

Meigs County Coordinated Transportation Plan

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Meigs County

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Executive Summary

This plan is the Public Transit-Human Services Transportation Plan for Meigs County. This plan was initially developed in 2008 and currently being updated in 2020. This plan fulfills the requirements of the Federal Transit Administration (FTA) under the Fixing America's Surface Transportation (FAST) Act, signed into law as a reauthorization of surface transportation programs through Fiscal Year 2020. According to requirements of the FAST Act, locally developed coordinated public transit-human services transportation plans must be updated to reflect the changes established by the FAST Act legislation. The FAST Act applies new programs and rules for all Fiscal Year 2016 funds and authorizes transit programs for five (5) years.

Transportation is a critical component of the communities in Meigs County. Transportation provides access to jobs, education, health care, human services and allows all community members, including older adults and people with disabilities, to live independently and engage in community life. It is the purpose of this plan for local stakeholders to work collaboratively to do the following activities:

1. Identify all community resources including:
 - Public door-to-door accessible van providers
 - Senior transportation providers
 - Veteran transportation providers
 - Transportation network company services
 - Inter-city transportation providers NET only
 - Facebook Rideshares
 - NET Transportation
 - Meigs County bikeway resources
 - Pomeroy Walking path
 - Bike Path
2. Identify and Prioritize community transportation needs:
 - Implementation of the Meigs County Active Transportation plan (1)
 - Implementation of a transit system in Meigs County (2)
 - Implementation of a paratransit in Meigs County (3)
 - Education and outreach of services (4)
 - Coordination of services (5)

3. Establish a clear plan for achieving shared goals

- Meigs County will start coordination efforts with all transportation providers to achieve the goals and meet the needs as listed in the Coordinated Transit Plan. Through partnerships with the community and various stakeholders across the county we will work together towards achieving the goals as stated in this plan. The Meigs County Mobility Management program will utilize the plan as guidance for future transportation initiatives throughout the county and region.

Fundamental to the Coordinated Transportation Plan process is the active and meaningful involvement of stakeholders. For projects selected for funding under the Section 5311 program, participation in planning activities must include participation and/or representation of the following, at minimum:

- Seniors;
- Individuals with disabilities;
- People with low incomes;
- Public, private and non-profit transportation providers;
- Human services providers,
- The general public,
- Social Service providers
- Workforce

In order to ensure participation from the above groups the following stakeholder involvement activities were performed:

The Meigs County Coordinated Plan Planning Committee consisted of representatives from the following organizations:

- Buckeye Hills Regional Council
- Gallia-Meigs Community Action
- Meigs Council on Aging
- An Individual with a Disability
- An individual aged 60+
- A local veteran
- Jackson-Gallia-Meigs County Board of Alcohol, Drug Addiction and Mental Health
- Meigs County Children Services
- Meigs County Health Department
- Meigs County Job and Family Services
- Meigs County Public Libraries
- Meigs County Board of Developmental Disabilities

Four (4) group specific transportation surveys were released to the public:

- General Public
- Seniors

- Individuals with Disabilities
- Transportation Providers, Social Service Providers/Non-Profits, Businesses/For-Profits

The surveys were distributed online in the following locations

- Twitter
- Facebook
- Meigs County Job and Family Services Website
- Buckeye Hills Regional Council

Physical copies of the surveys were distributed at the following locations

- Meigs County Health Department
- Meigs County Farmer's Market
- Silver Run Food Pantry
- Village Manor Apartments
- Colonial Park
- Maples
- Powell's Grocery Store
- Pomeroy Cliffs Apartments
- Fruth Pharmacy
- Mulberry Center
- Buckeye Community Services

A total of five (5) transportation round tables were held via teams meeting. Due to COVID-19 in person meetings could not take place. Patrons who wanted to attend but did not have computer access were given different community outlets so that they could participate and even call in by phone.

The roundtables' dates, locations and times were distributed on flyers, advertised in the Pomeroy Daily Sentinel a total of six times. Announcements were also placed on numerous social media outlets and partnering websites. All round table discussions were held at different dates, times and multiple accommodations in order to ensure multiple measures were in place in advance to offer a higher participation rate.

This plan was developed and adopted by a planning committee Meigs County Coordinated Plan Planning Committee. More information about the planning committee can be found in Appendix A.

I. Geographic Area

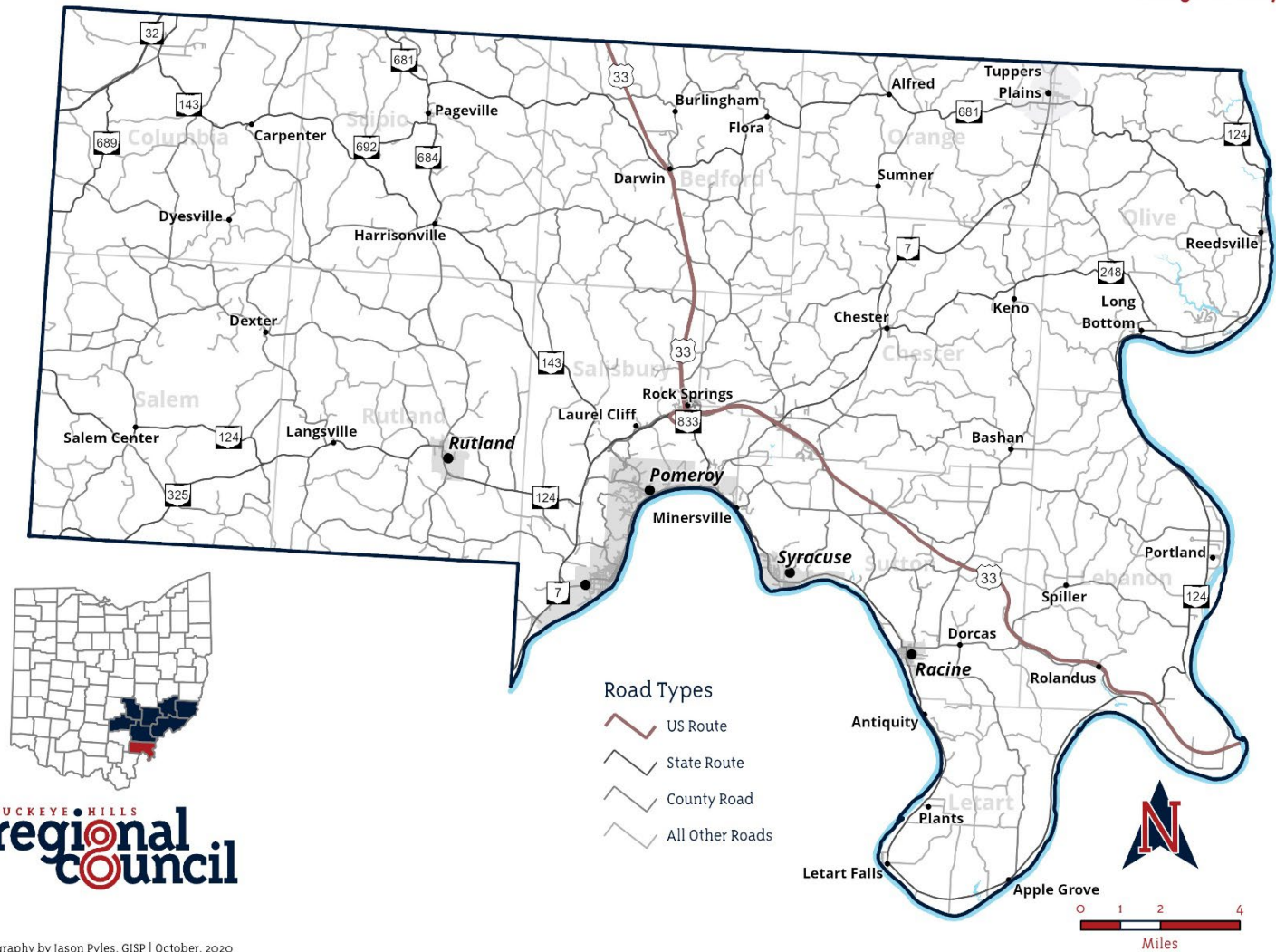
*According to the U.S. Census Bureau, the county has a total area of 433 square miles (1,120 km²), of which 430 square miles (1,100 km²) is land and 2.9 square miles (7.5 km²) (0.7%) is water. The Ohio River forms the eastern and southern boundaries of the county, the other side of which is located in West Virginia.

Meigs County lies in the Appalachian Plateau physiographic region of the Appalachian Mountains. The landscape is anywhere from gently rolling to rugged, typical of a dissected plateau. Elevations range from 1,020 feet (310 m) ASL (above sea level) in the southwest to about 535 feet (163 m) ASL in the far south-central part of the county along the Ohio River. The majority of Meigs County is drained by two sub watersheds of the Ohio River, Shade River and Leading Creek. Another stream of note is Raccoon Creek, which flows through a small area of the northwestern corner of the county.

*en.wikipedia.org/wiki/meigs-county,-ohio

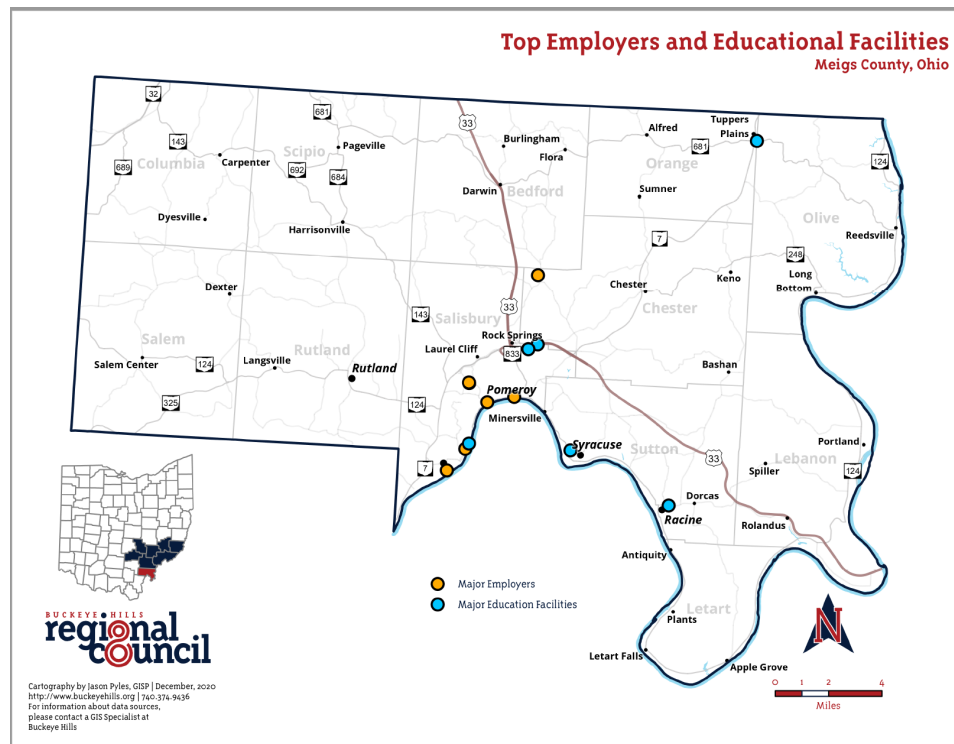
Map 1: Basic map of the geographic area covered by the plan

Road Network Meigs County, Ohio



Cartography by Jason Pyles, GISP | October, 2020
<http://www.buckeyehills.org> | 740.374.9436
 For information about data sources, please contact a GIS Specialist at Buckeye Hills

Map 2: Major trip generators in the geographic area



Major Employers:

- Mark Porter Chevrolet Buick GMC (42411 Charles Chancey Drive, Pomeroy, OH 45769)
- Powell's Food Fair (700 East Main Street, Pomeroy, OH 45769)
- Meigs County Job and Family Services (175 Race Street Middleport, OH 45760)
- Eastern Local School District (50008 State Route 681 Reedsville, OH 45772)
- Southern Local School District (920 Elm Street Racine, OH 45771)
- Meigs Local School District (41765 Pomeroy Pike Pomeroy, OH 45769)
- Arbors at Pomeroy (36759 Rocksprings Road, Pomeroy, OH 45769)
- Meigs County Courthouse (100 East 2nd Street Pomeroy, OH 45769)
- Hopewell Health Centers, INC (41865 Pomeroy Pike, Pomeroy, OH 45769)
- Hopewell Health Center, INC (112 East Memorial Drive #B Pomeroy, OH 45769)
- Overbrook Rehabilitation Center (333 Page Street, Middleport, OH 45760)
- Holzer Meigs Clinic (88 East Memorial Drive Pomeroy, OH 45769)
- Holzer Emergency Department – Meigs (41861 Pomeroy Pike, Pomeroy, OH 45769)

Major education facilities in the county include

- Eastern Local School District (50008 State Route 681 Reedsville, OH 45772)
- Mid Valley Christian School (500 North 2nd Ave Middleport, OH 45760)
- Southern Local School District (920 Elm Street Racine, OH 45771)
- Meigs Local School District (41765 Pomeroy Pike Pomeroy, OH 45769)
- Carleton School (1310 Carleton Street Syracuse, OH 45779)
- Rio Grande Community College-Meigs Center (42377 Charles Chancey Drive, CO HWY 25, Pomeroy, OH 45769)

II. Population Demographics

According to DATAUSA.IO employees in Meigs County, OH have a longer commute time (29.7 minutes) than the normal US worker (25.1 minutes). Additionally, 4.78% of the workforce in Meigs County, OH have “super commutes” in excess of 90 minutes. 81% of Meigs County Residents drive alone, 12.8% carpools, and 4.09% works from home.

The census report shows that 22.4% of persons in Meigs County fall below the average poverty line. Children under the age of 18 and senior citizens 65 + make up the vast majority of this percentile.

Meigs County employs 2,591; with 319 employer establishments. The unemployment rate in Meigs County, OH was 11.6% in June of 2020, according to the United States federal reserve. Historically, unemployment rates in Meigs County, OH reached a record high of 17.4% in January 2010 and a record low of 5.3% in May of 2001.

Chart 1: Total Population Current and Projected for Five Years

* <https://development.ohio.gov/files/research/C1054.pdf>

Total Population

Census		Estimated	
1800		2013	23,444
1810		2014	23,278
1820	4,480	2015	23,178
1830	6,158	2016	23,157
1840	11,452	2017	23,081
1850	17,971	2018	23,106
1860	26,534	Projected	
1870	31,465	2020	23,630
1880	32,325	2030	23,170
1890	29,813	2040	22,340
1900	28,620		
1910	25,594		
1920	26,189		
1930	23,961		
1940	24,104		
1950	23,227		
1960	22,159		
1970	19,799		
1980	23,641		
1990	22,987		
2000	23,072		
2010	23,770		

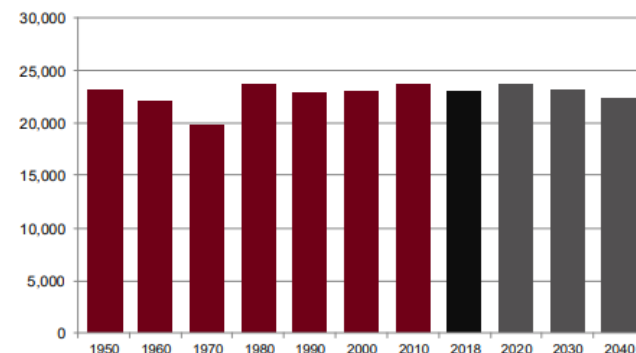


Chart 2: Total Population by Age Group

* <https://development.ohio.gov/files/research/C1054.pdf>

Meigs County

Population by Age	Number	Percent
ACS Total Population	23,234	100.0%
Under 5 years	1,232	5.3%
5 to 17 years	3,845	16.5%
18 to 24 years	1,693	7.3%
25 to 44 years	5,417	23.3%
45 to 64 years	6,856	29.5%
65 years and more	4,191	18.0%
Median Age	42.8	

Chart 3: Total Population by Race

* <https://development.ohio.gov/files/research/C1054.pdf>

Population by Race	Number	Percent
ACS Total Population	23,234	100.0%
White	22,636	97.4%
African-American	270	1.2%
Native American	33	0.1%
Asian	8	0.0%
Pacific Islander	0	0.0%
Other	10	0.0%
Two or More Races	277	1.2%
Hispanic (may be of any race)	146	0.6%
Total Minority	740	3.2%

Chart 4: Number and percentage of people with disabilities

Population with Any Disability

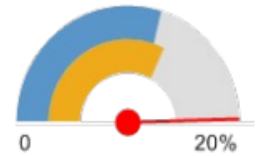
This indicator reports the percentage of the total civilian noninstitutionalized population with a disability. This indicator is relevant because disabled individuals comprise a vulnerable population that requires targeted services and outreach by providers.

Report Area	Population for Whom Disability Status Is Determined	Total Population with a Disability	Percent Population with a Disability
Meigs County, OH	23,731	4,757	20.20%
Ohio	11,537,266	1,505,340	13.05%
United States	309,231,232	36,499,048	12%

Note: This indicator is compared with the state average.

Data Source: [US Census Bureau, American Community Survey: 2009-11](#). Source geography: PUMA.

Percent Population with a Disability



■ Meigs County, OH (20.20%)
 ■ Ohio (13.05%)
 ■ United States (12%)

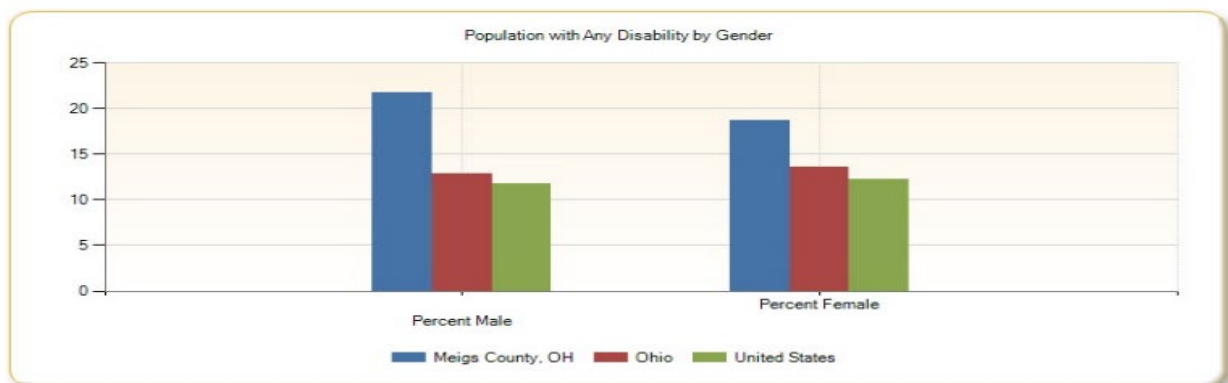


Disabled Population, Percent by PUMA, 2009-11

■ Over 15.0%
 ■ 12.1 - 15.0%
 ■ 9.1 - 12.0%
 ■ Under 9.1%

Population with Any Disability by Gender

Report Area	Total Male	Total Female	Percent Male	Percent Female
Meigs County, OH	2,549	2,208	21.71%	18.70%
Ohio	711,431	793,909	12.89%	13.59%
United States	17,413,242	19,085,806	11.74%	12.25%



Population with Any Disability by Age Group, Percent

Report Area	Under Age 18	Age 18 - 64	Age 65
Meigs County, OH	8.27%	18.81%	44.18%
Ohio	4.81%	11.38%	36.48%
United States	3.98%	10.02%	36.79%

Chart 5: Number and percentage of households with incomes below the federal poverty level

<https://development.ohio.gov/files/research/C1054.pdf>

Poverty Status of Families By Family Type by Presence Of Related Children

	Number	Percent
Total Families	6,339	100.0%
Family income above poverty level	5,234	82.6%
Family income below poverty level	1,105	17.4%
Married couple, with related children	236	21.4%
Male householder, no wife present, with related children	131	11.9%
Female householder, no husband present, with related children	406	36.7%
Families with no related children	332	30.0%

Chart 6: Number and percentage of individuals with incomes below the federal poverty level

<https://development.ohio.gov/files/research/C1054.pdf>

<https://www.development.ohio.gov/files/research/P7005.pdf>

<https://fred.stlouisfed.org/series/S1701ACS039105>

Ratio of Income To Poverty Level

	Number	Percent
Population for whom poverty status is determined	23,002	100.0%
Below 50% of poverty level	2,145	9.3%
50% to 99% of poverty level	3,034	13.2%
100% to 124% of poverty level	1,130	4.9%
125% to 149% of poverty level	1,219	5.3%
150% to 184% of poverty level	2,195	9.5%
185% to 199% of poverty level	599	2.6%
200% of poverty level or more	12,680	55.1%

Ohio

Poverty in Ohio by County

2013-2017 American
Community Survey

Statewide Poverty
1,683,890
14.9%

Percentage County Population in Poverty

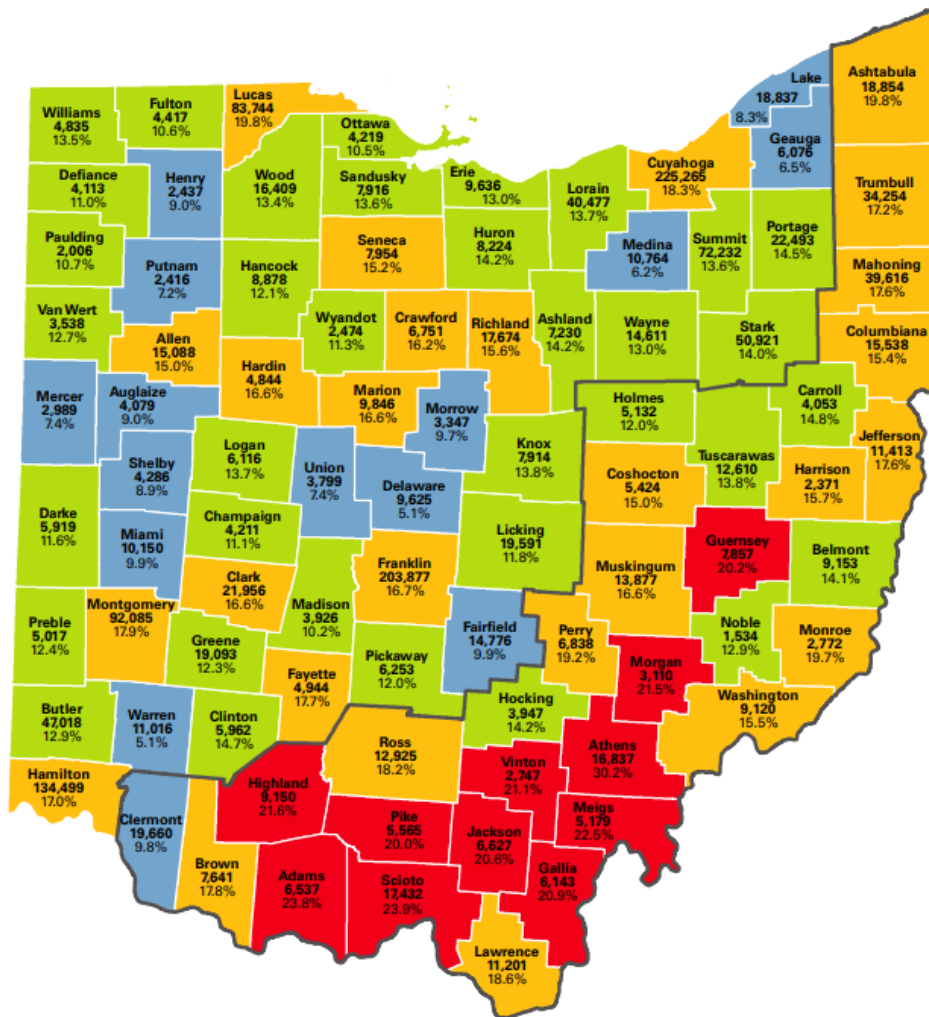
- 5.1% - 9.9%
- 10.0% - 14.9%
- 15.0% - 19.9%
- 20.0% - 30.2%

Appalachian Ohio

This map shows the 2013-2017 American Community Survey estimates of the number and percentage of persons in poverty by county

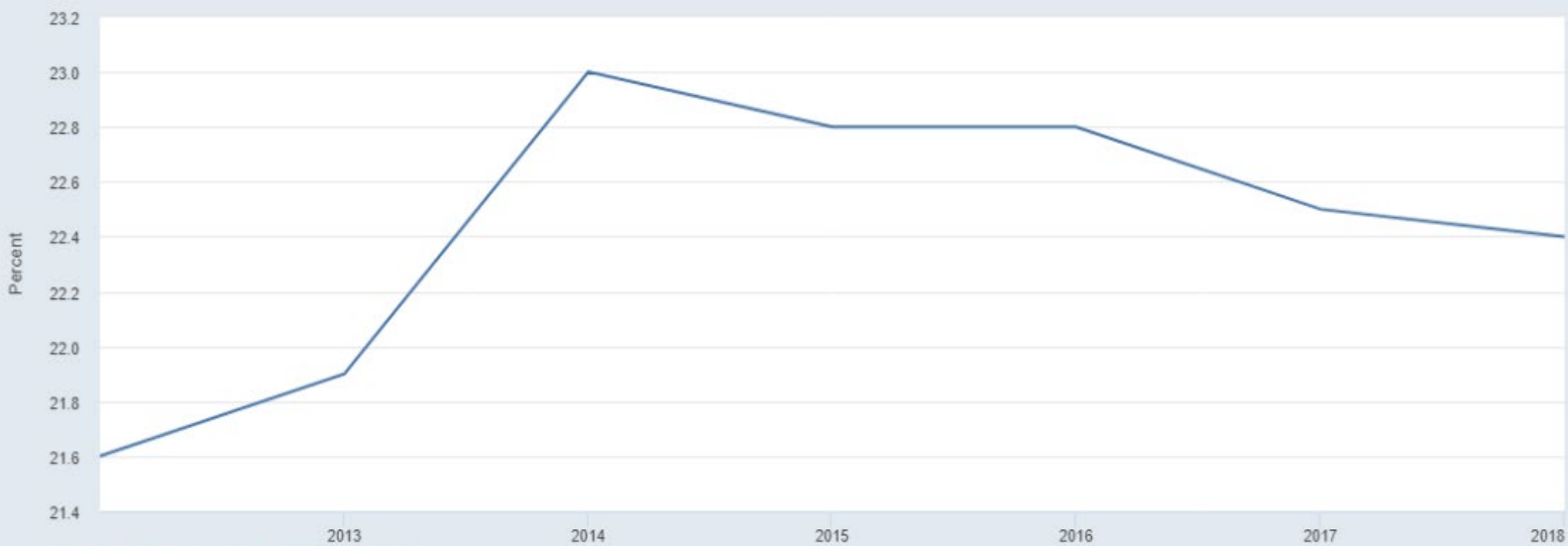
Source:
2013-2017 American Community Survey,
U.S. Census Bureau

Prepared by:
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Ohio Development Services Agency
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FRED — Percent of Population Below the Poverty Level in Meigs County, OH



Shading indicates U.S. recessions; the most recent one is ongoing.

Source: U.S. Census Bureau

fred.stlouisfed.org

Chart 7: Percent of population that speak English “Less than very well”

LANGUAGE SPOKEN AT HOME		
Population 5 years and over	21,772	100.0
English only	21,398	98.3
Language other than English	374	1.7
Speak English less than 'very well	111	0.5
Spanish	196	0.9
Speak English less than "very well"	52	0.2
Other Indo-European languages	150	0.7
Speak English less than "very well"	58	0.3
Asian and Pacific Island languages	16	0.1
Speak English less than "very well"	1	0.0

English is spoken by most residents in Meigs County with only 0.5% of the population speaking English less than “very well”

<https://www.infoplease.com/us/census/ohio/meigs-county/social-statistics>

III. Assessment of Available Services

Conducting an evaluation of service provider capabilities and analyzing the existing gaps and duplications of services for transportation resources in each community, provides transportation planners with the information needed to implement changes that will improve the network of transportation resources and services in Meigs county and across county lines.

The lead agency identified stakeholders to participate in the assessment of available services. These stakeholders included those who were represented in the current or past planning committees, as well as others who the planning committee identified as being appropriate stakeholders.

Interviews were conducted with each of the identified stakeholders.

The purpose of the interview was to offer the stakeholders an opportunity to discuss the specific transportation services, gaps, needs, and priorities for their respective service areas or communities.

When applicable, information reported in the previous coordinated plan was used to supplement information gathered during this planning effort.

Inventory of Transportation Providers

Existing Transportation Services

The following information is based on tabulations from the survey and interview results. A total of 28 organizations provided information about their services.

