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March 21, 2016

TO:

Lafayette County Transportation Disadvantaged Coordinating Board

FROM:

Lynn Godfrey, AICP, Senior Planner

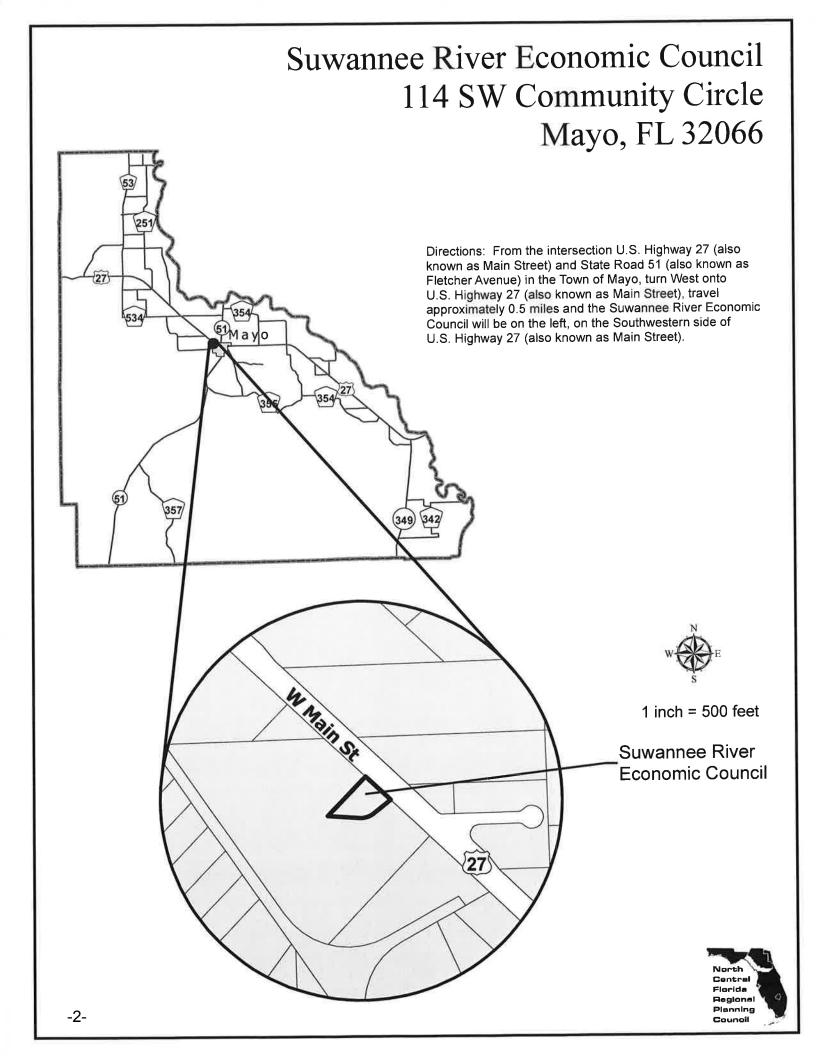
SUBJECT:

Meeting Announcement

The Lafayette County Transportation Disadvantaged Coordinating Board will Board will meet **Monday**, **March 28**, **2016** at **2:00** p.m. in the meeting room of Suwannee River Economic Council located on State Road 27 in Mayo, Florida. This is an important meeting of the Board. All Board members are encouraged to attend this meeting.

Attached is a meeting agenda and supporting materials. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me at extension 110.

Attachments





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Meeting Room

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LAFAYETTE COUNTY

TRANSPORTATION DISADVANTAGED COORDINATING BOARD

MEETING ANNOUNCEMENT AND AGENDA

March 28, 2016 Suwannee River Economic Council 2:00 p.m. Mayo, Florida **BUSINESS MEETING - CALL TO ORDER** T. Pledge of Allegiance A. В. Invocation **Introductions** C. **ACTION REQUIRED** D. Approval of the Meeting Agenda Page 7 **ACTION REQUIRED** E. Approval of the November 16, 2015 **Minutes** II. **NEW BUSINESS ACTION REQUIRED** Page 11 A. **Lafayette County Transportation Disadvantaged Service Plan Amendments** The Board needs to review and approve amendments to the Lafayette County Transportation Disadvantaged Service Plan Page 41 NO ACTION REQUIRED **Operations Reports** В.

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NO ACTION REQUIRED

III. OTHER BUSINESS

- A. Comments
 - 1. Members
 - 2. Citizens

IV. FUTURE MEETING DATES

- A. May 23, 2016 at 2:00 p.m.
- B. September 19, 2016 at 2:00 p.m.
- C. November 14, 2016 at 2:00 p.m.

If you have any questions concerning the enclosed materials, please do not hesitate to contact me at 1-800-226-0690, extension 110.

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^{*} Please note that this is a tentative meeting schedule, all dates and times are subject to change.

LAFAYETTE COUNTY TRANSPORTATION DISADVANTAGED COORDINATING BOARD

MEMBER/REPRESENTING	ALTERNATE/REPRESENTING		
Commissioner Anthony Adams	Not Applicable		
Local Elected Official/Chair			
Sandra Collins	Janell Damato		
Florida Department of Transportation	Florida Department of Transportation		
Kay Tice	Vacant		
Florida Department of Children and Families	Florida Department of Children and Families		
Grievance Committee Member	•		
Vacant	Vacant		
Florida Department of Education	Florida Department of Education		
Vacant	Vacant		
Florida Department of Elder Affairs	Florida Department of Elder Affairs		
Deweece Ogden	Pamela Hagley		
Florida Agency for Health Care Administration	Florida Agency for Health Care Administration		
	Anthony Jennings		
Sheryl Rehberg, Vice Chair Regional Workforce Development Board	Regional Workforce Development Board		
	Regional Workforce Development Board		
Grievance Committee Member	Vacant		
Ricky Lyons	Florida Association for Community Action		
Florida Association for Community Action	Term ending June 30, 2017		
Term ending June 30, 2017			
Richie Page	Vacant		
Public Education	Public Education		
Carlton Black	Vacant		
Veterans	Veterans		
Grievance Committee Member	Term ending June 30, 2017		
Term ending June 30, 2017			
Cindy Morgan	Vacant		
Citizen Advocate	Citizen Advocate		
Grievance Committee Member	Term ending June 30, 2018		
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Vacant	Vacant		
Citizen Advocate - User	Citizen Advocate - User		
Term ending June 30, 2018	Term ending June 30, 2018		
Vacant	Vacant		
Persons with Disabilities	Persons with Disabilities		
Term ending June 30, 2018	Term ending June 30, 2018		
Martha Humphries	Vacant		
Elderly	Elderly		
Grievance Committee Member	Term ending June 30, 2017		
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Ginger Calhoun	Vacant		
Medical Community	Medical Community		
Term ending June 30, 2016	Term ending June 30, 2016		
Colleen Cody	Vacant		
Children at Risk	Children at Risk		
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Note: Unless specified, members and alternates serve at the pleasure of the North Central Florida Regional Planning Council.

