CITIZEN’S ADVISORY COMMITTEE (CAC) APPLICATION

The Federal Highway Act of 1962 established legislation that mandated any Urbanized Area (UA) with a population of 50,000 or more that expends United States Department of Transportation (USDOT) funding must implement a continuing, cooperative, and comprehensive planning process. Therefore, the TPO was established in 1981 after the United States Census Bureau determined that the urbanized population exceeded 50,000 people.

The Ocala Marion County Transportation Planning Organization (TPO) is the designated planning agency for the Ocala UA. The TPO includes the cities of Belleview, Dunnellon, and Ocala. In addition, the TPO planning boundaries includes all of Marion County. As a part of the required continuing, cooperative, and comprehensive planning process, the TPO must produce and implement plans such as the Long-Range Transportation Plan (LRTP), Transportation Improvement Program (TIP), and the Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP).

From an organizational standpoint the TPO is governed by the TPO Board which is comprised of local elected officials from Marion County and the cities of Belleview, Dunnellon, and Ocala. Additionally, the TPO is comprised of two advisory committees, the Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) and the Citizen Advisory Committee (CAC). The TAC is made up of technical transportation experts from the local municipalities. The CAC is made up of local citizens that are residents of Marion County, as well as citizens that are actively involved within neighborhood associations, local conservation, cycling, trails, equine groups, among others. The Board, along with our essential committees and staff, make up the TPO.

The purpose of the CAC is to offer a citizen’s perspective on transportation related documents, issues, and plans of the TPO. The citizen’s perspective is crucial to the TPO’s successful implementation of the local communities’ goals and objectives. Members of the CAC commit to serving a two-year term and may serve additional terms. If you’re interested in becoming a member of the CAC, please fill out the form on the following page and we will be sure to contact you. Also, if you have any additional questions or would like to know more about the TPO and the CAC, then don’t hesitate to contact us at (352) 438-2630.
1. Name: ___________________________________________________________________

2. Home Address: __________________________________________________________

3. Business Address: _________________________________________________________

4. Home Phone Number: _________________ Business Phone Number: ________________

5. Occupation: _______________________________________________________________


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7. Are you a resident of Ocala/Marion County? Yes ________ No _________
   If so, how long? Number of years: ______

8. Are you a registered voter? Yes ________ No _________

9. Do you hold a public office? Yes ________ No _________

10. At the present time, do you serve on a City/County Board, Commission, Authority, and/or Committee? Yes ________ No _________

11. Are you familiar with the Transportation Planning Organization and its function? Yes ________ No _________

12. Are you familiar with current transportation needs of the Marion County transportation disadvantaged? Yes ________ No _________

13. Why are you interested in serving on the CAC? _________________________________

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14. I hereby confirm that I have read and understand this application and that all information furnished by me is true and accurate. I understand that to be considered for this committee, I must be a resident of Marion County and cannot be an elected official and/or a technical person involved in transportation planning in Ocala/Marion County.

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(Signature) (Date)