List of Transportation Service Providers

1. Agency Name: **Eastern Local School District**
 - a. Transportation Service Type: Fixed-route school transportation
 - b. Other Services Provided: None
 - c. Contact Information: 740-667-6079 | Brian Collins
 - d. Hours: Based on school hours
 - e. Service Area: Ohio
 - f. Eligibility Requirements: Only available for students and staff
 - g. Website: www.easternlocal.com
2. Agency Name: **Southern Local School District**
 - a. Transportation Service Type: Fixed-route school transportation
 - b. Other Services Provided: None
 - c. Contact Information: 740-949-2811 | Cathy Miller
 - d. Hours: Based on school hours
 - e. Service Area: Ohio
 - f. Eligibility Requirements: Only available for students and staff
 - g. Website: <https://www.southern.k12.oh.us/>
3. Agency Name: **Meigs Local School District**
 - a. Transportation Service Type: Fixed-route school transportation
 - b. Other Services Provided: None
 - c. Contact Information: 740-742-2990 | Dean Harris
 - d. Hours: Based on school hours
 - e. Service Area: Ohio
 - f. Eligibility Requirements: Only available for students and staff
 - g. Website: <https://www.ml.k12.oh.us/>
4. Agency Name: **Athens-Meigs Educational Service Center**
 - a. Transportation Service Type: Fixed Route School Transportation
 - b. Other Services Provided: None
 - c. Contact Information: Deb Richter 740-797-0064
 - d. Hours: Monday – Friday 8AM – 2PM
 - e. Service Area: Meigs Local Schools
 - f. Eligibility Requirements: Only available for student transportation
 - g. Website: www.athensmeigs.com

5. Agency Name: **Heart of the Valley Head Start**
 - a. Transportation Service Type: Fixed-route school transportation
 - b. Other Services Provided: None
 - c. Contact Information: 740-992-1740, through Meigs Local School District
 - d. Hours: Based on school hours
 - e. Service Area: Ohio
 - f. Eligibility Requirements: Only available for students and staff
 - g. Website: <https://www.facebook.com/pages/category/Preschool/Heart-of-the-Valley-Head-Start-1212870205393453/>
6. Agency Name: **Meigs County Health Department**
 - a. Transportation Service Type: Meigs County Cancer Initiative Transportation Assistance Program- gas vouchers and food cards for Meigs residents travelling for cancer related appts
 - b. Other Services Provided: None (in regard to Transportation)
 - c. Contact Information: 740-992-6626 | Courtney Midkiff
 - d. Hours: Monday – Friday 8:00 AM – 4:00 PM
 - e. Service Area: Meigs County
 - f. Eligibility Requirements: None, open to the public
 - g. Website: <https://www.meigs-health.com/contact/>
7. Agency Name: **Meigs County Board of Developmental Disabilities | Carleton School**
 - a. Transportation Service Type: Fixed Route School Transportation
 - b. Other Services Provided: To events and other locations if needed
 - c. Contact Information: David J. Jackson | 740-992-6681
 - d. Hours: 7:30 AM – 4:00 PM
 - e. Service Area: Meigs County
 - f. Eligibility Requirements: Individuals determined to have developmental disabilities
 - g. Website: www.meigscbdd.org
8. Agency Name: **Meigs County Children Services**
 - a. Transportation Service Type: Provides Vouchers
 - b. Other Services Provided: Transportation provided if absolutely needed
 - c. Contact Information: 740-992-2117 | Terri Ingles or Rebecca Willford
 - d. Hours: Monday – Friday 8:00 AM – 4:00 PM
 - e. Service Area: Meigs County
 - f. Eligibility Requirements: Only available for agency clients
 - g. Website: <https://meigsdjfs.net/>
9. Agency Name: **Meigs County Job and Family Services NET Transport**
 - a. Transportation Service Type: NET: Non-Emergency Medicaid Transportation
 - b. Other Services Provided: None
 - c. Contact Information: Tabitha Campbell | 740-444-7639
 - d. Hours: Monday – Friday 8:00 AM – 4:00 PM
 - e. Service Area: Meigs County and surrounding counties as needed
 - f. Eligibility Requirements: Medicaid eligible clients
 - g. Website: <https://meigsdjfs.net/>

10. Agency Name: **Gallia-Meigs Community Action Agency**
- a. Transportation Service Type: NET: Non-Emergency Medical Transportation
 - b. Other Services Provided: None
 - c. Contact Information: Lora Rawson | 740-367-7341
 - d. Hours: 8:00 AM – 4:30 PM, with other times upon prior arrangement
 - e. Service Area: Anywhere
 - f. Eligibility Requirements: Approved and referred by Meigs County DJFS
 - g. Website: www.galliameigscaa.org
11. Agency Name: **Meigs County Veterans Services**
- a. Transportation Service Type: Volunteer Driver Service
 - b. Other Services Provided: None
 - c. Contact Information: 740-992-2820
 - d. Hours: Monday – Friday 8:00 AM – 4:00 PM
 - e. Service Area: Huntington VAMC, Chillicothe VAMC, Athens VA Clinic, Gallipolis VA Clinic
 - f. Eligibility Requirements: Must be an honorably discharged veteran with a VA medical appointment
 - g. Website: <https://dvs.ohio.gov/wps/portal/gov/dvs/what-we-do/find-a-cvso/Meigs%2BCounty%2BVeterans%2BService%2BOffice>
12. Agency Name: **Buckeye Hills Regional Council**
- a. Transportation Service Type: Provides waivers, vouchers and referrals
 - b. Other Services Provided: Regional Transportation Planning
 - c. Contact Information: 1-800-331-2644
 - d. Hours: Monday – Friday 8:00 AM – 4:30 PM
 - e. Service Area: Athens, Hocking, Meigs, Monroe, Noble, Perry, Morgan and Washington Counties
 - f. Eligibility Requirements: None, open to the public
 - g. Website: www.buckeyehills.org
13. Agency Name: **Daybreak Transportation Services LLC**
- a. Transportation Service Type: Door-to-door
 - b. Other Services Provided: None
 - c. Contact Information: 740-401-9285 | Jane Darling
 - d. Hours: Based on appointments
 - e. Service Area: Ohio
 - f. Eligibility Requirements: None, open to the public
 - g. Website: www.daybreakambulette.com
14. Agency Name: **Echoing Connections of Southeast Ohio – Echoing Hills**
- a. Transportation Service Type: Door-to-door
 - b. Other Services Provided: None
 - c. Contact Information: 740-327-2311
 - d. Hours: Based on events and appointments
 - e. Service Area: Ohio
 - f. Eligibility Requirements: Only available for agency clients
 - g. Website: www.ehvi.org/adult-day-services/echoing-connections-of-southeast-ohio

15. Agency Name: **Hopewell Health Centers**
- a. Transportation Service Type: Medical transportation, provides vouchers
 - b. Other Services Provided: None
 - c. Contact Information: 740-992-0540
 - d. Hours: Based on appointments
 - e. Service Area: Athens, Hocking, Meigs and Vinton Counties
 - f. Eligibility Requirements: Only available to agency clients
 - g. Website: www.hopewellhealth.org
16. Agency Name: **Integrated Services (Meigs County)**
- a. Transportation Service Type: Case Management during appointments and meeting basic needs
 - b. Other Services Provided: Yes
 - c. Contact Information: 740-444-5895 | Lisa Creech
 - d. Hours: Monday – Friday 8AM-4PM
 - e. Service Area: Meigs County & surrounding areas
 - f. Eligibility Requirements: Must be a client of integrated services
 - g. Website: <https://integratedservice.org/counties/meigs-county/>
17. Agency Name: **Holzer Meigs Clinic & Holzer Emergency Department**
- a. Transportation Service Type: Provides referrals to other transportation providers
 - b. Other Services Provided: None
 - c. Contact Information: 740-446-5411
 - d. Hours: **Clinic** M-F 8AM-5PM **Emergency Department** 24/7
 - e. Service Area: N/A
 - f. Eligibility Requirements: Only available to agency clients
 - g. Website: www.holzer.org
18. Agency Name: **Salvation Army of Athens and Meigs Counties**
- a. Transportation Service Type: Provides vouchers, referrals and transportation assistance
 - b. Other Services Provided: None
 - c. Contact Information: 740-797-1305
 - d. Hours: 24/7
 - e. Service Area: Athens & Meigs Counties
 - f. Eligibility Requirements: Must meet eligibility requirements set by the Salvation Army
 - g. Website: www.salvationarmyusa.org/usa/
19. Agency Name: **MedFlight of Ohio**
- a. Transportation Service Type: Air medical transportation
 - b. Other Services Provided: None
 - c. Contact Information: Michael Perkins – COO | 740-610-5817
 - d. Hours: 24/7
 - e. Service Area: Meigs and surrounding counties
 - f. Eligibility Requirements: CAMTS and local requirements
 - g. Website: www.medflight.com

20. Agency Name: **Meigs Industries INC**

- a. Transportation Service Type: Adult Day Services Workshop Transportation
- b. Other Services Provided: None
- c. Contact Information: Tom Price | 614-530-8883
- d. Hours: 7:30 AM – 2:30 PM
- e. Service Area: Meigs County
- f. Eligibility Requirements: Must be an employee
- g. Website: N/A

21. Agency Name: **Expanding Your Horizons**

- a. Transportation Service Type: Transportation Waivers/Referrals
- b. Other Services Provided: None
- c. Contact Information: Steve Beha | 740-416-1103
- d. Hours: Hours based upon schedule
- e. Service Area: 16 total counties in Southeast and Southwest OHIO
- f. Eligibility Requirements: IO Waiver, level one waivers & self-waivers
- g. Website: www.eyhservices.com

22. Agency Name: **Portsmouth Emergency Ambulance Services**

- a. Transportation Service Type: Non-Emergency Medical Transportation
- b. Other Services Provided: Yes
- c. Contact Information: Rachael Estep | 740-354-3122
- d. Hours: 24/7
- e. Service Area: Southeastern Ohio
- f. Eligibility Requirements: Insurance covers most transports
- g. Website: <http://peasi.app/>

23. Agency Name: **Need a Lift Transportation**

- a. Transportation Service Type: Non-Emergency Medical Transportation (NET)
- b. Other Services Provided: None
- c. Contact Information: 740-709-0177 CALLED 10-8-20
- d. Hours: 24/7
- e. Service Area: Any place there is a scheduled appointment
- f. Eligibility Requirements: Medicaid
- g. Website: None

24. Agency Name: **Jackson Transportation**

- a. Transportation Service Type: Any
- b. Other Services Provided: Provides any transportation service as needed
- c. Contact Information: 1-866-588-2091 & 740-884-4800
- d. Hours: 24/7
- e. Service Area: Pickaway, Ross, Pike, Scioto, Fairfield, Hocking, Athens, Meigs, Vinton, Gallia and Lawrence Counties
- f. Eligibility Requirements: None as long as the trip is approved by the agency or self-pay

g. Website: N/A

25. Agency Name: **On the Go Transportation, LLC**

- a. Transportation Service Type: Non-Emergency Medical Transportation (NET)
- b. Other Services Provided: None
- c. Contact Information: 740-645-2268
- d. Hours: Monday – Friday 8:00 AM – 4:00 PM
- e. Service Area: Southeastern Ohio
- f. Eligibility Requirements: Ohio Medicaid, Other Insurance
- g. Website: <https://www.facebook.com/On-The-Go-Transportation-782580685135939>

26. Agency Name: **Meigs Council on Aging INC**

- a. Transportation Service Type: Non-Emergency Medical Transportation
- b. Other Services Provided: Yes
- c. Contact Information: John Matson 740-992-2161
- d. Hours: 8:00 AM – 4:00 PM
- e. Service Area: Meigs County
- f. Eligibility Requirements: 60 and Older
- g. Website: www.meigscoa.com

27. Agency Name: **Inclusions, LLC**

- a. Transportation Service Type: Non-Emergency Medical Transportation
- b. Other Services Provided: None
- c. Contact Information: Mary Miller | 740-416-3055 | inclusions@mail.com
- d. Hours: 9:30 AM – 2:30 PM
- e. Service Area: Meigs and Athens Counties
- f. Eligibility Requirements: Current Clients Only
- g. Website: Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/inclusionsmeigs>

The table below provides a summary of the characteristics of the participating transportation providers and organizations that purchase transportation on behalf of consumers.

Table #1: Organizational Characteristics

Agency Name	Directly Operates Transportation (Yes/No)		Purchases Transportation from Another Agency (if Yes, Who?)	Legal Authority (Private Non-Profit, Private For-Profit, Public Non-Profit,)		Number of Annual One-Way Passenger Trips	Average Number Trip Denials per Week	Are Vehicles Only Available for Human Service Agency Clients (Y/N)*
1. Eastern Local School District	YES		NO	GOVERNMENT ENTITY		2880	0	NO
2. Southern Local School District	YES		NO	GOVERNMENT ENTITY		N/A	0	NO
3. Meigs Local School District	YES		NO	GOVERNMENT ENTITY		N/A	0	NO
4. Athens-Meigs Educational Service Center	YES		NO	GOVERNMENT ENTITY		0	0	N/A
5. Haugland Learning Centers	YES		YES, GREEN CAB	PRIVATE FOR-PROFIT		0	0	N/A
6. Heart of the Valley Head Start	YES	NO	GOVERNMENT ENTITY	N/A	0	NO		
7. Meigs County Health Department	YES	NO	GOVERNMENT ENTITY	0	0	Gas vouchers given for private vehicle use		
8. Meigs County Board of Developmental Disabilities & Carleton School	YES	NO	GOVERNMENT ENTITY	6100	0	YES		
9. Meigs County Children Services	YES	NO	GOVERNMENT ENTITY	0	0	YES		

10. Meigs County Job & Family Services NET	YES	NO	GOVERNMENT ENTITY	3163	0	YES
11. Gallia-Meigs Community Action	NO	FUNDED BY MEIGS COUNTY JFS	PRIVATE NON-PROFIT	0	0	YES
12. Meigs County Veteran Services	YES	NO	GOVERNMENT ENTITY	120	0	YES
13. Buckeye Hills Regional Council	NO	NO	PUBLIC NON-PROFIT	N/A	N/A	N/A
14. Daybreak Transportation Services	YES	NO	PUBLIC FOR-PROFIT	6500	45	NO
15. Echoing Connections of Southeast Ohio – Echoing Hills	YES	NO	PUBLIC NON-PROFIT	2300/YEARLY	N/A	YES
16. Hopewell Health Centers	YES	NO	PUBLIC NON-PROFIT	X	X	YES
17. Integrated Services (Meigs County)	YES	NO	PUBLIC NON-PROFIT	0	4	YES
18. Holzer Meigs Clinic & Holzer Emergency Department	YES	N/A	PRIVATE NON-PROFIT	0	0	NO
19. Salvation Army of Athens & Meigs Counties	YES	NO	PUBLIC NON-PROFIT	0	0	YES
20. MedFlight of OHIO	YES	NO	PRIVATE NON-PROFIT	0	0	NO
21. Meigs Industries INC	YES	NO	PRIVATE NON-PROFIT	500	0	YES
22. Expanding Your Horizons	YES	NO	OTHER LLC CORPORATION	6500	0	YES

23. Portsmouth Emergency Ambulance Services	YES	NO	PRIVATE FOR- PROFIT	17000	0	NO
24. Need a Lift Transportation	YES	NO	PRIVATE FOR- PROFIT	5	5	NO
25. Jackson Transportation	NO	NO	PUBLIC FOR- PROFIT	36000	0	NO
26. On the Go Transportation	YES	LOGISTICARE	PRIVATE NON- PROFIT	60	2	NO
27. Meigs Council on Aging INC	NO	NO	PRIVATE NON- PROFIT	2800	3	YES
28. Inclusions, LLC	YES	NO	PRIVATE FOR- PROFIT	4000	0	NO

* Answering “Yes” indicates that your agency is closed door. Your agency is considered closed door if you ONLY provide transportation to your facility as a courtesy or if you ONLY serve a particular clientele that are enrolled in your agency programs (i.e. members of a sheltered workshop, or residents in a nursing home). Answering “No” indicates that your agency is open door. This means the service is open to the public or a segment of the general public defined by age, disability, or low income. For example, if an agency provides general transportation for anyone in the community who is over the age of 60, they are considered “open door”. For example, an individual who is 60 or over can request transportation to a doctor’s appointment or the grocery store regardless of their affiliation with your agency.

The participating organizations provide a wide range of transportation including; fixed route-students only, taxi service, referral and voucher services, on-demand clients only volunteer services, H/PC, NMT, medical & ADA paratransit. Twenty-eight of the participating organizations provide services on weekdays. One operates transportation on Saturdays and none on Sundays. Evening services are not typically operated by any of the organizations unless there is a special circumstance. The following table depicts the transportation service characteristics by agency.

Table #2: Transportation Service Characteristics

Agency Name	Mode of Service	Days & Hours of Operation	Provides Medicaid-Eligible Trips (Y/N)	Level of Passenger Assistance Provided	Training Courses Required for Drivers
1. Eastern Local School District	FIXED ROUTE-STUDENTS ONLY	M-F 8:00AM-4:00PM	NO	BOARDING, WHEELCHAIR ASSISTANCE & SEATBELT ASSISTANCE	BLOOD BORNE PATHOGENS, VEHICLE OPERATIONS, SAFETY, CDL & DMV RECORD CHECKS
2. Southern Local School District	FIXED ROUTE-STUDENTS ONLY	M-F 8:00AM-4:00PM	NO	BOARDING, WHEELCHAIR ASSISTANCE & SEATBELT ASSISTANCE	BLOOD BORNE PATHOGENS, VEHICLE OPERATIONS, SAFETY, CDL & DMV RECORD CHECKS
3. Meigs Local School District	FIXED ROUTE-STUDENTS ONLY	M-F 8:00AM-4:00PM	NO	BOARDING, WHEELCHAIR ASSISTANCE & SEATBELT ASSISTANCE	BLOOD BORNE PATHOGENS, VEHICLE OPERATIONS, SAFETY, CDL & DMV RECORD CHECKS

4. Athens-Meigs Educational Service Center	FIXED ROUTE-STUDENTS ONLY	M-F 8:00AM-4:00PM	NO	BOARDING, WHEELCHAIR ASSISTANCE & SEATBELT ASSISTANCE	BLOOD BORNE PATHOGENS, VEHICLE OPERATIONS, SAFETY, CDL & DMV RECORD CHECKS
5. Haugland Learning Centers	TAXI SERVICE	M-F 8:AM-2:30PM	YES	NONE AT THIS TIME	NONE AT THIS TIME
6. Heart of the Valley Head Start	FIXED ROUTE-STUDENTS ONLY	M-F 8:00AM-4:00PM	NO	BOARDING, WHEELCHAIR ASSISTANCE & SEATBELT ASSISTANCE	BLOOD BORNE PATHOGENS, VEHICLE OPERATIONS, SAFETY, CDL & DMV RECORD CHECKS
7. Meigs County Health Department	REFERRAL & VOUCHER SERVICES	M-F 8AM-4PM	VOUCHERS	N/A	N/A
8. Meigs County Board of Developmental Disabilities & Carleton School	FIXED ROUTE – STUDENTS ONLY	7:30AM-4:30PM	NO	BOARDING, DEPARTING, WHEELCHAIR ASSISTANCE & SEATBELT ASSISTANCE	CPR, FIRST-AID, BLOODE BORNE PATHOGENS, VEHICLE OPERATIONS, ADA, SAFETY, CDL & DMV RECORD CHECKS
9. Meigs County Children Services	REFERRAL AND VOUCHER SERVICES	M-F 8:00AM-4:00PM	YES	NONE	DEFENSIVE DRIVING CERTIFICATE FOR ALL DRIVERS
10. Meigs County Job & Family Services NET	REFERRAL AND VOUCHER SERVICES	M-F 8:00AM-4:00PM	YES	NONE	DEFENSIVE DRIVING CERTIFICATE FOR ALL DRIVERS
11. Gallia-Meigs Community Action	REFERRAL & CONTRACT SERVICE	8AM-4:30PM	YES	CUSTOMER MUST BE ABLE TO BOARD AND DEPART THEMSELVES	DMV RECORD CHECKS
12. Meigs County Veteran Services	ON DEMAND-CLIENTS ONLY	M-R 8AM-4PM	N/A	BOARDING, DEPARTING, WHEELCHAIR ASSISTANCE, AIDS, SEATBELT ASSISTANCE	DMV RECORD CHECKS
13. Buckeye Hills Regional Council	REFERRAL SERVICES	DEPENDENT ON PROVIDER	YES	N/A	N/A

14. Daybreak Transportation Services	REFERRAL & CONTRACT SERVICE	DEPENDENT ON NEED	YES	BOARDING, DEPARTING, WHEELCHAIR ASSISTANCE, AIDS, SEATBELT ASSISTANCE	CPR, FIRST-AID, BLOOD BORNE PATHOGENS, VEHICLE OPERATIONS, CUSTOMER SERVICE, ADA, DMV RECORD CHECKS & CRIMINAL BACKGROUND
15. Echoing Connections of Southeast Ohio – Echoing Hills	ON DEMAND-CLIENTS ONLY	M-F 7:45AM-3:15PM	YES	BOARDING, DEPARTING, WHEELCHAIR ASSISTANCE	VEHICLE OPERATIONS, CUSTOMER SERVICE, ADA & SAFETY
16. Hopewell Health Centers	ON DEMAND-CLIENTS ONLY	DEPENDENT ON NEED	YES	X	X
17. Integrated Services (Meigs County)	ON DEMAND-CLIENTS ONLY	6:00 AM – 5:00 PM	YES	BOARDING, DEPARTING, SEATBELT ASSISTANCE & CARRYING GROCERIES	BLOOD BORNE PATHOGENS, CUSTOMER SERVICE & DMV RECORD CHECKS
18. Holzer Meigs Clinic & Holzer Emergency Department	ON DEMAND-CLIENTS ONLY	24/7	N/A	N/A	N/A
19. Salvation Army of Athens & Meigs Counties	VOLUNTEER SERVICE	DEPENDENT ON APPOINTMENTS	NO	N/A	N/A
20. MedFlight of OHIO	REFERRAL & CONTRACT SERVICES	24/7	YES	AIR TRANSPORTATION	N/A
21. Meigs Industries INC	FIXED ROUTE	7:30AM-2:30PM	NO	BOARDING, DEPARTING, WHEELCHAIR ASSISTANCE, SEATBELT ASSISTANCE	CPR, FIRST-AID, BLOOD BORNE PATHOGENS, VEHICLE OPERATIONS, CUSTOMER SERVICE, ADA, SAFETY VESTS, SAFETY, DMV RECORD CHECKS
22. Expanding Your Horizons	H/PC, NMT, MEDICAL, AS NEEDED	AS SCHEDULED PER EYH EVENT	YES	BOARDING, DEPARTING, WHEELCHAIR ASSISTANCE, SEATBELT ASSISTANCE, OTHER: COVID-10 SANITIZING,	CPR, FIRST-AID, BLOOD BORNE PATHOGENS, VEHICLE OPERATIONS, SAFETY, DMV RECORD CHECK, BCI BACKGROUND CHECKS, MED ADMINISTRATION

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23. Portsmouth Emergency Ambulance Services	H/PC, NMT, MEDICAL, AS NEEDED	24/7	YES	WHEELCHAIR ASSISTANCE	CPR, FIRST-AID, BLOOD BORNE PATHOGENS, VEHICLE OPERATIONS, CUSTOMER SERVICE, ADA, SAFETY AND DMV RECORD CHECKS
24. Need a Lift Transportation	H/PC, NMT, MEDICAL, AS NEEDED	24/7	YES	WHEELCHAIR ASSISTANCE	CPR, FIRST-AID, VEHICLE OPERATIONS, SAFETY AND DMV RECORD CHECKS
25. Jackson Transportation	REFERRAL & CONTRACT SERVICE	24/7	YES	BOARDING, DEPARTING, WHEELCHAIR ASSISTANCE & SEATBELT ASSISTANCE	CPR, FIRST-AID, BLOOD BORNE PATHOGENS, VEHICLE OPERATIONS, CUSTOMER SERVICE, ADA, SAFETY, FRAUD WASTE ABUSE TRAINING, HIPPA REGULATIONS, QUARTERLY SAFETY MEETINGS
26. On the Go Transportation	H/PC, NMT, MEDICAL AS- NEEDED	MONDAY – SATURDAY 24/6	YES	BOARDING, DEPARTING & WHEELCHAIR ASSISTANCE	CPR, FIRST-AID & DEFENSIVE DRIVING
27. Meigs Council on Aging INC	REFERRAL AND CONTRACT SERVICES	MONDAY- FRIDAY 8:00 AM – 4:00 PM	NO	BOARDING, DEPARTING, WHEELCHAIR ASSISTANCE AND SEATBELT ASSISTANCE	CPR, FIRST-AID, BLOOD BORNE PATHOGENS, VEHICLE OPERATIONS, ADA, SAFETY VESTS, SAFETY AND DMV RECORD CHECKS
28. Inclusions, LLC	FIXED ROUTE	9:30 AM – 2:30 PM	NO	WHEELCHAIR ASSISTANCE & SEATBELT ASSISTANCE	CPR, FIRST-AID, BLOOD BORNE PATHOGENS, VEHICLE OPERATIONS, CUSTOMER SERVICE & DMV RECORD CHECKS

Transportation-related expenses and revenues also differ by organization. Federal and local funding are common revenue sources for transportation operators in Meigs County. The table below provides a summary of expenses and revenues for public and non-profit transportation programs.

Table #3: Transportation-Related Expenses and Revenues

Agency Name	Fare Structure	Donations Accepted (Y/N)	Number of Full-Time & Part-Time Drivers	Number of Full-Time & Part-Time Schedulers/Dispatchers	Revenue Sources (most recent Fiscal Year)	Total Annual Transportation Expenses
1. Eastern Local School District	NONE	NO	8FT 5PT	1FT	STATE SUPPORTED	\$531,689.00
2. Southern Local School District	NONE	NO	8FT 5PT	1FT	STATE SUPPORTED	N/A
3. Meigs Local School District	NONE	NO	N/A	N/A	STATE SUPPORTED	N/A
4. Athens-Meigs Educational Service Center	NONE	NO	N/A	N/A	STATE SUPPORTED	N/A
5. Haugland Learning Centers	MEDICAID	NO	N/A	N/A	MEDICAID	\$0.00

6. Heart of the Valley Head Start	NONE	NO	N/A	N/A	STATE SUPPORTED	N/A
7. Meigs County Health Department	N/A	NO	0	0	MEIGS COUNTY CANCER INITIATIVE	\$12,340.00
8. Meigs County Board of Developmental Disabilities & Carleton School	NONE	YES	4	1	ODE	\$274,000.00
9. Meigs County Children Services	NONE	NO	0	0	N/A	\$0.00
10. Meigs County Job & Family Services NET	MEDICAID	NO	JFS STAFF WHEN NEEDED	1	N/A	\$0.00
11. Gallia-Meigs Community Action	COST IS PER MILE	NO	3	1	MEIGS COUNTY DJFS	\$20,000.00
12. Meigs County Veteran Services	N/A	NO	3	1	0	\$0.00
13. Buckeye Hills Regional Council	N/A	NO	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
14. Daybreak Transportation Services	VARIES	YES	15	1	\$500,000.00	\$475,000.00
15. Echoing Connections of Southeast Ohio – Echoing Hills	FREE FOR QUALIFYING CLIENTS	NO	ALL STAFF	1 FT	N/A	N/A
16. Hopewell Health Centers	FREE FOR QUALIFYING CLIENTS	NO	X	X	X	X
17. Integrated Services (Meigs County)	NO CHARGE	NO	0	0	MEDICAID	\$0.00
18. Holzer Meigs Clinic & Holzer Emergency Department	N/A	N/A	0	0	N/A	\$0.00

19. Salvation Army of Athens & Meigs Counties	FREE FOR QUALIFYING CLIENTS	YES	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
20. MedFlight of OHIO	INSURANCE & PRIVATE PAY	YES	185	25	CMS, COMMERCIAL INSURANCE AND PRIVATE PAY	\$0.00
21. Meigs Industries INC	MEDICAID	YES	3	1	MEDICAID	\$45,000.00
22. Expanding Your Horizons	MEDICAID	NO	9	1	MEDICAID	\$150,000.00
23. Portsmouth Emergency Ambulance Services	N/A	NO	50 FT	20	0	0
24. Need a Lift Transportation	\$2.50 PER MILE	YES	18	3	\$750,000.00	\$700,000.00
25. Jackson Transportation	PER MILE	NO	19	4	MULTI JFS CONTRACTS	\$975,000.00
26. On the Go Transportation	CONTRACTED	NO	12	3	OHIO MEDICAID, NATIONAL MED TRANS, LOGISTCARE	\$70,000.00
27. Meigs Council on Aging INC	DONATION	YES	2 PART-TIME	1 PART TIME	TITLE III & LEVY	\$58,000.00
28. Inclusions, LLC	DIDD WAIVER	YES	3	0	DODD WAIVER	\$0.00

The following table provides basic information about transportation options other than the traditional public and human services transportation. Transportation options might include bike share, ride share, intercity, or taxi services, and more.

Table #4: Alternative/ Active Transportation Options

Transportation Option	Availability	Cost	Usage	Service Area
BOOK-A-BIKE	Varies by Library locations	Free	Any community member max 3 hours	Meigs County
BIKE PATH	24/7	Free	Any community member	Meigs County
CHURCH TRANSPORTATION	Sundays	Free to parishioners	Any community member	Meigs County

The following table provides basic information about local travel training program options.

Table #5: Transportation Resources

Transportation Resource	Availability	Cost	Usage	Service Area
Meigs County Job and Family Services	M-F 8:00 AM – 4:00 PM	None	As requested,	Meigs County

The following table illustrates the technology used by each transportation provider for scheduling, dispatching, and/or GPS tracking vehicles.

Table #6: Technology

Agency Name	Name of Scheduling Software	Do you have an App for Transportation (Y/N)?	Name of Dispatching Software	AVL System/ GPS (Y/N)
1. Eastern Local School District	NONE	NO	NONE	YES
2. Southern Local School District	NONE	NO	NONE	YES
3. Meigs Local School District	NONE	NO	NONE	YES
4. Athens-Meigs Educational Service Center	NONE	NO	NONE	YES
5. Haugland Learning Centers	NONE	NO	N/A	N/A
6. Heart of the Valley Head Start	NONE	NO	NONE	YES
7. Meigs County Health Department	NONE	NO	N/A	N/A

8. Meigs County Board of Developmental Disabilities & Carleton School	NONE	NO	NONE	YES
9. Meigs County Children Services	NONE	NO	NONE	YES
10. Meigs County Job & Family Services NET	NONE	NO	NONE	YES
11. Gallia-Meigs Community Action	NONE	NO	NONE	YES
12. Meigs County Veteran Services	NONE	NO	N/A	NO
13. Buckeye Hills Regional Council	NONE	NO	N/A	NO
14. Daybreak Transportation Services	EXCEL	NO	N/A	NO
15. Echoing Connections of Southeast Ohio – Echoing Hills	NONE	NO	N/A	NO
16. Hopewell Health Centers	NONE	NO	N/A	NO
17. Integrated Services (Meigs County)	CARELOGIC	NO	NONE	YES
18. Holzer Meigs Clinic & Holzer	NONE	NO	N/A	NO

Emergency Department				
19. Salvation Army of Athens & Meigs Counties	NONE	NO	N/A	NO
20. MedFlight of OHIO	NONE	NO	N/A	NO
21. Meigs Industries INC	N/A	NO	N/A	YES
22. Expanding Your Horizons	NONE	NO	NONE	YES
23. Portsmouth Emergency Ambulance Services	OWN SOFTWARE – PA ASSIST	NO	IN HOUSE SOFTWARE	NO
24. Need a Lift Transportation	CHARLOTTE	YES	FLEETTRACK	YES
25. Jackson Transportation	CTS	NO	CTS SOFTWARE	YES
26. On the Go Transportation	NONE	NO	N/A	NO
27. Meigs Council on Aging INC	SERV TRACKER	NO	N/A	NO
28. Inclusions, LLC	NONE	NO	NONE	NO

Assessment of Community Support for Transit

Meigs County has always had a lack and a serious need for transportation. The transportation issue is great for this county and has been for years, limiting the community to certain resources that would be better obtained if transportation were an option. Meigs County does recognize the need for transportation services in the region and has a long history of overall support for transportation initiatives. Meigs County Job and Family Services and the Ohio Department of Transportation (ODOT) have worked hard to facilitate the Meigs County Mobility Management (MCMM) project starting in January 2020. MCMM is a position dedicated to the following:

- Increasing understanding and awareness of community transportation needs
- Increasing awareness of current community transportation options and programs
- Ensuring that transportation considerations are included in local and regional planning activities
- Increasing local capacity for transportation services
- Assisting individuals with accessing all community transportation options
- Planning for sustainability
- Encouraging innovation and flexibility to reach the “right fit” solution for customers
- Striving for easy information and referrals to assist customers in learning about and using services
- Continually incorporating customer feedback as services are evaluated and adjusted

The MCMM program will serve as the coordinating force for organizations and individuals in the Meigs County community. MCMM is currently funded by the 5311 Grant. The MCMM will work collaboratively with all stakeholders and the community to form an Active Meigs Transportation Collaboration Team. This team will meet monthly to go over different changes or updates in the community. The purpose of this meeting will be for continued growth in Meigs county and community buy-in.

