electrical power main disconnect switch. The disconnect switch shall be practicably located

- in an accessible location adjacent to or near to the battery and be legibly and permanently marked for identification. Every storage battery on a public-sector bus shall be mounted with proper retainment devices in a compartment which provides adequate ventilation and drainage.
- o Brake Interlock Systems. All Type I buses having a rear exit door shall be equipped with a rear exit door/brake interlock that automatically applies the brake upon driver activation of the rear exit door to the open position. Brake interlock application shall remain activated until deactivated by the driver and the rear exit door returns to the closed position. The rear exit door brake interlock on such buses shall be equipped with an identified override switch enabling emergency release of the brake interlock function. The override switch, shall not be located within reach of the seated driver. Air pressure application to the brake during brake interlock operation, on buses equipped with rear exit door/brake interlock, shall be regulated at the equipment's original manufacturer's specifications.
- Standee Line and Warning. Every bus designed and constructed to allow standees shall be plainly marked with a line of contrasting color at least two inches wide, or be equipped with some other means to indicate that all passengers are prohibited from occupying a space forward of a perpendicular plane drawn through the rear of the driver's seat and perpendicular to the longitudinal axis of the bus. A sign shall be posted at or near the front of the bus stating that it is a violation for a bus to be operated with passengers occupying an area forward of the line.
- O Handrails and Stanchions. Every bus designed and constructed to allow standees shall be equipped with overhead handrails for standee passengers. Overhead handrails shall be continuous, except for a gap at the rear exit door, and terminate into vertical stanchions or turn up into a ceiling fastener. Every Type I and Type II bus designed for carrying more than 16 passengers shall be equipped with handrails, stanchions, or bars at least 10 inches long and installed to permit safe on-board circulation, seating and standing assistance, and boarding and alighting by elderly and handicapped persons. Type I buses shall be equipped with a safety bar and panel directly behind each entry and exit stepwell.
- Flooring, Steps, and Thresholds. Flooring, steps, and thresholds on all buses shall have slip resistant surfaces without protruding or sharp edges, lips, or overhangs, in order to prevent tripping hazards. All step edges and thresholds shall have a band of color(s) running the full width of the step or edge which contrasts with the step tread and riser, either light-on-dark or dark-on-light.
- Doors. Power activated doors on all buses shall be equipped with a manual device designed to release door closing pressure.
- Emergency Exits. All buses shall have an emergency exit door, or in lieu thereof, shall be provided with emergency escape push-out windows. Each emergency escape window shall be in the form of a parallelogram with dimensions not less than 18" by 24", and each shall contain an area of not less than 432 square inches. There shall be a sufficient number of push-out or kick-out windows in each vehicle to provide a total escape area equivalent to 67 square inches per seat, including the driver's seat. No less than 40% of the total escape area shall be on one side of the vehicle. Emergency escape kick-out or push-out windows and emergency exit doors shall be conspicuously marked with a sign or light and

shall always be kept in good working order so that they may be readily opened in an emergency. All such windows and doors shall not be obstructed either inside or outside so as to hinder escape. Buses equipped with an auxiliary door for emergency exit shall be equipped with an audible alarm and light indicating to the driver when a door is ajar or opened while the engine is running. Supplemental security locks operable by a key are prohibited on emergency exit doors unless these security locks are equipped and connected with an ignition interlock system or an audio visual alarm located in the driver's compartment. Any supplemental security lock system used on emergency exits shall be kept unlocked whenever a bus is in operation.

- Tires and Wheels. Tires shall be properly inflated in accordance with manufacturer's recommendations.
  - i. No bus shall be operated with a tread groove pattern depth:
    - Less than 4/32 (1/8) of an inch, measured at any point on a major tread groove for tires on the steering axle of all buses. The measurements shall not be made where tie bars, humps, or fillets are located.
    - 2. Less than 2/32 (1/16) of an inch, measured at any point on a major tread groove for all other tires of all buses. The measurements shall not be made where tie bars, humps, or fillets are located.
  - ii. No bus shall be operated with recapped, regrooved, or retreaded tires on the steering axle.
  - iii. Wheels shall be visibly free from cracks and distortions and shall not have missing, cracked, or broken mounting lugs.
- Suspension. The suspension system of all buses, including springs, air bags, and all other suspension parts, shall be free from cracks, leaks, or any other defect which may cause its impairment or failure to function properly.
- Steering and Front Axle. The steering system of all buses shall have no indication of leaks which would or may cause its impairment to function properly, and shall be free from cracks and excessive wear of components that may cause excessive free play or loose motion in the steering system or above normal effort in steering control.
- Seat Belts. Every bus shall be equipped with an adjustable driver's restraining belt in compliance with the requirements of FMVSS 209, "Seat Belt Assemblies" 49 C.F.R. 571.209–October 1, 2008, and FMVSS 210, "Seat Belt Assembly Anchorages" 49 C. F. R. 571.210 October 1,2008, hereby incorporated by reference.
- Safety Equipment. Every bus shall be equipped with one fully charged dry chemical or carbon dioxide fire extinguisher, having at least a 1A:BC rating and bearing the label of Underwriter's Laboratory, Inc. The fire extinguishers shall be maintained as follows:
  - Each fire extinguisher shall be securely mounted on the bus in a conspicuous place or a clearly marked compartment and be readily accessible.
  - ii. Each fire extinguisher shall be maintained in efficient operating condition and equipped with some means of determining if it is fully charged.

- iii. Every Type I bus shall be equipped with portable red reflector warning devices in compliance with Section 316.300, Florida Statutes.
- Persons with Disabilities. Buses used for the purpose of transporting individuals with disabilities shall meet the requirements set forth in 49 C.F.R. Part 38, October 1, 2008, hereby incorporated by reference, as well as the following:
  - i. Installation of a wheelchair lift or ramp shall not cause the manufacturer's GVWR, gross axle weight rating, or tire rating to be exceeded.
  - ii. Except in locations within 3 1/2 inches of the bus floor, all readily accessible exposed edges or other hazardous protrusions of parts of wheelchair lift assemblies or ramps that are located in the passenger compartment shall be padded with energy absorbing material to mitigate injury in normal use and in case of a collision. This requirement shall also apply to parts of the bus associated with the operation of the lift or ramp.
  - iii. The controls for operating the lift shall be at a location where the bus driver or lift attendant has a full view, unobstructed by passengers, of the lift platform, its entrance and exit, and the wheelchair passenger, either directly or with partial assistance of mirrors. Lifts located entirely to the rear of the driver's seat shall not be operable from the driver's seat, but shall have an override control at the driver's position that can be activated to prevent the lift from being operated by the other controls (except for emergency manual operation upon power failure).
  - iv. The installation of the wheelchair lift or ramp and its controls and the method of attachment in the bus body or chassis shall not diminish the structural integrity of the bus nor cause a hazardous imbalance of the bus. No part of the assembly, when installed and stowed, shall extend laterally beyond the normal side contour of the bus or vertically beyond the lowest part of the rim of the wheel closest to the lift.
  - v. Each wheelchair lift or ramp assembly shall be legibly and permanently marked by the manufacturer or installer with the following information:
    - 1. The manufacturer's name and address.
    - 2. The month and year of manufacture.
    - A certificate that the wheelchair lift or ramp securement devices, and their installation, conform to State of Florida requirements applicable to accessible buses.
- Wheelchairs. Wheelchair lifts, ramps, securement devices, and restraints shall be inspected and maintained as required by this rule chapter. Instructions for normal and emergency operation of the lift or ramp shall be carried or displayed in every bus.

Any additional text for Chapter 16.0 must be inserted above this point for formatting/page numbering purposes.

#### 17.0 Internal and External Safety Audits

According to 14-90:

- Each bus transit system shall implement and comply with the SSPP during the operation of the system
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- Bus transit systems shall immediately suspend affected system service operations if, at any time, continued operation of the system, or a portion thereof, poses an immediate danger to public safety
- The Department, or its contractor, shall conduct safety and security review of bus transit system to ascertain compliance with the provisions of this rule chapter.

This is an area of 14-90 which is less prescriptive, but the agency must establish how it is addressing this requirement. Addressing the requirement is *not* optional, so the agency must elaborate on how it will meet the requirement. Any green colored text indicates the language is serving as an *example* of how the agency could address the subject.

The Transportation Director (or designee) is responsible for conducting announced and unannounced internal safety audits of Lake County Public Transportation units and contract operators. Annual internal safety audits will be conducted starting November 1 of each calendar year and ending prior to the end of the same calendar year. The annual audit results will be documented by the Transportation Director (or designee) in a report containing the following:

- Identification of the findings, including a detailed description of any deficiency.
- Required corrective action and a schedule for implementation of the corrective action to be taken for each deficiency.
- Any required suspension of bus transit system service should Lake County Public Transportation determine the continued operation of the service, or a portion thereof, poses an immediate danger to public safety.

In addition, announced and unannounced periodic internal audits will be conducted by the Transportation Director (or designee) to ensure compliance with all of the objectives and requirements of SSPP and Rule 14-90. Safety audits of vehicles and records will be conducted on random basis, at least once every quarter. Facility inspection will be conducted once every month to identify and resolve potential safety and security hazards. The Transportation Director (or designee) will regularly perform Quality Control (QC)/Quality Assurance (QA) checks to ensure that safety compliance, both in-house and contracted, is achieved at all times. Contractors/subcontractors are subject to audits and inspections on an announced or unannounced basis at the discretion of Lake County Public Transportation management. Lake County Public Transportation, or its contractor, will conduct safety and security reviews of contract service operators, at least once every three years, to ascertain compliance with the provisions of Rule 14-90.

#### **Lake County System Safety Program Plan (SSPP)**



#### 18.0 Certification

14-90.010 establishes the certification requirements that the agencies must follow when submitting annual safety and security certification to the Department. The 14-90 requirements relating to this section are noted below and presented as general text. The points noted below in black text are all requirements under 14-90. To avoid redundancy of re-stating the requirements twice (both here in this header box and in the general text which would follow below), we are deferring to the general text below which accurately states the 14-90 requirements.

The Transportation Director will submit an annual safety and security certification to the FDOT utilizing the self-certification form included in Appendix D. The certification will be submitted no later than February 15, for the prior calendar year period unless otherwise required by FDOT. The certification will attest to the following:

- The adoption of an SSPP and an SPP in accordance with established standards set forth in Rule 14-90.
- Compliance with the adopted SSPP and SPP.
- Performance of safety inspections on all buses operated by the system in accordance with Rule 14-90.
- Reviews of the SSPP and SPP have been conducted to ensure they are up to date.

#### The certification will also include:

- The name and address of Lake County Public Transportation, and the name and address of the entity(ies) who performed bus safety inspections and security assessments during the prior calendar year, if different from Lake County Public Transportation.
- A statement signed by the Chief Executive Officer/signatory authority responsible for the management of Lake County Public Transportation attesting to compliance with Rule 14-90.

Any additional text for Chapter 18.0 must be inserted above this point for formatting/page numbering purposes.

### 19.0 Appendices

- Appendix A: Rule Chapter 14-90, F.A.C.
- Appendix B: Substance Abuse Policy
- Appendix C: Maintenance Plan
- Appendix D: Certificates

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## Appendix A Rule Chapter 14-90, F.A.C.

# Appendix B Substance Abuse Policy

# Appendix C Maintenance Plan

## **Appendix D**

# Annual Safety Certification & Certificate of Compliance

#### SECTION 5310 ANNUAL SAFETY CERTIFICATION 5310 – Only Agencies

DA	TE:	January 12, 2015	
AG	-	Lake County Board of County Commissioners	
AG	ENCY ADRESS:	P.O. Box 7800	
	_	Tavares, FL 32778	
	THE AGE	NCY NAMED ABOVE HEREBY CERTIFIES TO THE FOLLOWING:	
1.	Performance of annual v (This should be signed by the	rehicle and wheelchair safety inspections on all operational buses he Officer responsible for management of the agency's vehicle(s) to cer	tify compliance.)
	Homes 6		
	Signature		
	Kenneth Harley		
	Name (Print or Type)		
	Public Transportation	Manager	
	Title		
2.	Name and address of ent	tity(ies) which has (have) performed vehicle safety inspections:	
	Keith Stevenson, Flee	t Manager, Lake County Fleet Maintenance	
	<i>Name</i> 20423 Independence	Boulevard	
	Groveland, FL 34736		
	Address (Street Number)	(City, State, Zip Code)	
	Mechanics perform	safety inspections when the vehicle comes in for its	
		ance check which is generally monthly.	
	Date(s) of Inspection		
	Ride Right Transit, LLC		
	Name		
	P.O. Box 491597		
	Leesburg, FL 34749-15	597	
	Address (Street Number)	(City, State, Zip Code)	
		e-safety inspections on vehicles daily.	
	Date(s) of Inspection		
3.	Name and address of ent	ity which has performed wheelchair lift safety inspections:	
	Keith Stevenson, Fleet Name	: Manager, Lake County Fleet Maintenance	
	20423 Independence I	Boulevard	
	Groveland, FL 34736		
	Address (Street Number)	(City, State, Zip Code)	
		neelchair lift safety inspections when the vehicle comes in	
	for its preventative ma	aintenance check which is generally monthly.	

Date(s) of Inspection

#### **BUS TRANSIT SYSTEM** ANNUAL SAFETY CERTIFICATION

DA'	TE:	<u>January 12, 2015</u>
BU	S TRANSIT SYSTEM:	Lake County Board of County Commissioners
AD	DRESS:	D.O. Doy 7900
		Tavares, FL 32778-7800
	IN .	ACCORDANCE WITH FLORIDA STATUTE 341.061
	THE BUS TRANSIT SY	STEM NAMED ABOVE HEREBY CERTIFIES TO THE FOLLOWING:
1.	Code (F.A.C.).	em Safety Program Plan (SSPP) and the Security Program Plan (SPP) pursuant to Transportation safety standards set for in Rule Chapter 14-90, Florida Administrative I SSPP: November 3, 2014
		SPP: November 3, 2014
2.	Compliance with adopte	ed safety standards in the SSPP and the SPP.
3.	Performance of annual s (This should be signed by  Signature	afety inspections on all operational buses in accordance with Rule 14-90.009, F.A.C. the Officer responsible for management of the bus transit system to certify compliance.)
	Kenneth Harley	
	Name (Printed or Typed):	
	Public Transportation Martitle	anager
4.	Name and address of en	tity(ies) which has (have) performed safety inspections:
	Keith Stevenson, Fleet Name	Manager, Fleet Management
	20423 Independence Bo Address (Street Number)	ulevard
	Groveland, FL 34736	
	Address (City, State, Zip Code	·
	Mechanics perform safet is generally monthly or in Date of Inspection	ty inspection when the vehicle coms in for its preventative maintenance check which f an operator reports a problem.
5.	Names and contact infor F.A.C.	rmation for all contract bus transit systems subject to the provisions of Rule 14-90,
	James Sackor	
	Name	
	P.O. Box 491597  Address (Street Number)	
	Leesburg, FL 34749-159	7
	Address (City, State, Zip Code	
	352.326.2278	
	Phone Number	

Name	Date	Signature
Lake County Public		
Transportation Director		
Contracted Operator		
General Manager		
Lake County EOC		
Director		
Maintenance Keith		
Stevenson		
Brenda Likely		
Amy Bradford		
Kathy Hartenstein		
Barnett Schwartzman		





## Phil Worth

District Public Transportation Manager

FDOT District Two Modal Development Office 2198 Edison Avenue, MS 2813 Jacksonville, FL 32204

## **APPENDIX E**

FY 2015/16

**Approved Rate Calculations** 

#### Valenzano, Nancy

From:

Hearndon, Bill < Bill. Hearndon@dot.state.fl.us>

Sent:

Saturday, May 09, 2015 3:02 PM

To:

Bradford, Amy; Harley, Ken; Likely, Brenda

Cc:

Valenzano, Nancy

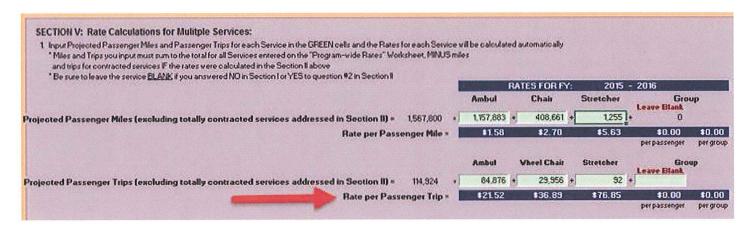
Subject:

Rate Model Worksheet - Lake

I have reviewed your attached 2015-16 Rate Model Calculation Spreadsheet for some of the most common procedural and utilization errors. None were found at this time, and it is approved for further review at the local level as appropriate. My review and opinion does not confirm the validity or accuracy of any financial or operational data elements that have been entered, nor does it address the reasonableness of the unsubsidized cost of services.

