



# Lee County

Southwest Florida

Board of County Commissioners

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April 16, 2024

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Re: FY 2024/2025 Rate Model and FY 2024/2025 Trip & Equipment Grant

Dave Harner, II  
County Manager

Dear Chair Cosden and Board Members:

Richard Wm. Wesch  
County Attorney

This letter is to address two important items on the agenda for the upcoming May 1, 2024, LCB Meeting: Item 3. Approval of LeeTran's FY 2024/2025 Rate Model and Item 4. Approval of LeeTran's Trip & Equipment Grant for FY 2024/2025.

Donna Marie Collins  
County Hearing  
Examiner

LeeTran has prepared and submitted the FY 2024/2025 rate model to the TD Commission review and approval. The proposed per trip rates submitted were \$46.41/ambulatory and \$79.56/wheelchair. These rates represent an increase of \$8.95 and \$15.34, respectively, from the previous year. Over the last three years LeeTran has maintained the rates with a \$.01 and \$.02 increase to the per trip costs. Despite maintaining consistent rates since 2021, the costs associated with providing services have continued to rise. LeeTran carefully evaluates program expenses each year and utilizes the rate model for review and approval by the TD Commission. We are awaiting approval of these rates and request your support of their inclusion in the TDSP.

Additionally, LeeTran will be submitting a Trip & Equipment grant application for FY 2024/2025 to request operating assistance for providing trips. We will not be requesting capital funding. The TD Commission distributed draft allocations to CTCs on April 5, 2024, in anticipation of the Governor's approval. The allocation table included \$1,186,160 in Trip & Equipment grant funding; \$21 Voluntary Dollars both requiring a 10% local match totaling \$131,797. This represents an increase of nearly 3.4% over the FY 2023/2024 allocation. We respectfully request the LCB's support for our annual grant application.

Should any changes be necessary as these items are finalized with the CTD, we will bring them back to the Board for review and approval. We sincerely appreciate your support of these items.

Sincerely,

Kelley Fernandez, Fiscal Manager

Enclosure: Projected TE Funding Allocations by County; Rate Model  
C: Dominic Gemelli, Transit Director

**Worksheet for Multiple Service Rates**

CTC: Lee County Bus Version 1.4  
 County: LEE

1. Answer the questions by completing the GREEN cells starting in Section I for all services
2. Follow the DARK RED prompts directing you to skip or go to certain questions and sections based on previous answers

**SECTION III: Escort Service**

1. Do you want to charge all escorts a fee?  Yes  No  
Stop #2, 4 and Section IV and go to Section V

2. If you answered Yes to #1, do you want to charge the fee per passenger trip OR per passenger mile?  
 Pass. Trip  Pass. Mile

3. If you answered Yes to #1 and completed #2, for how many of the projected Passenger Trips / Passenger Miles will a passenger be accompanied by an escort?  
 Leave Blank

4. How much will you charge each escort?  
 Leave Blank

**SECTION IV: Group Services Loading**

1. If the message "You Must Complete This Section" appears to the right, what is the projected total number of Group Service Passenger Miles? (otherwise leave blank) \_\_\_\_\_ Loading Rate 0.00 to 1.00

Do NOT Complete Section IV

**SECTION V: Rate Calculations for Multiple Services:**

1. Input Projected Passenger Miles and Passenger Trips for each Service in the GREEN cells and the Rates for each Service will be calculated automatically  
 \* Miles and Trips you input must sum to the total for all Services entered on the "Program-wide Rates" Worksheet, MINUS miles and trips for contracted services if the rates were calculated in the Section II above  
 \* Be sure to leave the service BLANK if you answered NO in Section I or YES to question #2 in Section II

RATES FOR FY: 2024 - 2023	
Projected Passenger Miles (excluding totally contracted services addressed in Section II) = 260,129	Rate per Passenger Mile = \$3.75
Projected Passenger Trips (excluding totally contracted services addressed in Section II) = 20,485	Rate per Passenger Trip = \$16.41
... INPUT the Desired Rate per Trip (our must be LESS than per trip rate above) =	
Rate per Passenger Mile for Balance = \$3.75	

  

Ambul	Wheel Chair	Stretcher	Group
204,213	55,916		0
\$3.75	\$6.43	\$0.00	\$0.00
per passenger			

  

Ambul	Wheel Chair	Stretcher	Group
15,233	5,232		
\$16.41	\$79.56	\$0.00	\$0.00
per passenger			

  

Ambul	Wheel Chair	Stretcher	Group
\$3.75	\$6.43	\$0.00	\$0.00
per passenger			

**Rates if No Revenue Funds Were Identified As Subsidy Funds**

Ambul	Wheel Chair	Stretcher	Group
\$5.36	\$9.19	\$0.00	\$0.00
per passenger			

  