Safety

All transportation providers in Meigs County are dedicated to ensuring safe transportation for all riders, drivers, and pedestrians. Although different providers require different safety courses for their drivers there are requirements for each provider to ensure safe practices.

Information on Safety Measures

Meigs County Ohio Emergency Management Agencies (EMA'S) website:

<http://www.emaohio.org/meigs-county/>

- Contact Information for the local EMA Office

COUNTY NAME	Meigs County
POPULATION	Population 20,001 - 40,000
DIRECTOR NAME	Jamie Jones
DEPARTMENT	Meigs County Emergency Management Agency
ADDRESS	41859 Pomeroy Pike
CITY/STATE/ZIP	Pomeroy, Ohio 45769
E-MAIL	meigsema@hotmail.com
PHONE NUMBER	(740) 992-4541

- Contact Information for neighboring EMA Offices to include
 - Athens County
 - Vinton County
 - Jackson County
 - Gallia County

COUNTY NAME	Athens County
DIRECTOR NAME	Don Gossel
DEPARTMENT	Athens County EMA
ADDRESS	13 West Washington Street
CITY/STATE/ZIP	Athens, Ohio 45701
E-MAIL	dgossel@athensoh.org
PHONE NUMBER	(740) 594-2261

COUNTY NAME	Jackson County
POPULATION	Population 20,001 - 40,000
DIRECTOR NAME	Robert Czechlewski
DEPARTMENT	Jackson County EMA
ADDRESS	200 E. Main St., Rm. 205
CITY/STATE/ZIP	Jackson, Ohio 45640
E-MAIL	jacksoncoema@yahoo.com
PHONE NUMBER	(740) 286-5630

COUNTY NAME	Vinton County
POPULATION	Population 1 - 20,000
DIRECTOR NAME	Bill Faught
DEPARTMENT	Vinton County EMA
ADDRESS	106 South Market Street
CITY/STATE/ZIP	McArthur, Ohio 45651
E-MAIL	ema@vintonco.com
PHONE NUMBER	(740) 596-3524

COUNTY NAME	Gallia County
DIRECTOR NAME	Sherry Daines
DEPARTMENT	Gallia County EMA
ADDRESS	1191 State Route 160
CITY/STATE/ZIP	Gallipolis, Ohio 45631
E-MAIL	sherry911@zoomnet.net
PHONE NUMBER	(740) 441-2036

Amendment Consideration

The Meigs County Mobility Manager will work with the current EMA Director to make an amendment to the Base Plan 2018 to include the following information below per ODOT's guidelines for the Meigs County Coordinated Plan. The EMA Base Plan 2018 includes a few resources regarding transportation; ambulance, fire trucks, school buses and the Emergency Response Vehicle are currently outlined in the EMA Base Plan 2018. Meigs County does not have a transit system and is extremely limited of its transportation resources, so the EMA Base Plan 2018 does not cover much regarding Transportation Services or systems. A copy of the EMA Base Plan 2018, can be sent upon request.

The Meigs County Mobility Manager and the EMA Director will focus on the following amendments:

1. Provide a summary of what that means for transportation – pay close attention to the transportation section of the mass care in the County Emergency Operations Plan.
2. What is the protocol when it comes to specialized populations?
 - (a) Seniors
 - (b) Homebound with service animals
 - (c) Persons with disabilities
 - (d) Persons with critical medical needs
 - (e) Homeless persons
 - (f) CRCF's include nursing homes, assisted living centers, drug treatment centers, group homes, residential homes, foster homes, adult and childcare facilities, etc.
 - (g) Hospitals
 - (h) Correctional Facilities

The first step in the planning process identified each hazard that is a possible threat to the county and its political subdivisions and provided the basis for the basic plan and the functional annexes. The second step assessed the resources of each government entity and the third step was to develop response procedures based solely on the resources.

Communication Systems

- a. Communication systems consist of two-way radios, telephone, cell phone, fax and email as well as other internet-based systems. (For complete details of the different types of communication systems please click above for the communication annex of the EMA Plan)
- b. Ohio Multi Agency Radio Communications System (MARCS)
- c. Sheriff's Office (MCSO)
- d. Village Police Departments
- e. Emergency Medical Services/Fire Services (EMS/FD)
- f. Emergency Management (EMA)
- g. Amateur Radio
- h. Communication Centers
 - i. Meigs County Dispatch Center
 - ii. Meigs County Sheriff's Office Dispatch Center
 - iii. Village Police Department Dispatch Centers
 - iv. Fire Departments
 - v. Meigs County Emergency Communications Center
 - vi. Meigs County Health Department Operations center
 - vii. Meigs County EMA Emergency Response Vehicle

Communication Process

1. The following Agencies & Governmental Agency Heads; addressed in the EMA Plan are in charge of but not limited to vetting all efforts up through the EMA Director. All Agencies in the EMA plan are responsible to ensure a clean and clear line of communication. The agencies listed in the EMA plan are:
2. Incident Commander
3. Dispatch Centers
4. Meigs County Dispatch Center
 - a. The Meigs County Dispatch Center is the county's central location for receipt and initial dissemination of emergency notifications and warnings. It operates 24 hours per day, 7 days per week. The dispatch center receives notifications for all emergencies affecting the county. These notifications may come from any source but come primarily via the 9-1-1 system. When another agency receives an emergency notification, it immediately notifies the Dispatch Center- even if that agency can deal with the incident itself. The Ohio State Highway Patrol (OSHP) is the State of Ohio Warning Point for the National Warning System (NAWAS). Upon receipt of NAWAS warning affecting Meigs County, the OSHP, District 9 Headquarters, Jackson, Ohio notifies the Sherriff's Office Dispatch Center. In addition to this notification, all NAWAS warnings are sent over the Law Enforcement Automated Data System (LEADS) to law enforcement agencies in the warning area.
 - b. Sheriff's Office Dispatch Center
 - c. Department Operations Centers (DOCs)
 - d. Emergency Operations Center (EOC)
5. County Government Officials
 - a. Commissioners
6. Emergency Management Agency (EMA) Director
7. Local Emergency Planning Committee (LEPC) Community Emergency Coordinator

8. Sherriff
 - a. The Sherriff may declare snow emergencies as needed to convey road conditions.
 - b. Level 1. Roadways are hazardous with blowing and drifting snow. Roads are also icy. Drive very cautiously.
 - c. Level 2. Roadways are hazardous with blowing and drifting snow. Only those who feel it is necessary to drive should be out on the roadways. Contact your employer to see if you should report to work.
 - d. Level 3. All roadways are closed to non-emergency personnel. No one should be out during these conditions unless it is absolute necessary to travel. All employees should contact their employer to see if they should report to work. Those traveling on the roadways may subject themselves to prosecution.
9. Emergency Medical Services (EMS) Director
10. Auditor
11. Prosecuting Attorney
12. Engineer
13. Director of Job & Family Services
14. Coroner
15. Health Commissioner
16. Superintendent of Schools
17. Township Trustees
18. Municipal Government Officials
 - a. Mayors
 - b. Police Chiefs
 - c. Fire Chiefs
 - d. Facility Coordinators for Extremely Hazardous Substance (EHS) Facilities
19. Public Utilities
 - a. Water Departments/Companies
 - b. Electric Companies
 - c. Natural Gas Companies
 - d. Local Media

Communication to the General Public

The jurisdictional law enforcement agency initiates notifications to the general public using the following:

- *Code Red* is the primary notification system with the siren system second
 - *Door-to-door* notification or mobile public-address systems by emergency response and/or emergency management personnel
 - Local broadcast and print media and announcements over scanners.
 - Special cases such as nursing homes, occupied schools, and highly populated facilities receive the warning and notification by direct contact via two-way communications (telephone or radio) or person-to-person contact
 - Notification and warning to hearing impaired or non-English speaking persons are notified by the above methods or by initiating the EAS broadcast systems required text in special language messages and via crawlers during television EAS broadcasts and closed caption devices when available
 - In the most populated areas siren controllers activated from central dispatch system can be programmed for specific situations for public notification.
 - If electrical system fail during the emergency, protective action information will be announced door-to-door and/or by the bullhorns or public-address systems, by law enforcement officers and fire responders.
 - Following a disaster, handing out recovery information published in native languages and alternative formats such as Braille and large print. Identify how the coordinating committee will assist in the process.
1. Department Operations Centers (DOCs)
 2. Providing support to the agencies' on scene resources
 - i. ii. Receiving requests for additional agency resources
 - ii. Coordinating relief of on scene agency resources
 - iii. Providing technical information and advice
 3. Emergency Operations Center (EOC)
 - i. Receiving and satisfying requests for external support from the IC
 - ii. Operating the county's Joint Information Center
 - iii. Providing a location for decision makers and resource coordinators required for the successful response to and recovery from incidents
 4. Sheriff
 - i. Providing a continuous central point for receipt and initial dissemination of emergency notifications and warnings for Meigs County and notifying the appropriate officials and agencies
 - ii. Implementing public warning and notification procedures when needed to include activating the EAS
 - iii. Implementing evacuation within his/her jurisdiction
 5. Emergency Medical Services (EMS) Director
 - i. Providing emergency medical response to account for, stabilize and transport victims as needed to all incidents in his/her jurisdiction
 - ii. Arranging with area hospitals to receive and care for victims transported from Meigs County.
 6. Engineer
 - i. Repairing county roads and bridges, clearing debris from county property, draining flooded areas in jurisdiction, inspecting and designating hazardous

- structures, demolishing county owned hazardous structures, establishing emergency traffic detours and road blocks. Providing equipment and operators as needed.
 - ii. Reporting closed county roads to the Sherriff's office
 - iii. Determining the safety of the evacuation routes
 - iv. Storing and providing fuel for county emergency vehicles
- 7. Director of Job and Family Services
 - i. Identifying needs of people as a result of emergencies/disasters and coordinating response with responding agencies
 - ii. Assisting people apply for grants administered by the department
- 8. Coroner
 - i. Coordinating resources to collect, identify, and dispose of deceased persons and human tissue
 - ii. Determining when the dead are removed from the scene of mass casualties. Selecting sites to establish temporary morgues. Identifying mass-burial sites. Protecting the property and personal effects of the deceased.
 - iii. Coordinating services of funeral directors, ambulances, EMS, and other pathologists; dentists and x-ray technicians for purposes of identification and jurisdictional law enforcement agencies for security, property protection and evidence collection
- 9. Health Commissioner
 - i. Coordinating with the water, public works or sanitation, as appropriate, to ensure the availability of portable water and an effective sewage system and sanitary garbage disposal.
 - ii. Providing health related information relating to emergency and incidents and hazards
 - iii. Establishing preventive health services, including the control of communicable diseases. Proving epidemiological surveillance, case investigation, and follow-up
 - iv. Making public health emergency declarations
- 10. Superintendent of Schools
 - i. Providing school buses and drivers for evacuations requested by the Incident Commander (IC), EMA Director or EOC (when activated)
 - ii. Making school facilities available for use as emergency shelters
 - iii. Providing a transportation coordinated to the EOC (when activated) when needed based on the scope and nature of the incident
- 11. Township Trustees
 - i. Protecting lives and property in an emergency or disaster situation within their jurisdiction to include offering the evacuation of people if necessary
 - ii. Reporting closed township roads to the Sherriff's office
 - iii. Making emergency and disaster declarations when needed for their jurisdiction
 - iv. Maintaining jurisdictional roads and streets, clearing debris from jurisdictional public property; draining flooded areas in the jurisdiction; inspecting, designating and demolishing hazardous structures; establishing emergency traffic detours and roadblocks. Providing equipment and operated as needed.
 - v. Assessing damage to jurisdictional roads and property.
- 12. Mayor
 - i. Protecting lives and property in an emergency or disaster situation within their jurisdiction to include offering the evacuation of people if necessary

- ii. Reporting closed township roads to the Sherriff's office
- iii. Making emergency and disaster declarations when needed for their jurisdiction
- iv. Maintaining jurisdictional roads and streets, clearing debris from jurisdictional public property; draining flooded areas in the jurisdiction; inspecting, designating and demolishing hazardous structures; establishing emergency traffic detours and roadblocks. Providing equipment and operated as needed.
- v. Assessing damage to jurisdictional roads and property.
- vi. Maintaining scheduled garbage pick-up service
- vii. Obtaining additional equipment if needed for debris removal

13. Police Chiefs

- i. Maintaining law and order, protecting vital facilities and controlling traffics in and around the affected areas within their jurisdiction.
- ii. Providing on-scene command and control for law enforcement functions within their jurisdiction.
- iii. Managing evacuation within its jurisdiction

14. Fire Chiefs

- i. Providing fire and rescue response as needed to all incidents in their jurisdiction
- ii. Ordering the evacuation of people in his/her jurisdiction if necessary
- iii. Performing contamination screening and decontamination, if required, at activated reception centers and shelters.
- iv. Ensuring responding units notify the EMS Dispatch Center of response units' receipt of notification, departure from station, arrival on scene, departure from scene, and arrival at station as well as status updates.

15. Public Utilities

- i. Providing portable water and maintaining water pressure

Vehicles

Survey/Interview participants listed a combined total of 150 vehicles. Approximately 17% of the vehicles are wheelchair accessible. A vehicle utilization table is provided at the end of this chapter (Table 6). Several transportation providers did not provide information for the vehicle utilization form but did provide information regarding the number of vehicles and wheelchair accessible vehicles in their fleets. Those numbers are reflected in the total amount of vehicles listed above and in the remainder of this document.

Provider	Vehicles	Wheelchair
Hopewell Health Centers (16)	3	0
Meigs County Job and Family Services (9)	7	0
Meigs Local School District (3)	34	1
Eastern Local School District (1)	3	1
Gallia-Meigs Community Action Agency (11)	7	0
Meigs Industries, INC (21)	3	3
On the Go Transportation, LLC (26)	18	1
Inclusions, LLC (28)	3	3
Meigs CO Council on Aging, INC (27)	3	1
Southern Local School District (2)	12	0
Day Break (14)	9	6
Need-A-Lift (24)	17	0
Meigs County Board of Developmental Disabilities (8)	5	4
Jackson Transportation Group, LLC (25)	26	5
Total:	150	25

Not all the transportation providers provide a wheelchair accessible vehicle. Most organizations had at least one, while some organizations have an entire fleet of wheelchair accessible vehicles. Currently, wheelchair accessible vehicles available to the public are only available during certain hours and days. The need for these vehicles remains high as several providers are running at full capacity and sometimes must deny ride requests. As vehicles age, they require additional maintenance, may break down more often, and become more costly to operate. Vehicle replacement, based on age and condition, is vital to the overall cost effectiveness of the transportation services provided.

Table #7: Vehicle Utilization Table

Veh #	Make	Model	Year	Vin #	Capacity	WC Capacity	Days of the Week Vehicle is in Service	Service Hours	Vehicle Condition	Program to which Vehicle is Assigned (if applicable)
HOPEWELL HEALTH CENTERS (16)										
MEI-1	DODGE	CARAVAN	2015	2C7WDGBG3FR614317	7	NO	5	8AM-5PM	FAIR	HOPEWELL
MEI-2	NISSAN	SENTRA	2018	3N1AB7APXJY306801	5	NO	5	8AM-5PM	EXCELLENT	HOPEWELL
MEI-3	FORD	TRANSIT-350	2020	1FBVU4X88LKA96826	12	NO	5	8AM-5PM	EXCELLENT	HOPEWELL
MEIGS COUNTY JOB AND FAMILY SERVICES (9)										
1	FORD	EXPLORER	2005	1FMZU72K05ZA65853	7	NO	5	8AM-4PM M-F	FAIR	MCDJFS
2	FORD	EXPLORER	2005	1FMZU72K95ZA65852	7	NO	5	8AM-4PM M-F	FAIR	MCDJFS
3	FORD	EXPLORER	2006	1FMEU72E76UB19379	7	NO	5	8AM-4PM M-F	FAIR	MCDJFS
4	FORD	ESCAPE	2017	1FMCU0F72HUB28021	7	NO	5	8AM-4PM M-F	FAIR	MCDJFS
5	DODGE	CARAVAN	2006	1D4GP24E86B680645	7	NO	5	8AM-4PM M-F	FAIR	MCDJFS
6	CHEVROLET	TRAVERSE	2017	1GNKRFED3HJ215754	7	NO	5	8AM-4PM M-F	FAIR	MCDJFS
7	CHRYSLER	PT CRUISER	2001	3C4FY4BB81T655522	5	NO	5	8AM-4PM M-F	FAIR	MCDJFS
MEIGS LOCAL SCHOOL DISTRICT (3)										
16	INTERNATIONAL	THOMAS	1995	1HTBBAAN1SH218023	71	N/A	5	8AM-4PM M-F	GOOD	N/A
26	INTERNATIONAL	THOMAS	1995	1HTBBAAN7SH218026	71	N/A	5	8AM-4PM M-F	GOOD	N/A
6	INTERNATIONAL	THOMAS	1997	1HVBBAAN2VH503342	71	N/A	5	8AM-4PM M-F	GOOD	N/A
9830	INTERNATIONAL	THOMAS	1998	1HVBBAAN6WH621251	72	N/A	5	8AM-4PM M-F	GOOD	N/A

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001	INTERNATIONAL	THOMAS	2001	4UZAAXAK41CH78732	60	N/A	5	8AM-4PM M-F	GOOD	N/A
0121	INTERNATIONAL	THOMAS	2001	1HVBBAAN61H413928	71	N/A	5	8AM-4PM M-F	GOOD	N/A
0122	INTERNATIONAL	THOMAS	2001	1HVBBAAN81H413929	71	N/A	5	8AM-4PM M-F	GOOD	N/A
0427	INTERNATIONAL	THOMAS	2004	4DRBRAAN24B961218	71	N/A	5	8AM-4PM M-F	GOOD	N/A
0428	INTERNATIONAL	THOMAS	2004	4DRBRAAN44B961219	71	N/A	5	8AM-4PM M-F	GOOD	N/A
0432	INTERNATIONAL	THOMAS	2004	4DRBRAAN04B961220	71	N/A	5	8AM-4PM M-F	GOOD	N/A
06-2	INTERNATIONAL	THOMAS	2006	4DRBUAAN56B260560	71	N/A	5	8AM-4PM M-F	GOOD	N/A
06-3	INTERNATIONAL	THOMAS	2006	4DRBUAAN36B260561	71	N/A	5	8AM-4PM M-F	GOOD	N/A
06-4	INTERNATIONAL	THOMAS	2006	4DRBUAAN56B260562	71	N/A	5	8AM-4PM M-F	GOOD	N/A
06-5	INTERNATIONAL	THOMAS	2006	4DRBUAAN76B260563	71	N/A	5	8AM-4PM M-F	GOOD	N/A
23	INTERNATIONAL	THOMAS	2008	4DRAPAFK08A260883	30	N/A	5	8AM-4PM M-F	GOOD	N/A
09-18	INTERNATIONAL	THOMAS	2009	4DRBUAAN59B667799	71	N/A	5	8AM-4PM M-F	GOOD	N/A
09-35	INTERNATIONAL	THOMAS	2009	4DRBUAAN19B667802	71	N/A	5	8AM-4PM M-F	GOOD	N/A
11-07	INTERNATIONAL	THOMAS	2011	4DRBUAAN4AB165015	71	N/A	5	8AM-4PM M-F	EXCELLENT	N/A
11-08	INTERNATIONAL	THOMAS	2011	4DRBUAAN1BB335350	33	N/A	5	8AM-4PM M-F	EXCELLENT	N/A

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31	INTERNATIONAL	THOMAS	2013	4UZABRDT6DCFB4392	71	N/A	5	8AM-4PM M-F	EXCELLENT	N/A
33	INTERNATIONAL	THOMAS	2013	4UZABRDT8DCFB4393	71	N/A	5	8AM-4PM M-F	EXCELLENT	N/A
34	INTERNATIONAL	THOMAS	2013	4UZABRDTXDCFB4394	71	N/A	5	8AM-4PM M-F	EXCELLENT	N/A
12	INTERNATIONAL	THOMAS	2015	4UZABRDT2FCGM0885	71	N/A	5	8AM-4PM M-F	EXCELLENT	N/A
15	INTERNATIONAL	THOMAS	2015	4UZABRDT6FCGM0887	71	N/A	5	8AM-4PM M-F	EXCELLENT	N/A
17	INTERNATIONAL	THOMAS	2015	4UZABRDT4FCGM0886	71	N/A	5	8AM-4PM M-F	EXCELLENT	N/A
9	INTERNATIONAL	THOMAS	2017	4UZABRDR3HCHS7665	73	N/A	5	8AM-4PM M-F	EXCELLENT	N/A
10	INTERNATIONAL	THOMAS	2017	4UZABRDT5HCHS7666	73	N/A	5	8AM-4PM M-F	EXCELLENT	N/A
25	INTERNATIONAL	THOMAS	2017	4UZABRDT7HCHS7667	73	N/A	5	8AM-4PM M-F	EXCELLENT	N/A
13	INTERNATIONAL	THOMAS	2018	4UZABRFC8JCJX3443	72	N/A	5	8AM-4PM M-F	EXCELLENT	N/A
19	INTERNATIONAL	THOMAS	2018	4UZABRFCXJCJX3444	43	N/A	5	8AM-4PM M-F	EXCELLENT	N/A
29	INTERNATIONAL	THOMAS	2018	4UZABRFC1JCJX3445	72	N/A	5	8AM-4PM M-F	EXCELLENT	N/A
20	INTERNATIONAL	THOMAS	2021	4UZABRFC8NCMD9530	72	N/A	5	8AM-4PM M-F	EXCELLENT	N/A
24	INTERNATIONAL	THOMAS	2021	4UZABRFCXMCMD9531	72	N/A	5	8AM-4PM M-F	EXCELLENT	N/A
36	INTERNATIONAL	THOMAS	2021	4UZABRFC1MCMD9532	72	N/A	5	8AM-4PM M-F	EXCELLENT	N/A

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EASTERN LOCAL SCHOOL DISTRICT (1)										
20	ICBUS	3000	2020	4DRBUC8NSLB336021	54	1	5	8AM-4PM M-F	NEW	
30	INTERNATIONAL	FS65	2001	N/A			5	8AM-2PM M-F	FAIR	
22	INTERNATIONAL	CES	2011	N/A			5	8AM-2PM M-F	OOS	
GALLIA-MEIGS COMMUNITY ACTION AGENCY (11)										
1522	CHEVY	UPLANDER	2006	1GN DU23LX6D231522	6		M-F	8AM-4:30PM		
0976	CHEVY	UPLANDER	2008	1GN DU23W38D210976	6		M-F	8AM-4:30PM		
3955	CHEVY	EQUINOX	2013	1GNALBEK1DZ103955	5		M-F	8AM-4:30PM		
9077	DODGE	JOURNEY	2017	3C4PDDGG5HT609077	6		M-F	8AM-4:30PM		
4143	DODGE	JOURNEY	2017	3C4PDDBG3HT574143	6		M-F	8AM-4:30PM		
5294	DODGE	JOURNEY	2017	3C4PDDBG5HT535294	6		M-F	8AM-4:30PM		
9600	CHEVY	3500 EXPRESS VAN	2017	1GAZGPF GXH1109600	14		M-F	8AM-4:30PM		
MEIGS INDUSTRIES, INC (21)										
4	FORD	BS	2017	1FDEE3FS8HDC02327	13	1	5	7:30 AM – 2:30 PM	USED	ADULT DAY
3	FORD	VN	2013	1FDEE3FS7DDB21703	13	1	5	7:30 AM – 2:30 PM	USED	ADULT DAY

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2	FORD	VN	2013	1FDEE3FS9DDB21704	13	1	5	7:30 AM – 2:30 PM	USED	ADULT DAY
ON THE GO TRANSPORTATION, LLC (26)										
1	CHEVROLET	IMPALA	2008	2G1WB58K481301242	5	NO	MON-SAT	24/6	GOOD	N/A
2	JEEP	GRAND CHEROKEE	2007	1J8HR58P37C535364	5	NO	MON-SAT	24/6	GOOD	N/A
3	CHEVROLET	IMPALA	2008	2G1WT58N989155090	5	NO	MON-SAT	24/6	GOOD	N/A
4	KIA	OPTIMA	2006	KNAGE123465033556	5	NO	MON-SAT	24/6	GOOD	N/A
5	JEEP	GRAND CHEROKEE	2007	1J8HR48P57C503400	5	NO	MON-SAT	24/6	GOOD	N/A
6	KIA	SORENTO	2011	5XYKTDA14BG167957	5	NO	MON-SAT	24/6	GOOD	N/A
7	CHEVROLET	MALIBU	2008	1G1ZG57B784193462	4	NO	MON-SAT	24/6	GOOD	N/A
8	DODGE	CARAVAN	2012	2C4RDGCG5CR160821	5	NO	MON-SAT	24/6	GOOD	N/A
9	DODGE	CARAVAN	2013	2C4RDGCG5DR772583	5	YES	MON-SAT	24/6	GOOD	N/A
10	FORD	TAURUS	2005	1FAHP532X5A131629	5	NO	MON-SAT	24/6	GOOD	N/A
11	FORD	FOCUS	2010	1FAHP3EN1AW179920	4	NO	MON-SAT	24/6	GOOD	N/A
12	CHEVROLET	IMPALA	2007	2G1WS55R579363976	5	NO	MON-SAT	24/6	GOOD	N/A
13	FORD	TAURUS	2005	1FAFP532X5A271946	5	NO	MON-SAT	24/6	GOOD	N/A
14	CHEVROLET	IMPALA	2010	2G1WA5EK0A1140112	5	NO	MON-SAT	24/6	GOOD	N/A
15	FORD	FOCUS	2013	1FADP3E25DL124946	4	NO	MON-SAT	24/6	GOOD	N/A
16	FORD	FUSION	2010	3FAHP0GA5AR424486	5	NO	MON-SAT	24/6	GOOD	N/A
17	FORD	FOCUS	2007	1FAHP34N87W358711	4	NO	MON-SAT	24/6	GOOD	N/A
18	CHEVROLET	IMPALA	2009	2G1WS57M891136641	5	NO	MON-SAT	24/6	GOOD	N/A
INCLUSIONS, LLC (28)										
1	FORD	E350	2008	N/A	10	YES	5	DEPENDS	GOOD	N/A
2	FORD	E350	2006	N/A	14	YES	5	DEPENDS	FAIR	N/A
3	FORD	E350	2015	N/A	7	YES	6	DEPENDS	FAIR	N/A

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MEIGS CO COUNCIL ON AGING, INC. (27)										
10	CHRYSLER	TOWN & COUNTRY	2010	2A4RR5D18AR142031	7	NO	5	8AM-4PM	GOOD	N/A
14	TOYOTA	SIENNA	2014	5TDZK3DC0ES509511	5	1	5	8AM-4PM	GOOD	N/A
20	SUBARU	FORESTER	2020	JF2SKADC1LH468856	5	NO	5	8AM-4PM	GOOD	N/A
SOUTHERN LOCAL SCHOOL DISTRICT (2)										
14	C	ICSB	2013	4DRBUAANXDB052285	78	N/A	5	7:30 AM – 2:30 PM	GOOD	
3	C	341TS-C2	2020	4UZABRFCXLCLM1974	78	N/A	5	7:30 AM – 2:30 PM	GOOD	
7	C	B2B	2017	4UZABRDT3HCHW8331	78	N/A	5	7:30 AM – 2:30 PM	GOOD	
6	C	B2B	2017	4UZABRDT5HCHW8332	78	N/A	5	7:30 AM – 2:30 PM	GOOD	
12-2	IC	CESB	2012	4DRBUAAN9CB449808	77	N/A	5	7:30 AM – 2:30 PM	GOOD	
10-1	IC	CESB	2010	4DRBUAAN7AB168846	77	N/A	5	7:30 AM – 2:30 PM	GOOD	
05-5	IC	CESB	2005	4DRBUAAN2SH245943	72	N/A	5	7:30 AM – 2:30 PM	GOOD	
10	THO	FS-65	2002	IHTBBAAN2SH245943	72	N/A	5	7:30 AM – 2:30 PM	FAIR	
11-15	IC	IC BU	2011	4DRBUAAN6BB265814	62	N/A	SPARE	7:30 AM – 2:30 PM	FAIR	
12	FRIEGHT	FS-65	2001	4UZAAXAK41CH62580	72	N/A	SPARE	7:30 AM – 2:30 PM	FAIR	
VAN	CHEVROLET	MICRO BIRD	2016	1GB0GRBF4G1131765	10	N/A	AS NEEDED	7:30 AM – 2:30 PM	GOOD	

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TRUCK	FORD	F350	2000	1FTSF31L4YED80797	3	N/A	AS NEEDED	7:30 AM – 2:30 PM	FAIR	
DAY BREAK (14)										
1	FORD	TRANSIT	2011	NM0LS6BNT070078	5	YES	AS NEEDED	MONDAY-FRIDAY	GOOD	N/A
2	FORD	TRANSIT	2012	NM0LS6BN5CT094721	5	YES	AS NEEDED	MONDAY-FRIDAY	GOOD	N/A
3	FORD	TRANSIT	2013	NM0KS9BN4DT134169	5	YES	AS NEEDED	MONDAY-FRIDAY	GOOD	N/A
4	DODGE	CARAVAN	2019	2C7WDGBG9KR799452	6	YES	AS NEEDED	MONDAY-FRIDAY	GOOD	N/A
5	DODGE	CARAVAN	2019	2C7WDGBG2KR798921	6	YES	AS NEEDED	MONDAY-FRIDAY	GOOD	N/A
6	DODGE	CARAVAN	2019	2C7WDGBG8KR801367	6	YES	AS NEEDED	MONDAY-FRIDAY	GOOD	N/A
7	TOYOTA	CAMERY	2004	4T1BE32K74U306567	5	NO	AS NEEDED	MONDAY-FRIDAY	GOOD	N/A
8	FORD	TRANSIT	2012	NM0LS6BN5CT084044	5	NO	AS NEEDED	MONDAY-FRIDAY	GOOD	N/A
9	FORD	TRANSIT	2012	NM0KS9BN6CT088245	5	NO	AS NEEDED	MONDAY-FRIDAY	GOOD	N/A
NEED-A-LIFT (24)										
1	CHEVROLET	MALIBU	2010	1G1ZB5EB2AF177164	5	NO	24/7	24/7	GOOD	N/A
2	DODGE	CARAVAN	2014	2C4RDGCG0ER253989	7	NO	24/7	24/7	GOOD	N/A
3	DODGE	CARAVAN	2009	2D8HN44E09R616450	7	NO	24/7	24/7	GOOD	N/A
4	CHEVROLET	MALIBU	2012	1G1ZC5E07CF313168	5	NO	24/7	24/7	GOOD	N/A
5	CHEVROLET	MALIBU	2011	1G1ZC5E17BF353003	5	NO	24/7	24/7	GOOD	N/A