By copy of this email, I am advising your planning agency on our completion of this effort and the readiness to advance the spreadsheet to the LCB for approval and inclusion in the TDSP update.

When the time comes, I will produce your T/E grant contract with the trip rates from this spreadsheet presuming no further changes by the LCB.



Please let me know if you have any questions.

Thanks.

Bill

William E. "Bill" Hearndon
Project Manager – Area 4
Florida Commission for the Transportation Disadvantaged
605 Suwannee Street, MS-49
Tallahassee, Florida 32399-0450
(850) 410-5700 – Main
(850) 410-5713 – Direct
(850) 410-5752 – Fax
(800) 983-2435 – TD Helpline
Bill.Hearndon@dot.state.fl.us
www.dot.state.fl.us/CTD

#### Preliminary Information Worksheet Version 1.4 Lake County Board of County **CTC Name:** Commissioners County (Service Area): Lake County **Contact Person:** Ken Harley Phone # (352) 323-5713 **Check Applicable Characteristic: ORGANIZATIONAL TYPE: NETWORK TYPE:** Governmental **Fully Brokered** Private Non-Profit **Partially Brokered** Private For Profit Sole Source Once completed, proceed to the Worksheet entitled

"Comprehensive Budget"

#### **Comprehensive Budget Worksheet**

Version 1.4

CTC: Lake County Board of County Commissioners
County: Lake County

1. Complete applicable **GREEN** cells in columns 2, 3, 4, and 7

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	Prior Year's ACTUALS	Current Year's  APPROVED  Budget, as  amended	Upcoming Year's PROPOSED Budget			
	from	from	from		Proposed	Confirm whether revenues are collected as a system subsidy VS
	Oct 1st of	Oct 1st of	Oct 1st of		% Change	a purchase of service at a unit price.
	2013	2014		% Change from Prior	from Current	
	to	to	to	Year to	Year to	
	Sept 30th of	Sept 30th of	Sept 30th of	Current	Upcoming	
	2014	2015	2016	Year	Year	Explain Changes in Column 6 That Are > ± 10% and Also > ± \$50,000
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ocal Non-Govt				_				
Farebox	\$	85,497 8,578			83,200	14.9%	-15.3%	
Medicaid Co-Pay Received Donations/ Contributions	\$	0,070	\$ 1,000	\$	1,800	-79.0%	0.0%	
In-Kind, Contributed Services								
Other								
Bus Pass Program Revenue	_							
ocal Government								
District School Board	$\overline{}$			Т				
Compl. ADA Services								
County Cash County In-Kind, Contributed Services	\$	580,351	\$ 1,014,171	\$	1,014,171	74.8%	0.0%	
City Cash								
City In-kind, Contributed Services								
Other Cash	₩							
Other In-Kind, Contributed Services  Bus Pass Program Revenue								
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CTD Till D		000					0.57	
Non-Spons. Trip Program Non-Spons. Capital Equipment	\$	699,621	\$ 671,771	\$	671,771	-4.0%	0.0%	
Rural Capital Equipment	\$	61,502	\$ 148,329	\$	144,000	141.2%	-2.9%	
Other TD (specify in explanation)		-,						
Bus Pass Program Revenue								
JSDOT & FDOT								
49 USC 5307	\$	231,340		\$	47,442	-100.0%		
49 USC 5310	\$	364,727	\$ 1,043,616		648,000	186.1%	-37.9%	
49 USC 5311 (Operating)	\$	383,601	\$ 464,571	\$	464,571	21.1%	0.0%	
49 USC 5311(Capital) Block Grant	\$	553,798	\$ 743,262	\$	722,128	34.2%	-2.8%	
Service Development	Ť	000,700	Ţ 10,202	_	722,720	01.270	2.070	
Commuter Assistance								
Other DOT (specify in explanation)  Bus Pass Program Revenue								
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AHCA				_				
Medicaid	\$	1,015,416	\$ 354,989	\$	576,300	-65.0%	62.3%	
Other AHCA (specify in explanation)  Bus Pass Program Revenue								
DCF				_				
Alcoh, Drug & Mental Health Family Safety & Preservation								
Comm. Care Dis./Aging & Adult Serv.								
Other DCF (specify in explanation)								
Bus Pass Program Revenue	_			<u> </u>				
OOH								
Children Medical Services								
County Public Health								
Other DOH (specify in explanation)  Bus Pass Program Revenue								
OOE (state)								
Carl Perkins Div of Blind Services								
Vocational Rehabilitation								
Day Care Programs								
Other DOE (specify in explanation)								
Bus Pass Program Revenue								
AWI								
WAGES/Workforce Board								
Other AWI (specify in explanation)								
Bus Pass Program Revenue								
OOEA								
Older Americans Act	\$	132,031	\$ 140,000	\$	120,000	6.0%	-14.3%	
Community Care for Elderly								
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Other DOEA (specify in explanation)  Bus Pass Program Revenue  OCA								

#### **Comprehensive Budget Worksheet** CTC: Lake County Board of County Commissioners Version 1.4 County: Lake County 1. Complete applicable GREEN cells in columns 2, 3, 4, and 7 **APPROVED** Upcoming Year's PROPOSED Budget, as amended Prior Year's ACTUALS Budget from • % Change from Oct 1st of Oct 1st of a purchase of service at a unit price. % Change 2013 2014 2015 Current from Prior Year to Current Sept 30th of Sept 30th of Sept 30th of Upcoming 2014 2015 2016 Year Explain Changes in Column 6 That Are > $\pm$ 10% and Also > $\pm$ \$50,000 Office of Disability Determination 123,623 \$ 120,000 \$ 90,000 -2.9% -25.0% **Developmental Services** Other APD (specify in explanation) Bus Pass Program Revenue (specify in explanation) Bus Pass Program Revenue Other Fed or State Motor Fuel Tax Rebate 56,677 \$ 52,800 \$ -6.8% 4.2% XXX Bus Pass Program Revenue Other Revenues Interest Earnings 100 2018.6% -75.0% Stretcher Inspection Fees 500 1,875 275.0% -100.0% 100 25,000 Bus Pass Program Revenue Balancing Revenue to Prevent Deficit 580,880 \$ Actual or Planned Use of Cash Reserve Balancing Revenue is Short By = None None \$5,242,279 26.5% \$5.435.289 Total Revenues = \$4,296,881 -3.6% EXPENDITURES (CTC/Operators ONLY / Do NOT include Coordination Contractors!) Operating Expenditures Labor Fringe Benefits 47,309 50,372 6.5% 43,464 8.8% Services Materials and Supplies 36.7% 14.3% 839,011 Utilities Casualty and Liability 0.0% 2.441 \$ 13.307 445.1% 500 \$ 500 Purchased Transportation: Purchased Bus Pass Expenses School Bus Utilization Expenses Contracted Transportation Services 2,306,097 2,379,646 2.5% Other Miscellaneous Operating Debt Service - Principal & Interest 72,396 \$ 2,109 2,466 -97.1% 16.9% Leases and Rentals 833 \$ 1,510 1.1% 81.3% Contrib. to Capital Equip. Replacement Fund In-Kind, Contributed Services Allocated Indirect Capital Expenditures Equip. Purchases with Grant Funds 839,442 155.9% -30.5% Equip. Purchases with Local Revenue Equip. Purchases with Rate Generated 134,188 88,000 139.4% -34.4% Capital Debt Service - Principal & Interest Total Expenditures = \$4,296,881 **\$5,435,289 \$5,242,279** 26.5% -3.6% See NOTES Below. Once completed, proceed to the Worksheet entitled "Budgeted Rate Base" ACTUAL year GAIN (program revenue) MUST be reinvested as a trip or system subsidy. Adjustments must be Identified and explained in a following year, or applied as a Rate Base Adjustment to proposed year's rates on the next sheet.

#### **Budgeted Rate Base Worksheet**

Version 1.4 CTC: Lake County Board of County Commissioners

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\$ 74,641 \$ -\$ 16,000

\$ 72,000

County: Lake County

1. Complete applicable GREEN cells in column 3; YELLOW and BLUE cells are automatically completed in column 3

2. Complete applicable GOLD cells in column and 5

2016
to Sept 30th of
2015
Oct 1st of
from
Upcoming Year's BUDGETED Revenues

in col. 2 will be generated at the rate per unit determined by this spreadsheet, OR used as local match for these type revenues?	Budgeted Rate Subsidy Revenue EXcluded from the Rate Base	Subsidy Revenue in col. 4 will come from funds to purchase equipment, OR will be used as match for the purchase of equipment?

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REVENUES (CTC/Operators ONLY)		
Local Non-Govt		
Farebox	\$	83,20
Medicaid Co-Pay Received	\$	1,80
Donations/ Contributions	\$	
In-Kind, Contributed Services	\$	
Other	\$	
Bus Pass Program Revenue	\$	
Local Government		
District School Board	\$	
Compl. ADA Services	\$	
County Cash	\$	1,014,17
County In-Kind, Contributed Services	\$	
City Cash	\$	
City In-kind, Contributed Services Other Cash	\$ \$	
Other In-Kind, Contributed Services	\$	
Bus Pass Program Revenue	\$	
CTD		
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Non-Spons. Trip Program	\$	671,77
Non-Spons. Capital Equipment	\$	
Rural Capital Equipment Other TD	\$ \$	144,00
	\$	
Bus Pass Program Revenue	1.3	
USDOT & FDOT		
49 USC 5307	\$	47,44
49 USC 5310	\$	648,00
49 USC 5311 (Operating) 49 USC 5311(Capital)	\$	464,57
	\$	700 :-
Block Grant Service Development	\$ \$	722,12
Commuter Assistance	\$	
Other DOT	\$	
Bus Pass Program Revenue	\$	
AHCA		
Medicaid	\$	576,30
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Bus Pass Program Revenue	\$	
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Alcoh, Drug & Mental Health Family Safety & Preservation	\$	
Comm. Care Dis./Aging & Adult Serv.	\$	
Other DCF	\$	
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YELLOW cells are <u>NEVER</u> Generated by Applying Authorized Rates

BLUE cells

Should be funds generated by rates in this spreadsheet

GREEN cells

MAY BE Revenue Generated by Applying Authorized Rate per Mile/Trip Charges

Fill in that portion of budgeted revenue in Column 2 that will be <u>GENERATED</u> through the application of authorized per mile, per trip, or combination per trip plus per mile rates. Also, include the amount of funds that are Earmarked as local match for Transportation Services and <u>NOT</u> Capital Equipment purchases.

If the Farebox Revenues are used as a source of Local Match Dollars, then identify the appropriate amount of Farebox Revenue that represents the portion of Local Match required on any state or federal grants. This does not mean that Farebox is the only source for Local Match.

Please review all Grant Applications and Agreements containing State and/or Federal funds for the proper Match Requirement levels and allowed sources.

GOLD cells

Fill in that portion of Budgeted Rate Subsidy Revenue in Column 4 that will come from Funds Earmarked by the Funding Source for Purchasing Capital Equipment. Also include the portion of Local Funds earmarked as Match related to the Purchase of Capital Equipment if a match amount is required by the Funding Source.

Lake - 2015-2016 Approved: Budgeted Rate Base

#### **Budgeted Rate Base Worksheet**

CTC: Lake County Board of County Commissioners

County: Lake County

- 1. Complete applicable GREEN cells in column 3; YELLOW and BLUE cells are automatically completed in column 3
- 2. Complete applicable GOLD cells in column and 5

	Upcoming Year's BUDGETED Revenues
	from
	Oct 1st of
	2015
	to Sept 30th of
	2016
1	2

1	2016
APD	
Office of Disability Determination	\$ 90,000
Developmental Services	\$ 
Other APD	\$ 
Bus Pass Program Revenue	\$ 
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DJJ	\$ -
Bus Pass Program Revenue	\$ -
Other Fed or State	
Motor Fuel Tax Rebate	\$ 55,000
XXX	\$ 
XXX	\$ -
Bus Pass Program Revenue	\$ -
Other Revenues	
Interest Earnings	\$ 100
Stretcher Inspection Fees	\$ 1,875
Reimbursement from Contractor	\$ 25,000
Bus Pass Program Revenue	\$ -
Balancing Revenue to Prevent Deficit	

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Total Revenues = \$

576.921

5,242,279

Actual or Planned Use of Cash Reserve

EXPENDITURES (CTC/Operators ONLY)

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\$	2,938,277	\$	2,304,002	\$ 871,441
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Labor	\$ 163,524
Fringe Benefits	\$ 50,372
Services	\$ 812,099
Materials and Supplies	\$ 869,843
Utilities	\$ 21,570
Casualty and Liability	\$ 13,307
Taxes	\$ 500
Purchased Transportation:	
Purchased Bus Pass Expenses	\$
School Bus Utilization Expenses	\$
Contracted Transportation Services	\$ 2,379,646
Other	\$
Miscellaneous	\$ 2,466
Operating Debt Service - Principal & Interest	\$
Leases and Rentals	\$ 1,510
Contrib. to Capital Equip. Replacement Fund	\$
In-Kind, Contributed Services	\$
Allocated Indirect	\$
Capital Expenditures	
Equip. Purchases with Grant Funds	\$ 839,442
Equip. Purchases with Local Revenue	\$ 88,000
Equip. Purchases with Rate Generated Rev.	\$
Capital Debt Service - Principal & Interest	\$

Total Expenditures = \$

Rate Base Adjustment<sup>1</sup> = Adjusted Expenditures Included in Rate
Base = \$ 2,938,277

minus EXCLUDED Subsidy Revenue = \$

Budgeted Total Expenditures INCLUDED in Rate Base = \$

#### \$ 1,432,561

Amount of <u>Budgeted</u> Operating Rate Subsidy Revenue

#### <sup>1</sup> Rate Base Adjustment Cell

If necessary and justified, this cell is where you could optionally adjust proposed service rates up or down to adjust for program revenue (or unapproved profit), or losses from the Actual period shown at the bottom of the Comprehensive Budget Sheet. This is not the only acceptable location or method of reconciling for excess gains or losses. If allowed by the respective funding sources, excess gains may also be adjusted by providing system subsidy revenue or by the purchase of additional trips in a period following the Actual period. If such an adjustment has been made, provide notation in the respective exlanation area of the Comprehensive Budget tab.

5,242,279

2,304,002

2013 - 2014

Once Completed, Proceed to the Worksheet entitled "Program-wide Rates"

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> The Difference between Expenses and Revenues for Fiscal Year:

#### **Worksheet for Program-wide Rates**

CTC: Lake County Boarc Version 1.4

County: Lake County

1. Complete Total Projected Passenger Miles and ONE-WAY Passenger Trips ( GREEN cells) below

Do **NOT** include trips or miles related to Coordination Contractors!

Do NOT include School Board trips or miles UNLESS......

INCLUDE all ONE-WAY passenger trips and passenger miles related to services you purchased from your transportation operators!

Do NOT include trips or miles for services provided to the general public/private pay UNLESS..

Do NOT include escort activity as passenger trips or passenger miles unless charged the full rate for service!

Do NOT include fixed route bus program trips or passenger miles!



Fiscal Year 2015 - 2016

Avg. Passenger Trip Length =

13.6 Miles

Rates If No Revenue Funds Were Identified As Subsidy
Funds

Rate Per Passenger Mile = \$ 3.34

Rate Per Passenger Trip = \$ 45.62

Once Completed, Proceed to the Worksheet entitled "Multiple Service Rates"

#### **Vehicle Miles**

The miles that a vehicle is scheduled to or actually travels from the time it pulls out from its garage to go into revenue service to the time it pulls in from revenue service.