LAFAYETTE COUNTY TRANSPORTATION DISADVANTAGED COORDINATING BOARD

MEETING MINUTES

Meeting Room Suwannee River Economic Council Mayo, Florida Monday November 16, 2015 2:00 p.m.

VOTING MEMBERS PRESENT

Commissioner Curtis Hamlin, Chairman
Carlton Black, Veterans Representative
Ginger Calhoun, Medical Community Representative
Sandra Collins, Florida Department of Transportation Representative
Colleen Cody, Children at Risk Representative
Martha Humphries, Elderly Representative
Anthony Jennings representing Sheryl Rehberg, Workforce Development Board Representative
Ricky Lyons, Florida Association for Community Action Representative

VOTING MEMBERS ABSENT

Cindy Morgan, Citizen Advocate Kay Tice, Florida Department of Children and Families Representative Deweece Ogden, Florida Agency for Health Care Administration Medicaid Representative

OTHERS PRESENT

Matthew Pearson, Suwannee River Economic Council

STAFF PRESENT

Lynn Godfrey, North Central Florida Regional Planning Council

I. CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Hamlin called the business meeting to order at 2:00 p.m.

A. Invocation

Mr. Matthew Pearson gave the invocation.

B. Pledge of Allegiance

Chairman Hamlin led the Board in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance.

C. Introductions

Chairman Hamlin asked everyone to introduce themselves.

D. Approval of the Meeting Agenda

ACTION:

Ricky Lyons moved to approve the meeting agenda. Martha Humphries seconded; motion passed unanimously.

E. Approval of the September 28, 2015 Meeting Minutes

ACTION:

Colleen Cody moved to approve the September 28, 2105 meeting minutes. Sandra Collins seconded; motion passed unanimously.

II. NEW BUSINESS

A. Annual Performance Evaluation

Ms. Lynn Godfrey, North Central Florida Regional Planning Council Senior Planner, stated that the Board is required to annually evaluate Suwannee River Economic Council's performance as the Community Transportation Coordinator for Lafayette County. She said a draft performance evaluation is included in the meeting packet for the Board's review.

The Board reviewed the annual performance evaluation.

ACTION:

Ricky Lyons moved to approve Suwannee River Economic Council's annual performance evaluation. Ginger Calhoun seconded; motion passed unanimously.

B. Annual Operations Report

Ms. Godfrey stated that Suwannee River Economic Council is required to submit an annual operations report to the Florida Commission for the Transportation Disadvantaged by September 15 of each year. She said the Lafayette County 2014-2015 Annual Operations Report is included in the meeting materials for the Board to review.

The Board reviewed the Annual Operations Report.

C. Operations Reports

Mr. Matthew Pearson, Suwannee River Economic Council Executive Director, discussed the operations reports. He said Suwannee River Economic Council recently hired a new driver and will be able to provide more trips. He also discussed safety concerns and encouraged anyone who observes a Suwannee River Economic Council driver unsafely operating a vehicle to notify him.

III. OTHER BUSINESS

A. Comments

1. Members

Ms. Sandra Collins commended Suwannee River Economic Council and congratulated them on receiving the 2015 Rural Community Transportation Coordinator of the Year Award. She also said the Florida Department of Transportation will be conducting a safety review of Suwannee River Economic Council next week.

Chair Hamlin announced that he will no longer serve as Chair of the Board. He said he will not be serving another term in office as a County Commissioner and is beginning to step down from his committee assignments. He said he has enjoyed serving as Chair of the Board.

The Board thanked Chair Hamlin for his dedicated service and wished him well.

2. Citizens

There were no citizen comments.

IV. FUTURE MEETING DATES

Chairman Hamlin announced that the next meeting of the Board will be held Monday, March 21, 2016.

ADJOURNMENT		
The meeting adjourned at 2:30 p.m.		
Chair	Date	

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TO:

Lafayette County Transportation Disadvantaged Coordinating Board

FROM:

Lynn Godfrey, AICP, Senior Planner

SUBJECT:

Lafayette County Transportation Disadvantaged Service Plan Amendments

RECOMMENDATION

Approve the Lafayette County Transportation Disadvantaged Service Plan amendments.

BACKGROUND

The Lafayette County Transportation Disadvantaged Service Plan includes the rates charged for Transportation Disadvantaged Program sponsored services. Attached are Suwannee River Economic Council's Fiscal Year 2016/17 service rates. The Board needs to review and approve Suwannee River Economic Council's service rates.

In addition, projects selected for funding under Moving Ahead for Progress in the 21st Century (MAP-21) Act programs must be derived from a Coordinated Public Transit-Human Services Transportation Plan. The Lafayette County Transportation Disadvantaged Service Plan serves as the Coordinated Public Transit-Human Services Transportation Plan for Lafayette County. Attached are draft amendments to the Lafayette County Transportation Disadvantaged Service Plan that meet the Federal requirements. Also, attached is Suwannee River Economic Councils' application for U.S.C. Section 5311 grant funds.

If you have any questions concerning this matter, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Attachments

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Lafayette County Transportation Disadvantaged Service Plan

July 1, 2015 - June 30, 2016

Lafayette County Transportation Disadvantaged Coordinating Board



3. Barriers to Coordination

Medicaid non-emergency transportation services are no longer coordinated through Florida's Coordinated Transportation System in Lafayette County. In May 2014, the Florida Agency for Health Care Administration implemented Florida's Managed Medical Care Program. The Managed Medical Care Program requires Managed Medical Assistance Plans to provide transportation to their enrollees who have no other means of transportation available.

The Managed Medical Assistance Plans provide transportation services directly through their own network of transportation providers. According Chapter 2 of the Florida Agency for Health Care Administration Transportation Coverage, Limitations and Reimbursement Handbook, July 1997, "Medicaid is required by Chapter 427, Florida Statues to purchase transportation services through the designated Community Transportation Coordinator, unless those services are not cost effective or the Community Transportation Coordinator does not coordinate Medicaid transportation services."