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6	CHEVROLET	IMPALA	2010	2G1WC5EM8A1253351	5	NO	24/7	24/7	GOOD	N/A
7	CHEVROLET	MALIBU	2012	1G1ZB5E02CF177098	5	NO	24/7	24/7	GOOD	N/A
8	CHEVROLET	EXPRESS	2017	1GAZGPF4H1115232	8	NO	24/7	24/7	GOOD	N/A
9	CHEVROLET	MALIBU	2013	1G11C5SA5DF136182	5	NO	24/7	24/7	GOOD	N/A
10	GMC	ENVOY	2005	1GKDT13S552360201	8	NO	24/7	24/7	GOOD	N/A
11	JEEP	GRAND CHEROKEE	2009	1J8GR48K39C508629	6	NO	24/7	24/7	GOOD	N/A
12	DODGE	CARAVAN	2014	2C4RDGCGXER388347	7	NO	24/7	24/7	GOOD	N/A
13	CHEVROLET	MALIBU	2011	1G1ZE5E78BF368138	5	NO	24/7	24/7	GOOD	N/A
14	CHEVROLET	IMPALA	2011	2G1WG5E34C1104644	5	NO	24/7	24/7	GOOD	N/A
15	CHEVROLET	IMPALA	2007	2G1WB58K579168748	5	NO	24/7	24/7	GOOD	N/A
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17	CHEVROLET	IMPALA	2010	1GNUKCE00AR288516	5	NO	24/7	24/7	GOOD	N/A
MEIGS COUNTY BOARD OF DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES (8)										
20	FORD	TRANSIT VAN	2019	1FMZK1YG8KKB59649	9	NO	AS NEEDED	M-F 7:30AM-4PM	NEW	MCBDD
22	THOMAS	BUS	2015	4UZABRDT3ECFS7803	52	1	5	M-F 7:30AM-4PM	GOOD	CARLETON SCHOOL
23	THOMAS	BUS	2018	4UZABRFC3JCJU2640	36	1	5	M-F 7:30AM-4PM	GOOD	CARLETON SCHOOL
25	FREIGHTLINER	BUS	2003	4UZAAXAK63CK30571	30	1	AS NEEDED	M-F 7:30AM-4PM	FAIR	CARLETON SCHOOL

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27	THOMAS	BUS	2013	4UZABRDT1GCGM3181	36	1	5	M-F 7:30AM- 4PM	FAIR	CARLETON SCHOOL
JACKSON TRANSPORTATION (25)										
NT-36	CHEVY	VAN	2014	1GAZGYFG7E1104033	11	NO	7	ANY	GOOD	OHIO
NT-40	DODGE	VAN	2005	1D4GP24R25B397305	6	NO	7	ANY	GOOD	OHIO
NT-43	DODGE	VAN	2006	1D4GP24R76B754298	7	NO	7	ANY	GOOD	OHIO
NT-48	DODGE	VAN	2002	1B4GP24302B554086	7	NO	7	ANY	GOOD	OHIO
NT-49	DODGE	VAN	2005	2D4GP44L57R143521	7	NO	7	ANY	GOOD	OHIO
NT-52	DODGE	VAN	2005	1D4GP24RX5B136780	6	NO	7	ANY	GOOD	OHIO
NT-54	CHEVROLET	VAN	2016	1GAWGFFG6G127965	12	NO	7	ANY	GOOD	OHIO
NT-55	CHRYSLER	VAN	2010	2A4RR5D11AR310088	7	NO	7	ANY	GOOD	OHIO
NT-56	DODGE	VAN	2004	1D4GP45R44B560075	6	NO	7	ANY	GOOD	OHIO
NT-62	DODGE	VAN	2002	1B4GP24332B660824	6	NO	7	ANY	GOOD	OHIO
NT-64	CHRYSLER	VAN	2006	2A4GP44RX6R665409	7	NO	7	ANY	GOOD	OHIO
NT-65	CHRYSLER	VAN	2006	2A4GP44R16R794896	7	NO	7	ANY	GOOD	OHIO
NT-66	CHRYSLER	VAN	2010	2A4RR5D17AR319667	7	NO	7	ANY	GOOD	OHIO
NT-67	DODGE	VAN	2007	1D4GP24R47B111196	7	NO	7	ANY	GOOD	OHIO
NT-68	CHRYSLER	VAN	2009	2A8HR54179R547657	7	NO	7	ANY	GOOD	OHIO
NT-69	DODGE	VAN	2010	2D4RN5D11AR130677	7	NO	7	ANY	GOOD	OHIO
NT-70	CHEVROLET	VAN	2010	1GAZGPDG6A1165980	12	NO	7	ANY	GOOD	OHIO
NT-71	DODGE	VAN	2011	2D4RN4DG2BR603647	7	NO	7	ANY	GOOD	OHIO
NT-72	DODGE	VAN	2008	2D8HN54P18R724484	7	NO	7	ANY	GOOD	OHIO
NT-73	CHEVROLET	VAN	2018	1GAWGEFG6J1212879	12	NO	7	ANY	GOOD	OHIO
NT-74	CHEVROLET	VAN	2018	1GAWGEFG6J1235143	12	NO	7	ANY	GOOD	OHIO

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NT-75	FORD	VAN	2018	1FDVU4XM0JKA33480	5	YES	7	ANY	GOOD	OHIO
NT-76	FORD	VAN	2012	NMOKS9CN2CT097880	3	YES	7	ANY	GOOD	OHIO
NT-77	DODGE	VAN	2019	2C7WDGBGXKR79945	3	YES	7	ANY	GOOD	OHIO
NT-78	DODGE	VAN	2019	2C7WDGBGXKR80137	3	YES	7	ANY	GOOD	OHIO
NT-79	DODGE	VAN	2019	2C7WDGBG1KR75646	3	YES	7	ANY	GOOD	OHIO

Summary of Existing Resources

An overall summary of existing resources and an inventory of current services allows for a better insight into opportunities to coordinate services and the transportation gaps that we are currently experiencing in our county.

Meigs County has several private transportation providers whose focus is to provide either private transportation or Non-Emergency Transportation (NET). These providers only provide services to clients who qualify under certain criteria or are associated with the organization and its services. There are certain taxis that will come to Meigs county from other counties, but the costs associated with those transports are extremely high and not feasible for most individuals in Meigs County.

The summary of existing resources illustrates gaps in services in the county including:

- No availability of public and accessible services through the week or on the weekends
- Unavailability of wheelchair accessible vehicles because the options available are at capacity
- A lack of county-wide affordable services
- A lack of non-emergency medical transportation providers that are open to the public
- A lack of services that operate inside and outside of Meigs County
- A need for the coordination of efforts, specifically with wheelchair accessible vehicles
- A need for county wide collaboration for street, sidewalk and safe-crossing repair projects

IV. Assessment of Transportation Needs and Gaps

In an effort to better understand Meigs County needs, the planning committee examined research and data, as well as solicited input from the community in an effort to gather information about needs and gaps in transportation services.

The demographic and socio-economic conditions of the study area are discussed in the Demographics Chapter of this plan. The following overview is an evaluation of the gaps in service based upon geographic data as well as from the perspective of the targeted populations, transportation providers, and the general public.

The Meigs County Mobility Manager coordinated a variety of stakeholder meetings in the area to solicit input and request participation from any organization that could potentially be impacted by the coordinated transportation planning process. More information on how the lead agency engaged stakeholder and the general public is available upon request.

The following methods were used to assess transportation needs and gaps

- Assessment of data and demographics
- Release of five (5) transportation surveys to the County that focused on:
 - Meigs County Public Needs Survey (General public)
 - Meigs County assessment of available services
 - Meigs Coordinated Transportation Coalition (Business owners)
 - Seniors
 - Disabled Individuals
- Five Transportation Round Tables held over the phone (in person not an option due to global pandemic)

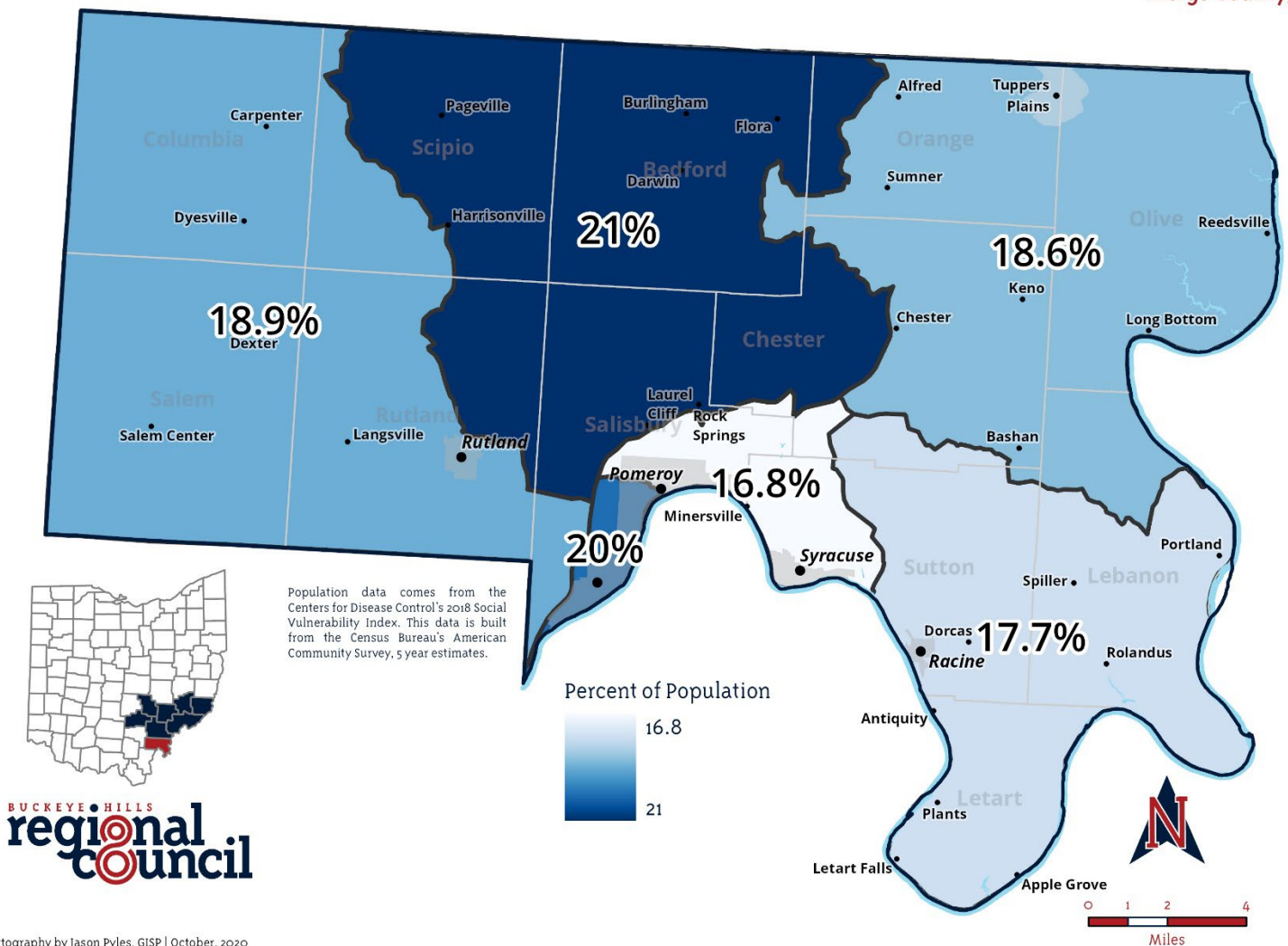
Local Demographic and Socio-Economic Data

Data for each target population group were aggregated by Census Block Group for transportation analysis. The demographic and socio-economic data is valuable because it provides a comparison of where the highest and lowest densities of individuals live who are most likely to need transportation. This information can then be compared to the locations of (1) major trip generators, and (2) available transportation services.

The following exhibit 1 illustrates the areas where the number of older adults (age 65 and older) is at or above the national average.

Exhibit 1: Map of Population Density of Individuals Age 65 and Older

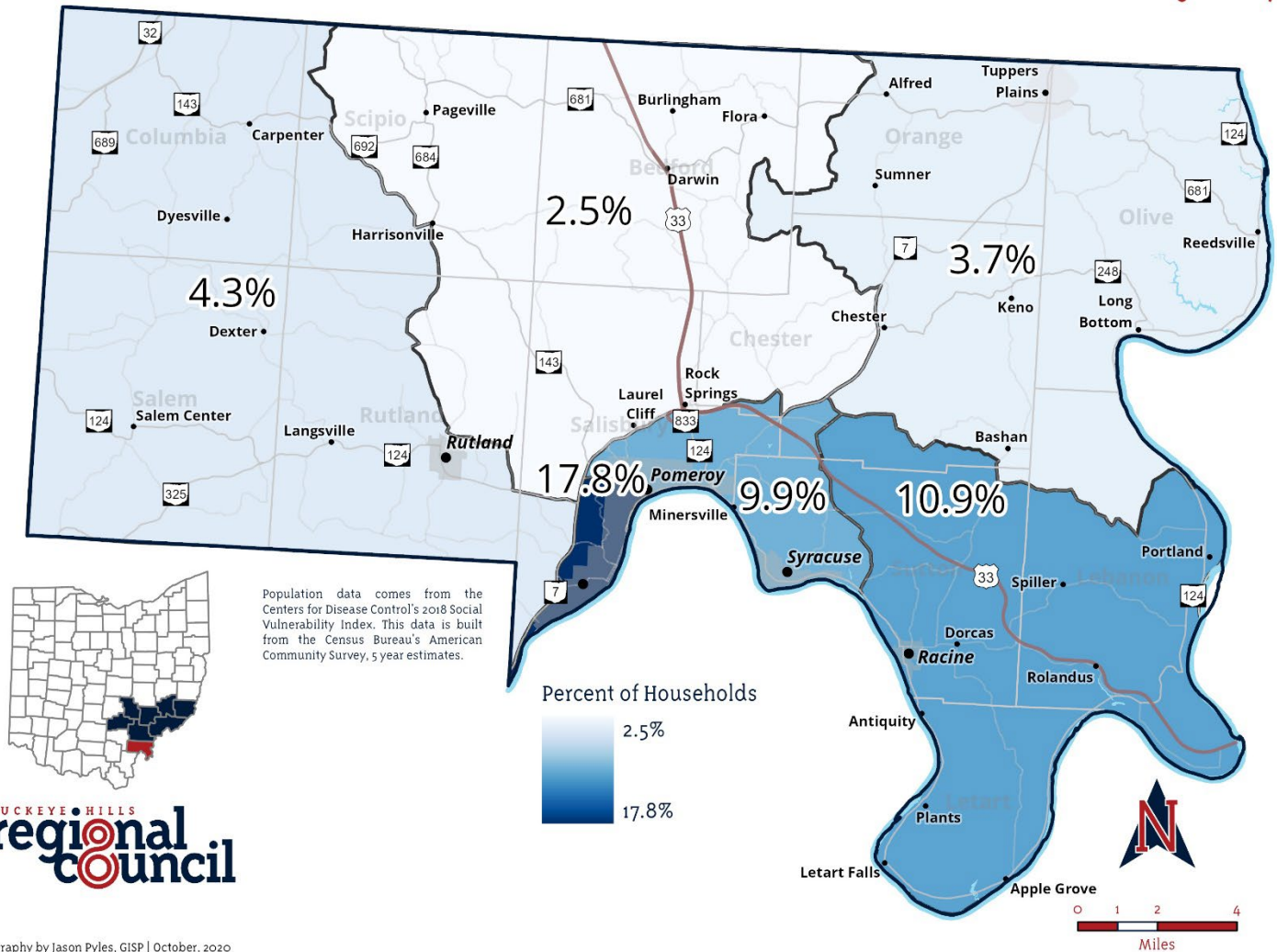
Population 65 and Older Meigs County, Ohio



The exhibit below indicates the areas where the number of zero vehicle households is above the national average. The absence of a vehicle in the household is often an indication of the need for transportation services.

Exhibit 2: Map of Density of Zero Vehicle Households

Households with No Vehicle Available Meigs County, Ohio

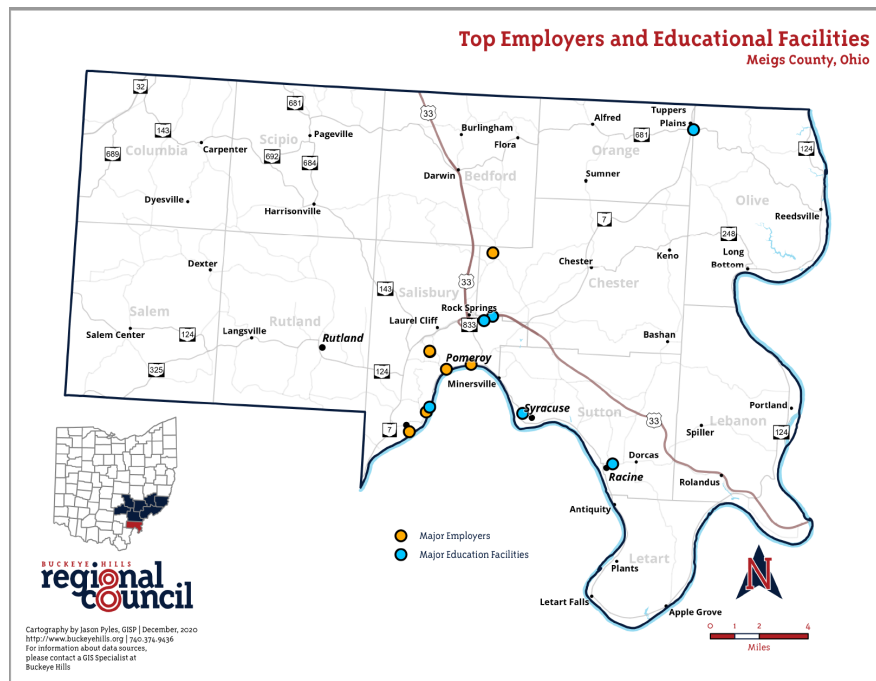


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Exhibit 3a: Map of Major Trip Generators

This exhibit illustrates the locations of the top employment and educational facility destinations in Meigs County



Major Employers:

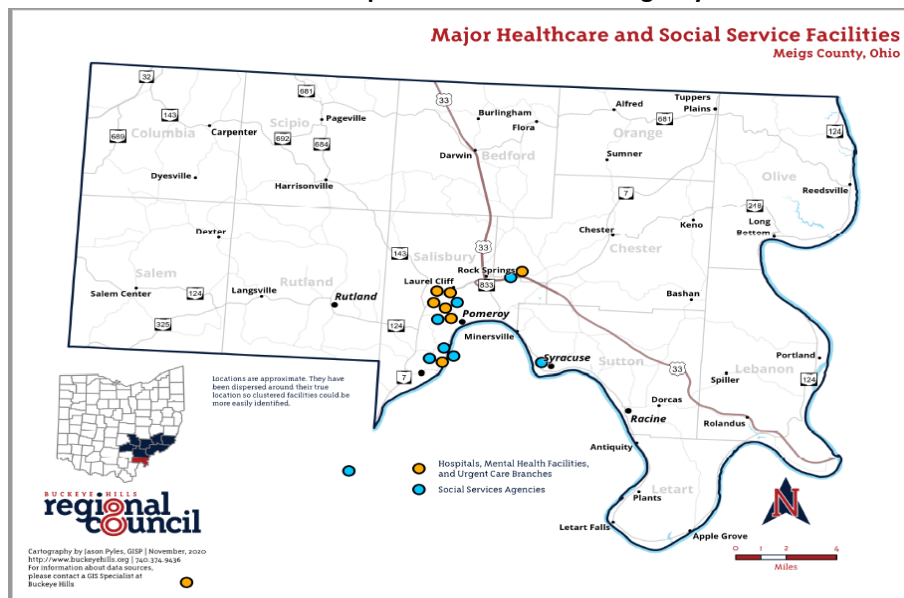
- Mark Porter Chevrolet Buick GMC (42411 Charles Chancey Drive, Pomeroy, OH 45769)
- Powell's Food Fair (700 East Main Street, Pomeroy, OH 45769)
- Meigs County Job and Family Services (175 Race Street Middleport, OH 45760)
- Eastern Local School District (50008 State Route 681 Reedsville, OH 45772)
- Southern Local School District (920 Elm Street Racine, OH 45771)
- Meigs Local School District (41765 Pomeroy Pike Pomeroy, OH 45769)
- Arbors at Pomeroy (36759 Rocksprings Road, Pomeroy, OH 45769)
- Meigs County Courthouse (100 East 2nd Street Pomeroy, OH 45769)
- Hopewell Health Centers, INC (41865 Pomeroy Pike, Pomeroy, OH 45769)
- Hopewell Health Center, INC (112 East Memorial Drive #B Pomeroy, OH 45769)
- Overbrook Rehabilitation Center (333 Page Street, Middleport, OH 45760)
- Holzer Meigs Clinic (88 East Memorial Drive Pomeroy, OH 45769)
- Holzer Emergency Department – Meigs (41861 Pomeroy Pike, Pomeroy, OH 45769)

Major education facilities in the county include

- Eastern Local School District (50008 State Route 681 Reedsville, OH 45772)
- Mid Valley Christian School (500 North 2nd Ave Middleport, OH 45760)
- Southern Local School District (920 Elm Street Racine, OH 45771)
- Meigs Local School District (41765 Pomeroy Pike Pomeroy, OH 45769)
- Carleton School (1310 Carleton Street Syracuse, OH 45779)
- Rio Grande Community College-Meigs Center (42377 Charles Chancey Drive, CO HWY 25, Pomeroy, OH 45769)

Exhibit 3b: Map of Major Trip Generators

This exhibit illustrates the locations of the top healthcare and social agency destinations in Meigs County



Major healthcare facilities including hospitals, mental health facilities and urgent care branches include:

- Holzer Meigs Clinic (88 East Memorial Drive Pomeroy, OH 45769)
- Holzer Emergency Department – Meigs (41861 Pomeroy Pike, Pomeroy, OH 45769)
- Health Recovery Services (HRS) (507 Mulberry Heights, Pomeroy, OH 45769)
- Integrated Services (150 Mill Street Middleport, OH 45760)
- Meigs County Health Department (112 East Memorial Drive #A, Pomeroy, OH 45769)
- Gallia-Jackson-Meigs Board of Alcohol Drug Addiction and Mental Health Services (53 Shawnee Lane, Gallipolis, OH 45631)
- Hopewell Health Centers, INC (41865 Pomeroy Pike, Pomeroy, OH 45769)
- Hopewell Health Center, INC (112 East Memorial Drive #B Pomeroy, OH 45769)

Major Social services agencies in the county include:

- Meigs County Health Department (112 East Memorial Drive #A, Pomeroy, OH 45769)
- Meigs County Board of Developmental Disabilities (1310 Carleton Street Syracuse, OH 45779)
- Meigs County Department of Job and Family Services (175 Race Street Middleport, OH 45760)
- Gallia-Meigs Community Action (8010 State Route 7 North, Pomeroy, OH 45769)
- Hopewell (41865 Pomeroy Pike, Pomeroy, OH 45769)
- Veterans Service Office (97 North 2nd Avenue, Middleport, OH 45760)
- Integrated Services (150 Mill Street Middleport, OH 45760)
- Meigs Council on Aging (112 East Memorial Drive Pomeroy, OH 45769)

Analysis of Demographic Data

The density of individuals age 65 and older is spread amongst six townships to include; Scipio, Bedford, Orange, Rutland, Salisbury and Chester. The largest density is in Bedford covering almost 90% of the Township. These areas have no access at this time to transportation unless they can utilize NET transportation for medical appointments or residents of that county belong to an organization that will provide private transportation. Most seniors in Meigs County reside outside of the city limits and in areas further away from medical care facilities and senior services.

The highest percentage of zero vehicle households is in the Salisbury far west corner of the county, this area shows that 17.8% of residents do not have a vehicle. Revealing a population in desperate need of transportation services or programs.

Major trip generators are located mostly in Middleport and Pomeroy. The rural areas of the county need to travel to these cities in order to gain access to job opportunities, medical facilities, food access, social service agencies and educational institutions.

Based on the demographic data above, it is crucial that affordable transportation options are available for community members residing in the rural areas of the county, especially seniors and zero vehicle households, in order to connect them to a variety of services available elsewhere in the county.

General Public and Stakeholder Meetings/Focus Groups

The Meigs County Mobility Manager hosted and facilitated 5 local meetings and focus groups to discuss the unmet transportation needs and gaps in mobility and transportation. Twenty people participated in the meetings. Of those, one self-identified as an older adult and one self-identified as being a person with a disability. More information about what meetings were held and attendance at those meetings is available upon request.

Participants discussed more than nine mobility issues to achieve, preserve, avoid, or eliminate through coordination during the meetings. Coordinated transportation stakeholders will consider these unmet needs when developing transportation goals and strategies, and grant applications. The exhibit at the end of this section provides a summary of the unmet mobility needs discussed during the meeting as well as the needs identified by the survey results.

Surveys

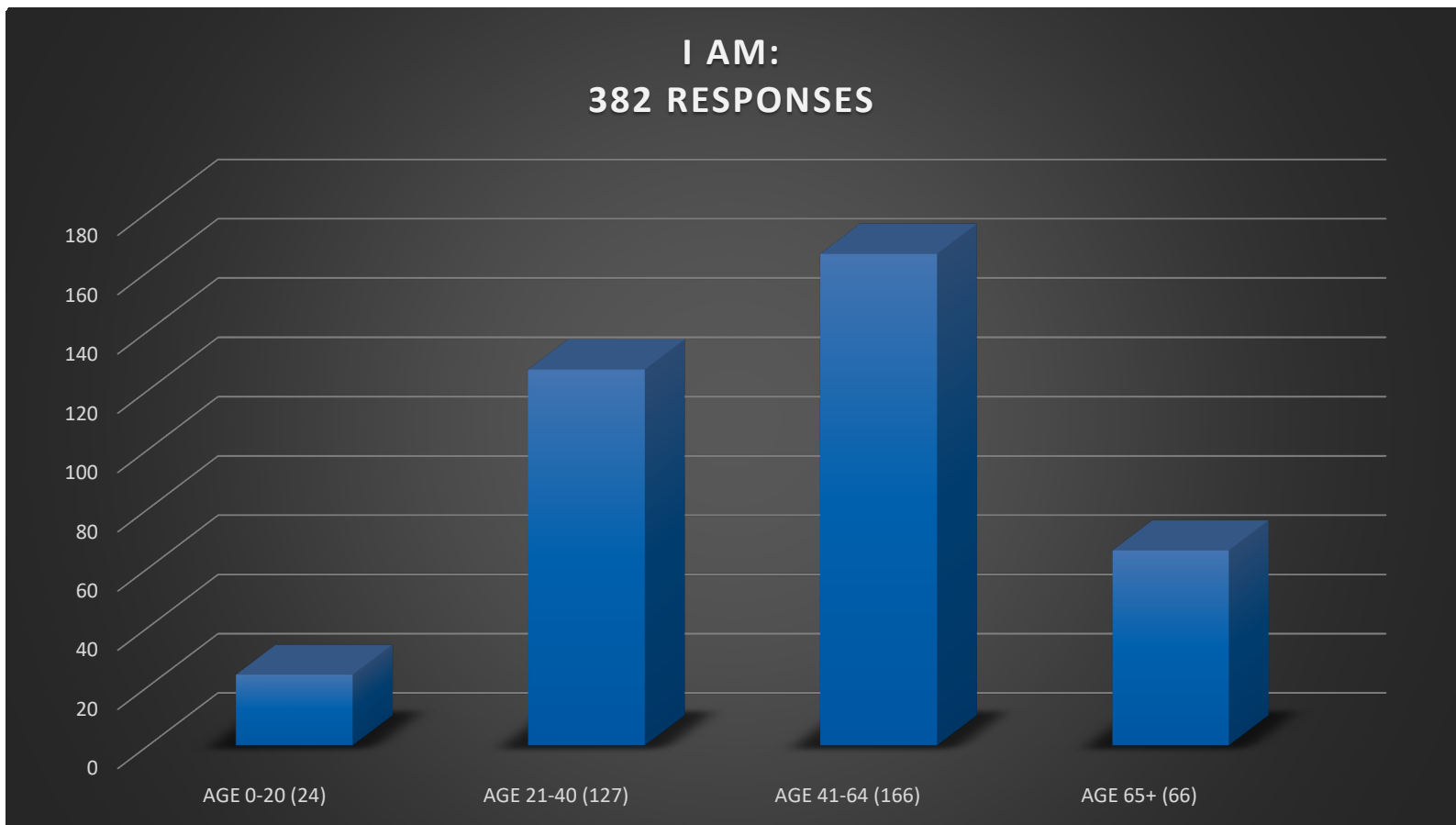
The following survey summary includes the information gained from the following surveys that were performed. A total of 383 surveys from the general public were completed of those completed 22.9% were completed by individuals with disabilities and 34.1% were completed by older adults.

- General Public
- Individuals age 60+
- Individuals with disabilities
- Assessment of available services
- Businesses

All questions allowed respondents to mark multiple answers or no answer at all in order to capture a more complete response. Because of this some percentages and numbers may not match the total number of respondents. All surveys can be found in the appendix of this document and collective and individual responses can be provided at request.