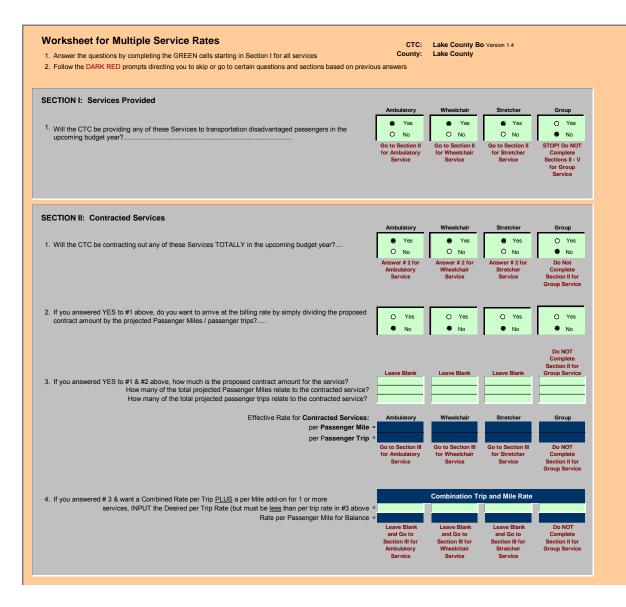
#### Vehicle Revenue Miles (VRM)

The miles that vehicles are scheduled to or actually travel while in revenue service. Vehicle revenue miles exclude:

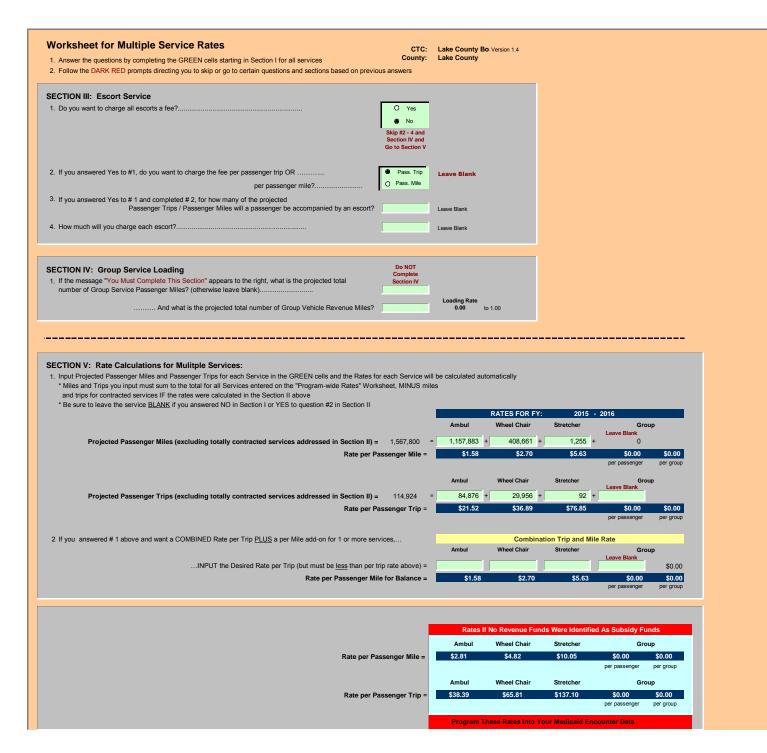
Deadhead
Operator training, and
Vehicle maintenance testing, as well as
School bus and charter services.

#### Passenger Miles (PM)

The cumulative sum of the distances ridden by each passenger.



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## **APPENDIX F**

Operator Contract Ride Right, LLC

## AGREEMENT BETWEEN LAKE COUNTY, FLORIDA AND RIDE RIGHT TRANSIT, LLC

#### TRANSPORTATION OPERATOR

FOR

#### RFP #13-0209

This is an Agreement between Lake County, Florida, a political subdivision of the State of Florida, hereinafter referred to as the "County", by and through its Board of County Commissioners, and Ride Right Transit, LLC, its successors and assigns, hereinafter referred to as "Contractor".

#### WITNESSETH:

WHEREAS, the County has publicly submitted a Request for Proposals (RFP), #13-0209, for procurement of a firm to provide Transportation Operator services for the County's Transportation Disadvantaged Program, and the County's fixed route service for LakeXpress and ADA Complementary Services; and

WHEREAS, the County serves in the capacity as the Community Transportation Coordinator (CTC), as authorized under Chapter 427, Florida Statutes; and

WHEREAS, the Contractor desires to perform such services subject to the terms of this Agreement; and

NOW, THEREFORE, IN CONSIDERATION of the mutual terms, understandings, conditions, promises, covenants and payment hereinafter set forth, and intending to be legally bound, the parties hereby agree as follows:

- 1. RECITALS. The foregoing recitals are true and correct and incorporated herein.
- 2. TERM; RENEWAL. The term of this Agreement shall begin on October 1, 2013 and continue through September 30, 2016. Prior to or upon completion of the initial term of this Agreement, the County reserves the sole right to renew this Agreement for four (4) additional one (1) year terms. For the initial ninety (90) days of operations under this Agreement, the County will very closely monitor the performance of the Contractor against the Performance Standards, identified elsewhere herein, to ensure that standards have been established that are appropriate and fair. Any standard determined by the County to be unrealistic may be amended appropriately. Any Contractor performance that is determined by the County to be below an appropriately stated standard will require corrective action by the Contractor in accordance with the terms of this Agreement.
- 3. PRICE ADJUSTMENT. Prior to completion of each exercised contract year, the County may consider any appropriate adjustment, upward or downward, to price based on changes in the following pricing index: CPI-W. It is each individual party's responsibility to request any pricing

adjustment in writing under this provision. A written request for adjustment should be submitted from the requesting party to the other thirty (30) calendar days prior to expiration of the then current contract year. The adjustment request must clearly substantiate the requested change. The written request for adjustment should not be in excess of the relevant pricing index change. If no adjustment request is received from the Contractor, and if the County has not in turn initiated any downward adjustment based on index changes, the County will assume that the Contractor has agreed that the following contract year may be exercised without pricing adjustment. Any adjustment request received after the commencement of a new contract period shall not be considered.

The County reserves the right to reject any written price adjustments submitted by the Contractor and/or to not exercise any otherwise available option period based on such price adjustments. Continuation of the contract beyond the initial period, and any option subsequently exercised, is a County prerogative, and not a right of the Contractor. This prerogative will be exercised only when such continuation is clearly in the best interest of the County.

- 4. SCOPE OF SERVICES. On the terms and conditions set forth in this Agreement, the County hereby engages the Contractor to provide the services identified in Exhibit A, attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference. In addition to the Scope of Services identified in Exhibit A, the parties shall be bound by the following provisions:
- (a) The Contractor has bid this contract with a profit margin of three percent (3%) based upon information provided by the County and Contractor experience. The parties hereby agree that if the Contractor's profit margin exceeds five percent (5%), the profits will be shared with the County as follows:

Profit Margin	Contractor	County
< 5.0%	100%	0%
5.1% to 7.5%	75.0%	25.0%
7.6% to 10.0%	50.0%	50.0%
>10.1%	25.0%	75.0%

The calculation of profit margin shall be computed annually at the end of each contract year. Amounts under the threshold of five percent (5%) may be carried forward, until used, to offset amounts over the threshold in a subsequent year. For example, assume Ride Right Transit, LLC is under the 5% threshold in Year One (including start up costs) and Year Two by \$15,000 and \$25,000 respectively. In Year Three Ride Right Transit, LLC exceeds the 5% threshold by \$50,000. For purposes of determining profit sharing, the \$50,000 shall be reduced by \$40,000 (\$15,000 + \$25,000), with the remaining \$10,000 to be shared. The parties agree that amounts under the threshold shall be carry forward only and that in no event shall the County be required to return any profit sharing even if in subsequent years the Contractor's profit is less than five percent (5%)

- (b) The parties agree that, since the Contractor currently operates the transportation service for Sumter County, there may be opportunities for Lake and Sumter counties to coordinate the provision of services. The Contractor shall use its best efforts to coordinate such services to provide cost savings and efficiencies for both Lake and Sumter counties. Any coordinated efforts shall be formalized in a written agreement executed by both counties and the Contractor.
- (c) The parties agree and acknowledge that this Agreement is being entered into by the County based upon the representations made by the Contractor in its Technical Proposal submitted under

RFP 13-0209. The Technical Proposal is attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference as **Exhibit B**, and constitute a material part of this Agreement. Any conflicts between the Technical Proposal and this Agreement shall be resolved in favor of the provision most favorable to the County, as determined by the County.

- (d) The Contractor shall be responsible for transporting the vehicles to and from any dealership, repair or maintenance facility or body shop at no additional cost to the County.
- (e) The parties agree that any conflicts between this Agreement, its exhibits, the TDSP, or other regulations governing the provision of transportation services shall be resolved in favor of the provision which ensures continued State or Federal funding and/or which is the most favorable to the County, in the County's sole discretion.
- 5. MAXIMUM CONTRACT AMOUNT. The Contractor shall not provide Services of an amount that would be greater in any particular contract year than the respective amount set forth below (the "Not To Exceed Amount"), unless otherwise agreed to in writing by the County. Along with each invoice, the Contractor will as provided in Section 7(b) below indicate for that particular year the percent of the Not To Exceed Amount billed to County with that invoice. The Contractor shall also not be required to provide Services in excess of said amount, except as otherwise provided in the Contract Documents.

### Contract Year

Year One: October 1, 2013 through September 30, 2014 Year Two: October 1, 2014 through September 30, 2015 Year Three: October 1, 2015 through September 30, 2016

# Not To Exceed Amount

\$3,565,032.46 TBD under Section 3 above TBD under Section 3 above

In the event the start date of October 1, 2013 is extended as set forth elsewhere herein, then the term "Contract Year" shall mean the twelve (12) months beginning with the Effective Date and on each anniversary date thereafter through September 30, 2016 (subject to the right of COUNTY to extend the Expiration Date, as set forth in Section 6 below).

6. RIGHT OF COUNTY TO EXTEND EFFECTIVE DATE. If, for any reason, this Contract cannot commence on October 1, 2013, then the County will have the right, upon notification to the Contractor, to extend the Effective Date. In the event that County elects to have the Effective Date extended beyond October 1, 2013, each Contract Year shall nevertheless be for a period of twelve (12) months, and the Expiration Date set forth above of September 30, 2016 shall remain. If, however, the Effective Date is on a date other than the first day of a calendar month, then the first Contract Year shall begin on said date and shall run through a month which is twelve (12) full months from the first day of the first month following said Effective Date. Thereafter, each Contract Year shall be for twelve (12) calendar months. In such case, the Not To Exceed Amount set forth in above for the first Contract Year and for the third Contract Year (if less than a full year) shall be adjusted accordingly. A written amendment shall be duly executed to extend the Effective Date.

### 7. PAYMENT.

(a) Schedule of Fees. County agrees to pay the Contractor for the Scope of Services the amount provided in the Schedule of Fees attached hereto as Exhibit C and incorporated herein by this reference. The County will automatically pay to Contractor no later than the fifteenth (15<sup>th</sup>) and the thirtieth (30<sup>th</sup>) (or the 28<sup>th</sup> in the month of February) of each month forty-five percent (45%) of one-twelfth of the annual "Not To Exceed Amount". The Contractor shall provide a true-up invoice no later than the fifteenth (15<sup>th</sup>) of the following month to correctly account for the number of trips actually provided in the preceding month. The true-up invoice will include a discount of one-half of one percent (0.5%). For example:

October 15<sup>th</sup> Pr October 30<sup>th</sup> Pr November 15<sup>th</sup> Tr

Progress Payment #1
Progress Payment #2
True-up Invoice

45% of estimated invoice 45% of estimated invoice Approximately 10% of total October invoice less .5% discount with credit for progress payments #1 and #2

Nothing herein shall prevent the County from reducing the level of service provided in the event that funding for the services is reduced. If the level of service is reduced, the contract amount will be reduced accordingly.

- (b) <u>Maximum Contract Amount</u>. In no event shall the total amount to be paid by County pursuant to this Contract exceed the amounts stated herein without the written agreement of the County. Along with each monthly invoice, the Contractor will indicate the percent of the yearly Not To Exceed Amount has been billed to the County for that applicable year.
- (c) <u>Procedure for Invoicing.</u> Invoices shall be submitted in duplicate to the Department of Community Services, Public Transportation Manager, at P.O. Box 7800, Tavares, Florida 32778. Each invoice shall contain the RFP number, a detailed description of services and fees, dates and locations of services, and confirmation of acceptance of the goods or services by the appropriate County representative.
- (d) <u>Time of Payment by County.</u> The County shall make payment on all invoices in accordance with the Florida Prompt Payment Act, Chapter 218, Part VII, Florida Statutes. Failure to submit invoices in the prescribed manner will delay payment, and the Contractor may be considered in default of contract and the contract may be terminated.
- (e) <u>Additional Information</u>. The County may request additional documentation from the Contractor prior to payment of any invoice or bill from the Contractor. The County may disallow and deduct any cost for which proper documentation is not provided.
- (f) Receipt of Payment by Contractor as Waiver Against COUNTY. The acceptance by the Contractor, its successors, or assigns, of any progress or final payment due pursuant to this Contract, shall constitute a full and complete release of the County from any and all claims, demands, or causes of action whatsoever that the Contractor, its successors, or assigns may have against the County or in connection with the Services performed hereunder, through the date that the Services are rendered and for which such payment is made.

- (g) Subcontractors. In the event the Contractor is utilizing subcontractors the furnishing of Services for (which would be as permitted in only Contract Documents), then, upon request by the County, the Contractor shall copies County of billings and other invoices which received from any such subcontractors and, in addition. the Contractor will releases from time to time in favor of the County from any subcontractor(s) for work so performed by that subcontractor. The County shall have the right from time to time directly contact and discuss with the subcontractor any work performed by subcontractor under the Contract Documents. County will not have but the liability or obligation to said Subcontract to said subcontractor(s).
- (h) Annual Budget Amount. The Contractor is aware that the County adopts an annual budget which will provide for the payment of the Contractor under this Contract, and the Contract is subject to the adoption by County of the annual budget.
- (i) <u>Hourly Rates.</u> Any hourly rates quoted shall be deemed to provide full compensation to the Contractor for labor, equipment use, travel time, and any other element of cost or price. This rate is assumed to be at straight-time for all labor, except as otherwise noted. The Contractor shall comply with minimum wage standards, and/or any other wage standards specifically set forth in this agreement, and any other applicable laws of the State of Florida. If overtime is allowable under this agreement, it will be covered under a separate item.

### 8. CONTRACTOR'S OBLIGATIONS.

- (a) <u>Furnishing of Materials and Labor</u>. The Contractor shall, for the consideration set forth herein, and at its sole cost and expense, as an independent contractor, provide all labor, materials, equipment, tools, supplies and incidentals necessary to perform this Contract in the manner and to the full extent as set forth in the Contract Documents or Scope of Services.
- (b) <u>Standard of Care.</u> The Contractor shall furnish, provide or fulfill its obligations under this Contract in a professional manner to the reasonable satisfaction of the duly authorized representatives of the County, who shall have, at all times, full opportunity to monitor the services performed under this Contract.
- (c) <u>Compliance with Applicable Requirements</u>. The Contractor shall conform to all applicable governmental requirements and regulations, whether or not such requirements and regulations are specifically set forth in the Contract Documents, including but not limited to those issued by the Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA), the National Institute of Occupational Safety Hazards (NIOSH), and the National Fire Protection Association (NFPA). The Contractor in this regard understands that the County is a public agency which receives both federal and state funding and, if applicable, the Contract Documents and the performance by the Contractor shall be subject to any applicable rules and regulations promulgated by the Federal Transit Administration (FTA) and/or the Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) and any of the other funding partners. The Contractor shall abide by the provisions contained in the Federal Clause Set for FTA Grant or Stimulus Programs, attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference as Exhibit D. The Contractor shall also be bound by the Certifications contained in Exhibit E, attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference.
- (d) <u>Payment of Taxes and Fees</u>. The Contractor shall pay license fees and all sales, consumer, use and other similar taxes relating to the Contract, and the matters to be performed thereunder. The County is exempt from payment of Florida sales and use taxes. The County will sign an exemption certificate submitted by the Contractor, if requested. The Contractor shall not be exempted

from paying sales tax to its suppliers for materials used to fulfill contractual obligations with the County, nor is the Contractor authorized to use the County's tax exemption number in securing such materials. The County reserves the right to "direct buy" any materials to be furnished by the Contractor under the Contract Documents and, if the County so submits, then the parties will enter into an appropriate agreement reflecting said direct purchase, the effect of which will be for the County to directly purchase those materials, for the contract amount to be reduced by the amount of the purchase price paid by the County for said materials, for those materials to be physically acquired and/or delivered to the Contractor, who will install them or deliver them as provided in the Contract Documents, with full warranties regarding those materials as if those materials were purchased from the Contractor. Any bonds furnished by the Contractor will apply to those materials.