4. Needs Assessment

United States Code Section 5311 Grant Program

PROJECT	PROJECT YEAR	AREAS AFFECTED BY PROJECT	ESTIMATED COST	FUNDING SOURCE
Provide transportation services to the	2016/17	<u>Lafayette</u> <u>County</u>	\$111,687	Federal Transit Administration
transportation disadvantaged.			<u>\$111,687</u>	Suwannee River Economic Council

Transportation Disadvantaged Trust Fund Grant

PROJECT	PROJECT YEAR	AREAS AFFECTED BY PROJECT	ESTIMATED COST	FUNDING SOURCE
Provide trips to transportation disadvantaged	2015/16	Lafayette County	\$142,044	Transportation Disadvantaged Trust Fund
individuals.			\$15,783	Suwannee River Economic Council

Appendix B: Cost/Revenue Allocation and Rate Structure Justification

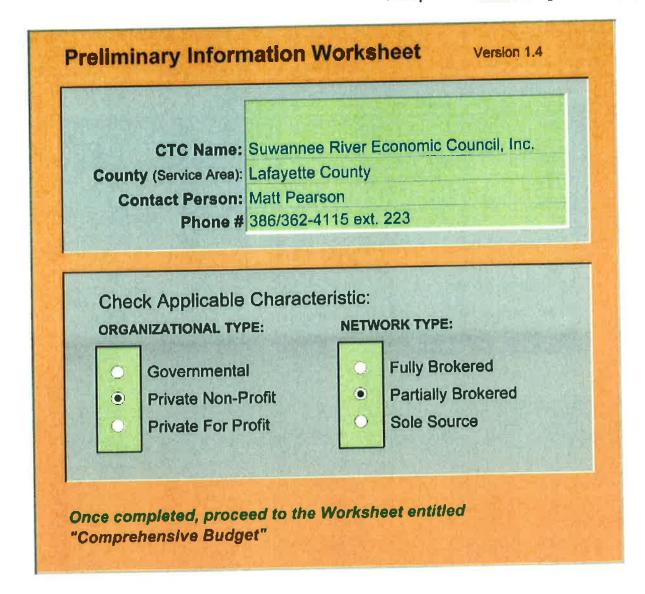
COMMUNITY TRANSPORTATION COORDINATOR: Suwannee River Economic Council, Inc.

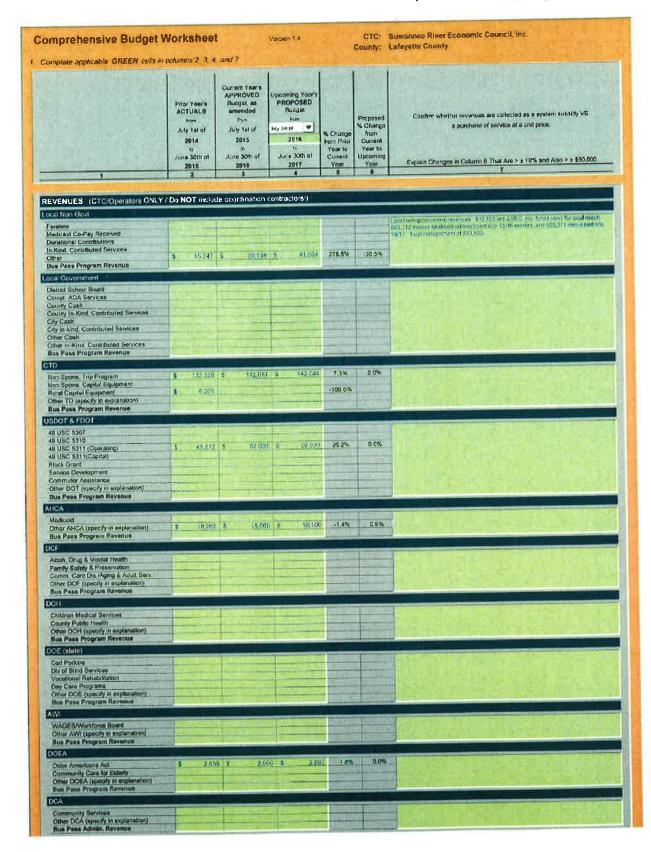
COUNTY: Lafayette

CONTRACT PERIOD: July 1, 2016 - June 30, 2017

PURCHASING AGENCY: Florida Commission for the Transportation Disadvantaged

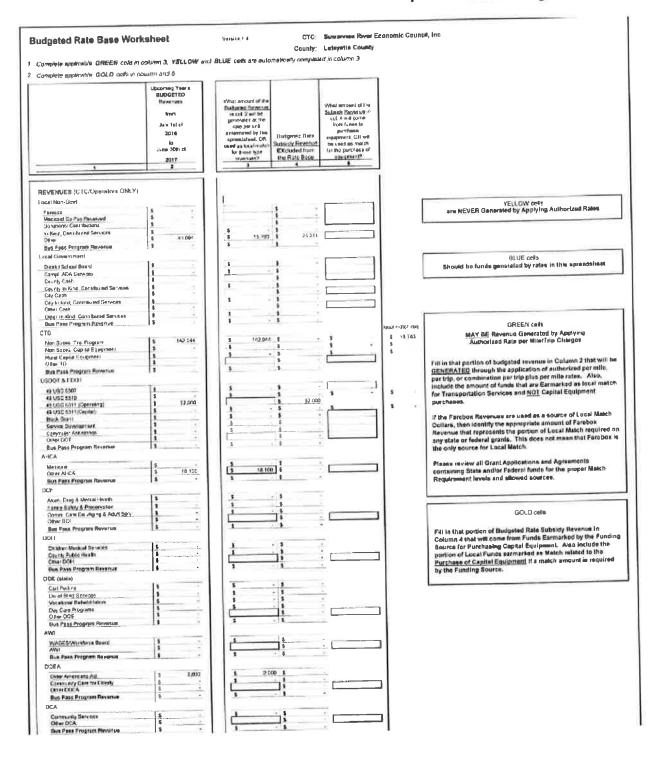
PROGRAM/SERVICE TYPE	COST PER PASSENGER MILE
Transportation Disadvantaged Program Ambulatory	\$1.98 2.05/passenger mile
Transportation Disadvantaged Wheelchair	\$ 3.39 <u>3.51</u> /passenger mile
Transportation Disadvantaged Program Stretcher	\$ 7.07_ 7.31/passenger mile