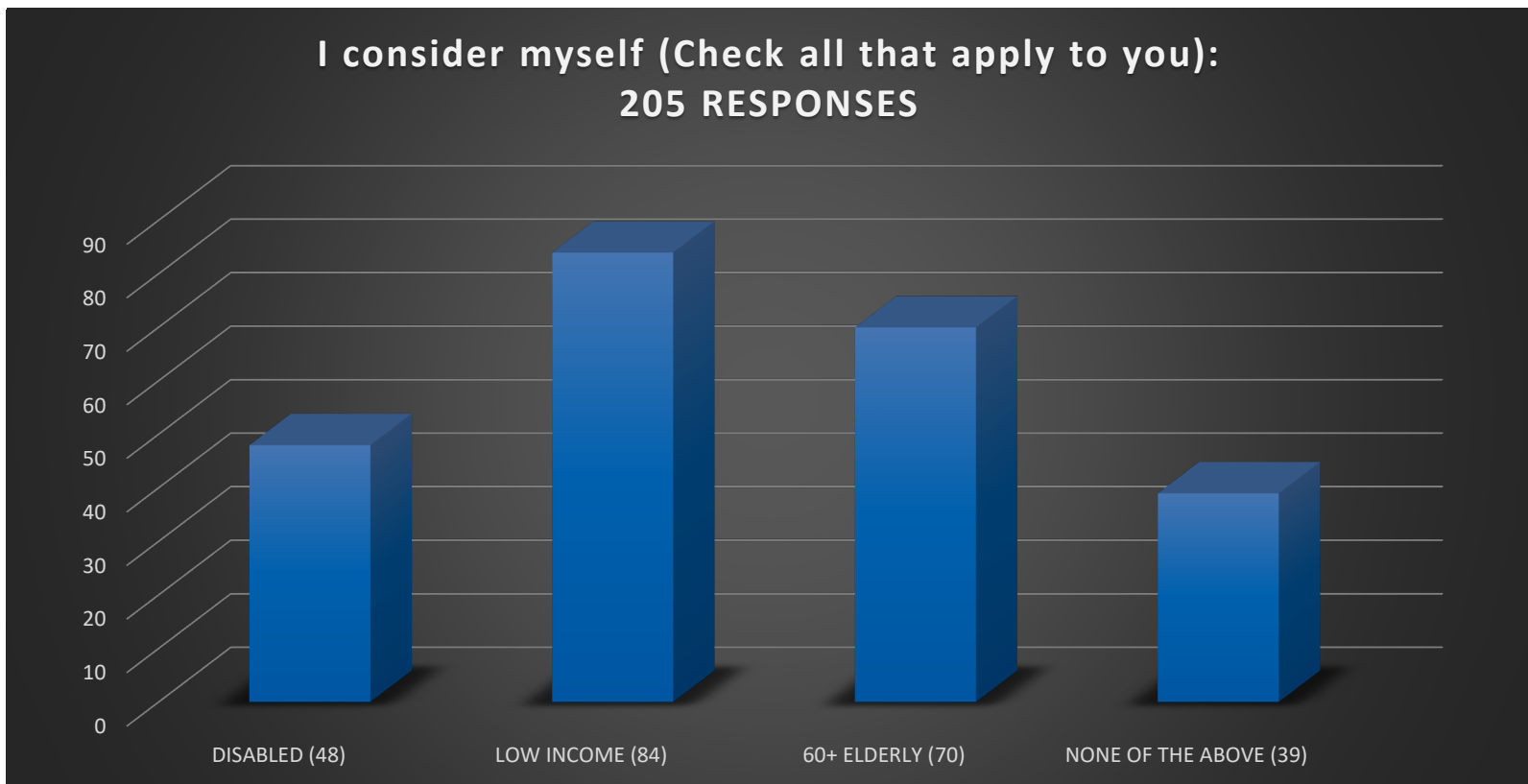
Meigs County Transportation Survey for the General Public

Table 1: Survey Respondents Age: Table 1 illustrates that the survey captured responses from all age groups.



In the graph above, the first number represents the age of the respondents, the number in parenthesis represents the total of respondents.

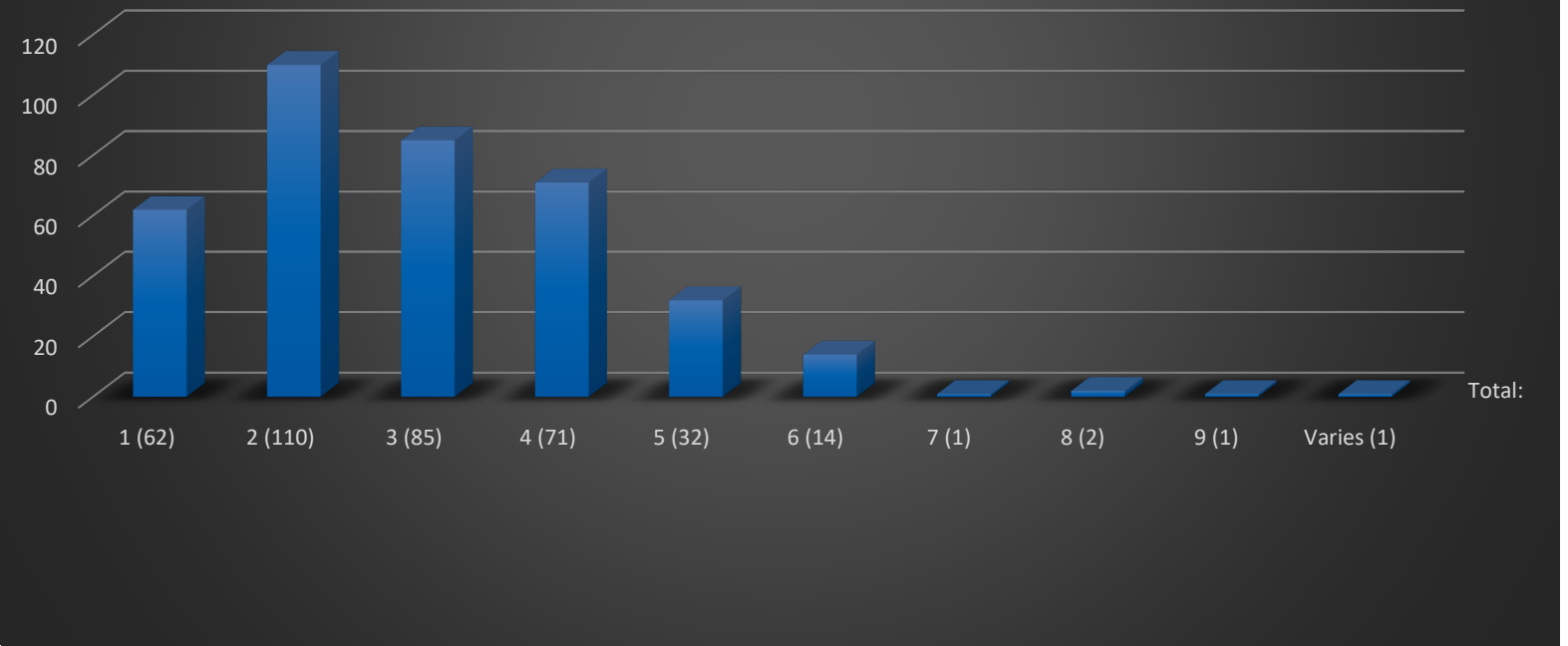
Table 2: Self-Identified: Table 2 illustrates that the general public, low-income, elderly and disabled individuals participated.



In the graph above, the first number represents the number of individuals in the household, the number in parenthesis represents the total of respondents.

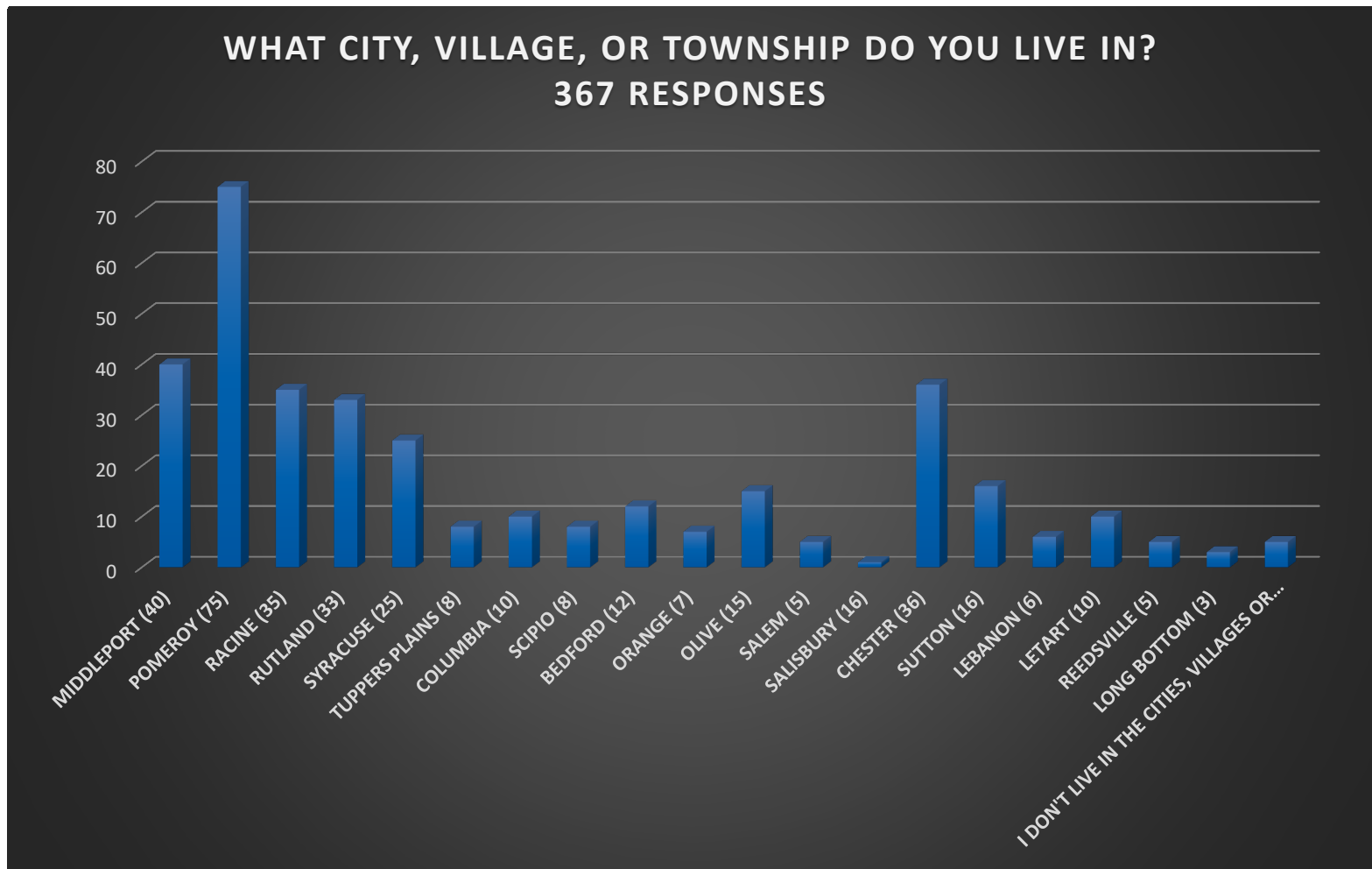
Table 3: Number of Individuals in the Household: Table 3 illustrates that most respondents live with 2 or more individuals in their household

Including you, how many people are in your household?
(Check one box below):
379 RESPONSES TOTAL



In the graph above, the first number represents the number of individuals in the household, the number in parenthesis represents the total of respondents.

Table 4: Residence Locations of Respondents: Table 4 illustrates the survey captured responses from all areas of the county

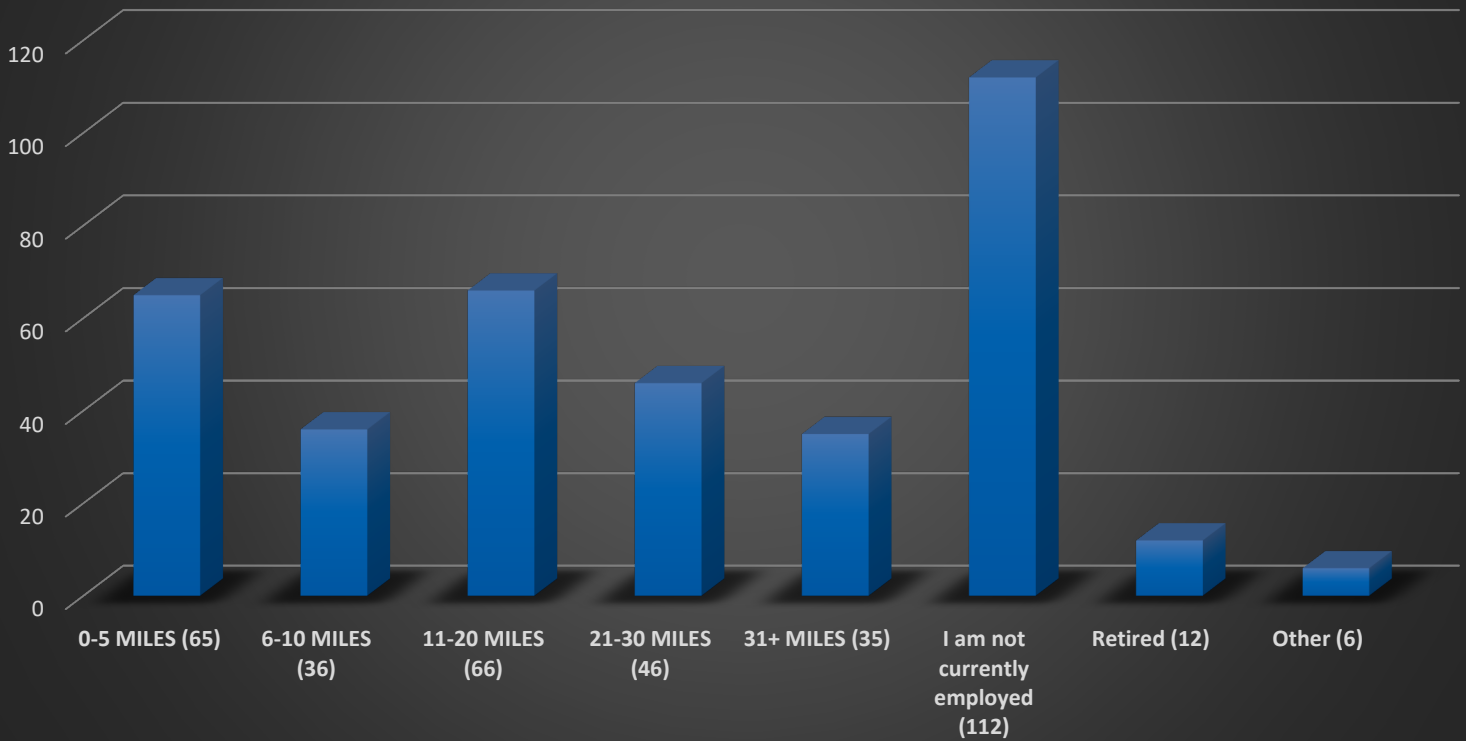


In the graph above, the first number represents the number of individuals and what township they reside in, the number in parenthesis represents the total of respondents.

****The last question has been cut off and it reads: I don't live in the cities, villages or townships listed above. Total number of respondents = FIVE (5)**

Table 5: Identifies a total of 112 respondents who are currently not employed. Respondents who are currently employed live close to their place of employment or between 11-20 miles away.

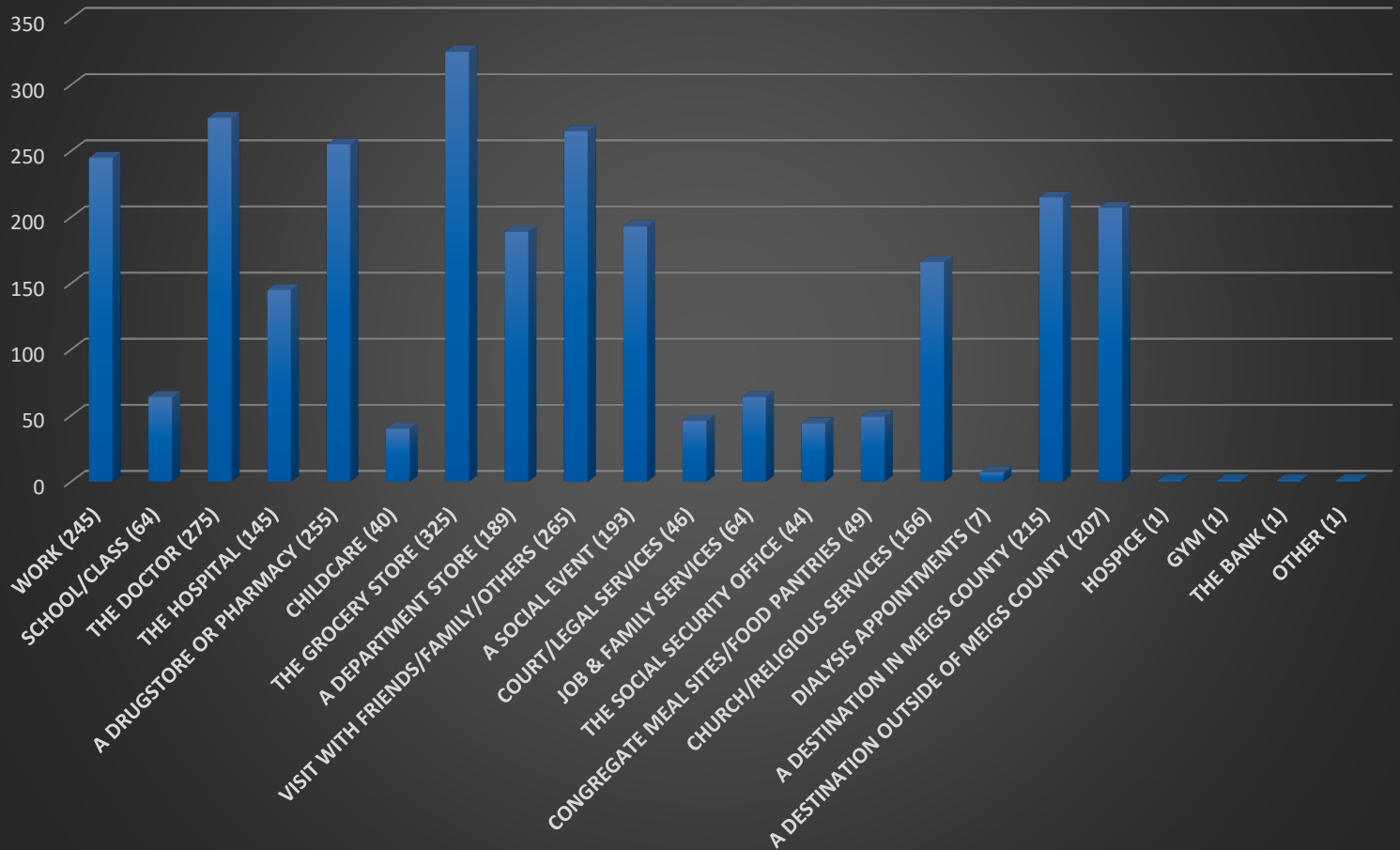
How far away is your place of employment from your home? 378 Responses



In the graph above, the first number represents the distance/mileage from the respondent's residence, the number in parenthesis represents the total of respondents.

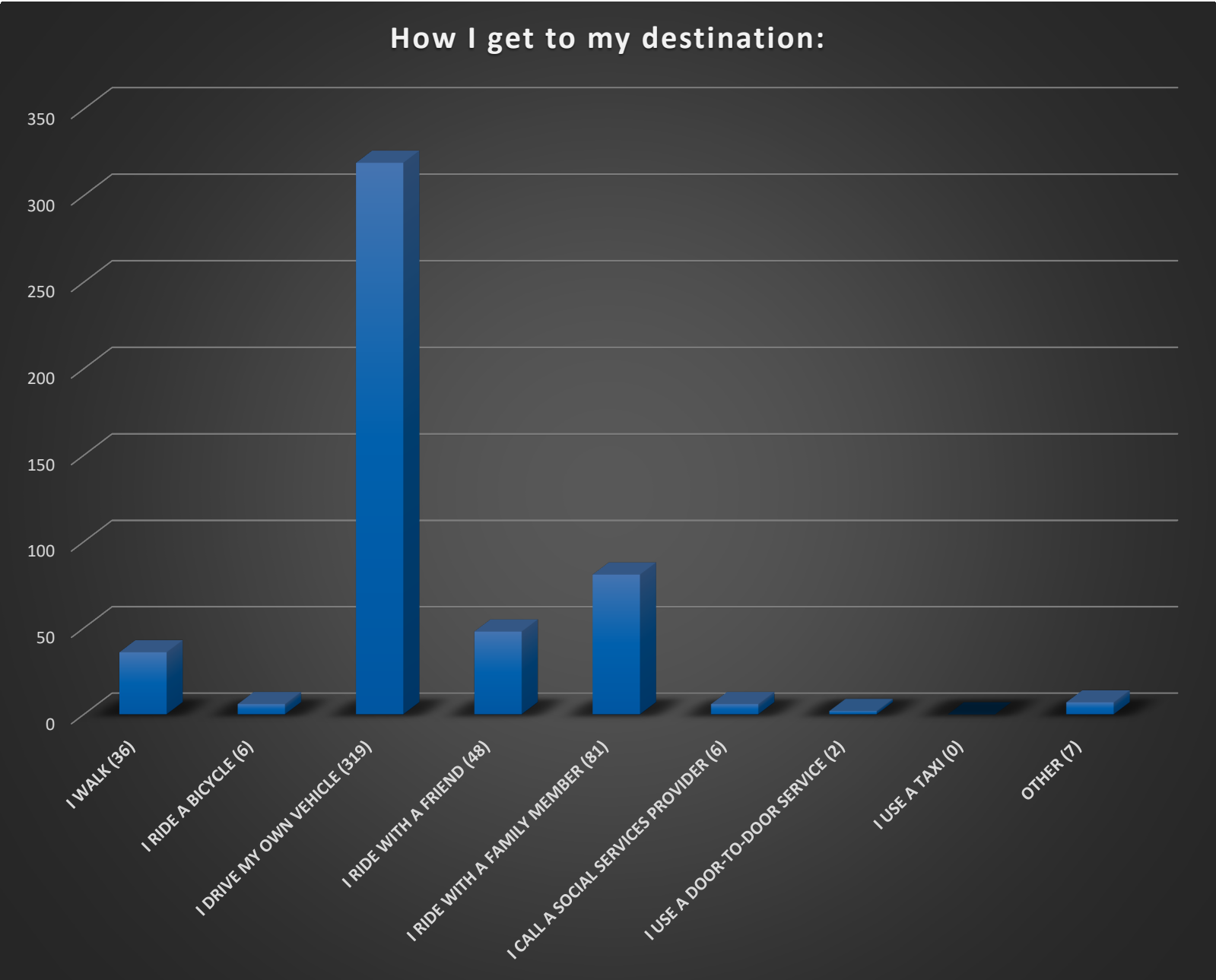
Table 6: identifies popular destinations such as work, the doctor, a drugstore or pharmacy, the grocery store, to visit friends and family. It includes destinations inside and outside of Meigs County.

Places I need to go to (Please check all that apply to you & your family):



In the graph above, the respondents were able to check all the places that they needed to go, the number in parenthesis represents the total of respondents to each of those questions.

Table 7: Mode of Transportation: Table 7 shows a wide range of transportation options used by individuals including driving their own vehicle(s), walking, or riding with family/friends.



In the graph above, the respondents were able to check multiple methods of multimodule transportation, the number in parenthesis represents the total of respondents to each of those questions.

Table 8: Statements that have been true for respondents in the past six months: Table 8 identifies several transportation barriers related to financial hardships and a lack of access to transportation.

In the past six months, which of the following statement has been true for you: (Check all that apply)
153 RESPONSES

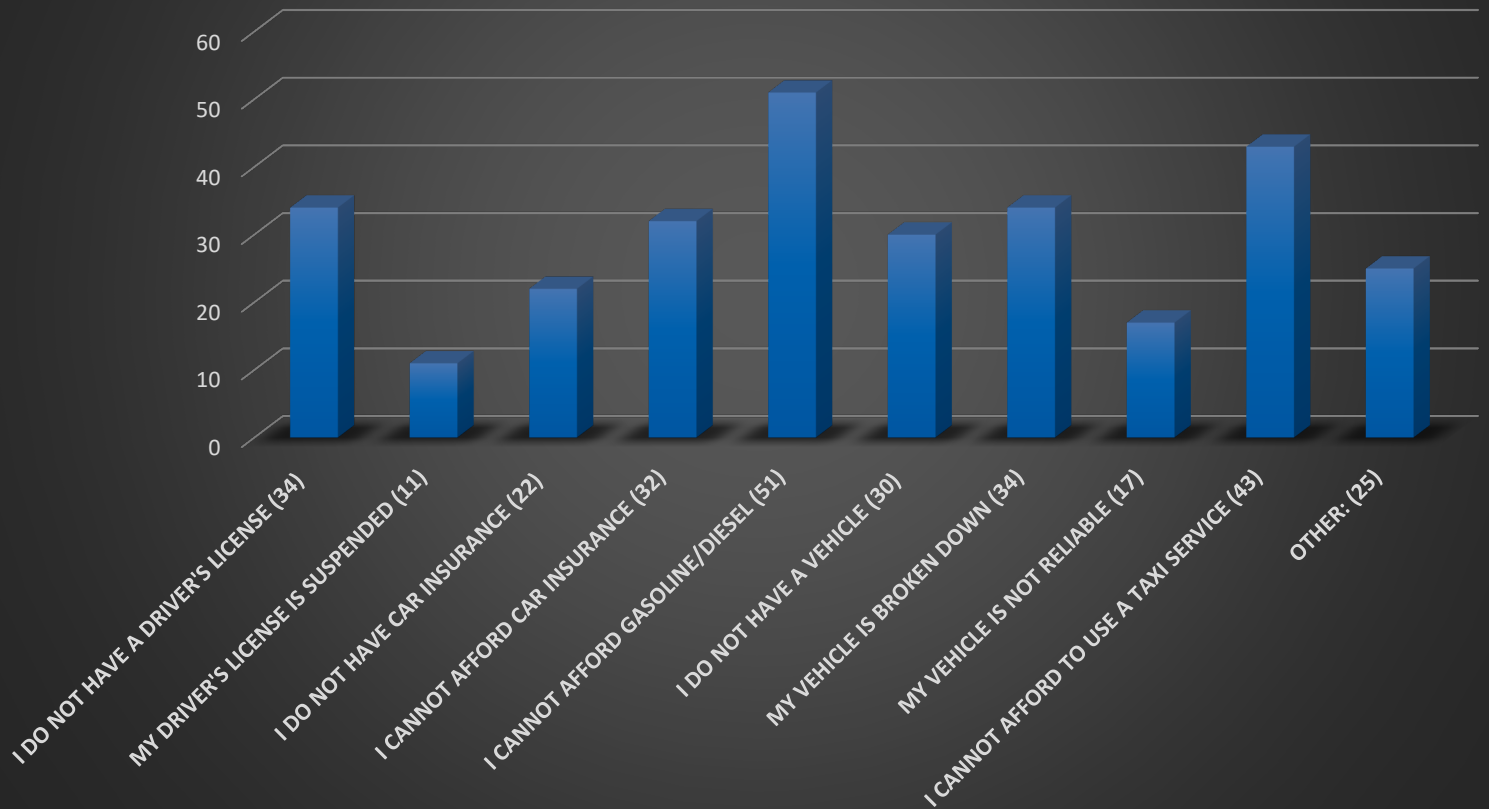


Table 9: A list of comments left by participants to the question: “What suggestions do you have to improve transportation in Meigs County”

1. PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION COMMENTS:

- a. Nineteen respondents wrote in their comments or mentioned the need for public transportation, exact/similar entries have been combined. For exact results please contact the individual on the front of this plan.
 - i. There is not public transportation in Meigs County
 - ii. Public transit would benefit many of us under privileged citizens
 - iii. We need public transportation, not even UBER
 - iv. Where I can get around Meigs County. I know many individuals who are not able to and would benefit from public transportation.
 - v. Public bus route
 - vi. Some type of public transportation
 - vii. Consistent public transportation with a schedule that is consistent as well. For the public transportation system to work cohesively with other agencies.
 - viii. Public transportation at little or no cost for elderly and disabled
 - ix. It would be great to have public transportation to help people like me that has a disability
 - x. Would be beneficial to have public transit for lower income, no vehicle, struggling elderly
 - xi. Bringing public transit to Meigs County will benefit so many of our residents and improve businesses our economy and our county.
 - xii. Would be a great service for Meigs County to have a transit service
 - xiii. Transit buses would be an asset to the county.

2. TRANSPORTATION IN REGARD TO ELDERLY:

- a. Provide more for elderly in rural areas. They need more help.
- b. Need more for the elderly
- c. Elderly transportation is needed
- d. Get elderly to appointments and activities
- e. Free or affordable service for elderly individuals that are on a fixed income that do not have full Medicaid.
- f. Personally, I think we do enough for those under 65. My concern would be for those over 65

3. TRANSPORTATION IN REGARD TO INDIVIDUALS WITH MOBILITY LIMITATIONS/DISABILITIES

- a. Handicap accessible vehicles are needed. I cannot get into a regular car
- b. Accessibility

4. TRANSPORTATION SUGGESTIONS:

- a. Let the consumer pick their transportation provider
- b. Provide continuous shuttle from Middleport all the way to Racine with stops in all towns along path.
- c. Taxi, trolly and/or bus services
- d. Transportation for appointments, shopping, etc. that is affordable or free
- e. Busses to local places around town as well as trips to and from Athens/Gallipolis would be useful

- f. It would be nice to have a service to take people to things they enjoy in the community such as movies or family events things that a person enjoys but cannot attend without having a vehicle that is wheelchair accessible.
 - g. Scheduled bus/van routes
 - h. I believe that there should be a cab service or a provider within JFS to give those without a vehicle opportunity to get where they need to go
 - i. Make it widely available for many different people and needs
 - j. A bus or a van to take people to where they need to go
 - k. I would like to see some form of a fixed route transportation become available. I don't know if a bus would be necessary, however perhaps vans could be utilized even if only on specific days of the week.
 - l. Reliable transportation in Meigs County
 - m. Buses would be wonderful
 - n. Low incomes families need more help to get to their appointments
 - o. Transportation would be great to have
 - p. Having transportation would help me go places more
 - q. Affordable, accessible
 - r. Uber
 - s. Bus or some sort of service between the villages
 - t. Reliable bus or low-cost taxi service, or bussing service similar to Mason County, WV
 - u. Make transportation possible in our area
 - v. I feel for the people who don't have transportation to wherever they need to go
 - w. Common area transportation for citizens to get from outlying areas to the grocery store, courthouse, post office, etc on a timely basis
 - x. Many people do need transportation
 - y. Have daily set times for going to set places weekly and/or daily
 - z. This would be a great resource for Meigs Co. This is the first I've heard of transportation for my county and it's a wonderful idea
 - aa. Free or low-cost bus
 - bb. We need some sort of bus service that goes at least from the main destination points (doctors/dentist, pharmacy, grocery, farmer's market, WIC, welfare office) and back from the different small towns. This would be particularly helpful in the Pomeroy/Middleport/Racine/Syracuse area where many residents don't have vehicles of their own and cannot always rely on friends or family to get them where they need to go
 - cc. Need options for transportation to work outside Meigs Co.
 - dd. "on demand" transportation services? Transportation hubs?
 - ee. Consider all modes of transportation (active etc)
 - ff. More reliable transportation options
 - gg. Go Bus
5. Sidewalk/Bike Path Repairs/Concerns:
- a. More trails sidewalks
 - b. Improving the sidewalks in Middleport. How is someone with a wheelchair, walker or even an able-bodied person supposed to walk the streets without the potential of

serious injury. Someone with any type of walking device/wheelchair could not ever have the same access to businesses or even to take a nice stroll due to the horrible conditions of the sidewalks and the lack thereof. WE need safe walking path in the main cities. Isn't it a law for sidewalks in front of businesses to be maintained?