- (e) <u>FICA</u>. The Contractor shall be responsible for payment of its employee(s)' Federal Insurance Contributions Act benefits with respect to this Contract.
- (f) <u>Permits and Approvals</u>. Unless otherwise expressly set forth in the Contract Documents, the Contractor shall be responsible to secure, at the Contractor's expense, all necessary permits, licenses and approvals. The Contractor shall promptly furnish copies of all such permits and approvals to the County as and when obtained.
- (g) <u>Tests and Inspections</u>. The Contractor shall be responsible to coordinate all tests and inspections necessary for the proper execution and timely completion of this Contract.
- (h) <u>Indemnification</u>. The Contractor understands that in performing the Services hereunder it will be responsible for the consequences of its own actions. Therefore, the Contractor agrees that it will indemnify, defend and hold harmless the County as well as the County's commissioners, officers, directors, employees, agents and representatives and each of the heirs, executors, successors and assigns of each of the foregoing from, against and in respect of all claims, liabilities, obligations, losses, costs, expenses, penalties, fines and judgments (at equity or at law) and damages whenever arising or accruing (including, without limitation, amounts paid in settlement, costs of investigation and reasonable attorneys' fees and expenses) arising out of or related to the Contractor's performance of the Services hereunder, including, without limitation, any acts or omissions with respect thereto.
- (i) <u>Insurance</u>. Contractor shall purchase and maintain, at its expense, from a company or companies authorized to do business in the State of Florida and which are acceptable to the County, policies of insurance containing the following types of coverage and minimum limits of liability protecting from claims which may arise out of or result from the performance or nonperformance of services under this Agreement by the Contractor or by anyone directly or indirectly employed by Contractor, or by anyone for whose acts Contractor may be liable. Failure to obtain and maintain such insurance as set out below will be considered a breach of contract and may result in termination of the contract for default. Contractor shall not commence work under the Agreement until County has received an acceptable certificate or certificates of insurance evidencing the required insurance, which is as follows:

General Liability insurance on forms no more restrictive than the latest edition of the Occurrence Form Commercial General Liability policy (CG 00 01) of the Insurance Services Office or equivalent without restrictive endorsements, with the following minimum limits and coverage:

Each Occurrence/General Aggregate Products-Completed Operations Personal & Adv. Injury Fire Damage \$5,000,000/5,000,000 \$5,000,000 \$5,000,000 \$50,000 Medical Expense Contractual Liability \$5,000 Included

Automobile liability insurance, including owned, non-owned, and hired autos with the following minimum limits and coverage:

Combined Single Limit

\$5,000,000

Workers' compensation insurance based on proper reporting of classification codes and payroll amounts in accordance with Chapter 440, Florida Statutes, and/or any other applicable law requiring workers' compensation (Federal, maritime, etc). If not required by law to maintain workers compensation insurance, the Contractor must provide a notarized statement that if he or she is injured; he or she will not hold the County responsible for any payment or compensation.

Employers Liability insurance with the following minimum limits and coverage:

Each Accident	\$1,000,000
Disease-Each Employee	\$1,000,000
Disease-Policy Limit	\$1,000,000

The following additional coverage must be provided if a dollar value is inserted below:

Loss of Use at coverage value:	\$
Garage Keepers Liability at coverage value:	\$

Lake County, a Political Subdivision of the State of Florida, and the Board of County Commissioners, shall be named as additional insured as their interest may appear on all applicable liability insurance policies.

The certificate(s) of insurance shall provide for a minimum of thirty (30) days prior written notice to the County of any change, cancellation, or nonrenewal of the provided insurance. It is the Contractor's specific responsibility to ensure that any such notice is provided within the stated timeframe to the certificate holder.

If it is not possible for the Contractor to certify compliance, on the certificate of insurance, with all of the above requirements, then the Contractor is required to provide a copy of the actual policy endorsement(s) providing the required coverage and notification provisions.

Certificate(s) of insurance shall identify the applicable solicitation (ITB/RFP/RFQ) number in the Description of Operations section of the Certificate.

Certificate holder shall be:

LAKE COUNTY, A POLITICAL SUBDIVISION OF THE STATE OF FLORIDA, AND THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS.
P.O. BOX 7800

TAVARES, FL 32778-7800

Certificates of insurance shall evidence a waiver of subrogation in favor of the County, that coverage

shall be primary and noncontributory, and that each evidenced policy includes a Cross Liability or Severability of Interests provision, with no requirement of premium payment by the County.

The Contractor shall be responsible for subcontractors and their insurance. Subcontractors are to provide certificates of insurance to the prime Contractor evidencing coverage and terms in accordance with the Contractor's requirements.

All self-insured retentions shall appear on the certificate(s) and shall be subject to approval by the County. At the option of the County, the insurer shall reduce or eliminate such self-insured retentions, or the Contractor or subcontractor shall be required to procure a bond guaranteeing payment of losses and related claims expenses.

The County shall be exempt from, and in no way liable for, any sums of money, which may represent a deductible or self-insured retention in any insurance policy. The payment of such deductible or self-insured retention shall be the sole responsibility of the Contractor and/or sub-contractor providing such insurance.

Failure to obtain and maintain such insurance as set out above will be considered a breach of contract and may result in termination of the contract for default.

Neither approval by the County of any insurance supplied by the Contractor or Subcontractor(s), nor a failure to disapprove that insurance, shall relieve the Contractor or Subcontractor(s) of full responsibility for liability, damages, and accidents as set forth herein.

- (j) Public Funding/Additional Terms or Conditions. In the event that the County obtains funding, in whole or in part, from a public entity (e.g., Federal Transit Administration, Florida Department of Transportation, Department of Homeland Security, etc.) for the Services, there may be additional conditions imposed by said funding agency, including for example, a requirement that the Contractor comply with any rules and regulations promulgated by that funding agency. The County has attempted to identify in the RFP and the Contract the source of funding available to the County as well as any requirements of any such funding agency, but, in any event, the Contractor will be required to comply with any requirements imposed by the funding agency. The Contractor specifically agrees to so comply with said requirements, without any adjustments or increase in the amount to be paid to the Contractor, provided, however, if said requirement is not contained in the RFP or the Contract and said requirement is both material and would impose on the Contractor a material burden, then the Contractor would be entitled to submit to the County a change order for any additional cost of compliance by the Contractor.
- (k) <u>Additional Information</u>. The Contractor, at the request of the County, shall further provide to the County such other information as the County may reasonably request from time to time. Further, the Contractor shall at the County's request meet and have its employees and representatives meet with the County from time to time, regarding any of the Services to be rendered under the Contract.
- (l) <u>E-verify.</u> Contractor acknowledges and agrees that if the services provided under this Agreement are being supported in whole or in part by Federal and/or State funding, Contractor shall utilize the U.S. Department of Homeland Security's E-Verify system in accordance with the terms governing use of the system to confirm the employment eligibility of:
  - 1. All persons employed by the Contractor during the term of this Agreement to perform employment duties within Lake County; and

- 2. All persons, including subcontractors, assigned by the Contractor to perform work pursuant to the contract.
- (m) <u>Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act (HIPPA).</u> Any person or entity that performs or assists the County with a function or activity involving the use or disclosure of "individually identifiable health information" (IIHI) and/or "Protected Health Information" (PHI) shall comply with the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act (HIPAA) of 1996. HIPAA mandates for privacy, security and electronic transfer standards that include but are not limited to:
  - 1. Use of information only for performing services required by the contract or as required by law;
  - 2. Use of appropriate safeguards to prevent non-permitted disclosures;
  - 3. Reporting to the County of any non-permitted use or disclosure;
  - 4. Assurances that any agents and subcontractors agree to the same restrictions and conditions that apply to the Bidder/Proposer and reasonable assurances that IIHI/PHI will be held confidential;
  - 5. Making Protected Health Information (PHI) available to the customer;
  - 6. Making PHI available to the customer for review and amendment; and incorporating any amendments requested by the customer;
  - 7. Making PHI available to the County for an accounting of disclosures; and
  - 8. Making internal practices, books and records related to PHI available to the County for compliance audits.

PHI shall maintain its protected status regardless of the form and method of transmission (paper records, and/or electronic transfer of data). The Contractor must give its customers written notice of its privacy information practices including specifically, a description of the types of uses and disclosures that would be made with protected health information.

The Contractor agrees to comply with, and assures the compliance of its employees and subcontractors with, the information restrictions and other applicable requirements of the Privacy Act of 1974, 5 U.S.C. § 552a and the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act of 1996 (HIPAA). The Contractor shall include these provisions in any subcontract associated with the completion of the Scope of Services hereunder.

(n) <u>Key Contractor Personnel</u>. The Contractor represents in executing this Agreement that each person listed or referenced in the Contractor's proposal submitted in response to RFP 13-0209 is available to perform the services described for the County, barring illness, accident, or other unforeseeable events of a similar nature in which case the Contractor shall promptly provide a qualified replacement. In the event the Contractor desires to substitute personnel, the Contractor shall propose a

person with equal or higher qualifications and each replacement person is subject to prior written approval of the County. In the event the requested substitute is not satisfactory to the County and the matter cannot be resolved to the satisfaction of the County, the County reserves the right to terminate this Agreement for cause.

- (o) <u>Local Office</u>. To ensure responsive support to the overall function, the Contractor shall maintain an office within the geographic boundaries of Lake County, preferably in the area that LakeXpress operates. The office shall be staffed by a competent company representative who can be contacted during normal working hours and who is authorized to discuss matters pertaining this Agreement. There shall be ample vehicle storage space at the local office to the County's satisfaction. The County reserves the right to perform an inspection of the local office during the term of this Agreement, and to terminate this Agreement for cause if the size, location and overall functionality of the local office does not serve the best interests of the County.
- (p) <u>Vehicle Inspection</u>. The Contractor and the County shall jointly inspect the interior and exterior each County-owned vehicle that will be utilized by Contractor in performance of the Scope of Services identified hereunder. A written inspection report shall be generated for each vehicle documenting its mechanical and overall condition prior to the Contractor placing that vehicle into service in the performance of the Contractor's obligations hereunder.
- (q) <u>School Board Transportation.</u> In no event shall the Contractor be permitted to utilize any County-owned vehicles or County resources for provision of services to the Lake County School Board under the School Board's contract with Lifestream Behavorial Center, its successors or assigns.

# 9. NO DISCRIMINATION/REQUIREMENTS.

- (a) <u>No Discrimination</u>. Neither the Contractor nor any of its subcontractors shall discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, or sex in the performance of this Contract. The Contractor shall carry out applicable requirements of 49 CFR, Part 26 in the award and administration of DOT-assisted contracts. Failure by the Contractor to carry out these requirements is a material breach of this Contract, which may result in the termination of this Contract or such other remedy as the County deems appropriate.
- (b) DBE Requirements. The Contractor is specifically advised that the County has established a Disadvantaged Business Enterprise ("DBE") policy and procedure that together set an overall race-neutral goal of 14.6% participation for such businesses under State or Federal grant funded projects. The Contractor covenants and agrees to comply with the requirements set forth in Exhibit F attached hereto and incorporated herein by this reference (the "DBE Addendum"). In the event that the Contractor is in breach of the DBE Addendum, in addition to any other damages and remedies available to the County in accordance with applicable law, the County may issue a termination for default proceeding pursuant to Section 12 hereof. Contractor shall have the right, with approval of the County, to utilize other DBE's if Contractor is unable to contract with the named DBE at rates acceptable to Contractor. Approval of the County shall not be unreasonably withheld.
- 10. PUBLIC RECORDS. County is a political subdivision of the State and is subject to Florida's Public Records Act, Chapter 119, Florida Statutes (the "Public Records Act"). It is possible that the Contractor, as a result of the Contract, may also be subject to the Public Records Act and, if so, the Contractor will promptly respond in accordance with said statute to any and all third party requests for "public records," as that term is defined in the Public Records Act. In regard to any such request, the

Contractor will promptly notify County's determination as to the necessity of such response shall be presumptively correct.

11. COUNTY PROPRIETARY INFORMATION. The Contractor may, by virtue of this Contract, come into possession of certain non-publicly available information relating to County, which information may or may not be proprietary to County (the "Information"). In any event, the Contractor agrees that any such Information is solely for the purpose of enabling the Contractor to fulfill its duties and obligations under this Contract, and the Contractor may not use any such Information for any other purpose whatsoever without the express, written permission of County. By way of illustration and not limitation, any such Information may not be used by the Contractor in submitting a Request for Proposal for any other purpose, whether to County or to any other third party. Upon the expiration or termination of the Contract, the Contractor will return to County any proprietary Information and will not, without County's prior written approval, keep or maintain any copies or transcripts thereof.

### 12. TERMINATION.

- (a) <u>Default by Contractor</u>. County may, in its sole and absolute discretion, by written notice of default to the Contractor, terminate all or any part of this Contract if (i) the Contractor fails to perform the Services described herein, within the time specified herein or any extension hereof; or (ii) if the Contractor fails to satisfy any of the other provisions of the Contract, or so fails to make progress as to endanger performance of this Contract in accordance with its terms; and in either of these two circumstances does not cure such failure within a period of ten (10) days (or such longer period as County may in its sole discretion authorize in a writing signed by the County Procurement Manager) after receipt of notice from the County specifying such failure. In the event that County elects to waive its remedies for any breach by the Contractor of any covenant, term or condition of this Contract, such waiver by County shall not limit County's remedies for any succeeding breach of that or of any other term, covenant, or condition of this Contract. In the event of termination for default, the County may procure another vendor to provide the services and the Contractor shall bear all costs of such re-procurement.
- (b) <u>Termination by County for Convenience</u>. This Contract may be terminated by County in its absolute discretion, in whole or in part, whenever County shall determine that such termination is in its best interest. Any such termination shall be effected by delivery of a notice of termination by County to the Contractor, signed by the County's Procurement Manager or other official, specifying the extent to which performance of work under the Contract is terminated, and the date upon which such termination becomes effective; provided, however, that the Contractor shall be given a minimum of thirty (30) days' notice written notice. The Contractor shall be paid its costs, including contract closeout costs, and profit on Services performed by the Contractor up to the effective date of Contract termination. The Contractor shall promptly submit its claim for final payment to County.
- (c) <u>Termination Due to Unavailability of Fund</u>. When funds are not appropriated or otherwise made available to support continuation of performance in a current or subsequent fiscal year, the contract shall be cancelled and the Contractor shall be reimbursed for the reasonable value of any non-recurring costs incurred amortized in the price of the supplies or services/tasks delivered hereunder.
- (d) Remedies for Default by Contractor. If this Contract is terminated by County for default by the Contractor, County shall, except as otherwise expressly set forth in the Contract Documents, retain any and all remedies available for it against the Contractor, all of which remedies shall be cumulative. By way of illustration and not limitation, the County may proceed to obtain the remaining Services from another third party and thereby recover from the Contractor any "excess costs" incurred by County in so doing.

- 13. DISPUTE RESOLUTION. If there is any controversy or claim arising out of or relating to this Contract, or the breach thereof (collectively, a "Legal Dispute"), the parties agree that the County shall have the sole and exclusive discretion to elect which of the means set forth below that the County and the Contractor shall use to settle the Legal Dispute. At the sole discretion and option of the County, the parties shall attempt to resolve any Legal Dispute by one or more of the following means (with the exception that (c) and (d) below are mutually exclusive) and abide by the provisions thereto.
- (a) <u>Informal Meeting Between the Parties.</u> If the County decides that the parties should initially attempt to resolve the Legal Dispute informally, then the parties agree to a meeting between the County and the Contractor's CEO (or other such officer with equivalent binding authority) whereby both parties try in good faith to settle the dispute and reach an agreement. Any meeting required hereunder shall take place within the geographic boundaries of Lake County.
- (b) <u>Mediation</u>. If the County decides that the parties should attempt to resolve the Legal Dispute by mediation, then the parties agree to try in good faith to settle the dispute by mediation which shall follow the practices and procedures as set forth by the Circuit Court of Lake County Florida, subject to the Florida Rules of Appellate Procedure 9.700-9.740 and conducted by a Florida Supreme Court Certified Mediator before resorting to judicial action. Any such mediation shall be held in Lake County, Florida. Arbitration shall not be permitted.
- (c) <u>Court of Law</u>. If the County decides that a Legal Dispute should be resolved in a court of law, then any action, suit or proceeding arising in conjunction with the Legal Dispute shall be brought exclusively in the Fifth Judicial Circuit of the State of Florida or the United States District Court for the Middle District of Florida, Orlando Division, as appropriate.