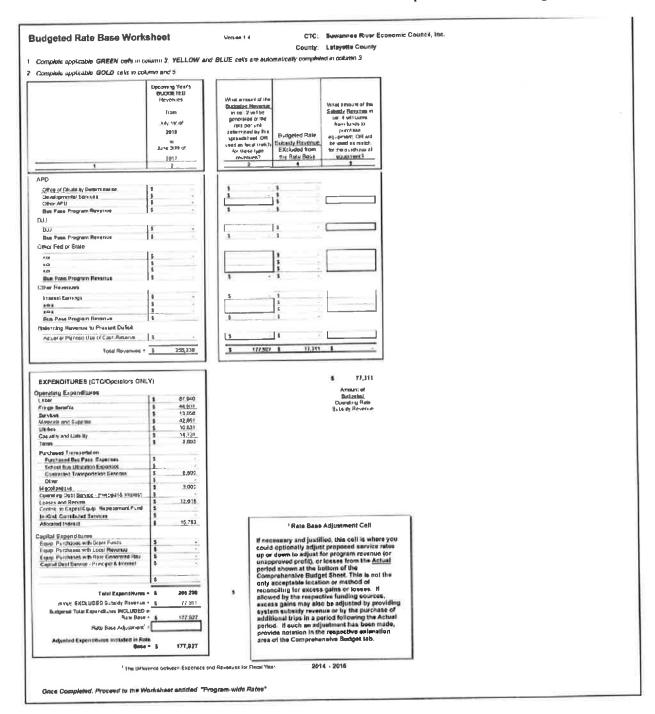


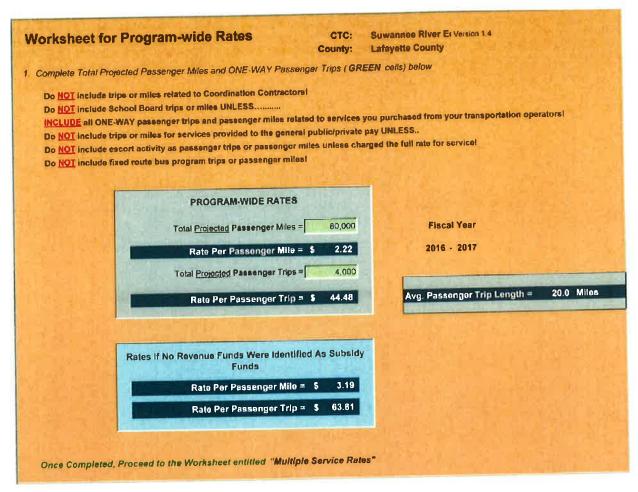


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Transportation Disadvantaged Service Plan







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Vehicle Revenue Miles (VRM)

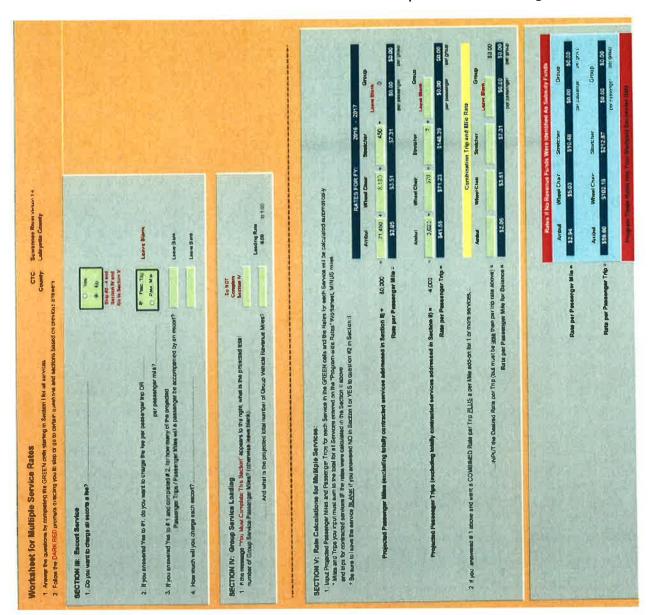
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Operator training, and Vehicle maintenance testing, as well as

School bus and charter services.

Passenger Miles (PM)

The cumulative sum of the distances ridden by each passenger.



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LAFAYETTE COUNTY

5311 CAPITAL ASSISTANCE APPLICATION



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STATE OF FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

GRANT APPLICATION

<u>Suwannee River Economic Council, Inc.</u> submits this Application for the Section 5311 Program Grant and agrees to comply with all assurances and exhibits attached hereto and by this reference made a part thereof, as itemized in the Checklist for Application Completeness.

Suwannee River Economic Council, Inc. further agrees, to the extent provided by law (in case of a government agency in accordance with Sections 129.07 and 768.28, Florida Statutes) to indemnify, defend and hold harmless the Department and all of its officers, agents and employees from any claim, loss, damage, cost, charge, or expense out of the non-compliance by the Agency, its officers, agents or employees, with any of the assurances stated in this Application.

This Application is submitted on this 10^{th} day of December ,2015 with two (2) original resolutions or certified copies of the original resolution authorizing Matt Pearson. Executive Director to sign this Application.

Agency Name	Suwannee River Economic Council, Inc
Ву:	Matt Pearson
Title:	Executive Director
Date	

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RESOLUTION NUMBER: 092815 - Lafayette County

THIS RESOLUTION of the Suwannee River Economic Council, Inc. (hereinafter the "Applicant") authorizes the below named designee on behalf of the Applicant, to sign and submit grant application(s) required supporting documents, certifications and assurances to the Florida Department of Transportation, to accept grant award(s) from and to execute and administer related joint participation agreement(s) with the Florida Department of Transportation, and to purchase vehicles and/or equipment and/or expend grant funds pursuant to grant award(s).

WHEREAS, the Applicant desires to and has the fiscal and managerial capability, matching funds and legal authority to apply for and accept grants and make purchases and/or expend funds pursuant to grant awards made by the Florida Department of Transportation as authorized by Chapter 341, Florida Statutes and/or by the Federal Transit Administration Act of 1964, as amended, including but not limited to 49 U.S.C Sections 5310 and 5311, where applicable.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE APPLICANT:

- 1. The above recitals are true and correct and are incorporated herein as if fully set forth in the body of this Resolution.
- 2. This resolution applies to Federal Program(s) under 49 U.S.C. Section(s) Section 5311.
- 3. The submission of grant application(s) required supporting documents, certifications and assurances to the Florida Department of Transportation is approved.
- 4. Matt Pearson, Executive Director or his/her duly appointed successor in title is hereby designated and authorized to on behalf of the Applicant, sign and submit application(s) and all required supporting documents, give all required certifications and assurances, accept grant award(s) from and execute and administer related joint participation agreement(s) with the Florida Department of Transportation, purchase vehicles/equipment and/or expend grant funds pursuant to a grant award, unless and until this authorization is specifically rescinded and written notice thereof is sent by certified mail, return receipt requested, to and received by the Florida Department of Transportation at the following address:

 Attention: Doreen Joyner-Howard, AICP, District Modal Development Manager, Florida Department of Transportation, 2198 Edison Avenue, MS 2812, Jacksonville, FL 32204-2730.
- 5 N/A is also hereby designated and authorized to sign requests for Joint Participation Agreement Time Extensions as my be required.