Ambul	Wheel Chair	Stretcher	Group
\$6.34	\$13.75	\$0.00	\$0.00
per passenger			

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**Commission for the Transportation Disadvantaged**  
**Trip & Equipment Grant Allocations**  
**FY2024-2025**

County	Trip & Equipment Grant			Voluntary Dollars			Total Funding FY24-25
	Allocation	Local Match	Total Funding	Funding	Local Match	Total Funding	
Alachua	\$ 525,349	\$ 58,372	\$ 583,721	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 583,721
Baker	\$ 240,191	\$ 26,687	\$ 266,878	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 266,878
Bay	\$ 524,351	\$ 58,261	\$ 582,612	\$ 11	\$ 1	\$ 12	\$ 582,624
Bradford	\$ 187,036	\$ 20,781	\$ 207,817	\$ 1	\$ -	\$ 1	\$ 207,818
Brevard	\$ 1,645,455	\$ 182,828	\$ 1,828,283	\$ 335	\$ 37	\$ 372	\$ 1,828,655
Broward	\$ 5,311,190	\$ 590,132	\$ 5,901,322	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 5,901,322
Calhoun	\$ 164,058	\$ 18,228	\$ 182,286	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 182,286
Charlotte	\$ 551,969	\$ 61,329	\$ 613,298	\$ 94	\$ 10	\$ 104	\$ 613,402
Citrus	\$ 644,054	\$ 71,561	\$ 715,615	\$ 43	\$ 4	\$ 47	\$ 715,662
Clay	\$ 451,798	\$ 50,199	\$ 501,997	\$ 52	\$ 5	\$ 57	\$ 502,054
Collier	\$ 765,322	\$ 85,035	\$ 850,357	\$ 27	\$ 3	\$ 30	\$ 850,387
Columbia	\$ 318,807	\$ 35,423	\$ 354,230	\$ 40	\$ 4	\$ 44	\$ 354,274
DeSoto	\$ 140,295	\$ 15,588	\$ 155,883	\$ 1	\$ -	\$ 1	\$ 155,884
Dixie	\$ 206,141	\$ 22,904	\$ 229,045	\$ 1	\$ -	\$ 1	\$ 229,046
Duval	\$ 1,238,407	\$ 137,600	\$ 1,376,007	\$ 130	\$ 14	\$ 144	\$ 1,376,151
Escambia	\$ 863,828	\$ 95,980	\$ 959,808	\$ 169	\$ 18	\$ 187	\$ 959,995
Flagler	\$ 627,302	\$ 69,700	\$ 697,002	\$ 72	\$ 8	\$ 80	\$ 697,082
Franklin	\$ 144,752	\$ 16,083	\$ 160,835	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 160,835
Gadsden	\$ 390,999	\$ 43,444	\$ 434,443	\$ 17	\$ 1	\$ 18	\$ 434,461
Gilchrist	\$ 142,496	\$ 15,832	\$ 158,328	\$ 6,433	\$ 714	\$ 7,147	\$ 165,475
Glades	\$ 127,161	\$ 14,129	\$ 141,290	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 141,290
Gulf	\$ 233,115	\$ 25,901	\$ 259,016	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 259,016
Hamilton	\$ 115,217	\$ 12,801	\$ 128,018	\$ 1	\$ -	\$ 1	\$ 128,019
Hardee	\$ 139,074	\$ 15,452	\$ 154,526	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 154,526
Hendry	\$ 241,862	\$ 26,873	\$ 268,735	\$ 7	\$ -	\$ 7	\$ 268,742
Hernando	\$ 418,295	\$ 46,477	\$ 464,772	\$ 42	\$ 4	\$ 46	\$ 464,818
Highlands	\$ 399,902	\$ 44,433	\$ 444,335	\$ 12	\$ 1	\$ 13	\$ 444,348
Hillsborough	\$ 2,497,161	\$ 277,462	\$ 2,774,623	\$ 466	\$ 51	\$ 517	\$ 2,775,140
Holmes	\$ 231,878	\$ 25,764	\$ 257,642	\$ 1	\$ -	\$ 1	\$ 257,643
Indian River	\$ 370,468	\$ 41,163	\$ 411,631	\$ 28	\$ 3	\$ 31	\$ 411,662
Jackson	\$ 428,024	\$ 47,558	\$ 475,582	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 475,582
Jefferson	\$ 208,942	\$ 23,215	\$ 232,157	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 232,157
Lafayette	\$ 114,997	\$ 12,777	\$ 127,774	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 127,774
Lake	\$ 878,069	\$ 97,563	\$ 975,632	\$ 16	\$ 1	\$ 17	\$ 975,649
Lee	\$ 1,186,160	\$ 131,795	\$ 1,317,955	\$ 21	\$ 2	\$ 23	\$ 1,317,978
Leon	\$ 681,324	\$ 75,702	\$ 757,026	\$ 169	\$ 18	\$ 187	\$ 757,213
Levy	\$ 360,032	\$ 40,003	\$ 400,035	\$ 14	\$ 1	\$ 15	\$ 400,050
Liberty	\$ 223,147	\$ 24,794	\$ 247,941	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 247,941
Madison	\$ 274,181	\$ 30,464	\$ 304,645	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 304,645
Manatee	\$ 523,238	\$ 58,137	\$ 581,375	\$ 5	\$ -	\$ 5	\$ 581,380
Marion	\$ 818,357	\$ 90,928	\$ 909,285	\$ 230	\$ 25	\$ 255	\$ 909,540
Martin	\$ 280,704	\$ 31,189	\$ 311,893	\$ 28	\$ 3	\$ 31	\$ 311,924
Miami-Dade	\$ 5,715,031	\$ 635,003	\$ 6,350,034	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 6,350,034
Monroe	\$ 233,039	\$ 25,893	\$ 258,932	\$ 1	\$ -	\$ 1	\$ 258,933