Nothing in this Section shall in any way limit the right of the County to terminate this Contract under <u>Section 12</u> hereof.

- 14. NOTICES. All notices shall be made to the addresses listed provided below:
- (a) The Contractor's primary point of contact for daily operations of the Services pursuant to this Contract is: Alaina Macia, Managing Member, 16 Hawk Ridge Drive, Lake St. Louis, MO 63367
- (b) The Contractor's primary point of contact for legal notice and authority to modify or act under this Contract is: County Manager, P.O. Box 7800, Tavares, Florida 32778 with a copy to County Attorney, P.O. Box 7800, Tavares, Florida 32778
- (c) The Contractor may appoint other individuals upon written notice to, and approval by, COUNTY. The Contractor shall provide written notice to COUNTY promptly with respect to any changes to the aforesaid contact information.
- (d) As of the date hereof, COUNTY designates Ken Harley, Public Transportation Manager, Department of Community Services, whose address is P.O. Box 7800, Tavares, Florida 32778 (the "Project Manager") with respect to the Contractor's performance of this Contract, and who will also serve as the primary point of contact for operational issues. The County may change such designation upon written notice to the Contractor. Copies of any notices required hereunder shall be additionally sent to the County Manager at P.O. Box 7800, Tavares, Florida 32778.

(e) The Project Manager, and all other officers, employees, executives, agents and representatives of the County have only such authority to act on behalf of and bind the County to the extent granted to such individuals by the Lake County Board of County Commissioners, and no apparent authority of any such individuals shall be binding upon the County. No individual shall have the authority to act pursuant to this Contract or to modify or amend this Contract except in accordance with the County's Procurement Policies and Procedures, and such other policies and procedures that may be adopted by the County pursuant thereto. No such action, modification or amendment shall be valid or binding upon COUNTY, if the authorizing representative of COUNTY has exceeded the authority actually granted to such individual by the COUNTY Governing Board.

# 15. MISCELLANEOUS.

- (a) <u>Governing Law</u>. The parties mutually acknowledge and agree that this Contract shall be construed in accordance with the laws of the State of Florida, without regard to the internal law of Florida regarding conflicts of law.
- (b) Attorney Fees. If any legal action or other proceeding is brought for the enforcement of this Contract, or because of an alleged dispute, breach, default, claim, or misrepresentation arising out of or in connection with any of the provisions of this Contract, the prevailing party or parties shall be entitled to recover its or their reasonable attorneys' fees (including paralegals' fees), court costs, expenses, and costs of experts and investigation, whether at trial, upon appeal, or during investigation by such prevailing party or parties in prosecuting or defending such legal action or other proceeding.
- (c) Waiver Of Jury Trial. EACH PARTY HEREBY AGREES NOT TO ELECT A TRIAL BY JURY OF ANY ISSUE TRIABLE OF RIGHT BY JURY, AND WAIVES ANY RIGHT TO TRIAL BY JURY FULLY TO THE EXTENT THAT ANY SUCH RIGHT SHALL NOW OR HEREAFTER EXIST WITH REGARD TO THE CONTRACT DOCUMENTS, OR ANY CLAIM, COUNTERCLAIM OR OTHER ACTION ARISING IN CONNECTION THEREWITH. THIS WAIVER OF RIGHT TO TRIAL BY JURY IS GIVEN KNOWINGLY AND VOLUNTARILY BY EACH PARTY, AND IS INTENDED TO ENCOMPASS INDIVIDUALLY EACH INSTANCE AND EACH ISSUE AS TO WHICH THE RIGHT TO A TRIAL BY JURY WOULD OTHERWISE ACCRUE.
- d) Assignment by Contractor. County has selected the Contractor to render the Services based in substantial part on the personal qualifications of the Contractor; as such, the Contractor may not assign or transfer any right or obligation of this Contract in whole or in part, without the prior written consent of County, which consent may be granted or withheld in the sole discretion of County. Any direct or indirect change in the ownership (legal or equitable) of a controlling and/or a majority interest of the Contractor, whether such change in ownership occurs at one time or as a result of sequential incremental changes, and whether said change is by sale, assignment, hypothecation, bequest, inheritance, operation of law, merger, consolidation, reorganization or otherwise, shall be deemed an assignment of this Contract subject to the consent of County. The Contractor may utilize subcontractors as otherwise permitted and provided in the Contract Documents. Any assignment or transfer of any obligation under this Contract without the prior written consent of County shall be void, *ab initio*, and shall not release the Contractor from any liability or obligation under the Contract, or cause any such liability or obligation to be reduced to a secondary liability or obligation.
- (e) <u>Captions and Headings</u>. The captions and headings provided herein are for convenience of reference only and are not intended to be used in construing the terms and provisions hereof.

- (f) <u>Number And Gender</u>. Whenever herein the singular or plural is used the same shall include the other where appropriate. Words of any gender shall include other genders when the context so permits.
- (g) <u>Multiple Counterparts</u>. This Contract may be executed in a number of identical counterparts each of which is an original and all of which constitute collectively one agreement. In making proof of this Contract in any legal action, it shall not be necessary to produce or account for more than one such counterpart.
- (h) <u>Survival</u>, Should any provision of this Contract be determined to be illegal or in conflict with any law of the State of Florida, the validity of the remaining provisions shall not be impaired.
- (i) No Third-Party Beneficiary. It is specifically agreed that this Contract is not intended by any of the provisions of any part of this Contract to establish in favor of any other party, the public or any member thereof, the rights of a third-party beneficiary hereunder, or to create or authorize any private right of action by any person or entity not a signatory to this Contract to enforce this Contract or any rights or liabilities arising out of the terms of this Contract.
- (j) Right to Audit. The County reserves the right to require Contractor to submit to an audit by any auditor of the County's choosing. Contractor shall provide access to all of its records, which relate directly or indirectly to this Agreement at its place of business during regular business hours. Contractor shall retain all records pertaining to this Agreement and upon request make them available to the County for five (5) years following expiration of the Agreement, or other such time frame as may be required by State or Federal law. Contractor agrees to provide such assistance as may be necessary to facilitate the review or audit by the County to ensure compliance with applicable accounting and financial standards. This provision is hereby considered to be included within, and applicable to, any subcontractor agreement entered into by the Contractor in performance of any work hereunder.

If an audit inspection or examination pursuant to this section discloses overpricing or overcharges of any nature by the Contractor to the County in excess of one percent (1%) of the total contract billings, in addition to making adjustments for the overcharges, the reasonable actual cost of the County's audit shall be reimbursed to the County by the Contractor. Any adjustments and/or payments which must be made as a result of any such audit or inspection of the Contractor's invoices and/or records shall be made within a reasonable amount of time, but in no event shall the time exceed ninety (90) days, from presentation of the County's audit findings to the Contractor.

- 16. Amendment of Contract. This Contract may not be modified or amended without the prior written consent of the party to be charged by said amendment or modification. This provision may not itself be changed orally. The Contractor specifically is aware and understands that any material or substantial change to this Contract may require written approval of County for any such change to be valid.
- 17. <u>Sovereign Immunity</u>. The Contractor understands and is aware that County is a political subdivision of the State of Florida and is, therefore, entitled to the benefits of "sovereign immunity" in accordance with Florida Law, including Section 768.28, *Florida Statutes*. In that regard, nothing contained in this Contract or in any of the dealings between the Contractor and the County shall at any time be deemed to be or in any event be a waiver by the County of the provisions of sovereign immunity which waiver, to be effective at all, must be expressly and specifically approved by the County.

Accordingly, no document executed by any COUNTY representative will be effective in any way to waive or modify the provisions of sovereign immunity in connection with COUNTY.

- 18. Entire Agreement. This Contract, including the Contract Documents referenced above, together with any Exhibits or attachments hereto constitutes the entire agreement between the parties, and incorporates all discussions between the parties. This Contract may not be amended or modified except by a writing signed by the party to be charged.
- 19. <u>Exhibits</u>. The following exhibits are attached hereto and incorporated by reference as material parts of this Agreement:

Exhibit A: Scope of Services
Exhibit B: Technical Proposal

Exhibit C: Pricing

Exhibit D: Federal Clause Set for FTA Grant and Stimulus Programs

Exhibit E: Certifications
Exhibit F: DBE Addendum

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have made and executed this Agreement on the respective dates under each signature: COUNTY through its Board of County Commissioners, signing by and through its Chair, authorized to execute same by Board Action on the 22nd day of July \_\_\_\_\_\_, 2013, and by CONTRACTOR through its duly authorized representative.

## CONTRACTOR

Alaina Macia

Managing Member

Ride Right Transit, LLC

Alaena Mocia

Agreement between Lake County and Ride Right Transit, LLC for Transportation Operator; RFP 13-0209

ATTEST:

Neil Kelly, Clerk of the Board of County Commissioners

of Lake County, Florida

COUNTY

Chairman

This 30 day of July, 2013.

Approved as to form and legality:

Sanford A. Minkoff County Attorney

# EXHIBIT C

# SCHEDULE OF FEES

# PRICING SECTION FOR BEST AND FINAL OFFER UNDER RFP 13-0209 TRANSPORTATION OPERATOR Lake County Public Transportation Fixed Route and Para-Transit Program

Provide pricing in the structure designated below based on vendor performance of all

requirements set forth in the Statem	ent of Work.	berromanee of an
Item 1: Price to be charged for eac	h one way Transportation Disa	advantaged trip:
143,000 estimated annual quantity s	18.47 price per trip =	\$ <u>2.641.210.00</u> annual price
Item 2: Price to be charged for each	n scheduled platform hour pro	viding Fixed Route service:
$\underline{24.346}$ estimated annual quantity $x$	37.29 price per hour =	\$ <u>907,862.34</u> annual price
Item 3: Price to be charged for sche service:	eduled platform hour providing	g Deviated Fixed Route
164 estimated annual quantity x	37.29 price per hour =	\$ <u>6.115.56</u> annual price
Item 4: Price to be charged for each persons per vehicle:	n platform hour providing stre	tcher transportation with two
164 estimated annual quantity x	37.29 price per hour =	\$ <u>6,115.56</u> annual price
Item 5: Price to be charged per driver transportation services when the Cou	or hour for emergency-related only has required the contracto	d standby and/or other related or to do so,
100 estimated annual quantity x	37,29 price per hour =	\$3.729.00 annual price
Total estimated annual price	e for Items 1 through 5:	\$3,565,032,46
Optional Price Item 6 for Case Wo may not be exercised by the County)	rker (to be offered by the ver	idor as an option that may or
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Vendor: <u>Ride Right, LLC</u>		
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Printed Name and Title: Alaina M	acia, President and CEO	And the second s
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# **EXHIBIT E: CERTIFICATIONS**

# CLAUSE SET ATTACHMENT B.1: BUY AMERICA CERTIFICATION

(Required for contracts greater than \$100,000)

92.	2. 1. Certification requirement for procurement of steel, in	on, or manufactured products.
93.	3. Certificate of Compliance with 49 U.S.C. 5323(j) (l)	
	4. The bidder or offeror hereby certifies that it will meet t nd the applicable regulations in 49 CFR Part 661.	he requirements of 49 U.S.C. 5323(j)(l)
95.	5. Signature: <u>Alawa (Mcia</u> Titie	e: President and CEO
96.	6. Company Name: Ride Right, LLC	Date: <u>1/29/2013</u>
	7. Certificate of Non-Compliance with 49 U.S.C. 5323(j) (l)	
5323	8. The bidder or offeror hereby certifies that it cannot com 323(j) O), but it may qualify for an exception pursuant to 49 U egulations in 49 CFR 661.7.	ply with the requirements of 49 U.S.C. I.S.C. 5323(j) (2) (B) or G) (2) (D) and the
99.	9. Signature: Title	21
100.	00.Company Name:	Date:
101.		
	02.2. Certification requirement for procurement of buse quipment.	s, other rolling stock and associated
103.	03.Certificate of Compliance with 49 U.S.C. 5323(j) (2) (C).	
(2) (	04.The bidder or offeror hereby certifies that it will comply wi 2) (C) and the regulations at 49 CFR Part 661.	
105.	05,Signature: <u>Alawa (Aacca</u> Title	President and CEO
106.	05,Signature: <u>Alawia (Aacca</u> Title 06,Company Name: <u>Ride Right, L.C</u>	Date: 4/29/2013
	07.Certificate of Non-Compliance with 49 U.S.C. 5323(j) (2) (C)	
(C),	08.The vendor hereby certifies that it cannot comply with to C), but may qualify for an exception pursuant to 49 U.S.C. egulations in 49 CFR 661.7.	ne requirements of 49 U.S.C. 5323(j) (2) . 5323G) (2) (B) or (j) (2) (D) and the
109.	09.Signature: Title	7 t
110.	10.Company Name:	Date:

### CLAUSE SET ATTACHMENT B.Z: CERTIFICATION REGARDING LOBBYING

### APPENDIX A, 49 CFR PART 20-CERTIFICATION REGARDING LOBBYING

- 111. Certification for Contracts, Grants, Loans, and Cooperative Agreements
- 112.(To be submitted with each bid or offer exceeding \$100,000)
- 113. The undersigned contractor certifies, to the best of his or her knowledge and belief, that:
- (1) No Federal appropriated funds have been paid or will be paid, by or on behalf of the undersigned, to any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of an agency, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress in connection with the awarding of any Federal contract, the making of any Federal grant, the making of any Federal loan, the entering into of any cooperative agreement, and the extension, continuation, renewal, amendment, or modification of any Federal contract, grant, loan, or cooperative agreement.
- (2) If any funds other than Federal appropriated funds have been paid or will be paid to any person for making lobbying contacts to an officer or employee of any agency, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress in connection with this Federal contract, grant, loan, or cooperative agreement, the undersigned shall complete and submit Standard Form—LLL, "Disclosure Form to Report Lobbying," in accordance with its instructions (as amended by "Government wide Guidance for New restrictions on Lobbying," 61 Fed. Reg. 1413 (1/19/96). Note: Language in paragraph (2) herein has been modified in accordance with Section 10 of the Lobbying Disclosure Act of 1995 (P.L. 104-65, to be codified at 2 U.S.C. 1601, et seq.)]
- (3) The undersigned shall include the language of this certification in the award documents for all sub-awards at all tiers (including subcontracts, sub-grants, and contracts under grants, loans, and cooperative agreements) and that all sub-recipients shall certify and disclose accordingly.
- 114. This certification is a material representation of fact upon which reliance was placed when this transaction was made or entered into. Submission of this certification is a prerequisite for making or entering into this transaction imposed by 31, U.S.C. § 1352 (as amended by the Lobbying Disclosure Act of 1995). Any person who falls to file the required certification shall be subject to a civil penalty of not less than \$10,000 and not more than \$100,000 for each such failure.
- 115.[Pursuant to 31 U.S.C. §  $1352(c)(i)\cdot(2)(A)$ , any person who makes a prohibited expenditure or falls to file or amend a required certification or disclosure form shall be subject to a civil penalty of not less than \$10,000 and not more than \$100,000 for each such expenditure or fallure.]
- 116.The Contractor, Ride Right, LLC , certifies or affirms the truthfulness and accuracy of each statement of its certification and disclosure, if any. In addition, the Contractor understands and agrees that the provisions of 31 U.S.C. A 3801, et seq., apply to this certification and disclosure, if any.

117.5ignature of Contractor's Authorized Official: Alama Decus Date: 4/29/2013
District Name and Title of Continuescale Authorized Official, Alaina Macia, President and CEO

# CLAUSE SET ATTACHMENT B.3: FORM ( AND 2, DEMONSTRATION OF GOOD FAITH EFFORTS

[Forms 1 and 2 should be provided as part of the solicitation documents.]