The foregoing resolution was	DULY PASSED.	ADOPTED	AND became	EFFECT	VE at a duly called
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(Stamp corporate seal here:)

Original Signature Chairman of the Board

Richard Tillis, President

ATTEST:

(Original Signature, Clerk/Secretary)

Oleatha Harris, Secretary

OMB Number: 4040-0004 Expiration Date: 8/31/2016

Application for Federal Assista	nce SF-424	
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* a. Legal Name: Suwannee River	Economic Council, In	c.
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* Street1: 1101 Nobles E Street2: * City: Live Oak County/Parish: * State: PL: Florida Province: * Country: USA: UNITED SO * Zip / Postal Code: 32064		
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f. Name and contact information of pe	rson to be contacted on ma	atters involving this application:
Prefix: Mr . Mr . Middle Name: * Last Name: Pearson Suffix:		Matc
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Application for Federal Assistance SF-424
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* 10. Name of Federal Agency:
Federal Transit Administration
11. Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance Number:
20-509
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* 12. Funding Opportunity Number:
U.S.C. Section 5311
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* 15. Descriptive Title of Applicant's Project:
Provide Transportation Services for the Transportation Disadvantaged
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Exhibit A

Current System Description

1. What is a general overview of the organization including its mission, program goals, and objectives?

Suwannee River Economic Council, Inc. is a non-profit organization chartered in 1964 whose purpose is to provide services to low income and elderly citizens to alleviate poverty. SREC, Inc. currently is the state designated transportation provider in five rural North Florida counties including Dixie, Bradford, Gilchrist, Union and Lafayette County. A voluntary Board of Directors governs SREC, Inc. The Board employs an Executive Director who has normal CEO responsibilities with the agency and the many programs it administers. SREC, Inc. has four Program Directors providing direct supervision of the ongoing programs, including Transportation.

2. What is the organizational structure, type of operation, number of employees, and other pertinent organizational information?

As the Community Transportation Coordinator for five rural counties in North Florida, SREC, Inc. operates partial brokerages, with all trips provided by SREC, Inc. The exception to this is stretcher services which are contracted to a local government provider. SREC, Inc. provides mainly demand response services, and requires twenty-four hour notice for trip requests. SREC, Inc's Executive Director has direct oversight of the Director of Transportation, who in turn manages the Transportation Department. Currently, SREC, Inc. employs approximately twenty employees in the Transportation Department across five counties: Dixie County, Gilchrist County, Lafayette County, Bradford County, and Union County.

3. Who is responsible for insurance, training, management, and administration of the agency's transportation program?

SREC, Inc. uses the FDOT approved computer testing and training module to train drivers and staff. Administrative aspects of the Transportation Department, including but not limited to fleet inventory and maintenance, driver credentialing, insurance tracking, and record keeping, are led by the Director of Transportation.

4. Who provides maintenance for the vehicles?

SREC, Inc. uses private contractors to perform all vehicle maintenance, service, and repair.

5. What is the agency's current number of transportation related employees?

Currently, SREC, Inc. employs approximately twenty employees in the Transportation Department across five counties: Dixie County, Gilchrist County, Lafayette County, Bradford County, and Union County.

6. Who will drive the vehicle, number of drivers, CDL certifications?

SREC, Inc. currently employs one dispatcher/scheduler and averages three drivers in Lafayette County. All of our drivers meet FDOT credentialing requirements.

7. What is a detailed description of service routes and ridership numbers?

Lafayette County is an extremely rural community. Therefore minimal medical facilities are available to residents. The vast majority of medical appointments are made in Gainesville where facilities are more prevalent. Since it is over 40 miles to Gainesville where these appointments are necessary, SREC, Inc. makes two daily trips to Gainesville. There are routes running almost hourly to dialysis and local health care providers for local trips. SREC, Inc. anticipates providing 4,340 trips in the upcoming year for purposes such as medical, nutritional, shopping, and employment. However, due to funding restraints most of the transportation services provided are medically necessary.

8.2. EXHIBIT A-1: FACT SHEET

Name of Applicant: Suwannee River Economic Council, Inc.

	CURRENTLY	IF GRANT IS AWARDED
Number of one-way passenger trips.* PER YEAR	3,791	3,791
2. Number of individuals served unduplicated (first ride per rider per fiscal year). PER YEAR**	294	29.4
3. Number of vehicles used for this service. ACTUAL	3	3
4. Number of ambulatory seats. AVERAGE PER VEHICLE (Total ambulatory seats divided by total number of fleet vehicles)	8	8
5. Number of wheelchair positions. AVERAGE PER VEHICLE (Total wheelchair positions divided by total number of fleet vehicles)	2	2
6. Vehicle miles traveled. PER YEAR	80,642	80,642
7. Average vehicle miles PER DAY	310	310
8. Normal vehicle hours in operation. PER DAY	18	18
Normal number of days in operation. PER WEEK	6	6
10. Trip length (roundtrip). AVERAGE	43	43

Estimates are acceptable. The information listed should be specific to the Section 5311 funds and not agency wide.



^{*} One way passenger trip is the unit of service provided each time a passenger enters the vehicle, is transported, then exits the vehicle. Each different destination would constitute a passenger trip

^{**} The unduplicated riders are for current year and the subsequent year once the grant is awarded

Exhibit B Proposed Project Description

1. Is the project to continue the existing level of services, to expand present service, or to provide new service? How will a grant award be used? If the grant is awarded, will the agency provide more hours? If the grant is awarded, will the agency provide service to a larger geographic area? If the grant is awarded, will the agency provide shorter headways? If the grant is awarded, will the agency provide more trips?

