



SERVICE DELIVERY STRATEGY

FORM 1

COUNTY: TIFT COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

I. GENERAL INSTRUCTIONS:

1. FORM 1 is required for ALL SDS submittals. Only one set of these forms should be submitted per county. The completed forms shall clearly present the collective agreement reached by all cities and counties that were party to the service delivery strategy.
2. List each local government and/or authority that provides services included in the service delivery strategy in Section II below.
3. List all services provided or primarily funded by each general purpose local government and/or authority within the county that are continuing *without change* in Section III, below. (It is acceptable to break a service into separate components if this will facilitate description of the service delivery strategy.)

<p>OPTION A <i>Revising or Adding to the SDS</i></p>	<p>OPTION B <i>Extending the Existing SDS</i></p>
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 4. List all services provided or primarily funded by each general purpose local government and authority within the county which are revised or added to the SDS in Section IV, below. (It is acceptable to break a service into separate components if this will facilitate description of the service delivery strategy.) 5. For each service or service component listed in Section IV, complete a separate, updated <i>Summary of Service Delivery Arrangements</i> form (FORM 2). 6. Complete one copy of the <i>Certifications</i> form (FORM 4) and have it signed by the authorized representatives of participating local governments. [Please note that DCA cannot validate the strategy unless it is signed by the local governments required by law (see Instructions, FORM 4).] 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 4. In Section IV type, "NONE." 5. Complete one copy of the <i>Certifications for Extension of Existing SDS</i> form (FORM 5) and have it signed by the authorized representatives of the participating local governments. [Please note that DCA cannot validate the strategy unless it is signed by the local governments required by law (see Instructions, FORM 5).] 6. Proceed to step 7, below. <div data-bbox="852 1165 1502 1386" style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; margin-top: 10px;"> <p><i>For answers to most frequently asked questions on Georgia's Service Delivery Act, links and helpful publications, visit DCA's website at http://www.dca.ga.gov/development/PlanningQualityGrowthprograms/servicedelivery.asp or call the Office of Planning and Quality Growth at (404) 679-5279.</i></p> </div>

7. If any of the conditions described in the existing *Summary of Land Use Agreements* form (FORM 3) have changed or if it has been ten (10) or more years since the most recent FORM 3 was filed, update and include FORM 3 with the submittal.
8. Provide the completed forms and any attachments to your regional commission. The regional commission will upload digital copies of the SDS documents to the Department's password-protected web-server.

NOTE: ANY FUTURE CHANGES TO THE SERVICE DELIVERY ARRANGEMENTS DESCRIBED ON THESE FORMS WILL REQUIRE AN UPDATE OF THE SERVICE DELIVERY STRATEGY AND SUBMITTAL OF REVISED FORMS AND ATTACHMENTS TO THE GEORGIA DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY AFFAIRS UNDER THE "OPTION A" PROCESS DESCRIBED, ABOVE.

II. LOCAL GOVERNMENTS INCLUDED IN THE SERVICE DELIVERY STRATEGY:

In this section, list all local governments (including cities located partially within the county) and authorities that provide services included in the service delivery strategy.

Tift County, City of Tifton, City of TyTy, City of Omega, Downtown Development Authority of the City of Tifton, Tifton-Tift County Airport Authority, Development Authority of Tift County, Tift County Hospital Authority, Tift-Turner-Worth-Cook-Joint Development Authority

III. SERVICES INCLUDED IN THE EXISTING SERVICE DELIVERY STRATEGY THAT ARE BEING EXTENDED WITHOUT CHANGE:

In this section, list each service or service component already included in the existing SDS which will continue as previously agreed with no need for modification.

1. Airport
2. Animal Control
3. Business Licenses
4. Development Support Services (Code Enforcement, Planning, Zoning, Inspections and Permitting)
5. E-911 * (This Service Will Require Additional Revision)
6. Emergency Management Agency
7. Emergency Medical Services
8. Engineering
9. Fire Suppression
10. Hospital
11. Housing/Shelters - Ruth's Cottage and Patticake House
12. Industrial
13. Jail
14. Keep Tift Beautiful
15. Library
16. Main Street
17. Mosquito Control
18. Matt Wilson Neighborhood YMCA/Youth Development Center
19. Natural Gas
20. Police
21. Public Transit
22. Recreation
23. Road Construction
24. Senior Center
25. Sheriff
26. Solid Waste Collection
27. Solid Waste Disposal * (This Service Will Require Additional Revision)
28. Street Maintenance
29. Theater
30. Tax Assessment
31. Voter Registration/Elections
31. Water * (This Service Will Require Additional Revision)
33. Wastewater - Sewer * (This Service Will Require Additional Revision)

IV. SERVICES THAT ARE BEING REVISED OR ADDED IN THIS SUBMITTAL:

In this section, list each new service or new service component which is being added and each service or service component which is being revised in this submittal. For each item listed here, a separate Summary of Service Delivery Arrangements form (FORM 2) must be completed.