# TEN FORM 1: DISADVANTAGED BUSINESS ENTERPRISE (DBE) UTILIZATION

110. The undersigned bidder/offeror has satisfied to following manner (please check the appropriate space	
X she hidder/offerer is committed to a minimum	n of 14.6 % DBE utilization on this contract.
The bidder/offeror (if unable to meet the D % DBE utilization on this contract and submits de	BE goal of%) is committed to a minimum of naumentation demonstrating good faith efforts.
Name of bidder/offerer's firm: Ride Right,C	The second distribution of the second of the
State Registration No.: <u>Registered in Fl.</u> as Ride Ru	nt Transit LLC 1/08000005598
By: Mama 1/acta'	President and CFO
(Signature)	(Title)
FORM 2: LETTER OF INTENT	
Name of bidder/offeror's firm: Ride Right, L.C.	
Address: _16 Hawk Ridge Otive	Visit of the Control
City: <u>Lake St. Louis</u>	State. <u>MO</u> Zip: <u>63367</u>
Name of DBS firm: Maruti Fleet & Management	
Address: 1050 Edgewood Avenue South	you as the second secon
City:lacksonville	State: 6', Zip: 32205
Telephone: 1-904-387-1/17/	
Description of work to be performed by DBE firm:	
Juansportation Services	×
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The bidder/afferor is committed the estimated dollar value of the	ed to utilizing the a	rbove named DBE firm for the work described above.
Affirmation		
The above named DBF firm at dollar value as stated above.	firms that it will p	erform the portion of the contract for the estimated
By :	4/29/1:	
(Signature)	(Title)	
If the bidder/offeror does not Letter of Intent and Affirmation		ne prime contract, any and all representations in this oid.
(Submit this page for each DBE	subcontractor.)	

# CLAUSE SET ATTACHMENT BJ. CLAUSE AND CERTIFICATION

#### DUSTESTING

49 U.S.C. 5923(c) 49 UFO Part 665

Applicability to Contrasts

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Applicability to Micro-Parcinaes

Micro parchases are defined to those purchases under \$2,500. These requirements do not apply to micro purchases.

Shra Down

The Bus Testing requirements should not flow down, except to the turnkey contractor as stated in Master Agreement.

Model Clauso/Language

Cinuse and ranguage therein are morely suggested. 49 CFR Part 665 does not contain specific language to be included in three party contracts but does contain requirements applicable to subscripious and third party contractors. But Testing Certification and language therein are memby suggested.

Bus Testing - The Contractor [Adamsfacturer] agrees to comply with 40 U.S.C. A 5023(c) and 8TA's implementing segulation at 40 CFR Part 665 and shall perform the following:

- 3) A manufacturer of a new bas model or a bus produced with a resjon change in components or configuration shall provide a copy of the final last report to the recipient at a point in the procurement process specified by the recipient which will be prior to the recipient's final acceptance of the first vehicle.
- 2) A magnification who releases a report under paragraph 1 above shall provide notice to the operator of the testing facility that the report is available to the public.
- 3) If the annuitheaper represents that the vehicle was previously tested, the vehicle being sold should have the identical configuration and major components as the vehicle in the test report, which must be provided to the recipient prior to rempient's familiascoptance of the first vehicle. If the configuration or components are not identical, the manufacturer shall provide a description of the change and the manufacturer's basis for concluding that it is not a major change requiring additional testing.
- 4) If the manufacturer represents that the vehicle is "grandfathered" (has been used in mass transit service in the United States before October 1, 1988, and is currently being produced without a major change in configuration of components), the manufacturer shall provide the norm and address of the recipient of such a vehicle and the details of that vehicle's configuration and major components.

CERTIFICATION OF COMPLIANCE WITH PTA'S BUSITESTING REQUIREMENTS.
The undersigned [Contractor/Meanfactures] complies that the vehicle offered in this procurement complies with 49 (U.S.C. A 5323)c) and PTA's implementing regulation at 49 CFR Part 665.

The undersigned understands that misrepresenting the testing status of a vehicle acquired with Federal financial assistance may applied the undersigned to civil penalties as outlined in the Department of Transportation's regulation on Program Franci Civil Remedies, 49 CPR Part 31. In addition, the materiagned understands that FTA may suspend or debut a manufacturer under the procedures in 49 CPR Part 29.

Date:	4/24/2013	Signature.	Maria Des	
Company Name	e: <u>Nide</u> Right, LLC	Tishu: Dhe	esident and CEO	

### CLAUSE SET ATTACHMENT B.5, CLAUSE AND CENTIFICATION

#### PRE-AWARD AND POST DELIVERY AUDITS REQUIREMENTS

49 U.S.C. 5323 49 CFR Part 663

### Apphrahility to Contracts

These recuirements apply only to the sequisition of Rolling Stock/Furnicy.

### Applicability to Micro-Purchages

Macro purchases are defined as those parchases under \$2,500. Phase requirements do not apply to micro-purchases

# <u>Flow Down</u>

These requirements should not flow down, except to the turnkey commetter as stated in Mayter Agreement.

#### Model Clause/Language

- Clause and language therein are morely suggested, 49 C.F.R. Part 663 does not contain specific language to be included to third party contracts but does contain regularements applicable to subscriptonts and third party contractors.
- Buy America certification is mandated under FTA regulation, "Pre-Award and Post-Delivery Audits of Rolling Stock Purchases," 49 C.F.R. 863-13
- Specific language for the Buy America certification is mandated by FTA regulation,
- "They America Requirements-Eurface Transportation Assistance Act of 1982, as amended,"
- 49 C.F.R. 66) 12, but has been modified to include FTA's Buy America requirements codified at 49 U.S.C. A 5323(j).

Fra-Award and Post-Delivery Audit Requirements - The Contractor agrees to comply with 49 (J.S.C. § 5323(f) and FTA s implementing regulation at 49 C.F.R. Part 563 and to submit the following certifications:

- (1) Buy America Requirements: The Contractor shall complete and submit a declaration certifying either compliance or noncompliance with Buy America. If the Bidder/Offene certifies compliance with Buy America, it shall submit documentation which last 1) component and antenagement parts of the redling stack to be purchased identified by manufacturer of the parts, their country of origin and costs; and 2) the location of the final assembly point for the rolling stack, including a description of the activities that will take place at the final assembly point and the cost of final assembly.
- (2) Selicitation Specification Requirements: The Connector shall submit evidence that it will be expedde of meeting the bid specifications.
- (3) Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standards (EMVSS): The Contractor shall submit 1) manufacturer's PMVSS self-curtification stoker information that the vehicle complies with selevant FMVSS or 2) manufacturer's certified statement that the contracted bases will not be subject to PMVSS regulations.
- BHY AMBRICA CEXTIFICATE OF COMPLIANCE WITH FTA REQUIREMENTS FOR BUSES, OTHER ROLLING STOCK, OR ASSOCIATED EQUIPMENT

(To be indimitted with a bid or offer exceeding the small purchase threshold for Federal assistance programs, currently set at \$100,000.)
Certificate of Compliance
The bidder hereby contifies that it will comply with the requirements of 49 U.S.C. Section 5323(j)(2)(C), Section 163(h)(3) of the Surface Transportation Assistance Net of 1982, as arrended and the regulations of 42 C.F.R. 661.11:
Done: 429/2013 Signature: Alamaia ( ) ar La'
Signature: Mana Charda
Congrany Name. Ride Bigut, LLC
Trife President and CaO
Certificate of Non-Compliance
The bidder hereby certifies that it cannot comply with the requirements of 49 U.S.C. Section 5323(j)(2)(U) and Section 165(b)(3) of the Surface Transportation Assistance Act of 1992, as amunded, but may qualify for an exception to the penulisements consistent with 49 U.S.C. Sections 1323(j)(2)(B) or (j)(2)(D), Sections 135(b)(2) or (b)(4) of the Surface Transportation Assistance Act, as unreaded, and regulations in 49 C F R. 661 T.
Date:
Signature:
Company Name:
Title.

### **EXHIBIT F: DBE ADDENDUM**



Title: DISADVANTAGED AND SMALL BUSINESS ENTERPRISE Number: POLICY FOR PROJECTS UTILIZING DEPARTMENT OF Cancels:

TRANSPORTATION FUNDING OR GRANTS

LCC-80

Cancels: LCC-80 approved

4/15/2008

Approved: 6/12/2012

#### **OBJECTIVE**

- Lake County BCC will take affirmative steps to ensure Disadvantaged Business Enterprises (DBE) and Small Business concerns have the maximum opportunity to participate in procurement and contracting opportunities financed in whole or in part with funds in excess of \$250,000 derived from Federal or State of Florida Department of Transportation (DOT) sources.
- In connection with the performance of this program, Lake County BCC will use its best effort to ensure that DBEs and small businesses are afforded an opportunity to compete for DOT assisted contracts and all associated subcontract work let by, or are for, the benefit of Lake County BCC. В.
- C. General objectives of this policy are:
  - 1. To ensure nondiscrimination in the award and administration of DOTassisted contracts for Lake County public transit-related projects;
  - To create a level playing field on which DBEs and small businesses can compete fairly and equally for DOT-assisted contracts;
  - To ensure that Lake County BCC's DBE and small business programs are narrowly tailored in accordance with applicable law;
  - To ensure only firms that fully meet the eligibility standards set forth in 49 CFR Section 26 are considered to be DBEs and/or small businesses within the context of this policy; and
  - To ensure that there are no administrative barriers to the participation of DBEs and small business concerns in DOT-assisted contracts awarded in support of Lake County public transit-related projects.

Number: Approved:

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### II. <u>DEFINITIONS AND REFERENCES</u>

- A. Title 49, U.S. Code of Federal Regulations (CFR), Section 26
- B. Lake County BCC Procurement Policy LCC-18
- C. Lake County DBE Policy and Program Manual
- D. Lake County Purchasing Procedure Manual (LC-7)

### III. DIRECTIVES

- A. Lake County BCC will establish the position of a DBE Liaison Officer. The DBE Liaison Officer will administratively fall within the Procurement Services Division. The DBE Liaison Officer will be responsible for the following duties:
  - 1. Establish appropriate goals;
  - 2. Monitor and periodically report status of attainment of goals;
  - 3. Identify potential MBE sources for individual purchases;
  - Develop contractual provisions directing and governing MBE subcontractor utilization;
  - 5. Identify additional processes for goal attainment if required;
  - Establish and apply measures intended to promote and maximize the use of small business concerns as an element of the overall DBE Program, and
  - 7. Other duties specifically set forth in the Lake County DBE Manual.
- B. Pursuant to 49 CFR 26.45, Lake County BCC is required to establish an annual overall goal on a fiscal year basis for the participation of DBEs in all budgeted contracts utilizing Federal DOT financial assistance. The specific goal for the County will be developed on an annual basis using the procedures outlined in 49 CFR 26, and will be published in the Lake County DBE Policy and Program Manual. The annual overall goal shall be expressed as a percentage of the total amount of Federal DOT funds Lake County BCC anticipates expending in the fiscal year. The Lake County BCC's annual overall goal represents the relative quantity of certified DBEs that are available to participate in contracting opportunities and reflects the amount of DBE participation that Lake County BCC would expect absent the effects of discrimination. Lake County BCC intends to meet this goal to the maximum extent feasible through the race-neutral measures described below. Where race-neutral measures are inadequate to meet the annual overall goal, Lake County BCC may establish specific contract goals for particular projects with subcontracting opportunities.
- C. Lake County BCC intends to meet the established annual DBE goal by utilization of two primary race-neutral measures as follows:
  - Lake County will ensure that all appropriate DBE firms will be included in the solicitation process when the Lake County BCC procurement office



Title: DISADVANTAGED AND SMALL BUSINESS ENTERPRISE PROCEDURE FOR PROJECTS

UTILIZING DEPT OF TRANSPORTATION (DOT)

**FUNDING OR GRANTS** 

Number:

LC-44

Cancels:

Review:

LC-44 dated 6/12/12

Approved:

9/28/12

Originator:

Procurement Services

9/28/14

#### ŧ, PURPOSE AND SCOPE

The purpose and scope of this Disadvantaged and Small Business Enterprise Program Manual is to ensure nondiscrimination in the award and administration of DOT-assisted contracts for Lake County public transit-related projects, to create, a level playing field on which Disadvantaged and Small Business Enterprises can compete fairly and equally for DOT-assisted contracts, and to ensure that there are no administrative barriers to the participation of Disadvantaged and Small Business Enterprises in DOT-assisted contracts awarded in support of Lake County public transit-related projects

#### 11. **OVERVIEW**

The attached procedure provides a general overview of County Policy LCC-80 titled as above, and implementing detail in regards to general and administrative requirements associated with the specific program with specific attention to statements of goals and reporting requirements. This specific update of the procedures provides for a minor revision to the previously established DBE participation goal.

Additional copies of the procedures may be obtained from the Office of Procurement Services or by accessing the County's policy and procedure intranet pages.

#### 111. RESERVATION OF AUTHORITY

The authority to issue or revise this Procedure is reserved to the County Manager

County Manager

Lake County

# **APPENDIX G**

Peer Group Analysis Data

Total Fleet	39	67	23	51	94	96	104	95	71
Operating Revenues	1,988,243	2,304,341	4,017,827	1,074,268	5,338,015	4,326,521	3,407,405	3,568,295	3,253,114
Operating Expenses	1,988,243	3,092,035	3,272,256	1,284,337	4,877,440	4,225,078	3,407,405	3,767,646	3,239,305
Revenue Miles	329,837	672,544	986,938	300,348	1,524,756	1,469,652	1,017,731	1,013,177	914,373
Vehicle Miles	394,323	738,418	1,150,405	358,038	1,907,581	1,583,822	1,147,734	1,348,015	1,078,542
Passenger Trips	87,874	244,565	84,465	31,016	205,688	171,982	286,517	277,846	173,744
Potential TD Population	121,223	93,634	145,829	62,699	128,755	163,090	240,148	119,970	134,794
Service Area Population	164,736	139,271	339,642	141,994	308,034	337,362	475,502	286,832	274,172
County	Charlotte	Citrus	Collier	Indian River	Lake	Marion	Pasco	St Lucie	Mean

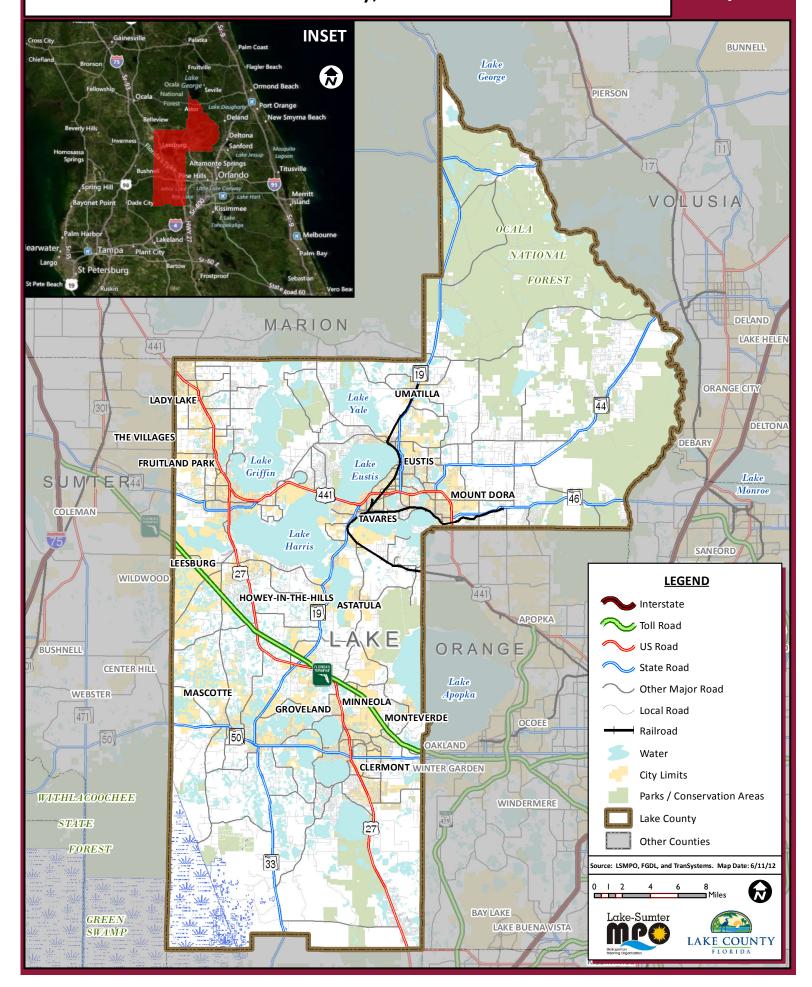
Vehicle Miles between Roadcalls	7,041	23,820	30,274	44,755	34,683	87,990	81,981	28,084	42,329
Accidents per 100,000 Vehicle Miles	0.00	0.68	0.87	0.00	0.63	0.19	0.35	0.37	0.39
Passenger Trips per Vehicle Mile	0.22	0.33	0.07	0.09	0.11	0.11	0.25	0.21	0.17
Passenger Trips per TD Capita	0.72	2.61	0.58	0.47	1.60	1.05	1.19	2.32	1.32
Vehicle Miles per Passenger Trip	4.49	3.02	13.62	11.54	9.27	9.21	4.01	4.85	7.50
Vehicle Miles per TD Capita	3.25	7.89	7.89	5.45	14.82	9.71	4.78	11.24	8.13
County	Charlotte	Citrus	Collier	Indian River	Lake	Marion	Pasco	St Lucie	Mean