The requested 5311 funding should help maintain the existing levels of service currently being provided by continuing to offset the cost of services by providing necessary operating funding assistance. Due to the rural nature of Lafayette County trip lengths are increased due to minimal medical facilities, therefore increase cost. However, with local Governments providing limited local resources and the continued reductions in the State Medicaid allocation, as well as reduction in the Transportation Disadvantaged Trust Funds, the 5311 program funding funds fill the gap and allow for transportation services to be provided in rural areas like Lafayette County. Therefore the requested 5311 funding helps offset the cost of the entire transportation system and allows for continued transportation services to be provided to those in need in Lafayette County.

2. If a grant award will be used to maintain services as described in Exhibit A, specifically explain how it will be used in the context of total service. Make sure to include information on how the agency will maintain adequate financial, maintenance, and operating records and comply with FTA reporting requirements including information for the Annual Program of Projects Status Reports, Milestone Activity Reports, NTD reporting, DBE reports etc.

Due to the nature of a rural area such as Lafayette County and the need for transportation services to travel over 70 miles to medical facilities, multiple daily trips are required to cover these distances while also trying to balance the needs and physical limitations of the passengers whom we serve. It is imperative to operate the transportation services provided by SREC, Inc. as efficiently and economically as possible while maintaining that balance between business and compassion. The funding requested from 5311 funding will enable SREC, Inc. to continue tracking efficiency within the transportation system and maintain detailed recording and reporting throughout the program.

- 3. Give a detailed explanation of the need for the vehicle and provide evidence of the need. N/A
- Will a grant award be used to replace existing equipment or purchase additional vehicles/equipment? Provide details.
 N/A
- Identify vehicles/equipment being replaced and list them on the "Current Vehicle and Transportation Equipment Inventory" form (see page Error! Bookmark not defined.).
 N/A
- Describe the agency's maintenance program and include a section describing how vehicles will be maintained without interruptions in service (who, what, where, and when).
 N/A

- If vehicles and/or equipment are proposed to be used by a lessee or private operator under contract to the applicant, identify the proposed lessee/operator.
 N/A
- 8. Each applicant shall indicate whether they are a government authority or a private non-profit agency, provide a brief description of the project which includes the counties served, whether the applicant employees are represented by a union and if so represented the name and local number of the union.

Suwannee River Economic Council, Inc. is a private non-profit agency. The project will be in Lafayette County. Employees are not represented by a union.

- 9. Fully explain your transportation program
 - a. Service hours, planned service, routes and trip types SREC, Inc. provides transportation to Lafayette County residents six days a week. While the dispatch office operates 8:00 am 4:30 pm, drivers operate according to client need (medical appointments, etc.). Trips types vary, including but not limited to medical, nutritional, shopping, and employment.
 - Staffing include plan for training on vehicle equipment such as wheelchair lifts, etc.
 SREC, Inc. uses the FDOT approved computer testing and training module to train drivers and staff.
 - c. Records maintenance
 Administrative aspects of the Transportation Department, including but not limited to fleet inventory and maintenance, driver credentialing, insurance tracking, and record keeping, are led by the Director of Transportation.
 - d. Vehicle maintenance who, what, when and where All maintenance is performed by private contractors for service. SREC, Inc. has no mechanics on staff. The SREC, Inc. current SSPP requires safety inspections to be performed every 5,000 miles. The checklist used by the mechanics is an FDOT approved checklist. Annual Inspections are performed annually and general maintenance is performed as needed if the driver reports an issue during the required daily inspection or if the van has a mechanical failure.
 - e. CDL requirements N/A
 - f. System Safety Program Plan (SSPP)
 SREC, Inc. has maintained excellent safety and training records and continues to provide safe efficient, cost effective services for the residents of Lafayette County who need transportation services. SREC, Inc. has recently gone through the process of updating all safety records including the newly updated SSPP.

- g. Drug free work place SREC, Inc. has an established anti-drug and alcohol misuse prevention program that is implemented in accordance with FDOT regulations. This program is reviewed and updated on a regular basis with the most recent compliance certification this current year.
- 10. How do you currently fund the operations of your transit program?

Suwannee River Economic Council, Inc. utilizes a combination of funding sources including Section 5311, Commission for the Transportation Disadvantaged, and Medicaid.

11. If this grant is not fully funded, can you still proceed with this program?

Yes, but services would be drastically reduced.

9.3. FORM B-1: TRANSPORTATION RELATED OPERATING AND ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSES

Name of Applicant: Suwannee River Economic Council, Inc.

Name of Transit Program: Lafayette County

Applicant Fiscal period start and end dates: July 1, 2016 - June 30, 2017

State Fiscal period from: July 1, 2016 to June 30, 2017

EXPENSE CATEGORY	TOTAL EXPENSE	FTA ELIGIBLE EXPENSE		
Labor (501)	80,746	80,746		
Fringe and Benefits (502)	45,436	45.436		
Services (503)	12.270	12,270		
Materials and Supplies (504)	23,011	23,011		
Vehicle Maintenance (504.01)	25,029	25.029		
Utilities (505)	10,605	10.605		
Insurance (506)	12,533	12,533		
Licenses and Taxes (507)	545	545		
Purchased Transit Service (508)	0	0		
Miscellaneous (509)	1,104	1,104		
Leases and Rentals (512)	12,094	12,094		
Depreciation (513)				
TOTAL	223,373	223,373		

SECTION 5311 GRANT REQUEST:

Total FTA Eligible Expenses (from Form B-1, above)	\$223,373	(a)
Rural Passenger Fares (from Form B-2)	\$0	(b)
Operating Deficit	\$223,373	(c)
[FTA Eligible Expenses (a) minus Rural Passenger Fares (b	o)] (from Form B-2)	
Section 5311 Request	\$111,687	(d)
(No more than 50% of Operating Deficit)		
Grant Total All Revenues (from Form B-2)	\$223,373	*(e)

Note: If Grand Total Revenues (e) exceeds FTA Eligible Expenses (a), reduce the Section 5311 Request (d) by that amount.



9.5. FORM B-2: TRANSPORTATION-RELATED OPERATING AND ADMINISTRATIVE REVENUES

Name of Applicant: Suwannee River Economic Council, Inc.

