



# Charlotte County Transportation Disadvantaged Local Coordinating Board Public Meeting



10:00 AM Thursday, January 8, 2026  
Charlotte County Family Services  
21500 Gibraltar Drive, Building A Port Charlotte, FL

**Microsoft Teams link available upon request – See bottom for details**

**\* The Regular LCB Meeting will be held immediately following this public meeting. \***

1. Call to Order & Roll Call
2. Welcome to The Public
3. Purpose of The Transportation Disadvantaged (TD) Program Including The  
Transportation Disadvantaged Service Plan (TDSP) – [CTD Brochure](#)
4. Public Comment Period on TD Program or TDSP
5. Adjourn

The Charlotte County Transportation Disadvantaged Local Coordinating Board (LCB) will hold an Annual Public Meeting on January 8, 2026 in a hybrid format, both in person and remotely via TEAMS (links will be available from MPO Staff). Persons wishing to provide public comment may do so by alternative means, should they desire. Written comments may be submitted by either emailing the comments to [office@ccpgmpo.gov](mailto:office@ccpgmpo.gov) or mailing the comments to MPO Staff at Charlotte County-Punta Gorda MPO, 1050 Loveland Blvd., Box C, Port Charlotte, FL 33948. Comments must be received for the LCB meeting by noon on January 7, 2026. The comments will be read by an MPO staff member during the meeting for that item to be placed in the record. More information regarding the LCB Agenda is available on the MPO website at [www.ccpmpo.gov](http://www.ccpmpo.gov).

***\*Please let us know if you or your alternate cannot attend\****

No stenographic record by a certified court reporter is made of these meetings. Accordingly, anyone seeking to appeal any decisions involving the matters herein will be responsible for making a verbatim record of the meeting/testimony and evidence upon which any appeal is to be based. (F.S. 286.0105)

IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES ACT AND CHAPTER 286.26 FLORIDA STATUTES, PERSONS NEEDING SPECIAL ACCOMMODATIONS TO PARTICIPATE IN THIS PROCEEDING SHOULD CONTACT THE CHARLOTTE COUNTY-PUNTA GORDA METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION AT LEAST FORTY-EIGHT (48) HOURS PRIOR TO THE MEETING. CALL (941) 883-3535 BETWEEN 8:00 A.M. AND 4:00 P.M., MONDAY THROUGH FRIDAY.

The MPO's planning process is conducted in accordance with Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 and related statutes. Any person or beneficiary who believes he or she has been discriminated against because of race, color, religion, sex, age, national origin, disability, or familial status may file a complaint with the Charlotte County-Punta Gorda MPO Title VI Coordinator Sierra "Ray" Scott at (941) 883-3535 or by writing her at 1050 Loveland Blvd, Box C, Port Charlotte, FL 33980.

CHARLOTTE COUNTY-PUNTA GORDA METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION  
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Telephone: (941) 883-3535



For potentially 7.8 million people in Florida, finding transportation may be a daily challenge due to a physical or mental disability, age, or income. They depend on others for access to doctor visits, work, school, grocery and drug stores.

The Florida Commission for the Transportation Disadvantaged can help.



For more information, contact:

Florida Commission for the  
Transportation Disadvantaged  
605 Suwannee Street, MS-49  
Tallahassee, FL 32399-0450

Phone: (850) 410-5700  
Toll Free: (800) 983-2435  
Fax: (850) 410-5752

Web Site: [www.fdot.gov/ctd](http://www.fdot.gov/ctd)

Florida Commission for the



**Transportation  
Disadvantaged**

This Information is available in accessible  
formats upon request.



# Transportation Disadvantaged's 5 Key Elements



## WHO ARE WE?

The Florida Legislature created the Commission for the Transportation Disadvantaged in 1989. Its mission is to ensure the availability of efficient, cost-effective, and quality transportation services for transportation disadvantaged persons.

Through this coordinated effort, over 14 million trips are provided annually! With each \$1 dollar invested, over \$7 dollars are returned to benefit the State of Florida.

The Commission sets policies and provides direction in the areas of quality assurance, technical assistance and training, contract management, and financial accountability. The Commission also administers the Transportation Disadvantaged Trust Fund and implements all provisions in Chapter 427.013, F.S.



## WHO IS ELIGIBLE?

Those who cannot obtain their own transportation due to a disability, age, or income, are eligible.



## WHERE AND HOW ARE SERVICES PROVIDED?

The Transportation Disadvantaged program is a coordinated state-wide effort which groups riders together for a shared ride service. Transportation services are available in all 67 Florida counties. Federal and state funded agencies join together to provide the necessary transportation to medical, life-sustaining, employment, and educational locations.

Each county has a Community Transportation Coordinator (CTC), who provides and arranges the transportation. To find out who the CTC is in your county, call 1-800-983-2435, or go to our website at: [www.fdot.gov/ctd](http://www.fdot.gov/ctd). You must contact your CTC to determine if you are eligible, and to schedule your ride.



## WHO CAN YOU CALL FOR HELP OR INFORMATION?

The Commission has a toll free helpline to assist persons who want to find out where to go for transportation assistance, get answers to questions about the program, or report a problem with transportation services. Just call 1-800-983-2435 or dial 711 for Florida Relay Services (for hearing or speech impaired persons). English and Spanish speaking Customer Service Representatives are available from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. (Eastern Time), Monday thru Friday. For after hours or weekends, a message may be left on the voicemail system and the call will be returned the next business day.



## HOW CAN YOU HELP?

Not all trips that are needed can be provided because of limited funds, but you can help! When you register or renew the tag on your car, truck, or boat simply check the box on the registration form to contribute \$1 or more to the Transportation Disadvantaged. Every dollar donated will go towards providing trips in the county where they were donated.