No Additions or Revisions



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FORM 4: Certifications

Instructions:

This form must, at a minimum, be signed by an authorized representative of the following governments: 1) the county; 2) the city serving as the county seat; 3) all cities having a 2010 population of over 9,000 residing within the county; and 4) no less than 50% of all other cities with a 2010 population of between 500 and 9,000 residing within the county. Cities with a 2010 population below 500 and local authorities providing services under the strategy are not required to sign this form, but are encouraged to do so.

COUNTY: TIFT COUNTY

We, the undersigned authorized representatives of the jurisdictions listed below, certify that:

1. We have executed agreements for implementation of our service delivery strategy and the attached forms provide an accurate depiction of our agreed upon strategy (O.C.G.A 36-70-21);
2. Our service delivery strategy promotes the delivery of local government services in the most efficient, effective, and responsive manner (O.C.G.A. 36-70-24 (1));
3. Our service delivery strategy provides that water or sewer fees charged to customers located outside the geographic boundaries of a service provider are reasonable and are not arbitrarily higher than the fees charged to customers located within the geographic boundaries of the service provider (O.C.G.A. 36-70-24 (2)); and
4. Our service delivery strategy ensures that the cost of any services the county government provides (including those jointly funded by the county and one or more municipalities) primarily for the benefit of the unincorporated area of the county are borne by the unincorporated area residents, individuals, and property owners who receive such service (O.C.G.A. 36-70-24 (3)).

JURISDICTION	TITLE	NAME	SIGNATURE	DATE
<u>TIFT COUNTY</u>	Chairman	Grady Thompson	<i>Grady Thompson</i>	
<u>CITY OF TIFTON</u>	Mayor	Julie Smith	<i>Julie Smith</i>	6-14-17
<u>CITY OF OMEGA</u>	Mayor	Ray Hunt	<i>Ray Hunt, Jr.</i>	6-13-17
<u>CITY OF TYTY</u>	Mayor	Keith Beasley	<i>Keith Beasley</i>	6-14-17



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June 12, 2019

Rusty Haygood, Deputy Director
Georgia Department of Community Affairs
60 Executive Park South, NE
Atlanta, GA 30329

Dear Mr. Haygood:

This correspondence is to memorialize the agreement between Tift County and the cities of Tifton, TyTy, and Omega in accordance with the recent guidance given by the Department of Community Affairs.

Enclosed are the required DCA SDS submittal forms (Form 1, Form 2, Form 3 and Form 4) required to update the 2018 Service Delivery Strategy for Tift County and the cities of Tifton, TyTy and Omega. As you are aware, the method by which several services provided by the City of Tifton and/or Tift County have changed since the last SDS submittal in 2008.

There remain several service areas that require additional discussion and negotiation between the cities and Tift County, most notably Water and Sewer, Landfill and E911. Based upon the discussions with DCA, the Georgia Department of Community Affairs has consented to make June 30, 2020, the next required update of our community's Service Delivery Strategy Agreement. Also, all parties involved understand that any additional services which may need revising can be addressed as well during this time frame. Tift County and the cities of Tifton, TyTy and Omega will be working diligently to resolve all remaining issues and present a revised strategy as soon as possible but no later than the time required to meet the June 30, 2020 deadline. Tift County and the cities recognize that the failure to reach an agreement and present a revised strategy on these remaining issues will result in the imposition of sanctions pursuant to O.C.G.A. 36-70-27.

Tift County and the cities of Tifton, TyTy and Omega would like to extend their sincere appreciation to the Commissioner and all members of DCA who have assisted in enabling us to reach this resolution.



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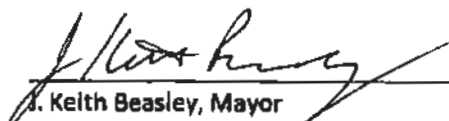
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6/14/2019
Date




Julie B. Smith, Mayor
City of Tifton

6-14-19
Date



J. Keith Beasley, Mayor
City of TyTy

6/14/2019
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Ray Hunt, Mayor
City of Omega

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