Name of Transit Program: Lafayette County, FL

Applicant Fiscal period start and end dates: July 1, 2016 - June 30, 2017

State Fiscal period from July 1, 2016 to June 30, 2017

OPERATING REVENUE CATEGORY	TOTAL REVENU	REVENUE USED AS FTA MATCH
Passenger Fares for Transit Service (401)	Total= \$ Rural =\$ 0	(b)
Special Transit Fares (402)		
School Bus Service Revenues (403)		
Freight Tariffs (404)		
Charter Service Revenues (405)		301
Auxiliary Transportation Revenues (406)		
Non-transportation Revenues (407)		
Total Operating Revenue	0	S
OTHER REVENUE CATEGORY	0	
Taxes Levied directly by the Transit System (408)		
Local Cash Grants and Reimbursements (409)		
Local Special Fare Assistance (410)		
State Cash Grants and Reimbursements (411)	161,361	161,361
State Special Fare Assistance (412)		
Federal Cash Grants and Reimbursements (413)	62,012	62,012
Interest Income (414)		
Contributed Services (430)		
Contributed Cash (431)		
Subsidy from Other Sectors of Operations (440)		
Total of Other Revenue	0	0
GRAND TOTAL ALL REVENUE	223,373	223,373

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March 21, 2016

TO:

Lafayette County Transportation Disadvantaged Coordinating Board

FROM:

Lynn Godfrey, AICP, Senior Planner

SUBJECT:

Operations Reports

RECOMMENDATION

No action required. This agenda item is for information only.

BACKGROUND

Attached are the following reports for the Board's review:

- 1. Suwannee River Economic Council Operations Report October December 2015;
- 2. Fiscal Year 2015/16 Transportation Disadvantaged Trust Fund Status Report;
- 3. Suwannee River Economic Council Complaint/Commendation Report October December 2015; and
- 4. Suwannee River Economic Council Trip Denial Report October December 2015.

If you have any questions regarding the attached reports, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Attachments

QUARTERLY OPERATING REPORT SUWANNEE RIVER ECONOMIC COUNCIL, INC. LAFAYETTE COUNTY OCTOBER - DECEMBER 2015

OPERATING DATA SREC NUMBER OF INVOICED TRIPS 867 Florida Managed Medical Assistance Program 40 Florida Transportation Disadvantaged Program 691 S.R.E.C. - Title III-B Meal Site 136 TOTAL VEHICLE MILES 14,612 TOTAL REVENUE VEHICLE MILES 10,716 TOTAL VEHICLE HOURS 511 \$42,434.46 TOTAL DOLLARS INVOICED Florida Managed Medical Assistance Program \$2,518.90 Transportation Disadvantaged Program \$38,827.56 S.R.E.C. - Title III-B Meal Site \$1,088,00 **AVERAGE COST PER TRIP** \$48.94 Florida Managed Medical Assistance Program \$62.97 Transportation Disadvantaged Program \$56.19 S.R.E.C. - Title III-B Meal Site \$8.00 AVERAGE COST PER VEHICLE MILE \$2.90 AVERAGE COST PER REVENUE VEHICLE MILE \$3.96 AVERAGE COST PER VEHICLE HOUR \$83.04 TRIP PURPOSE* Medical 731 Employment Education/Training Shopping Meal Site 136 Recreation Other NUMBER OF TRIPS DENIED 0 NUMBER OF SINGLE PASSENGER TRIPS PROVIDED 53 PERCENT OF SINGLE PASSENGER TRIPS 6% NUMBER OF ACCIDENTS 0 3 NUMBER OF VEHICLES AVERAGE TRIPS PER VEHICLE 289 **AVERAGE MILES PER TRIP** 17 NUMBER OF ROADCALLS MILES BETWEEN ROADCALLS 14,612

Source: Suwannee River Economic Council

QUARTERLY OPERATING REPORT SUWANNEE RIVER ECONOMIC COUNCIL, INC. LAFAYETTE COUNTY OCTOBER 2014 - DECEMBER 2014

OPERATING DATA	TOTAL
NUMBER OF INVOICED TRIPS	824
Florida Commission for the Transportation Disadvantaged Medicaid	0
Florida Managed Medical Assistance Program	86
Transportation Disadvantaged Program	607
S.R.E.C Title III-B Meal Site	131
TOTAL VEHICLE MILES	13,896
TOTAL REVENUE VEHICLE MILES	10,186
TOTAL VEHICLE HOURS	489
TOTAL DOLLARS INVOICED	\$40,499.50
Florida Commission for the Transportation Disadvantaged Medicaid	\$60.00
Florida Managed Medical Assistance Program	\$5,596.50
Transportation Disadvantaged Program	\$33,795.00
S.R.E.C Title III-B Meal Site	\$1,048.00
AVERAGE COST PER TRIP	\$49.15
Florida Commission for the Transportation Disadvantaged Medicaid	#DIV/01
Florida Managed Medical Assistance Program	\$65.08
Transportation Disadvantaged Program	\$55.68
S.R.E.C Title III-B Meal Site	\$8.00
AVERAGE COST PER VEHICLE MILE	\$2.91
AVERAGE COST PER REVENUE VEHICLE MILE	\$3.98
AVERAGE COST PER VEHICLE HOUR	\$82.82
TRIP PURPOSE*	
Medical	890
Employment	
Education/Training	0
Shopping	
Meal Site	131
Recreation	0
Other	0
NUMBER OF TRIPS DENIED	
NUMBER OF SINGLE PASSENGER	
TRIPS PROVIDED	65
PERCENT OF SINGLE PASSENGER TRIPS	8%
NUMBER OF ACCIDENTS	
NUMBER OF VEHICLES	7
AVERAGE TRIPS PER VEHICLE	118
AVERAGE MILES PER TRIP	17
NUMBER OF ROADCALLS	
MILES BETWEEN ROADCALLS	13,896

2015-2016 TRIP/EQUIPMENT GRANT SUMMARY LAFAYETTE COUNTY

CONTRACT AMOUNT: \$142,044.00

MONTH/	TOTAL	TRUST	LOCAL	TOTAL	NUMBER	AVERAGE
YEAR	DOLLARS	FUND	MATCH	AMOUNT	OF TRIPS	COST PER
	SPENT	(90%)	(10%)	REMAINING		TRIP
Jul-15	\$9,721.80	\$8,749.62	\$972.18	\$132,322.20	159	\$61.14
Aug-15	\$14,160.18	\$12,744.16	\$1,416.02	\$118,162.02	219	\$64.66
Sep-15	\$10,981.08	\$9,882.97	\$1,098.11	\$107,180.94	197	\$55.74
Oct-15	\$14,234.40	\$12,810.86	\$1,423.44	\$92,946.54	252	\$56.49
Nov-15	\$11,833.02	\$10,649.72	\$1,183.30	\$81,113.52	229	\$51.67
Dec-15	\$12,760.14	\$11,484.13	\$1,276.10	\$68,353.38	210	\$60.76
Jan-16				\$68,353.38		#DIV/0!
Feb-16				\$68,353.38		#DIV/0!
Mar-16				\$68,353.38		#DIV/0!
Apr-16				\$68,353.38		#DIV/0!
May-16				\$68,353.38		#DIV/0!
Jun-16				\$68,353.38		#DIV/0!