- c. Would like to be able to walk on decent sidewalks or bike safely to close destinations.
- d. I would like to see some better walking/biking options.
- e. The outlying areas (those not directly in or right around the villages) are often neglected for all services such as walking/bike paths

Table 10: A list of comments left by participants to the question: “Any other feedback you would like to incorporate for the greater good of Meigs County community, regarding Transportation Services?”

1. Notable Comments:

- a. Meigs County need inexpensive transportation service for low-income persons or senior citizens
- b. I feel this is necessary for many people of Meigs County due to poverty in the county. There are a lot of elderly who no longer drive. Meigs County needs this service.
- c. A lack of transportation is a huge barrier for Meigs County.
- d. Central places to be able to visit on a regular basis love to see bus stops in the future
- e. This will be a great addition to the services Meigs county provides.
- f. I work with families in the county who have limited access to transportation and would benefit from public transportation in Meigs County. They need a reliable and affordable public transportation system so they can properly care for themselves and their children.
- g. More transportation services need to be made available in rural areas at reasonable cost to the low-income people
- h. I see a strong need for transportation for the elderly. They either miss Dr. appointments because they have no means of getting there or know who to reach out to arrange for transportation. I also see in the work that I do people without a drivers’ license, no transportation or even reliable transportation and are unable to get to work
- i. Transportation in general would be a huge asset for those who cannot get around. We need more services that are geared towards those who otherwise cannot get out or have no other options that relying on family/friends
- j. Keep prices low or the people who need to most will be priced out
- k. Transportation for my county would be a great useful resource & would help many people and families out!!!
- l. This could be the answer so many people in rural areas have been needing. No transportation, no gas money, is a huge problem in Meigs County.
- m. I believe that there is a need for subsidized transportation to assist the elderly and disabled. The concerns I hear, are that transportation needs to be Clean, Affordable, reliable and secure
- n. I have epilepsy and unable to drive. Live in Pomeroy, work in Athens. MY ONLY option is to pay Lyft \$40 plus for 1 way if my mother is unable to transport me due to her work schedule. In an 8-hour shift, I make \$115, then pay \$80 of that for transportation.**

Final Insights and Analysis of Data: General Population Survey

Meigs County residents who are low-income, have a disability or those who are elderly have a serious need for transportation. A large majority of the low-income residents lack the resources that it takes in order to complete basic daily functions such as travel to work, medical resources, educational institutions and the grocery store. Many residential respondents are not employed, some of the factors are due to the lack of transportation resources in our community. In conjunction with limited resources we also face another issue of lack of resources connecting the more rural areas to the major trip generators in Pomeroy, Middleport and Reedsville.

Financial hardships also serve as a barrier for Meigs County residents. Not only is there no transportation for the general public in the community; if options were available there would be an inability to pay for the services that were offered.

Strategies and Goals:

- 1. When transportation becomes an option, making sure that the transportation is affordable**
 - a. Work with the community and local agencies on leveraging funds for transportation needs**
 - b. Look at the potential for lower cost rides/trading of services, if allowable**
- 2. To secure the 5310-grant funding for 2021-22**
- 3. Continuation of Meigs Mobility Management program**
- 4. Expansion of bike paths and trails throughout the county and ensuring that they are handicap accessible**
- 5. Coordination & knowledge of efforts and services**
 - a. Working with managed/Medicaid plans to make more effective for our community members**
 - b. Help promote the Road to Recovery through the American Cancer Society**
- 6. To repair/Add additional sidewalks in Meigs county**
 - a. Ensure that sidewalks are marked properly and handicap accessible**
 - b. Promote the repairs and services throughout the community to gain community buy-in**
 - c. Secure funding, work with local businesses/corporations, and/or grants**
 - d. Conduct a walk audit**
 - e. Bring awareness to active transportation**
- 7. To ensuring the county has handicap accessible vehicles for use for residents**
- 8. To promote Transportation services in Meigs County**
- 9. To create a transit system in Meigs County**
- 10. To connect the more rural areas with transportation options in and out of the county**
- 11. To provide affordable transportation options for the community**

Meigs County Transportation Survey for Individuals Age 60+

Table 11: Age of Senior Respondents

I am (Check one box)

1 response

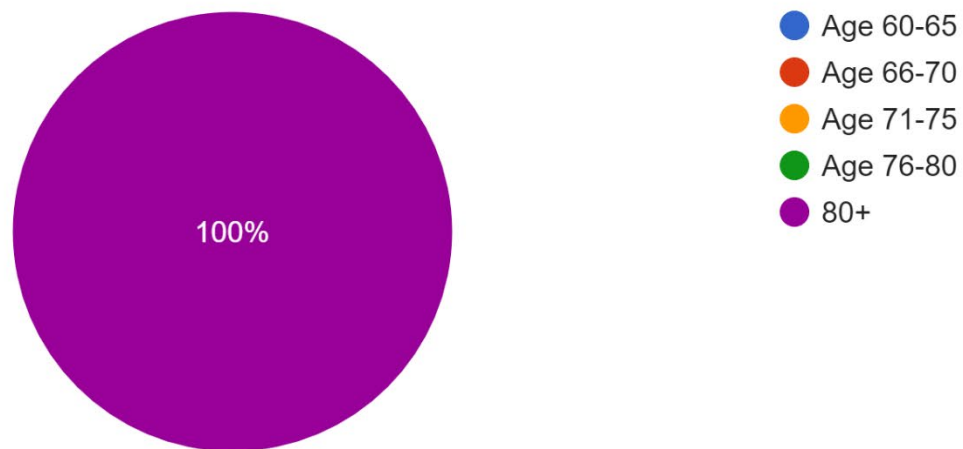


Table 12: Number of individuals in Senior Respondents' Households

Including you, how many people are in your household? (Check one box)

1 response

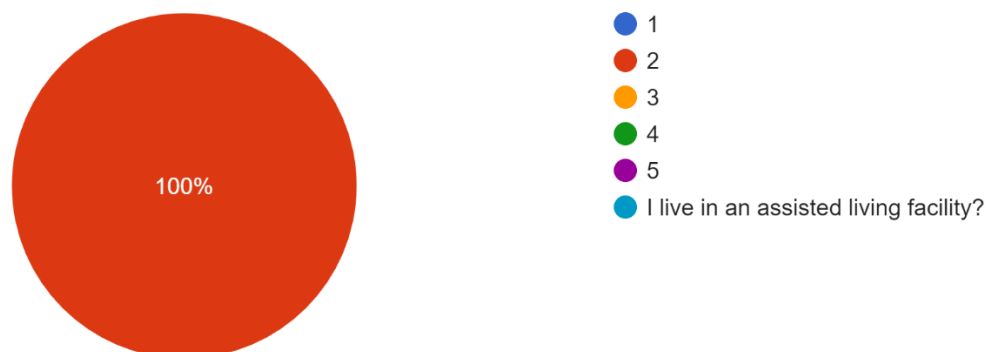


Table 13: Location of respondent's residence:

What City/Township/Village Do you live in? 1 response

Orange

Table 14: Are you currently able to drive?

If you are not currently able to drive, why not? (Check all that apply)

1 response

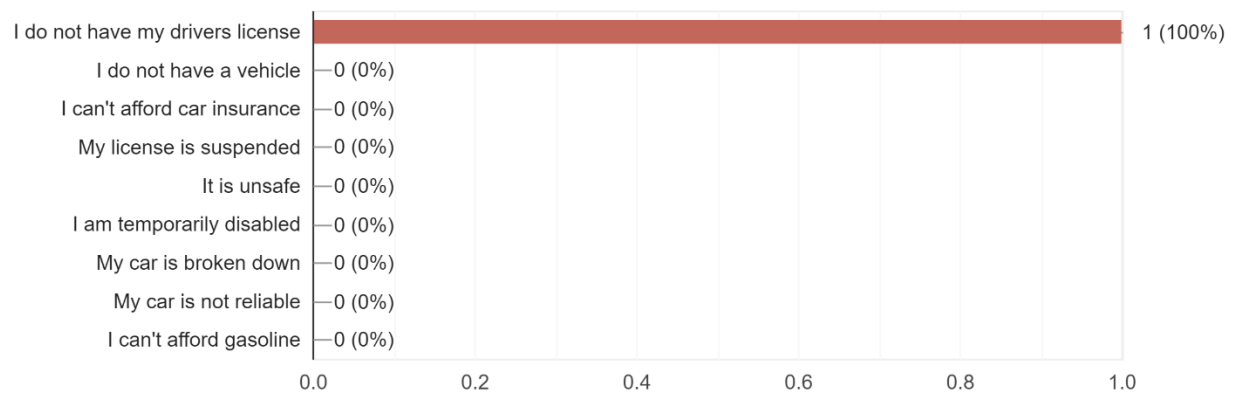


Table 15: How do you get to your destinations?

How do you get to your destinations? (Check all that apply to you)

1 response

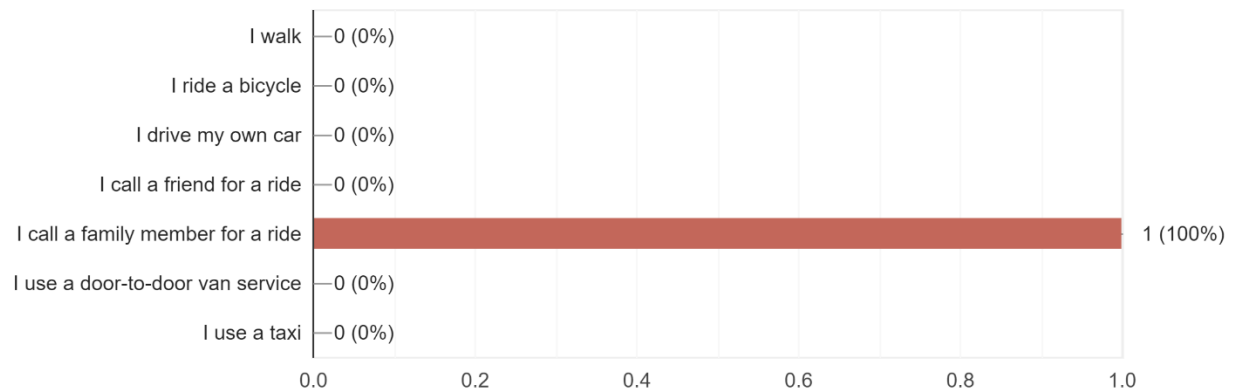


Table 16: How often do you have medical appointments that are located outside of Meigs County?

How often do you have medical appointments that are located outside of Meigs County?

1 response

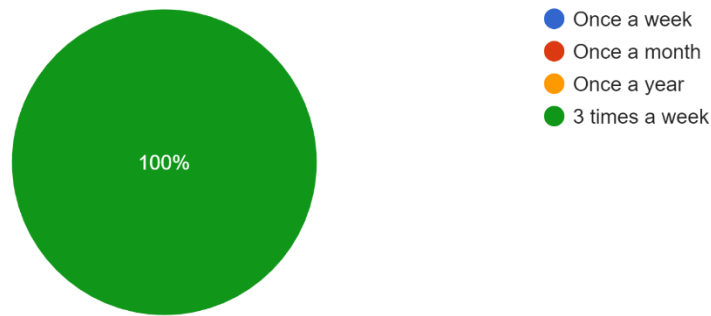


Table 17: What days of the week are difficult for you to find transportation services?

What days of the week are difficult for you to find transportation services? (Please check all that apply)

1 response

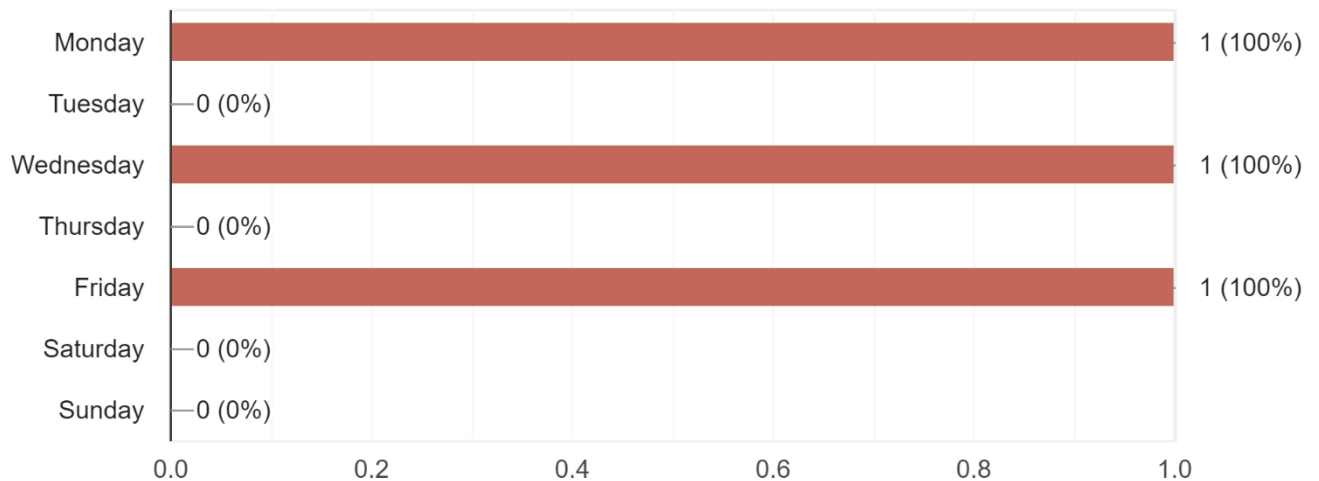


Table 18: If you depend on others for any of your trips, who do you depend on?

If you depend on others for any of your trips, who do you depend on? (Check all that apply)

1 response

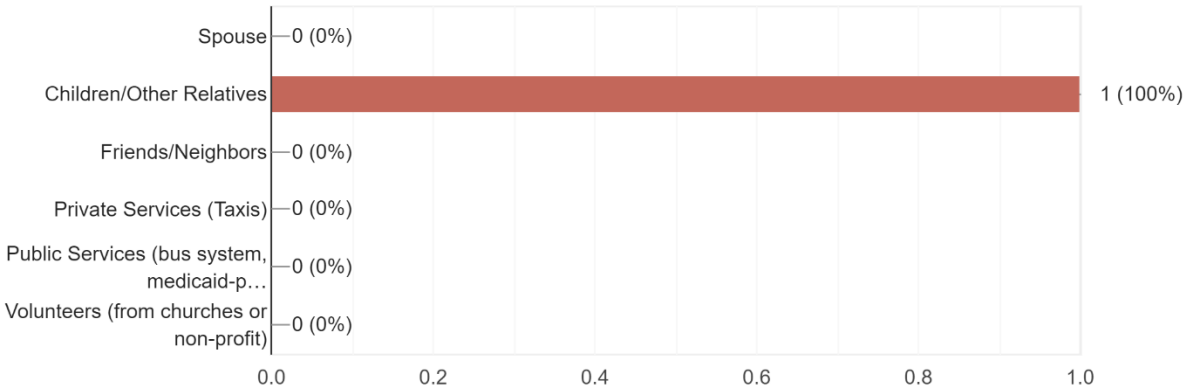


Table 19: Over the past 3 months, how much did you rely on family, friends, or neighbors for transportation?

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1 response

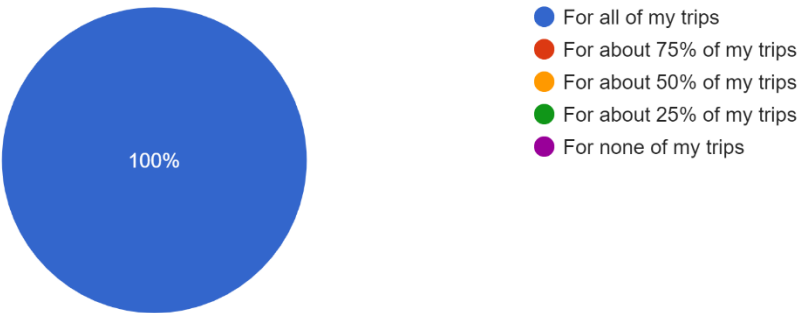
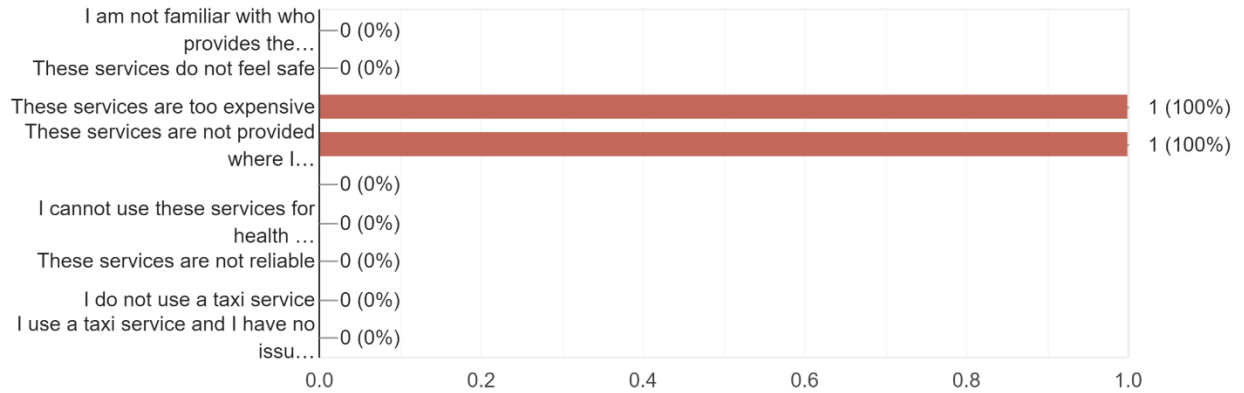


Table 20: Regarding private transportation services (taxis), which of the following are true for you?

Regarding private transportation services (taxis), which of the following are true for you?(Check all that apply)

1 response



Final Insights and Analysis of Data: Seniors

Individuals age 60+ typically rely on caretakers, family and/or friends for transportation. Currently Meigs County does not have transportation for seniors. Seniors are often relying solely on others to meet their transportation needs.

Most Meigs County seniors live on a fixed income. If transportation would become available many would not be able to afford to utilize the service.

Strategies and Goals:

1. When transportation becomes an option, making sure that the transportation is affordable
 - a. Work with the community and local agencies on leveraging funds for transportation needs
 - b. Look at the potential for lower cost rides/trading of services, if allowable
2. To secure the 5310-grant funding for 2021-22
 - a. Secure funding for on demand services for the elderly population
3. Continuation of Meigs Mobility Management program
4. Expansion of bike paths and trails throughout the county and ensuring that they are handicap accessible
5. Coordination & knowledge of efforts and services
 - a. Working with managed/Medicaid plans to make more effective for our community members
 - b. Help promote the Road to Recovery through the American Cancer Society
6. To repair/Add additional sidewalks in Meigs county
 - a. Ensure that sidewalks are marked properly and handicap accessible
 - b. Promote the repairs and services throughout the community to gain community buy-in
 - c. Secure funding, work with local businesses/corporations, and/or grants
 - d. Conduct a walk audit
 - e. Bring awareness to active transportation
7. To promote Transportation services in Meigs County
8. To create a transit system in Meigs County a reality
9. To connect the more rural areas with transportation options in and out of the county
10. To provide services more services for the elderly in the community, there are currently services available but are limited
 - a. To provide handicap accessible vehicles to meet the current demand/needs
11. To provide affordable transportation options for the community
 - a. Incentives for friends/family members to take individuals to and from doctors' appointments

Meigs County Transportation Survey for Individuals with Disabilities

Table 21: Age of respondents

I AM (CHECK ONE BOX BELOW) I AM (CHECK ONE BOX BELOW)
9 Responses

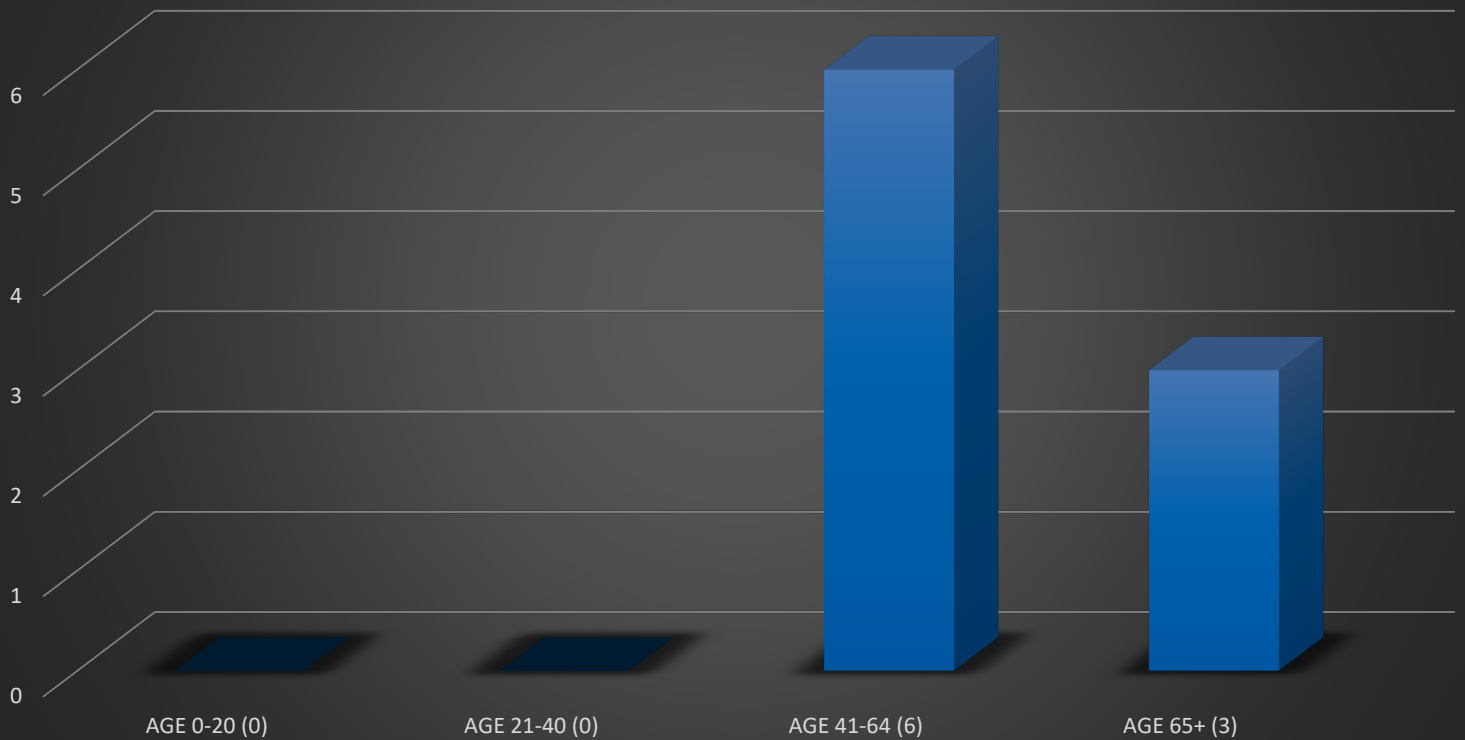


Table 22: Respondents Residence

What city, village or township do you live in?

9 responses

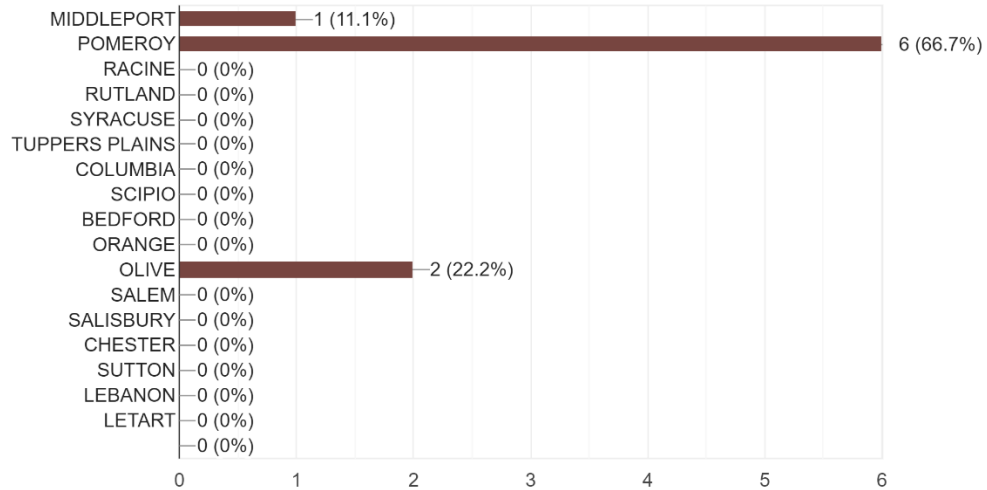


Table 23: Respondents Self-identified Disability

What is your disability (Please check all that apply)?

9 responses

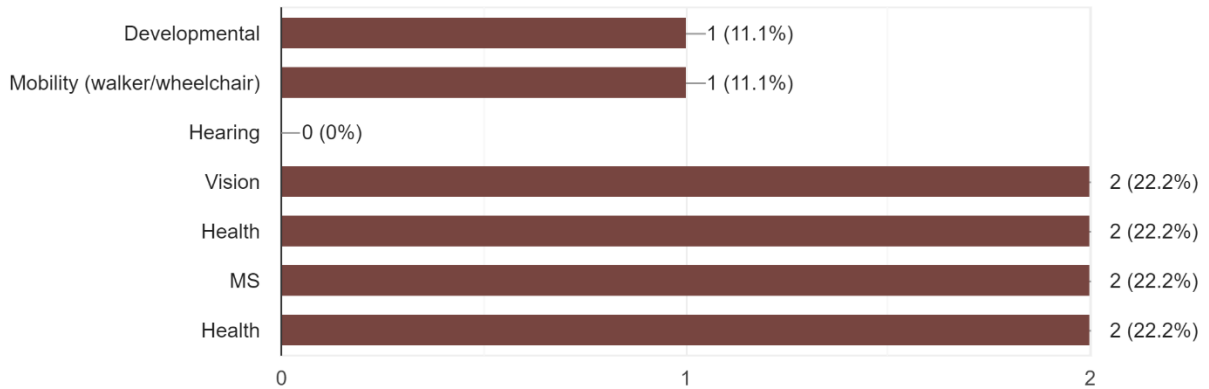
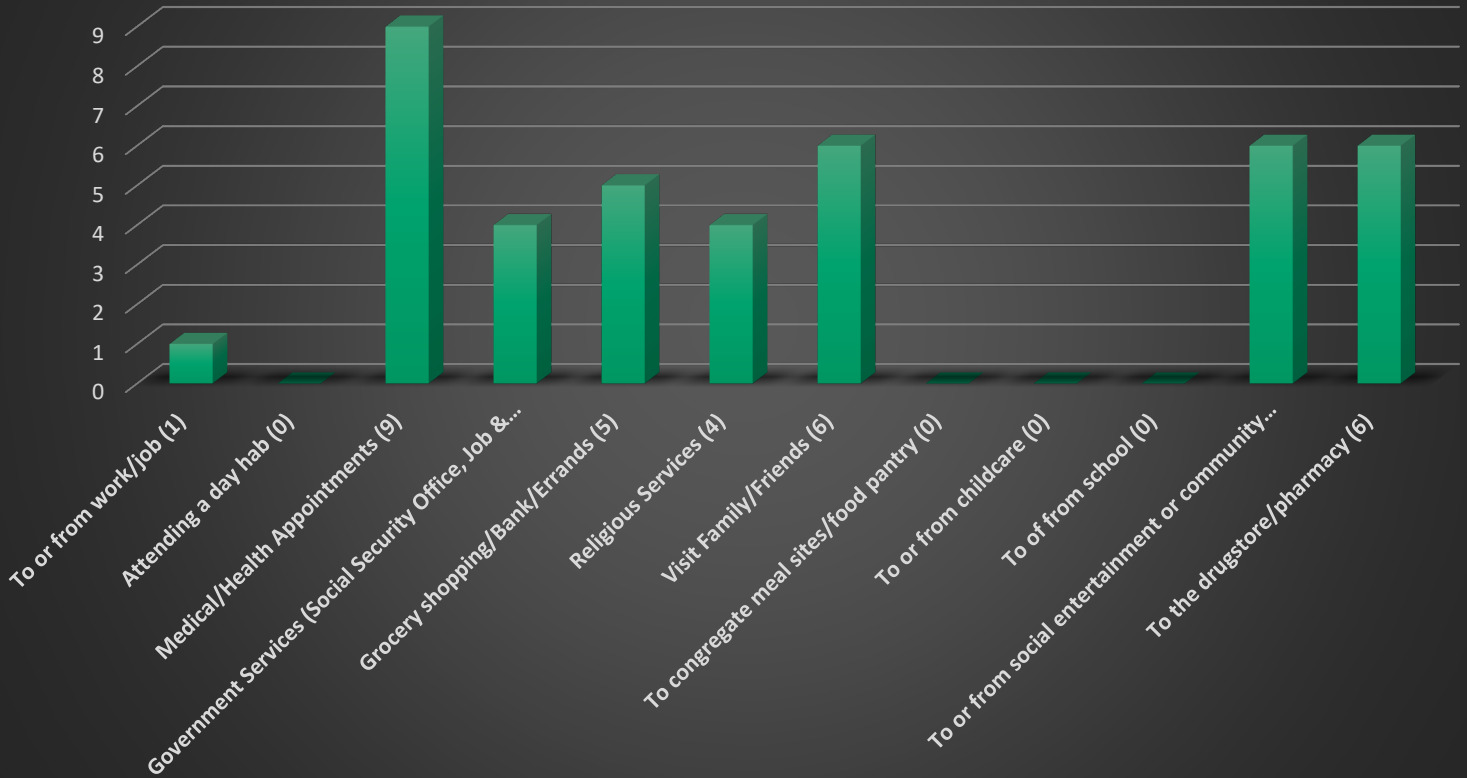


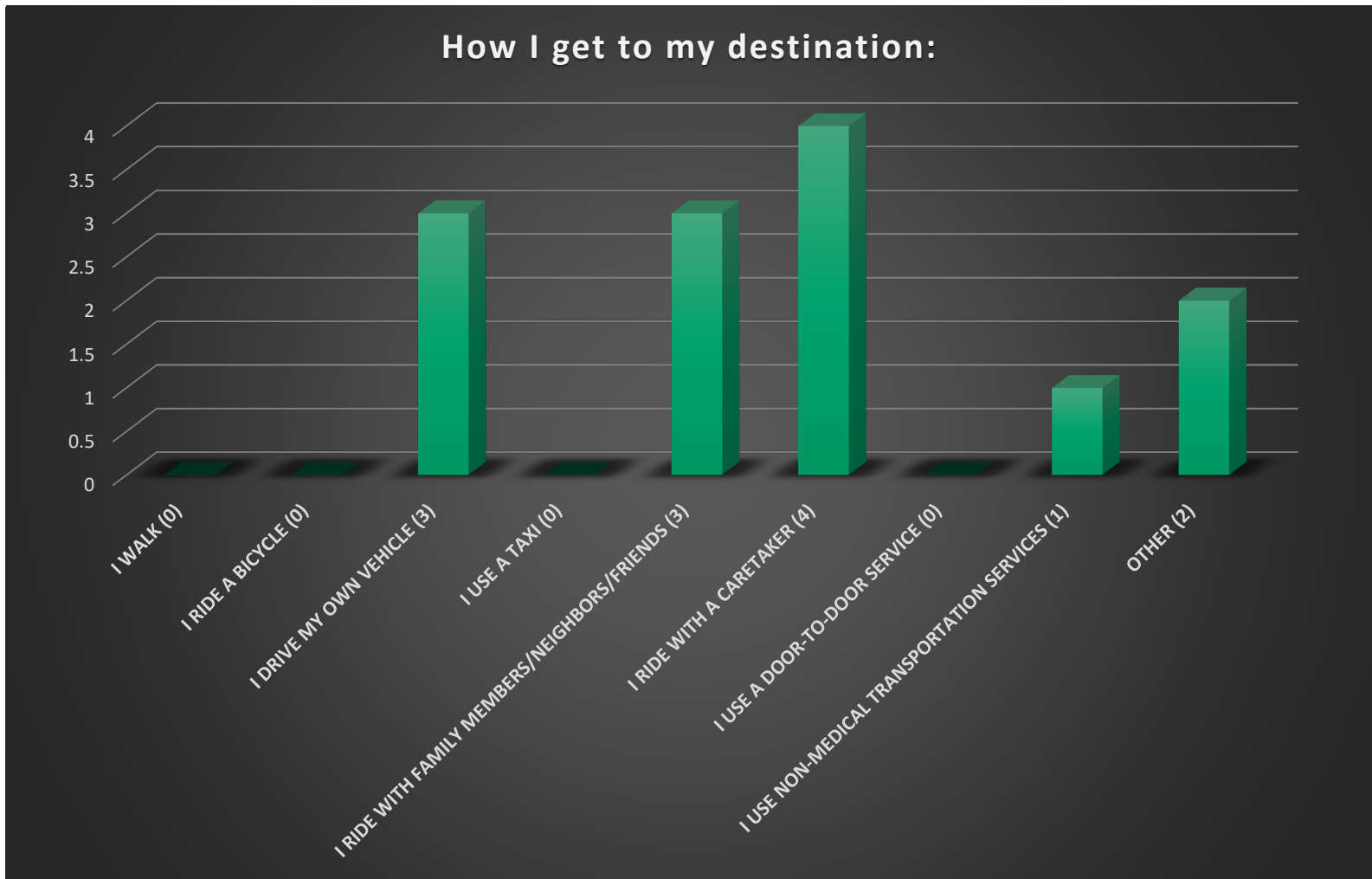
Table 24: Respondents Destinations

What do you use transportation services for? (Please check all that apply)



In the graph above, the respondents were able to check all the places that they needed to go, the number in parenthesis represents the total of respondents to each of those questions.