(m)	Operating Expense per Passenger Trip	Operating Expense per Vehicle Mile	Operating Expense per Driver Hour	Local Non- Government Revenue Ratio	Local Government Revenue Ratio	Federal Government Revenue Ratio	Local Non- Government Revenue	Local Government Revenue	Federal Government Revenue	Total Revenue
Charlotte	\$22.63	\$5.04	\$47.59	3.70%	45.45%	50.85%	\$73,556	\$903,635	\$1,011,052	\$1,988,243
Citrus	\$12.64	\$4.19	\$44.07	7.84%	20.75%	71.41%	\$180,669	\$478,254	\$1,645,418	\$2,304,341
Collier	\$38.74	\$2.84	\$54.77	7.81%	59.43%	32.76%	\$313,773	\$2,387,875	\$1,316,179	\$4,017,827
ndian River	\$41.41	\$3.59	\$58.03	3.13%	10.17%	86.70%	\$33,590	\$109,267	\$931,411	\$1,074,268
Lake	\$23.71	\$2.56	\$37.02	2.86%	29.13%	68.01%	\$152,927	\$1,554,701	\$3,630,387	\$5,338,015
Marion	\$24.57	\$2.67	\$28.02	3.62%	25.78%	70.61%	\$156,594	\$1,115,168	\$3,054,759	\$4,326,521
Pasco	\$11.89	\$2.74	\$43.12	19.65%	7.97%	72.38%	\$669,622	\$271,502	\$2,466,281	\$3,407,405

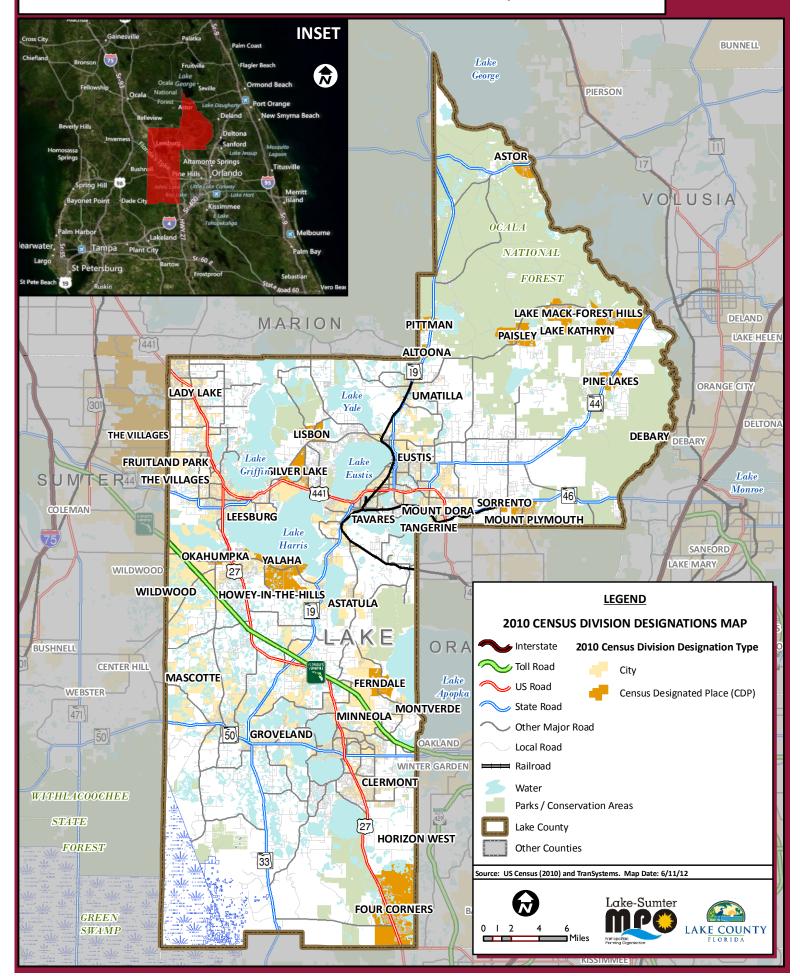
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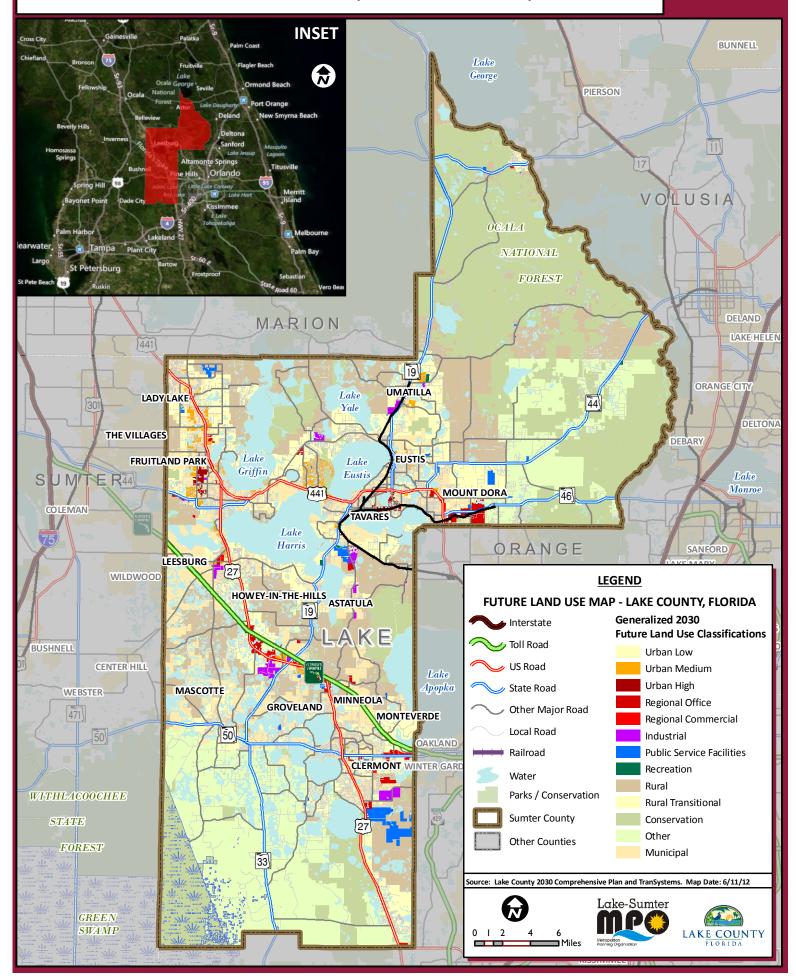
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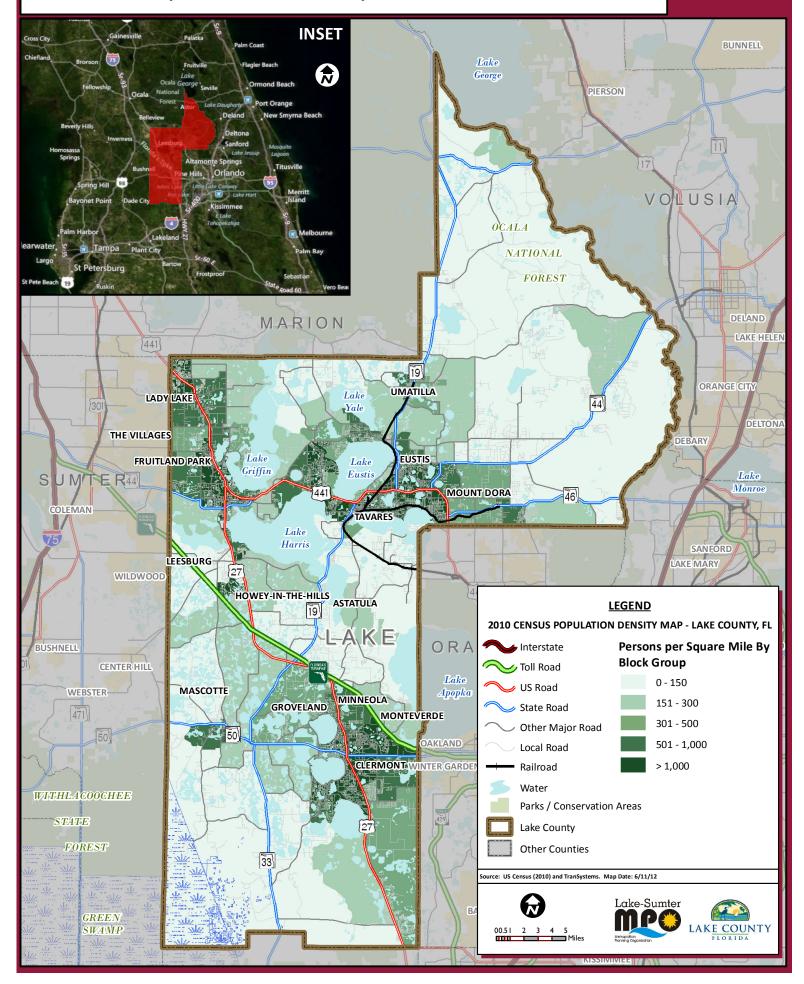