LAFAYETTE COUNTY

SERVICE COMPLAINTS/COMMENDATIONS OCTOBER - DECEMBER 2015

TYPE OF COMPLAINT	TOTAL	Resolved
Vehicle Condition	0	-
Driver's Behavior	2	2
Client Behavior	0	<u> </u>
Tardiness - Late pickup	0	-
Tardiness - Late dropoff	0	-
No Show by Operator	0	-
Dispatch/Scheduling	0	-
Service Denial	0	-
Other	0	-
TOTALS	2	2
COMMENDATIONS	0	-

Source: Suwannee River Economic Council

LAFAYETTE COUNTY UNMET TRANSPORTATION NEEDS OCTOBER - DECEMBER 2015

REASON FOR TRIP DENIAL	NUMBER OF TRIP DENIALS
Lack of Funding	0
Trip Purpose	0
Out of Service Area Trip	0
Insufficient Advance Notice	0
After Hours Trip Request	0
Weekend Trip Request	0
Other	0
TOTALS	0

Source: Suwannee River Economic Council



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March 21, 2016

TO:

Lafayette County Transportation Disadvantaged Coordinating Board

FROM:

Lynn Godfrey, AICP, Senior Planner

SUBJECT:

2016 Florida Legislative Session

RECOMMENDATION

No action required. For information only.

BACKGROUND

Attached is information regarding the 2016 Florida legislative session and changes to Florida's Transportation Disadvantaged Program. If you have any questions concerning the attached information, please contact me at extension 110.

Attachment

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The 2016 Florida Legislative Session came to a close March 11, 2016. The Florida Legislature authorized \$55,211,227 in the Grants and Aids Category for Fiscal Year 2016-17. This is an increase of \$177,523 from the base budget, plus a reinvestment of \$4,250,000 of non-recurring funds that were reverted from Fiscal Year 2015-16.

The Florida Legislature directed the Florida Commission for the Transportation Disadvantaged to use the additional \$4,250,000 in the following three specific ways:

Allocation Methodology Study

• \$200,000 will be used to contract with an independent consultant to research Florida's historic funding of transportation disadvantaged services, the formulas used for distribution of state funds, and the allocation of funding specifically as it relates to urban and rural counties throughout the state. The study will also explore funding formulas and practices of similar services provided in other states.

Direct allocation to "rural" counties

• \$2,300,000 will be allocated to Community Transportation Coordinators who are not direct recipients of U.S.C. Section 5307 funding. Funds are to be used to provide transportation services for persons with disabilities, older adults, and people with low incomes so they may access health care, employment, education and other life-sustaining activities. Funds will be distributed among Community Transportation Coordinators based upon the Transportation Disadvantaged Trust Fund allocation methodology.

Mobility Enhancement Grant

• \$1,750,000 will be used to award competitive grants to Community Transportation Coordinators to support transportation projects that: (1) enhance the access of older adults, persons with disabilities, and persons with low income individuals to health care, shopping, education, employment, public services, and recreation; (2) assist in the development, improvement, and use of transportation systems in non-urbanized areas; (3) promote the efficient coordination of services; (4) support intercity bus transportation; and (5) encourage private transportation provider participation. All Community Transportation Coordinators are eligible to apply for this Mobility Enhancement Grant.

The Florida Legislature also directed each Community Transportation Coordinator to develop and implement performance measures which, at a minimum, address timing of advanced scheduling requests; on-time passenger pickup; improved routing to minimize passenger wait times; error rates for passenger pick-up and drop-off; and collection and public posting of passenger satisfaction survey ratings.

By September 30, 2016, each Community Transportation Coordinator must provide information to the Florida Department of Transportation detailing the adopted performance measures and the methods used for evaluating performance. The Florida Department of Transportation shall provide a report to the chairs of the legislative appropriations committees by December 15, 2016 specifying which entities submitted, or failed to submit, the required information as well as an evaluation of the efficacy of the performance measures and recommendations as to best practices that could be implemented on a statewide basis.

ATTENDANCE RECORD

LAFAYETTE COUNTY TRANSPORTATION DISADVANTAGED COORDINATING BOARD

MEMBER/ORGANIZATION	NAME	3/23/15	6/22/15	9/28/15	11/16/15
Chair	Commissioner Anthony Adams	S			
Florida Department of Transportation	Sandra Collins	Р	Р	Р	Р
Alternate Member	Janell Damato	Α	Α	Α	A
Florida Department of Chidren and Families	Kay Tice	Α	Α	Α	Α
Alternate Member	(Vacant)				
Florida Agency for Health Care Administration	Deweece Ogden			Р	Α
Alternate Member	Pamela Hagley			A	Α
Florida Department of Education	(Vacant)				
Alternate Member	(Vacant)				
Public Education	Richie Page	A	Α	A	Α
Alternate Member	(Vacant)				
Citizen Advocate	Cindy Morgan	Р	Α	Α	Α
Alternate Member	Rhoda Pate	Α	Α	Α	A
Citizen Advocate-User	(Vacant)				
Alternate Member	(Vacant)				
Elderly	Martha Humphries	Α	P	P	Р
Alternate Member	(Vacant)				
Veterans	Carlton Black	Α	P	Α	Р
Alternate Member	(Vacant)				
Persons with Disabilities	(Vacant)				
Alternate Member	(Vacant)				
Florida Department of Elder Affairs	Ricky Lyons	А	Α	Α	Р
Alternate Member	(Vacant)				
Children at Risk	Colleen Cody			P	Р
Alternate Member	(Vacant)				
Local Medical Community	Ginger Calhoun	Р	Α	Р	P
Alternate Member	(Vacant)				
Regional Workforce Board	Sheryl Rehberg	Р	Р	Α	Α
Alternate Member	Anthony Jennings	Α	Α	A	Р

LEGEND KEY: P-Present A-Absent - Not Applicable (newly appointed member)

ATTENDANCE POLICY: According to Article III, Section 5 of the Coordinating Board bylaws: "The North Central Florida Regional Planning Council shall review and consider rescinding the appointment of any voting member of the Board who fails to attend three consecutive meetings."