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**Commission for the Transportation Disadvantaged**  
**Trip & Equipment Grant Allocations**  
**FY2024-2025**

County	Trip & Equipment Grant			Voluntary Dollars			Total Funding FY24-25
	Allocation	Local Match	Total Funding	Funding	Local Match	Total Funding	
Nassau	\$ 670,326	\$ 74,480	\$ 744,806	\$ 3	\$ -	\$ 3	\$ 744,809
Okaloosa	\$ 726,102	\$ 80,678	\$ 806,780	\$ 41	\$ 4	\$ 45	\$ 806,825
Okeechobee	\$ 142,448	\$ 15,827	\$ 158,275	\$ 1	\$ -	\$ 1	\$ 158,276
Orange	\$ 1,914,869	\$ 212,763	\$ 2,127,632	\$ 70	\$ 7	\$ 77	\$ 2,127,709
Osceola	\$ 624,058	\$ 69,339	\$ 693,397	\$ 32	\$ 3	\$ 35	\$ 693,432
Palm Beach	\$ 3,002,292	\$ 333,588	\$ 3,335,880	\$ 7	\$ -	\$ 7	\$ 3,335,887
Pasco	\$ 944,791	\$ 104,976	\$ 1,049,767	\$ 62	\$ 6	\$ 68	\$ 1,049,835
Pinellas	\$ 4,270,096	\$ 474,455	\$ 4,744,551	\$ 2	\$ -	\$ 2	\$ 4,744,553
Polk	\$ 1,318,455	\$ 146,495	\$ 1,464,950	\$ 61	\$ 6	\$ 67	\$ 1,465,017
Putnam	\$ 446,993	\$ 49,665	\$ 496,658	\$ 27	\$ 3	\$ 30	\$ 496,688
St. Johns	\$ 713,689	\$ 79,298	\$ 792,987	\$ 125	\$ 13	\$ 138	\$ 793,125
St. Lucie	\$ 715,364	\$ 79,484	\$ 794,848	\$ 64	\$ 7	\$ 71	\$ 794,919
Santa Rosa	\$ 497,429	\$ 55,269	\$ 552,698	\$ 80	\$ 8	\$ 88	\$ 552,786
Sarasota	\$ 1,102,375	\$ 122,486	\$ 1,224,861	\$ 5	\$ -	\$ 5	\$ 1,224,866
Seminole	\$ 637,916	\$ 70,879	\$ 708,795	\$ 2	\$ -	\$ 2	\$ 708,797
Sumter	\$ 369,410	\$ 41,045	\$ 410,455	\$ 33	\$ 3	\$ 36	\$ 410,491
Suwannee	\$ 270,886	\$ 30,098	\$ 300,984	\$ 2	\$ -	\$ 2	\$ 300,986
Taylor	\$ 262,018	\$ 29,113	\$ 291,131	\$ 1	\$ -	\$ 1	\$ 291,132
Union	\$ 130,496	\$ 14,499	\$ 144,995	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 144,995
Volusia	\$ 1,397,372	\$ 155,263	\$ 1,552,635	\$ 246	\$ 27	\$ 273	\$ 1,552,908
Wakulla	\$ 260,232	\$ 28,914	\$ 289,146	\$ 11	\$ 1	\$ 12	\$ 289,158
Walton	\$ 484,604	\$ 53,844	\$ 538,448	\$ 53	\$ 5	\$ 58	\$ 538,506
Washington	\$ 287,222	\$ 31,913	\$ 319,135	\$ 1	\$ -	\$ 1	\$ 319,136
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 52,972,621</b>	<b>\$ 5,885,846</b>	<b>\$ 58,858,467</b>	<b>\$ 9,396</b>	<b>\$ 1,044</b>	<b>\$ 10,440</b>	<b>\$ 58,868,907</b>

4/5/2024