Table 25: Respondents Mode of Transportation: How do I get to my destination



In the graph above, the respondents were able to check how they reach their destinations, the number in parenthesis represents the total of respondents to each of those questions.

Table 26: Number of Individuals in Respondents household

Including you, how many people live in your household?

9 responses

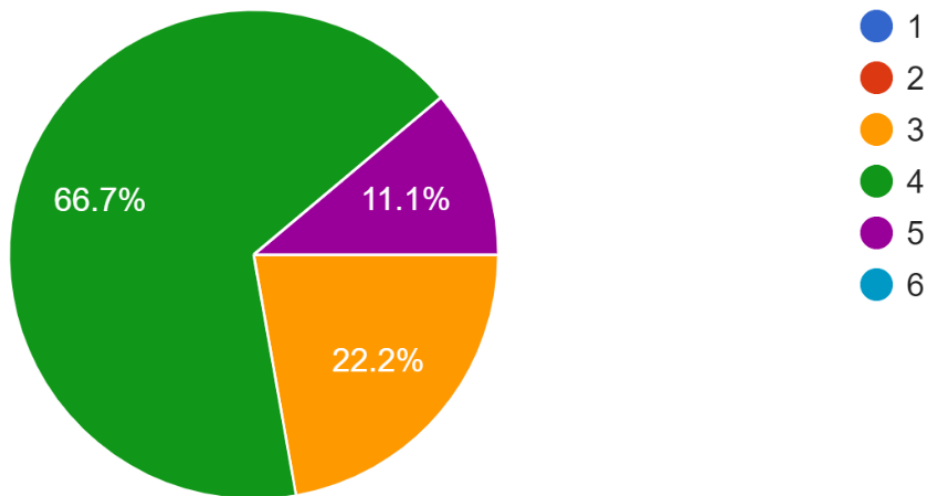
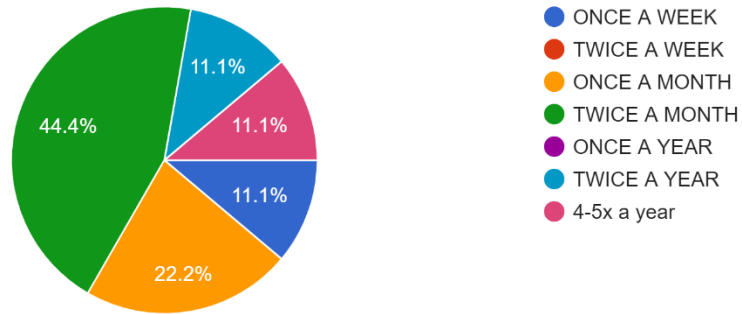


Table 27: Medical Appointments

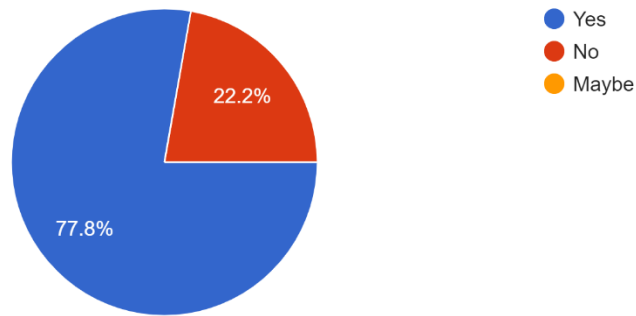
How often do you have medical appointments?

9 responses



Do you often have medical appointments outside of Meigs County?

9 responses



Have you ever missed an appointment due to a lack of transportation?

9 responses

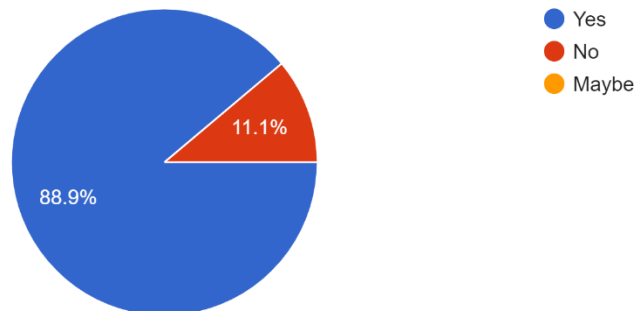


Table 28: Days difficult to find transportation options

What days of the week are the most difficult for you to use public transportation? (Check all that apply)

9 responses

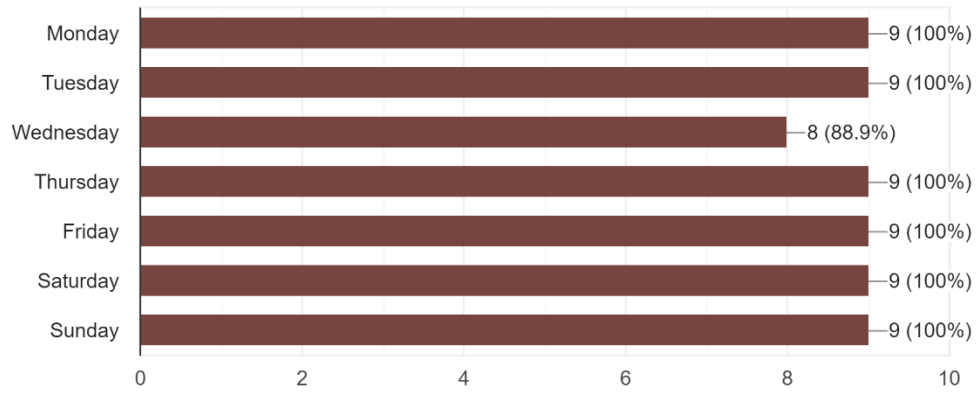
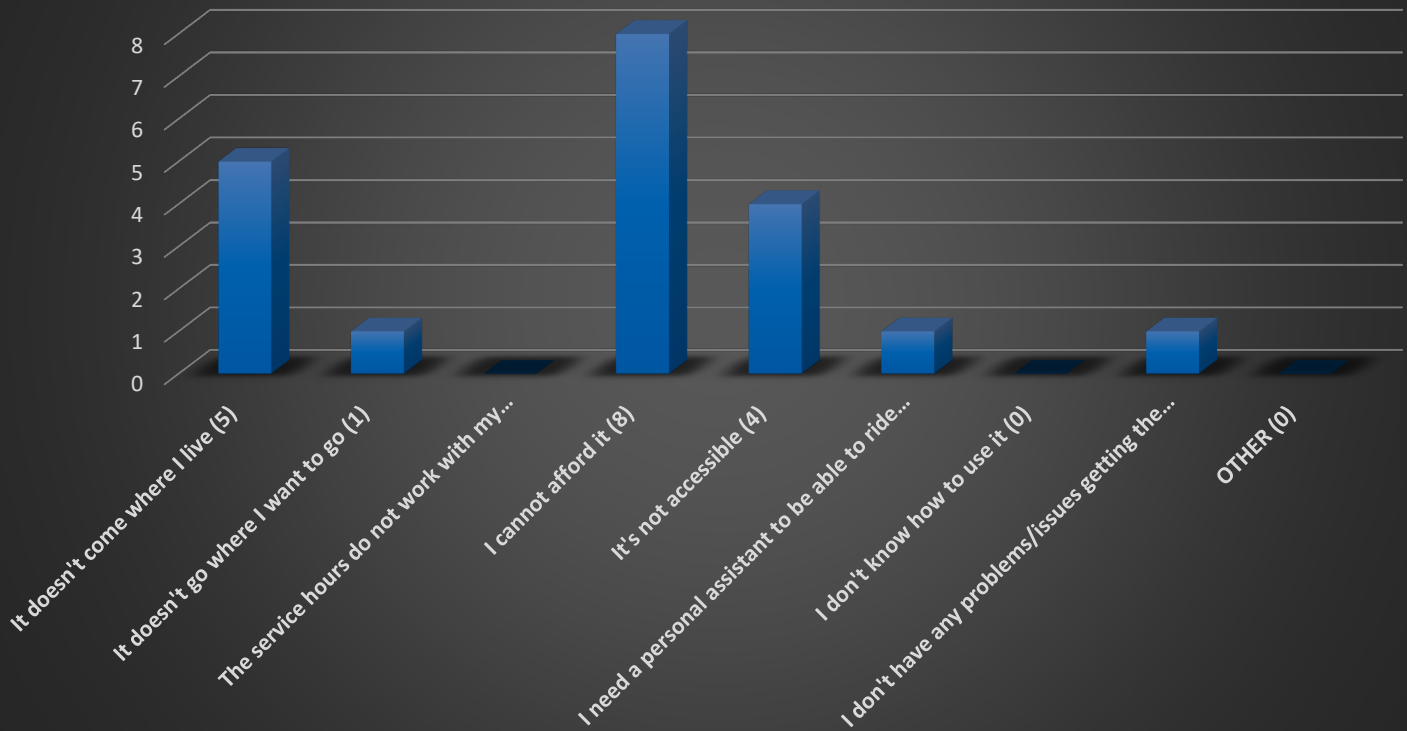


Table 29: What problems do you have getting the transportation you want?

What problems do you have getting the transportation you want (Check all that apply)



In the graph above, the respondents were able to check issues with access to transportation, the number in parenthesis represents the total of respondents to each of those questions.

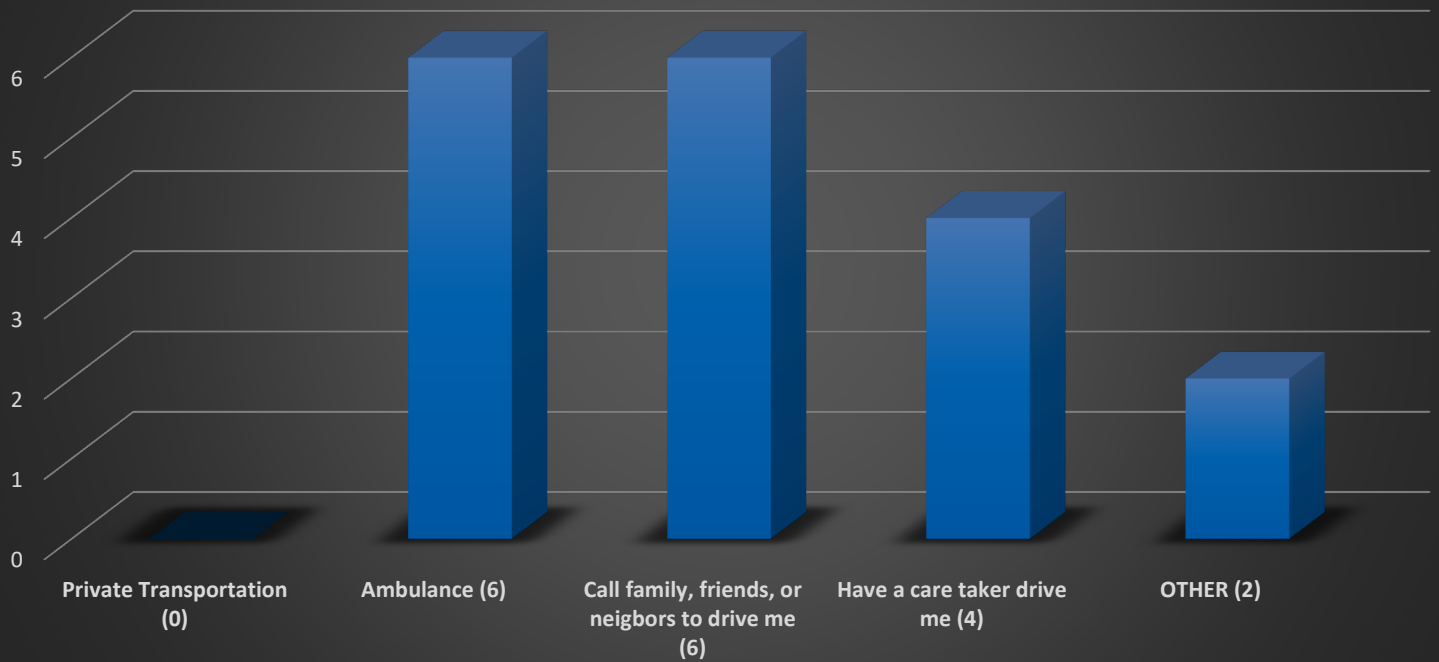
****Question #3 = The service hours do not work with my schedule – results = ZERO 0**

****Question #6 = I need a personal assistant to be able to with me – results = ONE 1**

****Questions #8 = I don't have any problems/issues getting the transportation that I want – results = ONE 1**

Table 30: If you have a temporary emergency, what type of transportation do you use?

What problems do you have getting the transportation you want (Check all that apply)



In the graph above, the respondents were able to check the options where there are issues in service/transportation gaps, the number in parenthesis represents the total of respondents to each of those questions.

Table 31: How much do you spend on Transportation Services per month?

How much do you spend on Transportation Services per month?
9 responses

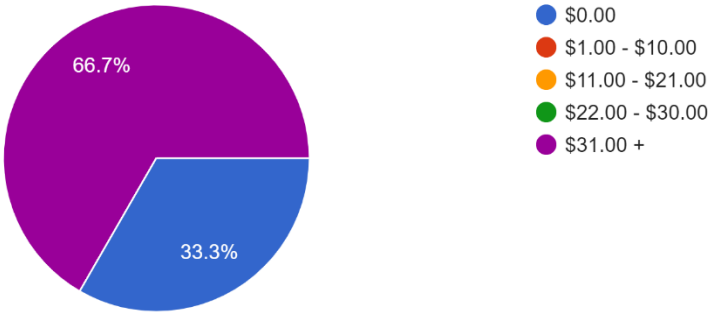


Table 32: How can transportation for individuals with disabilities be improved in Meigs County?

- Offer more transportation services so that everyone has an option to get where they need to go.
- Provide people with security to get where they need to go.
- Transportation would allow more folks to be able to get to their destination without feeling that they are burdening someone. They won't have to worry about getting to necessary appointments.
- Transportation services will make it easier for residents to get to places.
- There needs to be more accessible wheel chair transport you have to call ahead at least a week to get a ride to doctors appointments sometimes longer and they do not offer any types of transportation paid by medical card for family events or person events such as movies or even grocery stores
- It will help them get where they need to go.

Final Insights and Analysis of Data: Individuals with Disabilities

Individuals with a disability often rely on caretakers, family and/or friends for transportation. Currently Meigs County does not have transportation for individuals with a disability unless it is a private sector in which most cases you would need a waiver for. Individuals with disabilities are often relying solely on others to meet their transportation needs.

Majority of individuals with a disability live on a fixed income. If transportation would come available many would not be able to afford to utilize the service.

Strategies and Goals:

1. To secure the 5310-grant funding for 2021-22
 - a. Secure funding for on demand services for individuals with mobility limitations
2. To provide affordable transportation options for the community
 - a. Incentives for friends/family members to take individuals to and from doctors' appointments
3. To increase awareness of the services that are available
4. To provide handicap accessible transit services & vehicles to meet the current demand/needs
5. To increase knowledge of civil rights & ADA compliance to ensure we are addressing the needs of our county collectively
6. To train of transit staff and NET providers of civil rights and ADA compliance
7. To providing awareness/knowledge of services offered in the county
8. To offer services for the disabled in Meigs County, the services that do exist have limited resources.
9. To continue the Meigs Mobility Management program
10. To coordinate the knowledge of efforts and services
 - a. Working with managed/Medicaid plans to make more effective for our community members
 - b. Help promote the Road to Recovery through the American Cancer Society
11. To repair/Add additional sidewalks/bike paths in Meigs county
 - a. To expand and ensure that sidewalks are marked properly and handicap accessible
 - b. To promote the repairs and services throughout the community to gain community buy-in
 - c. To secure funding, work with local businesses/corporations, and/or grants
 - d. To conduct a walk audit
 - e. To bring awareness to active transportation
 - f. Verbal alerts for sidewalk crossing
12. To make a transit system in Meigs County a reality
13. To connect the more rural areas with transportation options in and out of the county

Meigs County Transportation Survey for For-Profit and Non-Profits

Table 33: Are you having any problems with your current method of getting clients to your site or service? If yes, can you elaborate on the issue(s) and how you could see transportation making an impact to better your needs:

- No. Our students come here from all over the world. They fly, rent a car and make their way here of the drive from as far away as CA
- MCHD administers WIC. Most come for services in their own vehicles or have friend/family member bring them. A few use the benefit via managed Medicaid. Public transportation would offer participants another option.
- No, it is a website. If they have internet access, they can get to it.
- This is not an issue for us as we are a trucking company and do our business on the phone and then via our truck.
- Our patients would benefit from having transportation options within our county. There are numerous instances when residents are unable to attend appointments, have needed testing completed, or pickup medicines and supplies from their pharmacy due to lack of transportation.
- TRANSPORTATION IS A MAJOR BARRIER FOR STUDENTS AND POTENTIAL STUDENTS TO ATTEND CLASSES ON A REGULAR SCHEDULE TO BETTER THEMSELVES. A LARGE NEED FOR RELIABLE TRANSPORTATION IS PRESENT AND A TRANSPORTATION SYSTEM IN THE COUNTY WOULD BE A VERY BIG ASSET.
- WE DONT PROVIDE TRANSPORTAION
- Transportation barriers for our elderly clients include, ambulance and ambulette services for medical appointments.
- Kids getting rides to aqua park during season
- The library does not have specific clients. We do believe there would be interested residents who would appreciate public transportation to and from library locations.

Table 34: Please describe transportation needs specific to your agency or community, that you feel are not being adequately met. Please be as specific as you can. (Include any special needs or requirements your clients or passengers may have)

- It would be great to have bus service from Athens to here
- We need public transportation that is ADA compliant.
- I, personally have no transportation needs.
- Our patients who have Medicare coverage have little resources at this time in obtaining transportation within the county. They frequently miss appointments and needed care as a result.
- AT THIS TIME, WE HAVE AROUND 200 STUDENTS ENROLLED AND SOME OF WHICH ARE MINORS. WILL THIS TRANSPORTATION BE FOR PEOPLE OF ALL AGES?
- Minimal availability of ambulance and ambulette services for routine medical appointments.
- Taking elderly to stores, getting people rides to town

Table 35: What are the major barriers to service coordination that your agency/system has encountered?

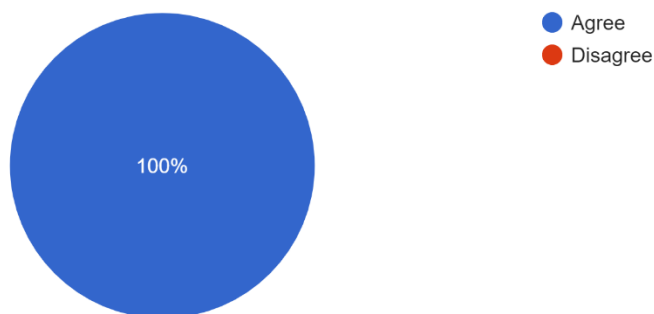
- Service from Athens
- We have none
- Lack of public transportation
- Communication is terrible between government agencies, private agencies, etc. Communications with the local media is spotty as well. Communications from those agencies to the public is even worse. Most of the county reads the Meigs Independent Press. If your notice or other information is not on it, most of the county does not know about your service, event, etc.
- Resources are limited within the county for any transportation services.
- LACK OF PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION, LACK OF KNOWLEDGE FOR SERVICES/OPPORTUNITIES PROVIDED AND AVAILABLE

Table 36: What are your suggestions to increase the current coordination efforts in Meigs County?

- Bus service from Athens to Meigs
- Establish a referral system
- Press releases, communication with local media like the Meigs Independent Press along with internal communication with government agencies would be a good start.
- better communication
- I think surveys like this are helpful and maybe place a survey in the newspaper as elderly people tend to still get the paper and they are usually the ones that need assistance with transportation.
- I LOOK FORWARD TO AN UPDATE ON THE CURRENT COORDINATION.
- Identify a Project Lead with Strong Leadership Skills

Table 37: Transportation systems for persons with special needs are not operated as efficiently as possible. In some case, programs established by federal, state and local governments to assist people with special needs cannot be accessed due to inefficiencies and coordination barriers.

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10 responses



Final Insights and Analysis of Data: Profit and Non-Profit

Clients tend to live in rural areas of the County where transportation options are not offered. Due to the lack of transportation options to the rural areas of the county, it greatly effects individuals' access to social service agencies and assistance.

Strategies and Goals:

- 1. To secure the 5310/5311 grant in order to address the obstacles that are currently in place**
- 2. To provide affordable transportation options for the community**
- 3. To continue the Meigs Mobility Management program**
- 4. To coordinate & knowledge of efforts and services**
- 5. To repair/Add additional sidewalks in Meigs county**
 - a. Ensure that sidewalks are marked properly and handicap accessible**
 - b. Promote the repairs and services throughout the community to gain community buy-in**
 - c. Secure funding, work with local businesses/corporations, and/or grants**
 - d. Conduct a walk audit**
 - e. Bringing awareness to active transportation**
- 6. To ensure the county has handicap accessible vehicles for use for residents**
- 7. To make a transit system in Meigs County a reality**
- 8. To connect the more rural areas with transportation options in and out of the county**
- 9. To ensure vehicles are ADA compliant to transport all customers to businesses**
- 10. To expand ambulance and ambulette services for patrons who need that service**

Roundtable Key Insights and Notable Comments

The Meigs County Coordinated Plan Planning Committee (MCCPPC) hosted the following meetings; dates and times are listed below. The MCCPPC held virtual meetings not in person due to COVID-19. We listed these meeting times in the local newspaper, The Daily Sentinel, passed out flyers, our website and on social media. This way we could gain an understanding from all areas of the county if they wanted to participate in the MCCPPC meetings.

Wednesday, October 21st, 2020 at 1:30 PM. Virtual Teams Meeting (Meeting #1)

Meigs County Coordinated Planning Meeting Meeting Minutes Wednesday October 21st, 2020 at 1:30 PM Virtual Meeting Held Via Microsoft Teams

Opening:

Virtual meeting held via Teams. Teams is an online platform that allows users the opportunity to call in via phone or utilize a computer. Due to COVID-19 we need to ensure safe distance and will not be holding public meetings at this time. Bridget Gilmore called meeting to order.

Members Present:

Chris Shank, Director, Meigs County Department of Job & Family Services
Theresa Lavender, Program Administrator, Meigs County Department of Job & Family Services
Vince Reiber, Business Administrator, Meigs County Department of Job & Family Services
Bridget Gilmore, Mobility Manager, Meigs County Department of Job & Family Services
Kay Davis, Meigs County Board of DD
David Jackson, Meigs County Board of DD
Terri Ingles, Social Services Supervisor for Children Services, Meigs County Department of Job & Family Services
Sara Hill, Meigs County Health Department
Kristi Eblin, Meigs County Public Libraries
Sam Wallace, Buckeye Hills Regional Council
Brandi Hesson, Buckeye Hills Regional Council
Lora Rawson, Gallia-Meigs Community Action
Beth Shaver, Meigs Council on Aging
Kim Dunham, Meigs County Resident

Members Apologies:

Rebecca Willford, Children Services, Meigs County Department of Job & Family Services
Amber Pierce, Meigs County Resident, Individual with a disability
Robin Harris, Board of Alcohol, Drug Addiction & Mental Health
Courtney Midkiff, Meigs County Health Department
Barbara Chapman, Meigs County Resident, Self-identified senior citizen
Ashley Cavazos, Meigs County Resident, Veteran

Guests:

None

Reading and approval of minutes: Will complete at next meeting

Agenda item #1:

Discussion:

- Group introductions

Action:

- Please state your first and last name
- What department/organization are you affiliated with
- Why is transportation important to you in Meigs County
 - If you are working in Meigs County – why is transportation important to your department/organization?
- A fun fact about you!

Agenda item #2:

Discussion:

- Discussion of purpose of committee

Action:

- Increase awareness and show the need for transportation in Meigs County
- Establish goals and expectations of the Mobility Management program
- Prioritize needs and strategies

Agenda item #3:

Discussion:

- Review of any previous coordinated plan

Action:

- The last coordinated plan was updated in 2008. According to the ODOT website below any information that is older than four years is not considered current and should not be used.
- <http://www.dot.state.oh.us/Divisions/Planning/Transit/Documents/Coordinated%20Plans/Coordinated%20Transportation%20Plan%20Template%20Guidance%20FINAL.pdf>
- What it means for a plan to be current. The Coordinated Plan should be a living document. It is best practice for the lead agency to have frequent meetings with other agency partners to examine goals and strategies and determine what progress is being made. To be considered current a plan must:
 - Contain data and research that is not more than 4 years old at the start of the project
 - Reference stakeholder outreach and engagement strategies that have occurred not more than 4 years prior to the start of the project
 - Has completed the annual review process within the past year from the application deadlineMore details on the requirements of an annual review are included in a later section.

Agenda item #4:**Discussion:**

- Review new ODOT requirements for coordinated plans

Action:

- Explanation of how ODOT now requires the following
 - Using the coordinated plan template on the ODOT website (our plan is based off from this template)
 - Following the coordinated planning guidance
 - Looking into the coordinated plan toolbox
 - Coordinated plan checklist
 - Documentation checklist
 - Annual Review checklist
 - Checklist for first planning meeting (what we are covering today!)

Agenda item #5:**Discussion:**

- Discuss expectations of lead agency and planning committee

Action:

- The Meigs County Mobility Manager will ensure meetings are held in a professional manner. These meetings will need to stick to an extremely tight schedule/timeline so that our team can stay on track and conquer our goal of completing this plan and having it adopted by our group, ideally, by the end of December.
- Each meeting that we have we will start out by introductions of the current coordinated planning members. We will then take note of all community members who have joined letting them know that we will have them on mute for the entirety of the meeting, but will leave the floor open at the end for an additional 30/60 minutes for comments, questions and/or concerns. Then going over around 25/30 pages of the plan, discussing the plan in detail and ensuring everyone is on the same page, agrees to the content, then we will conclude the meeting. At the end of the meeting, as stated above, open the floor for discussion – stakeholders are welcome to stay on or can leave at this time, this is an opportunity for everyone to share thoughts, ideas, questions and/or concerns. The entire meeting will be recorded and available for everyone
- A copy of the plan will be available in our teams meeting and via email. If you would prefer a hardcopy, please let me know prior to any meeting (there will be changes/updates each meeting) I will make sure to get them mailed out to those who would prefer the hardcopy.
 - On teams I will be sharing my screen and going over the plan in detail, all changes will be made over my screen and a recording of any changesIf you are unable to attend a meeting, at the end of the meeting a recording will be sent out via email to all stakeholders. You will then have 24 hours after that meeting to voice your concerns, ask questions, or to add anything to the plan

Agenda item #6:**Discussion:**

- Identify additional stakeholders who need to be involved in the future

Action:

- Does anyone in this current group think that others should be added to this group?
- If so, please state who you believe should be added, all in favor will need to say “I” individually – I will go around the table and call out your name, please just say “I” if you agree

- Group did not want to add any additional stakeholders

Agenda item #7:

Discussion:

- Discuss plan for involvement of older adults and people with disabilities

Action:

- Will encourage the involvement to truly focus on the great need for mobility options in Meigs County.
- Think about the following:
 - Identify restrictions: How is getting from point a to b a challenge for you or others that you know in the community
 - Sidewalks – in need of repair or lack of sidewalks
 - Gravel road/paved roads, are these issues?
 - Limited or No Public Transportation

Agenda item #8:

Discussion:

- Determine which outreach and engagement activities will be performed

Action:

- Surveys
- Focus Groups
- Planning Sessions

Agenda item #9:

Discussion:

- Discuss timeline for future

Action:

- Would like to hold another meeting the week of the 26th – 30th, which date and time works best for everyone?