# 2010 Census Divisions - Lake County, Florida

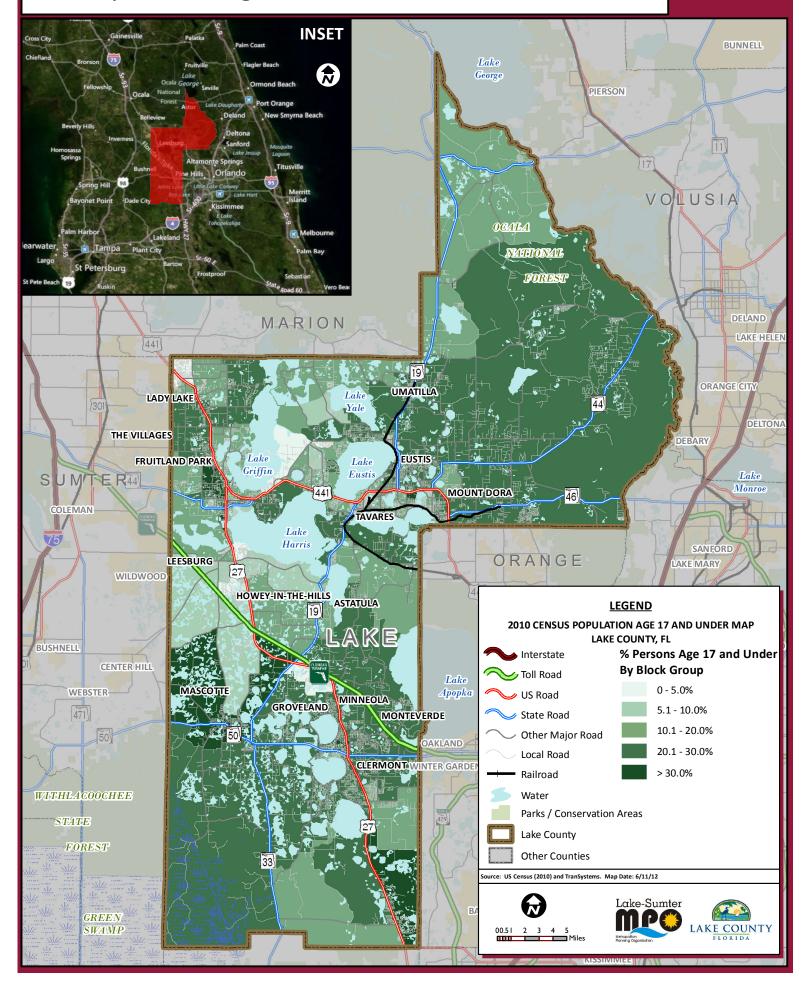




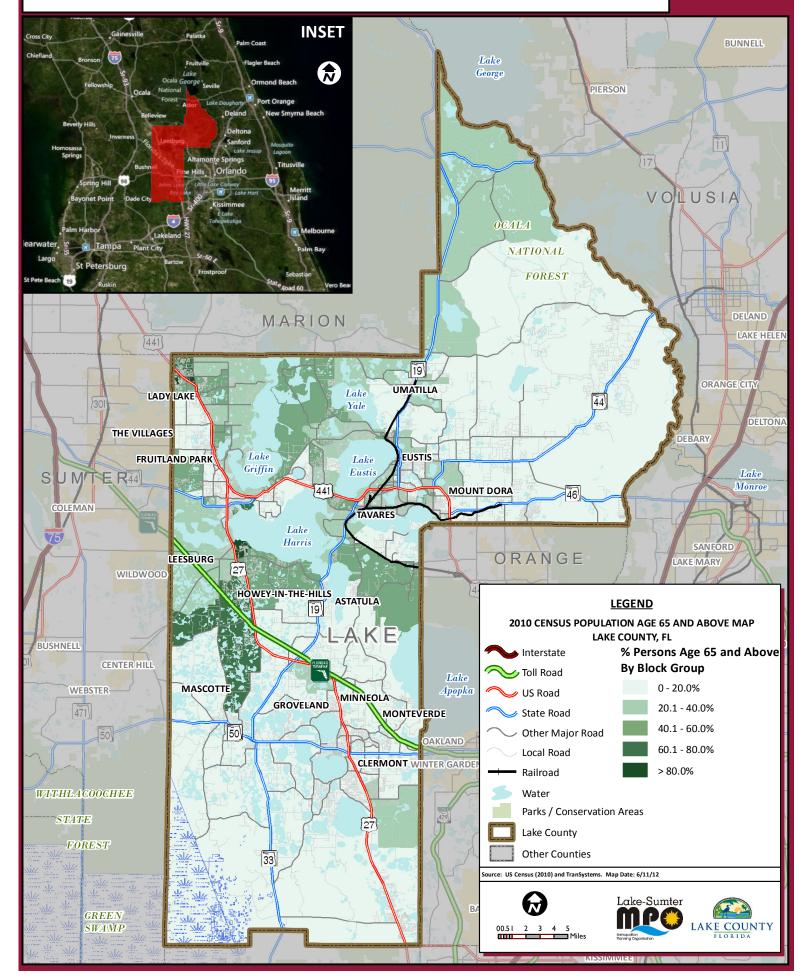
# Population Density - 2010 Census



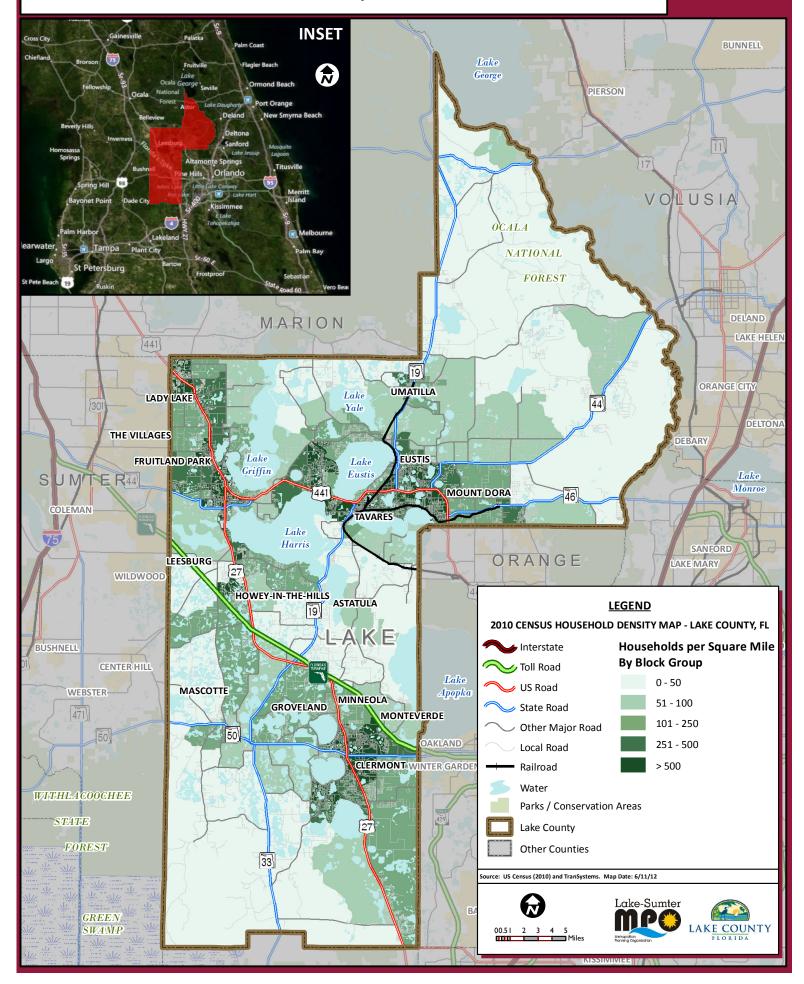
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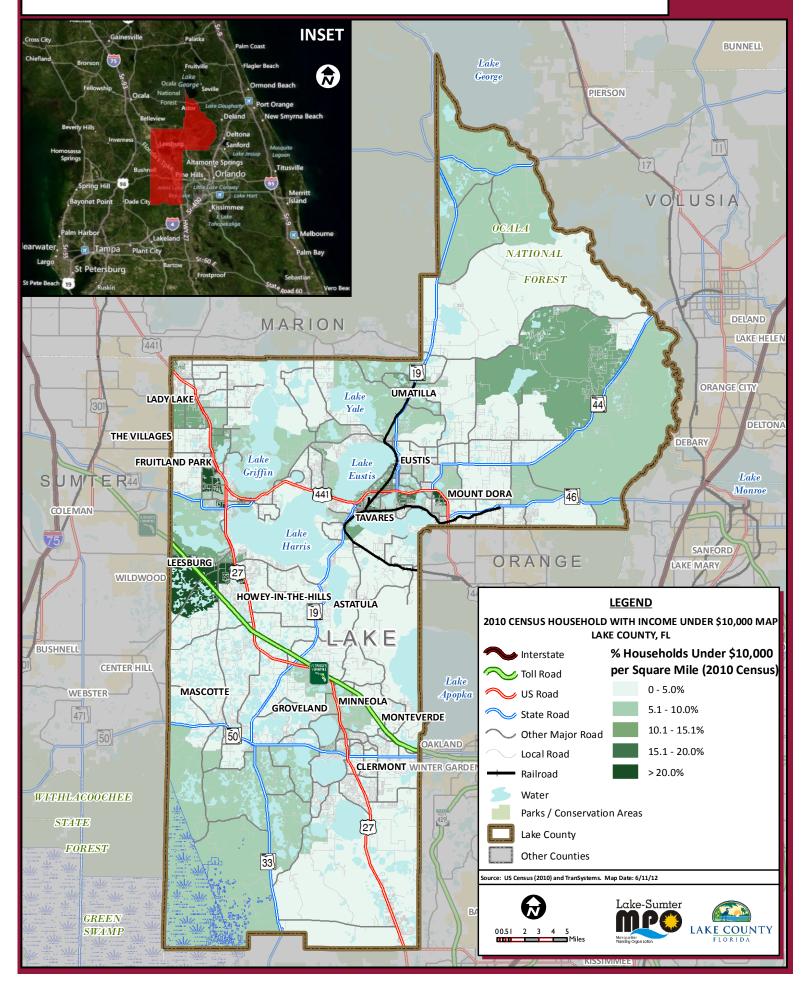


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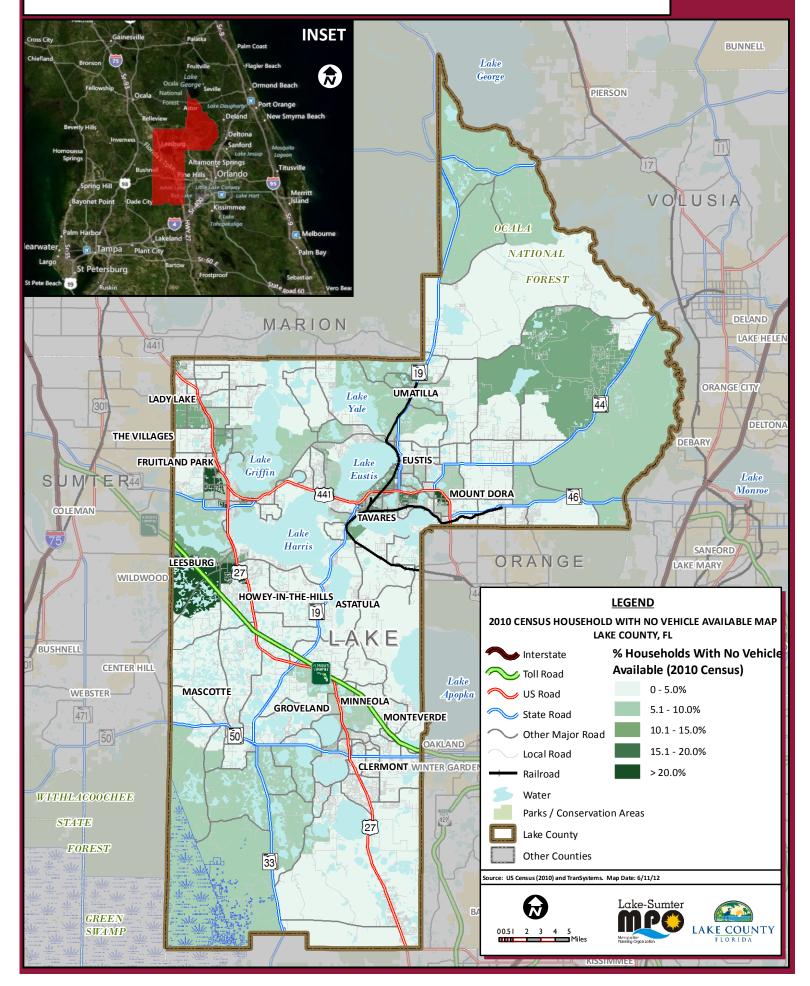


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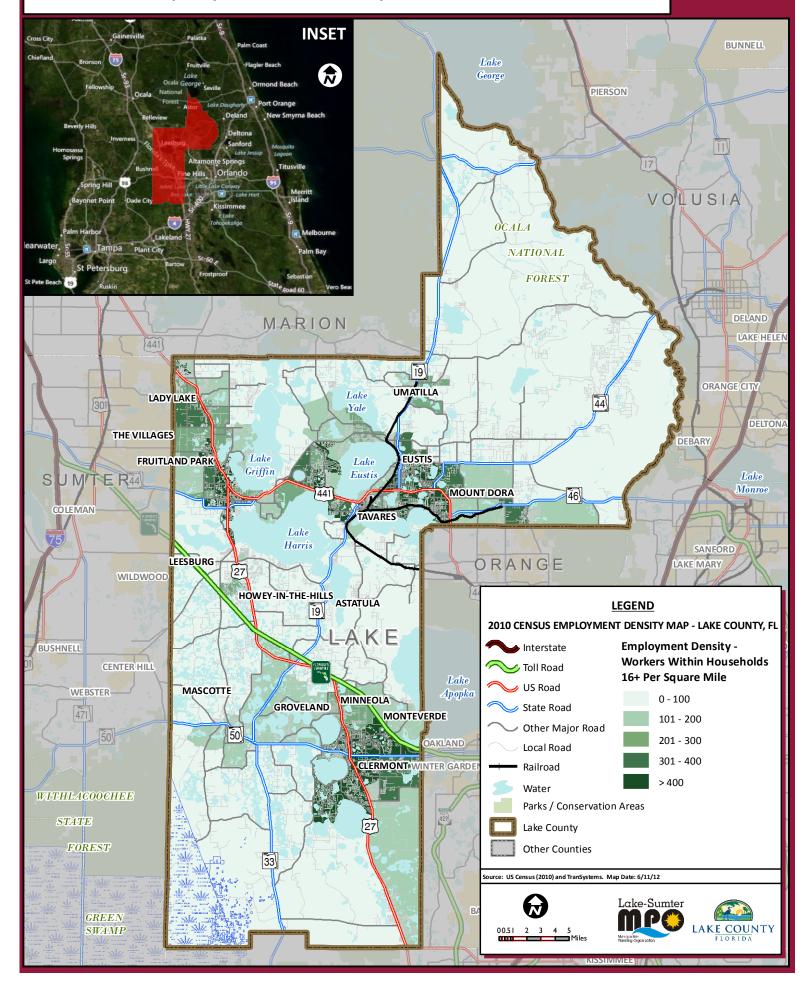




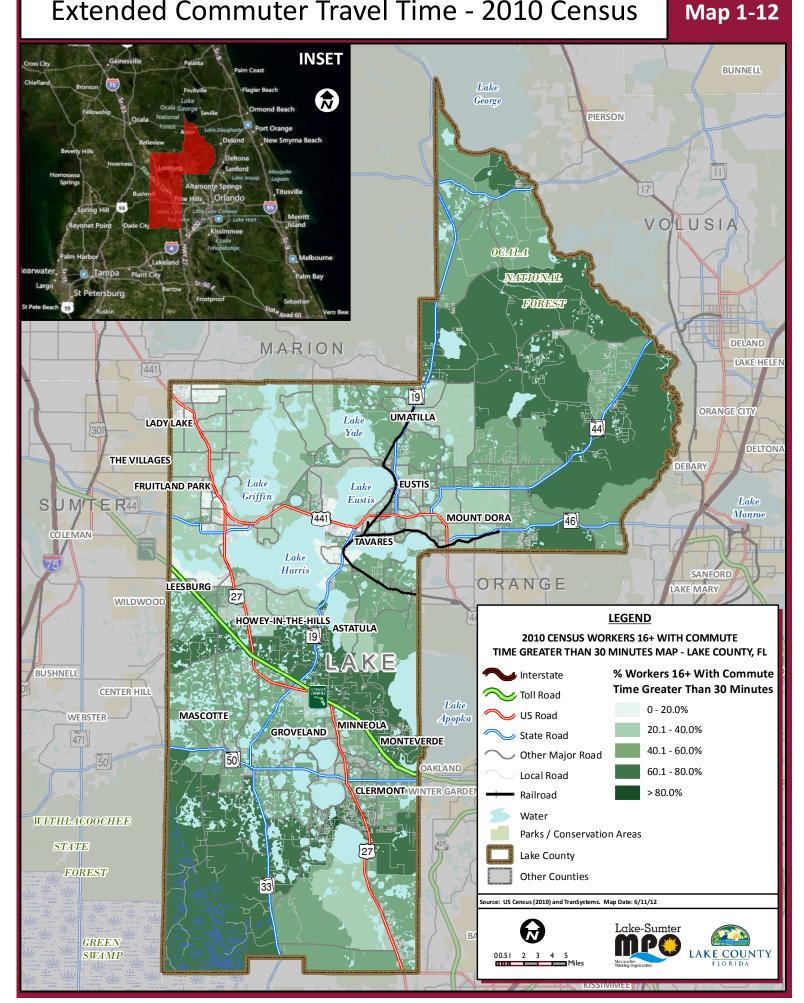
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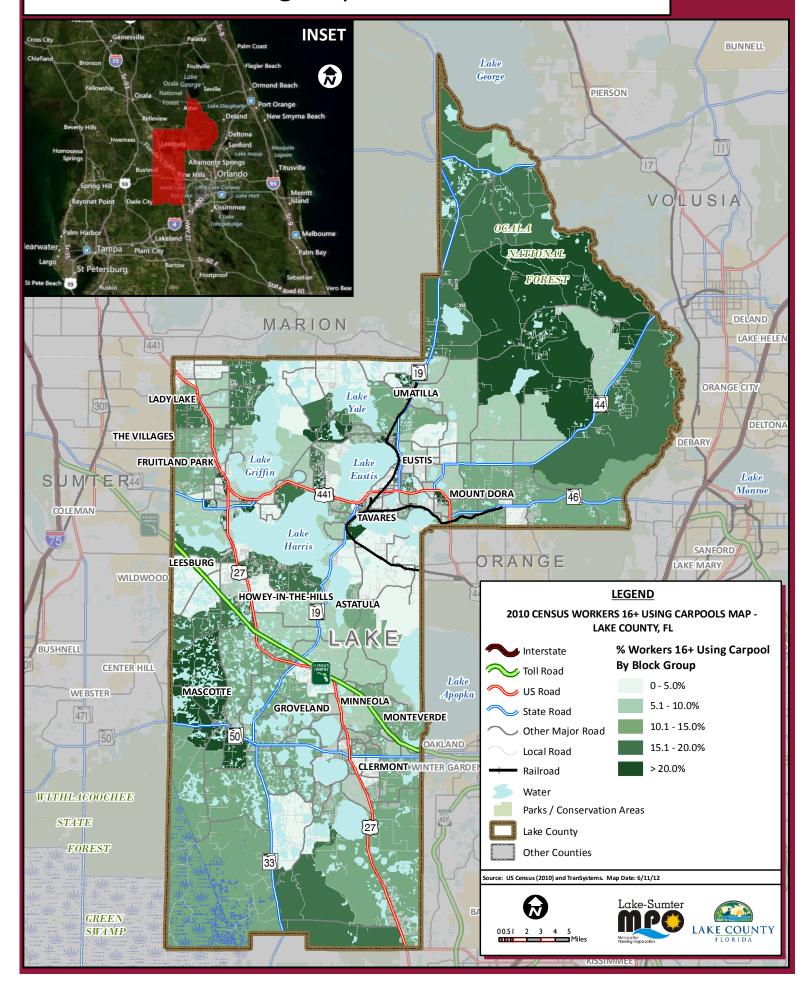
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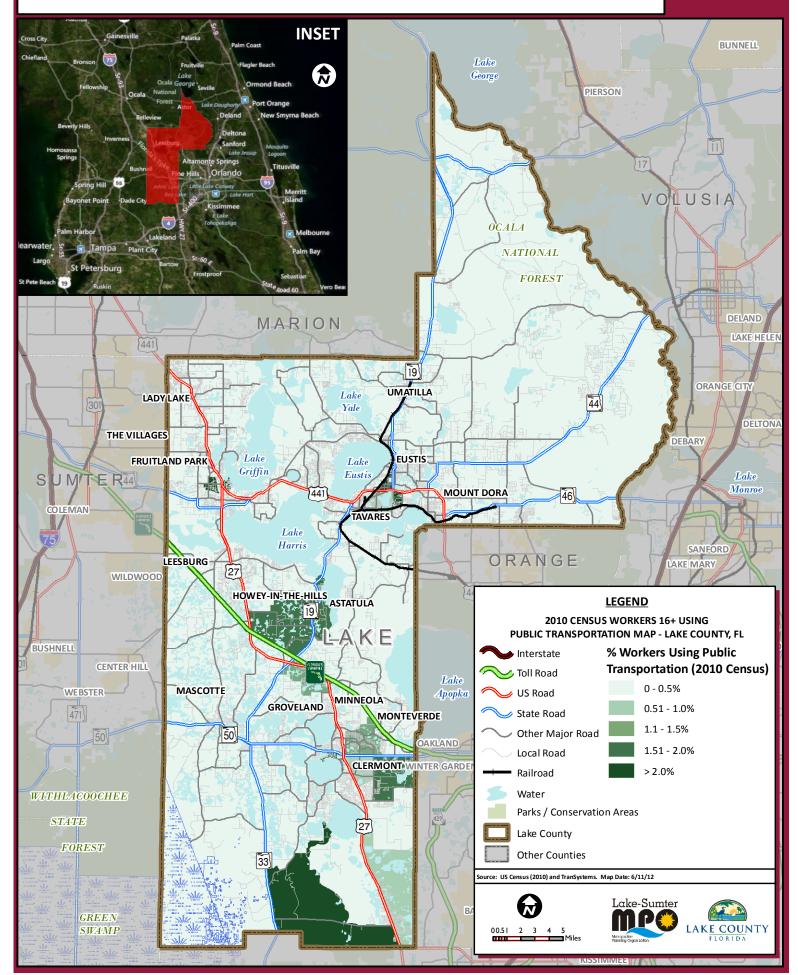


# Extended Commuter Travel Time - 2010 Census



# Workers Using Carpools - 2010 Census





# **Major Activity Centers**

