

Transportation Disadvantaged Local Coordinating Board Members

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*Ocala Marion Transportation Planning Organization (TPO)
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*Agency for Persons with Disabilities
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*CareerSource Citrus Levy Marion
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*Central Florida Community Action Agency
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Center for Independent Living of North Central Florida (CILNCF) Andrea Melvin, Office Manager – TDLCB Vice Chair

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*Florida Center for the Blind
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*Florida Department of Elder Affairs (DOE)
Susan Hanley, Program Operations Administrator*

*Florida Department of Health (DOH)
Tracey Sapp, Education Program Manager*

*Housing Finance Authority
Keith J. Fair,
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*Marion County Public Schools (MCPS)
Christopher Carlisle, Director*

*Marion County Veterans Services Department
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*Ocala Housing Authority
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*SunTran Bus Services
Steven Neal, Transit Manager*

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**Marion Senior Services, Inc. dba Marion Transit, i.e.
Community Transportation Coordinator (CTC)**

Supporting the elderly, disadvantaged residents of Marion County to maintain independent living status by providing para-transit transportation, meals, and in-home support services.

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Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT)

Funding Source. Provide descriptions and budgets for the development of Public Transit Grant agreements. Monitor and report project activity, and process invoices for Transit/Intermodal projects. Review Transportation Improvement Plans (TIP), and Long Range Transportation Plans (LRTP).

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**Ocala Marion Transportation Planning Organization
(TPO)**

A federally mandated agency responsible for coordinating transportation projects, including highway, transit, rail, bicycle, pedestrian, aviation and paratransit, throughout the county. The TPO allocates federal transportation funds and works to improve the region's transportation system by developing a variety of plans and programs.

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Marion County Board of County Commissioners (MCBCC)

The primary legislative & policy-making body for Marion County. Commissioners are responsible for providing the safety and welfare of all County residents and visitors.

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Agency for Health Care Administration (AHCA)

Insures providers maintain proper function and compliance with State approval license/certifications, documentation, location and operations at appropriate settings for Medicaid recipients and contractors.

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Agency for Persons with Disabilities (APD)

The Agency for Persons with Disabilities supports persons with unique abilities in living, learning, and working within their communities, by creating multiple pathways to possibilities. They oversee program operations and administration for 12 counties that comprise the Central Region of the State of Florida. This is the agency's Home and Community-Based Medicaid Waiver Program.

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CareerSource Citrus Levy Marion

Service provider for Welfare Transition participants, work registrations, Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act participants. Provide services for job seekers and businesses, job posting, job events, youth events and re-employment assistance.

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Central Florida Community Action Agency (CFCAA)

Provides services and programs that provides residents the opportunity to move towards self-sufficiency and financial independence through various programs in Alachua, Levy and Marion Counties. Programs are: raising and improving self-sufficiency, weatherization assistance, and low income home energy assistance.

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Centers for Independent Living of North Central Florida (CILNCF)

Provide information, referral, advocacy, transition out of institutions or after high school, peer support, ADA paratransit, employment services, assistive technology and durable medical equipment, independent living skills for people with all types of disabilities in a 16-county area.

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Department of Children and Families - Adult Protective Services (DCF)

Adult Protective Services investigates reports of abuse, neglect, and exploitation against vulnerable adults. Assesses service needs and refers services as identified.

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Florida Center for the Blind

Rehabilitative training for individuals, ages birth to end of life, who are blind and or visually-impaired to 8 North Central Florida counties.

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Florida Department of Elder Affairs (DOE)

Determines medical level of care eligibility for individuals applying for nursing facility, Medicaid and home community-based Medicaid programs. Staff also participates in disaster recovery efforts throughout the state as needed.

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Florida Department of Health (DOH)

Works to protect and improve the health of people in their communities. This is achieved by promoting healthy lifestyles, researching diseases, injury prevention, and detecting, preventing, and responding to infectious diseases.

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Housing Finance Authority of Marion County (HFAMC)

A separate public body corporate and polite, helps families and individuals in Marion County with affordable housing options. The HFAMC works with developers to assist in bond funding to create affordable housing within the County.

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Marion County Public Schools (MCPS)

The school district is the area's largest employer with almost 6,300 team members. It serves nearly 45,000 students and is responsible for 49 traditional schools, 5 charter schools, 1 special needs school, 1 adult education, and 1 virtual school. MCPS has 254 bus routes that cover an average of 31,806 miles every day.

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Marion County Veterans Services Department

Provide services to veterans and their families when submitting for Veterans Benefits. This includes service/non-service connected claims, widows, education, healthcare, dental, burial and memorial, nursing home and long-term, special claims, and miscellaneous benefits. Host events & programs in the Veterans Park. Give tours of the Veterans Exhibit and Education Center.

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Ocala Housing Authority (OHA)

Administers and oversees 186 public housing units 1511 housing vouchers and 46 open market properties. Providing the housing needs to low-income families while also offering programs for self-sufficiency and homeownership.

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SunTran Bus Services

Provides fixed-route service to provide safe, comfortable, and accessible transit services as a viable means of mobility to the citizens and visitors of Ocala and Marion County. Currently, there are seven fixed routes providing service throughout the City and County operating on weekdays and Saturdays.

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