

2.0 Introduction & Description of Services

This is a section of the plan which covers general information about the transit agency.

Lowndes County Transit System submits this Title VI Plan in compliance with Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, 49 CFR Part 21, and the guidelines of FTA Circular 4702.1B, published October 1, 2012.

Lowndes County Transit System is a sub-recipient of FTA funds and provides service in Lowndes County and surrounding area through a Third Party Operator. Lowndes County's sole transit activity (FTA funded or otherwise) is a Section 5311 Rural Transit Assistance Program Demand Response Transit System ("5311 Transit System"). Lowndes County provides this 5311 Transit System by contracting with a Third-Party Operator, MIDS Transportation, Inc. ("TPO") who provides and operates all of the actual 5311 Transit System services. Lowndes County does not directly or indirectly provide or operate a fixed route transit system. A description of the current Lowndes County Transit System is included in Appendix B.

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Lowndes County Transit System has designated a liaison for Title VI issues and complaints within the TPO organization or the Lowndes County Transit System. The liaison is the focal point for Title VI implementation and monitoring of activities receiving federal financial assistance. Key responsibilities of the Title VI Liaison include:

- Maintain knowledge of Title VI requirements.
- Attend training on Title VI and other nondiscrimination authorities when offered by GDOT or any other regulatory agency.
- Coordinate with the TPO regarding the TPO's dissemination of Title VI information to the public including in languages other than English where necessary.
- Coordinate with the TPO regarding the TPO's development and implementation of a process to collect data related to race, gender and national origin of service area population to ensure low income, minorities, and other underserved groups are included and not discriminated against.