Announcements: None at this time

Future Agenda Items:

Next meeting will go over around 25/30 pages of the coordinated plan

Next meeting:

Thursday October 29th at 10:00 AM. Those who cannot attend will be given 24 hours to review the recording, the coordinated plan and make any suggestions/changes.

Minutes Prepared By:

Bridget M. Gilmore

Meeting #1 – Geared towards the committee all meeting each other and understanding what we would cover in future meetings

Meeting invitation: Sent on 10-16-2020, reminder email sent on 10-20-2020

Good afternoon everyone,

It is with great excitement that I am writing each of you for an invitation to our first meeting. Our plan is to have a meeting next week on Wednesday October 21st, 2020 at 1:30PM. We are hopeful this meeting will last around one (1) hour only.

Attached is the agenda for our first meeting.

We will be conducting this meeting via teams. Teams is an online platform, most businesses have the Microsoft suite which includes teams (if you need any assistance on how to download or utilize please call me). You would just click on the below link and be able to access teams. If you do not have this feature you can also just call into our meeting at 1-614-721-2972 Conference ID = 694 467 065#

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If you are having troubles the day of the meeting please call my cell phone at 740-591-6211 and we can troubleshoot the issue. This meeting will be recorded, minutes will be taken so if you are not able to attend and would like to add valuable feedback you will have that option.

Best,

Bridget M. Gilmore

Mobility Manager

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"I think there should be a rule that everyone in the world should get a standing ovation at least once in their lives." "Kinder than is necessary. Because it's not enough to be kind. Oggy, wonder.



Friday, November 13th, 2020 at 1:30 PM. Virtual Teams Meeting (Meeting #2)

The following items were discussed in relation to Meigs County:

Meeting #2 – Cover 25/30 pages of the Coordinated Plan

Invitations sent via: Email Monday 10-26-20, reminder email on 10-28-20, Newspaper, Social media & Meigs JFS website

NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING

The Meigs County Coordinated Transportation Planning Committee will be holding a public meeting on Friday November 13th, 2020 at 1:30 PM; virtually due to COVID-19. All public, private non-profit, and private for-profit transportation providers, as well as the general public are invited to attend, participate and provide comment on the Meigs County Coordinated Transportation Plan.

If you would like to attend the meeting, request an accommodation for a person with disability, or for a copy of the plan prior to the meeting please reach out to Bridget Gilmore, 740-992-2119, bridget.gilmore@jfs.ohio.gov

Meeting Minutes: Taken by Carrie Long 11-13-2020

Coordinated Plan Meeting Minutes

Mobility Management 11/13/2020 1:30 PM

~Meeting called to session by B. Gilmore

~Attendees announced

-Chapman, B	-Ingels, T	-Shank, C
-Hesson, B	-Davis, K	-992-6681
-Midkiff, C	-Lavender, T	-416-3230
-Cavazos, A	-Rawson, L	-992-2161
-Jackson, D	-Reiber, V	-Long, C
-Gilmore, B	-Wallace, S	
-Hanstine, R	-Hill, S	

~Bridget read over the first 35 pages of the coordinated plan that were completed and able to be adjusted.

~Covered transportation needs for Meigs County

~S Wallace asked about paratransit and the definition/explanation/implementation. Bridget explained the needs assessment for paratransit for the county

~Covered areas and online sites the surveys were distributed along with deadline of 11/15/2020 to have surveys turned in and completed.

~K Eblin joined the meeting a 1:46 PM

~C Midkiff/T Ingels/R Hanstine added county government to the major employers along with Powell's Food fair, Nursing Homes, Mark Porter (two locations), Norris Greenhouse, Integrated Services, area banks

~C Midkiff added Mid Valley Christian to the major education facilities

~Contact details to the business and other entities section;

~C Midkiff added MCHD to have transportation added to their services provided section instead of the word "none" for their Cancer Initiative description

~L Rawson added 740-367-7341 to Gallia Meigs Community Action and correction to the website

~B Hesson added Morgan County to Buckeye Hills service area section in addition to what was listed

~T Ingels clarified that Holzer needed to have specified times and locations

~A Cavazos added times and a schedule for Holzer

~B Gilmore discovered #23 of the list was a duplicated and it needed to be deleted from the plan

~K Eblin stated the Heart of The Valley was the proper name for the school listed

~A Cavazos suggested to added Portsmouth Ambulance Service to the list as well

~K Eblin suggested entities' proper names need to be clarified throughout the list; example Eastern Local Schools or Eastern Local School District

~Alternative transportation suggestions asked by B Gilmore for with no response

~C Midkiff suggested managed Medicaid services and providers be added somewhere in the coordinated plan

~A Cavazos suggested to contact insurance companies to see what they provide in the transportation section

~B Chapman suggested that ODOT and county transportation garages be added to local government section

~B Gilmore concluded the meeting

Wednesday November 18th, 2020 at 10:00 AM via Teams
Meeting (Meeting #3)

**Meigs County Coordinated Plan Meeting
Meeting Minutes
Wednesday November 18, 2020
Virtual Meeting Held via Microsoft Teams**

Opening:

Meeting held via Microsoft Teams

~Bridget Gilmore called the meeting to order.

Members Present:

~Reiber, V~Shank, C~Cavazos, A

~Lavender, T~Hill, S~Midkiff, C

~Wallace, S~Long, C~Gilmore, B

~Ingels, T~740-992-6626~740-992-2161

~Davis, K~Jackson, D

Members Apologies:

~Hanstine, R~Dunham, K~Chapman, B

~Shaver, B~Harris, R~Hesson, B

~Eblin, K ~Willford, R~Rawson, L

~Pierce, A

~B Gilmore asked if there were any objections to the email containing the previous meeting's changes and adjustments. No objections.

~B Gilmore read through the Coordinated Plan for Mobility Management. She stated that she would set the clock for one hour and cover as many pages as possible within that time frame. Pages 36-66 were covered in this meeting.

~Davis, K joined the meeting 10:10 am

~Summary of existing Resources and Gaps section; no additions or adjustments made.

~B Gilmore asked if there any additions or requests to this section and none were made.

~Assessment of Transportation Needs and Gaps section; no adjustments and requests made.

~B Gilmore asked if there were and additions or requests to this section and none were made.

~Local Demographic and Socio Economic Data Maps; covered with no changes.

~Major trip generators page- Major Employers. B Gilmore asked if there were any requests for changes to this section; none were made.

~Top healthcare/clinics/facilities Additions

~Midkiff, C suggested Ohio Health, Pleasant Valley Hospital Physical Therapy, Copeland Health System located at the Southern Local School District building along with going online to the Meigs County Health Department website for an updated list of the most recent community health assessment list.

~Davis, K suggested Hopewell facilities Gallia-Meigs Community Action (temporarily moved from current location).

~Major Social Services Additions

~Davis, K suggested Hopewell facilities, along with Gallia-Meigs Community Action.

~Midkiff, C suggested Integrated Services, local libraries and The Council on Aging.

~Jackson, D joined the meeting at 10:26 am.

~Analysis of Demographic Data; Major Trip Generators Section; changes made.

~Midkiff, C suggested there be access to financial services and banking, where B Gilmore explained that this particular addition can be added later in another section of the Coordinated Plan.

~B Gilmore gave an update on the surveys that were distributed throughout the area; with 383 surveys being submitted and having 22.9% from adults with disabilities and 34.1% being older adults.

~B Gilmore read over the statements that were left on the surveys, replying to the suggestions/comments portion of the survey.

~Wallace, S stated that several of the comments were more focused on the infrastructure instead of being based for Mobility Management and for the Coordinated Plan. Infrastructure is not part of Mobility Management, and may cause a low score with the infrastructure comments as a part of the plan. B Gilmore stated she will remove those comments from the list.

~Davis, K stated that it was great feedback from the community and the county. Suggested that the infrastructure information and comments that the county provided be forwarded to the proper departments for further investigation, to also ensure that the comments were heard.

~B Gilmore Covered the next meeting agenda with finishing the last two pages of comments, as time was running out to conclude the comments section; along with the next section of the Coordinated Plan pages to review.

~Next Meigs County Coordinated Plan Meeting is scheduled for Monday, November 23, 202 at 10:00 am.

~B Gilmore concluded the meeting

Minutes prepared by: Carrie Long

November 23rd, 2020 at 11:00 AM via Microsoft Teams Meeting (Meeting #4)

The following items were discussed in relation to Meigs County:

Meigs County Coordinated Plan Meeting Meeting Minutes Monday November 23, 2020 Virtual Meeting Held via Microsoft Teams

Opening:

~Meeting called to session by B. Gilmore

~Attendees announced

~Dunham, K

~Gilmore, B

~Long, C

~Midkiff, C

~Rawson, L

~Lavender, T

~Shaver, B

~Hill, S

~Ingels, T

~Willford, R

Member Apologies

~Shank, C

~Reiber, V

~Cavazos, A

~Eblin, K

~Hesson, B

~Jackson, D

~Davis, K

~Pierce, A

~Wallace, S

~Chapman, B

~B Gilmore asked if there were any objections to the previous changes and additions made to the previous meeting's adjustments. No objections.

~B Gilmore set the clock at one hour, covering as many pages of the Coordinated Plan for Mobility Management as possible within that time frame.

~B Gilmore covered the remainder of the comments section of the surveys in the Plan.

~Strategies and Goals

~B Gilmore added

-5310/5311 secure funding for these grants

-Affordable fares for transportation

-Continuation of Meigs Mobility Management program

-Expansion of bike paths and trails throughout the county

-Coordination of efforts and services

~C Long added coordination of knowledge

~L Rawson added reaching the vulnerable population/types of routes/types of services/ add sidewalks. Repair what is present along with ensuring handicap accessible and is marked properly.

~B Gilmore rephrased fares as when a transit becomes an option, making sure it is affordable.

~T Lavender added work with the community and local agencies on leveraging funds for transportation.

~S Hill added secure the funding/promote/conduct a walk audit/raise awareness.

~C Midkiff added working with managed Medicaid Care plans to provide more affective transportation for our members/Road to Recovery American Cancer Society/funding promotions potential to lower costs.

~C Long added safety concerns.

~C Midkiff all promoting to all of our citizens to ensure that all is included in public transportation.

~B Gilmore added providing Meigs County with a public transportation system.

Strategies To Better Our Community For Seniors

~L Rawson added creating special services for aging in place

~B Shaver added that the Council of Aging already has special services in place, however there are limited resources available.

~T Lavender added secure 5310/5311 grant in order to address obstacles that are currently in place.

~B Shaver added making sure the knowledge of resources are available.

~B Gilmore added affordable transportation options for the community/incentives for friends or family members taking someone to their doctor appointments.

~T Lavender added increase awareness for services that are available.

~L Rawson asked about the 5310/5311 grant and the terms and conditions.

~B Gilmore explained how 5310/5311 grant works among the plan to become a self sustaining transit system.

~T Lavender added secure the funding to provide on demand transportation.

~C Midkiff added which population will the transportation system be providing for along with meeting their needs.

~B Gilmore added provide handicap accessible vehicles to meet needs of all the community.

Individuals With Disabilities Goals

~B Gilmore added cross walk signs that are handicapped accessible along with verbal alerts.

~S Hill added active transportation planning as an option to be used.

~T Lavender added increasing knowledge of Civil Rights and ADA Compliance to ensure we are addressing the needs of our county collectively.

~B Gilmore added training transit staff providers of the Civil Rights and ADA Compliance/providing a transit system in general for individuals with mobility limitations/provide handicap accessible vehicles to fill needs

~S Hill added providing knowledge and awareness.

Cover next Coordinated Plan Meeting Agenda

~B Gilmore plans to cover the unmet mobility needs to be addressed along with strategies and goals.

Next Coordinated Plan Meeting is scheduled for Monday, November 30, 2020 at 9:00AM.

~B Gilmore concluded the meeting.

November 30th, 2020 at 9:00 AM via Microsoft Teams Meeting (Meeting #5)

The following items were discussed in relation to Meigs County:

Meigs County Coordinated Plan Meeting Meeting Minutes Monday November 30, 2020 Virtual Meeting Held via Microsoft Teams

Opening:

~Meeting called to session by B. Gilmore

~Attendees

~Dunham, K

~Gilmore, B

~Long, C

~Cavazos, A

~Hesson, B

~Lavender, T

~Reiber, V

~Hill, S

~Ingels, T

~Hanstine, R

~Wallace, S

~Willford, R

Member Apologies

~Shank, C

~Rawson, L

~Chapman, B

~Eblin, K

~Davis, K

~Jackson, D

~Shaver, B

~Pierce, A

~B Gilmore asked if there were any objections to the previous changes and additions made to the previous meeting's adjustments. No objections.

~B Gilmore began by covering that this meeting is the final meeting to prepare for the coordinated plan adoption. That all areas of the plan remaining will be covered in the Coordinated Plan for Mobility Management.

~B Gilmore read over the Meigs County Transportation Profit and Non-Profit Survey section/questions that were submitted. 10 goals were outlined and read.

~B Gilmore asked if there were any suggestions or adjustments that needed made; no objections made.

~B Gilmore read over the Mobility Needs and Unmet Needs Table with 10 Goals in place. No objections were made for adjustment or suggestions.

~B Gilmore read over the Goals and Strategies Section. Covered 10 Goals; with each having a strategy to reach the goal.

~B Gilmore asked if there were suggestions or changes needed; no objections made.

~B Gilmore read over the Appendix A, B and C. No changes requested.

~B Gilmore acknowledged the survey questions pages, and there were no objections to this section.

Cover next Coordinated Plan Meeting Agenda

~B Gilmore plans to have the Meigs County Mobility Management Coordinated Plan adopted.

~Meeting was concluded by B Gilmore

Next Coordinated Plan Meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, December 2, 2020 at 9:00AM.

~B Gilmore concluded the meeting.

December 2nd, 2020 at 9:00 AM via Microsoft Teams Meeting
(Meeting #6)

Meigs County Coordinated Plan Meeting

Meeting Minutes

Wednesday December 2, 2020

Virtual Meeting Held via Microsoft Teams

Opening:

~Meeting called to session by B. Gilmore

~Attendees

~Ingels, T

~Gilmore, B

~Long, C

~740-416-3230

~Shank, C

~Lavender, T

~Reiber, V

~Hill, S

~Midkiff, C

~Eblin, K

~Wallace, S

Member Apologies

~Shank, C

~Rawson, L

~Chapman, B

~Hesson, B

~Davis, K

~Jackson, D

~Willford, R

~Pierce, A

~Shaver, B

~Hanstine, R

~Cavazos, A

~B Gilmore discussed the meeting's plans for the adoption of the Coordinated Plan. There were adjustments and changes suggested by Olivia Hook, the statewide Mobility Coordinator for ODOT. The Unmet Needs section of the plan needed some grammar changes made, as per Olivia's advice. No objections were made pertaining to the changes.

~B Gilmore covered the Safety Measures section of the plan. Changes that needed made were to include contact information, website details, phone numbers, along with neighboring county information as well.

~B Gilmore gave an explanation of the safety measures and their purpose in the Coordinated Plan.

~B Gilmore asked if there were any suggestions or adjustments that needed made; no objections made.

~9:11AM Davis, K made contact with B Gilmore, as she was having issues joining the meeting. Davis stated that she agreed with the changes along with signing the Coordinated Plan adoption.

~B Gilmore stated that once all the final changes to the Coordinated Plan were finalized, and signatures were received, the Plan would be ready for C Shank to take to the Meigs County Commissioners Meeting for their final approval, and to be sent to ODOT for submission.

~B Gilmore concluded the meeting.

Challenges to Coordinated Transportation

In addition to identifying needs, the planning committee gathered information from stakeholders and used their own professional experience to identify challenges to providing coordinated transportation services. These challenges include the following:

- Most of the County lacks transportation options, the transportation options that are available are limited based on certain criteria one must follow
- Private Transportation providers are working at full capacities
- Communication between providers is not consistent.
- Different fares and ways of calculating fares prevent coordination of efforts.

Summary of Unmet Mobility Needs

The following table describes the identified unmet transportation needs that were identified and the method used to identify and prioritize each need. Needs are listed in order of their rank in highest to lowest priority.

Exhibit 1: Prioritized Unmet Mobility Needs

Rank	Unmet Need Description	Method Used to Identify and Rank Need
1	Lack of Public Transportation in Meigs County	Survey & roundtable input
2	Affordable fares	Survey & roundtable input
3	Sustaining the Mobility Management Program	Coordinated planning committee
4	Coordination and implementation of the Meigs County Active transportation plan	Coordinated planning committee
5	Connecting the more rural areas with transportation options in and out of the county.	Survey & roundtable input
6	ADA Compliance Amongst Providers	Survey & roundtable input
7	Communication efforts county wide of services that are offered	Survey & roundtable input
8	Sidewalk safety audit	Coordinated planning committee
9	Coordination of efforts	Survey & roundtable input

V. Goals and Strategies

Developing Strategies to Address Gaps and Needs

Strategies for improving transportation for Meigs County should address the service gaps and user needs identified in this plan, if they are to be effective. As described, the gaps and unmet needs were based on information obtained from geographic analysis, the attendees participating in the meetings, and responses to the public survey.

Based on information gathered throughout the planning process, the Meigs County Department of Job and Family Services has developed the following strategies to address the gaps and unmet transportation needs. Priority levels are assigned by considering the primary funding sources that could be available to support plan implementation compared to the importance of meeting this unmet need expressed by the public and stakeholders. Not all strategies are activities specifically eligible for funding under the existing programs, nor is it guaranteed that funding will be available to achieve every strategy identified. In addition, the local stakeholders will need to provide support and commit to pursuing the strategies if they are to be accomplished. Nonetheless, these strategies have been tailored to 10 of the identified primary gaps and needs.

Below is an outline describing the prioritized strategies to address each of the identified unmet transportation needs and gaps in service.

Goal #1:

Lack of Public Transportation in Meigs County

Need(s) being addressed: Ensuring Meigs county is fully aligned and prepared to apply for grant funding to make transportation in Meigs county a possibility. Assuring affordable, county-wide, door-to-door transportation services for seniors and individuals with disabilities.

Strategy 1.1:

Apply for and receive funding to fund a Transit system in Meigs County.

Timeline for Implementation: Present to mid-2021

Action Steps:

- ***Complete the letter of intent***
- ***Apply for funding***
- ***Await confirmation or denial from ODOT***
- ***Receive 5310 funding***
- ***Purchase vehicles***
- ***Hire Drivers, dispatchers and a transportation supervisor***
- ***Implement a transportation system for Meigs County***

Parties Responsible for Leading Implementation: Meigs County Job and Family Services and the Meigs County mobility manager

Parties Responsible for Supporting Implementation: Ohio Department of Transportation & Federal Transit Administration

Resources Needed: Funding, staff time, contract services, building space, vehicles publications/printing, local cash, technology and capital needs

Potential Cost Range: Will advise at a later date

Potential Funding Sources: 5310 and/or 5311 funding

Performance Measures/Targets:

- **Letter of intent**
- **Application of funds**
- **Acceptance of application for funds requested**
- **Hire a transportation supervisor, drivers and dispatchers**
- **Complete safety and training checks with all employees**

Goals completed: Meigs County now has a fully operational Transit Program that is operating, both 5310 and 5311. There are currently eight Full Time Drivers operating Transit and one Full Time NET Driver, two Full Time Dispatchers, Transportation Supervisor, and a fleet of vehicles which are which are handicap accessible. Tentatively, Transit will be hiring another seven drivers which will offer even more transportation services for the elderly, disabled, low income, as well as the general public.

Goal #2:

AFFORDABLE FARES

Need(s) being addressed: Seniors, individuals with disabilities, low-income families are currently unable to utilize any other form of transportation due to financial restraints.

Strategy 1.1:

Collectively audit in this plan the types of available services and what options exist. Collect and analyze data for lowered or free fare options once transportation in Meigs County becomes available.

Timeline for Implementation: Mid-January 2021

Action Steps:

- ***Document the need of lowered or free fares***
- ***Complete multiple surveys in Meigs County to show the need***
- ***Once transit options are available create a pilot program showing the usage and need***
- ***Identify funding sources to support***

Parties Responsible for Leading Implementation: Meigs County Job and Family Services and the Meigs County mobility manager

Parties Responsible for Supporting Implementation: Local transportation providers and identified funding sources

Resources Needed: Funding, staff time, contract services, building space, vehicles publications/printing, local cash, technology and capital needs

Potential Cost Range: Will depend on project scale

Potential Funding Sources: Contract revenue, ODOT 5310 & 5311 Grant funding, Ohio Developmental Disabilities Council, Meigs County Board of Developmental Disabilities and Meigs County Job and Family Services

Performance Measures/Targets:

- **Complete a needs assessment study**
- **Completion of budget and funding sources to reduce or eliminate fares**
- **Application award and funding**

Goal Completed- Currently Meigs County is able to offer free transportation for all Door to Door services for Elderly, Disabled, Low Income, as well as for the general public.

Goal #3:

SUSTAINING THE MOBILITY MANAGEMENT PROGRAM

Need(s) being addressed: Currently there is a lack of knowledge and understanding of the transportation options in Meigs County. Mobility Management will allow for the coordination of services, advocacy for transportation & transportation resources as well as provide education and utilization of services.

Strategy 1.1:

When completing the Countywide survey and roundtable meetings with stakeholders, across the board there is a serious lack of knowledge on what services are available. The mobility management program will allow for many doors to be opened regarding advocating for multimodule transportation options, training, understanding and outreach in our community. Will encourage meetings with various stakeholders in the community to gain more ideas and ways to meet the needs of the members in our County!

Timeline for Implementation: Present-2022

Action Steps:

- ***Increase and advocate for multimodule transportation options***
- ***Increase awareness by teaching, training and outreach of all our current transportation options, programs and vouchers***
- ***Increase current transportation capacities when possible***
- ***Ensuring transportation is included in future considerations in our county/community***

Parties Responsible for Leading Implementation: Meigs County mobility manager

Parties Responsible for Supporting Implementation: Meigs County, Meigs County Job and Family Services, Meigs County Board of Developmental Disabilities, Meigs Council on Aging and the Ohio Department of Transportation

Resources Needed: Continuation of the 5311 Grant and local match funds

Potential Cost Range: \$80,000 +

Potential Funding Sources: Meigs County, Meigs County Job and Family Services, Meigs County Board of Developmental Disabilities, Meigs Council on Aging and the Ohio Department of Transportation

Performance Measures/Targets:

- **Quarterly mobility reports**
- **Goal completion in the Meigs County Coordination Transportation Plan**
- **Continued surveying and outreach in the County**

Goal Completed- Through the efforts of coordination of agencies within the county. Meigs County Mobility Management has actively participated in numerous events such as Farmers Markets, County Fair, Health Fairs, activities at Senior Citizens Centers as well as providing marketing and promotional material. These efforts have increased the knowledge within the county and assisted in the current growth of meeting the transportation needs for the elderly, disabled, low income as well as the general public

Goal #4:

COORDINATION AND IMPLEMENTATION OF THE MEIGS COUNTY ACTIVE TRANSPORTATION PLAN

Need(s) being addressed: Bringing awareness to the current active transportation plan. Infrastructure, planning and policy adoption, complete streets policy awareness and knowledge, and knowledge of PSE (policy systems and environmental) change

Strategy 1.1:

Increase opportunities for physical activity with well-designed sidewalks, on-street bicycle facilities and multiuse trails. Support active transportation initiatives through schools, health care professionals, community services, elected officials, and businesses. Boost the local economy by capitalizing on walking and bicycling recreational opportunities in Meigs County.

Timeline for Implementation: Immediate 1-2 years | Short-term 3-5 years | Medium to long-term 5+ years

Action Steps:

- ***Conduct outreach and education***
- ***Collect data and evaluation measures***
- ***Advocacy for Active Transportation***

Parties Responsible for Leading Implementation: Meigs County Active Transportation Team

Parties Responsible for Supporting Implementation: Meigs County Health Department, Meigs County Department of Job & Family Services, ODOT, Toole Design, Buckeye Hills Regional Council and County Government

Resources Needed: Funding/capital, staff time, support, publications and proper signage

Potential Cost Range: Dependent on projects pursued/needed

Potential Funding Sources: Recreational Trails Program (RTP), Clean Ohio Trails Fund (COTF), Highway Safety Improvement Program (ODOT) and Safe Routes to School (SRTS)

Performance Measures/Targets:

- **Track the amount of active Transportation related events or activities**
- **The length of infrastructure**
- **Amount of Active Transportation policies passed**
- **Funding awarded for projects**

Goal Ongoing- The current Active Transportation Plan is operated by the Meigs County Health Department and is working closely with the Meigs County Mobility Management. Continual growth and funding needed to better assist Safe Accesses for walking paths whereby elderly, those with disabilities as well as the general public can safely get to needed areas

Goal #5:

CONNECTING THE MORE RURAL AREAS WITH TRANSPORTATION OPTIONS IN AND OUT OF THE COUNTY

Need(s) being addressed: Many residents are homebound due to the lack of transportation in Meigs County. Having a transit system available in our county will assist with not only getting individuals countywide where they need to get to and from within the county but also assisting individuals with the option to travel outside the county.

Strategy 1.1:

Currently Meigs residents do not equally have the option for transportation to get to and from where they need to go. The options of utilizing taxi services outside Meigs is not at all cost effective and for most residents it is not an option at all due to lack of funds. Having a transit route within the county will give residents an option to leave their home and go from point A to B as they choose. It will also give them options to travel outside of Meigs county.

Timeline for Implementation: 2021

Action Steps:

- ***Create a data/survey database that allows users to always update new areas they need to go and determine common locations based off from data***
- ***Increase education of transit options for better awareness and future community participation***
- ***Understand needs based on current coordinated transportation plan and strive to fulfill those needs***

Parties Responsible for Leading Implementation: Meigs County Job and Family Services & the Meigs County mobility manager

Parties Responsible for Supporting Implementation: Meigs County, Meigs County Job and Family Services, Meigs County Board of Developmental Disabilities, Meigs Council on Aging and the Ohio Department of Transportation (ODOT)

Resources Needed: Funding, staff time, contract services, building space, vehicles publications/printing, local cash, technology and capital needs

Potential Cost Range: Will depend on project scale

Potential Funding Sources: Contract revenue, ODOT 5310 & 5311 Grant funding, Ohio Developmental Disabilities Council, Meigs County Board of Developmental Disabilities and Meigs County Job and Family Services

Performance Measures/Targets:

- **To implement a transportation program**
- **To identify community needs and gain buy-in from the community**
- **Create a few central “hubs” in the area to connect Meigs county with other transportation providers outside of Meigs county**
- **Quarterly mobility reports**
- **Goal completion in the Meigs County Coordination Transportation Plan**
- **Continued surveying and outreach in the County**

Goal Ongoing- Door to door transportation is currently reaching all parts of the county including the most remote areas, by means of the Meigs Couth Public Transit as well as other providers. These transportation services are offering handicap accessible transportation to be able to provide services for elderly, people with disability, as well as low-income residents in which they can reach these “hub” areas that include health care, legal services, government agencies as well as shopping and more. While this growth has been a tremendous positive resource, there is still room for growth to better serve in these remote areas of the county.

Goal #6:

ADA COMPLIANCE AMONGST PROVIDERS

Need(s) being addressed: 19% of Meigs County is disabled and 20.4% of the county is 65+ years of age. All vehicles operating in the county should have the capacity to accommodate at least one wheelchair. Some providers submitted that they did not have any handicap accessible vehicles.

Strategy 1.1:

Creating a committee in Meigs County that works with and assists operators who operate in our county with suggestions, comments and/or concerns prior to making a new vehicle purchase. This committee would be able to ensure that at least one (or more) vehicle(s) in the fleet is able to provide the services needed in this county.

Timeline for Implementation: 2021-22

Action Steps:

- ***Create a committee whose focus is to ensure ADA compliance among all of our preferred and non-preferred suppliers***
- ***Complete surveys before, after and during trips***

Parties Responsible for Leading Implementation: Meigs County mobility manager

Parties Responsible for Supporting Implementation: Meigs County, Meigs County Job and Family Services, Meigs County Board of Developmental Disabilities and Meigs Council on Aging

Resources Needed: Funding, staff time, contract services, building space, vehicles publications/printing, local cash, technology and capital needs

Potential Cost Range: Will depend on project scale

Potential Funding Sources: Ohio Developmental Disabilities Council, Meigs County Board of Developmental Disabilities and Meigs County Job and Family Services

Performance Measures/Targets:

- **Create a committee**
- **Invite key stakeholders in the community who can add value and represent the committee**
- **Implement a process that requires providers to ensure ADA compliance in their fleet**

Goal Completed- The Meigs County Mobility Management TAC includes and has great respect for the feedback of Committee Members who are citizens with disability and elderly citizens. These TAC members are active and are the eyes and ears of the needed ADA resources within our county. These TAC members are offered handicap assisted transportation to and from the TAC meetings. A strong connection has been implemented with Meigs County Board of DD, Inclusions, the Meigs County JFS, and the Meigs County Council on Ageing.

Goal #7:

COMMUNICATION EFFORTS COUNTY WIDE OF SERVICES THAT ARE OFFERED

Need(s) being addressed: Communicating multimodule transportation options more efficiently and effectively throughout the entire county. Addressing needs and ensuring that all community members are aware of the updates and changes throughout the county.

Strategy 1.1:

Audit all transportation providers in the county. Understand what types of services they offer, how often, how much and create multiple places for community members to access this database. Go to council, city and other important stakeholder meetings in the county, advertise in local newspapers, social media and flyers to show what options are out there and how to utilize those services.

Timeline for Implementation: Present and continuing

Action Steps:

- ***Document calls and incoming questions for better understanding of where there are gaps in communication***
- ***Complete multiple different surveys for continued growth and understanding of community barriers and needs***
- ***Identify funding sources for advertising and promotion of services***

Parties Responsible for Leading Implementation: Meigs County Job and Family Services and the Meigs County mobility manager

Parties Responsible for Supporting Implementation: The Transportation Coordinated Planning Committee, Meigs County Job and Family Services and the Meigs County mobility manager

Resources Needed: Funding, staff time, contract services, building space, vehicles publications/printing, local cash, technology and capital needs

Potential Cost Range: Will depend on project scale

Potential Funding Sources: Meigs County Mobility Management funds

Performance Measures/Targets:

- **Complete multiple roundtable sessions and encourage Meigs County residents, business owners, churches, and others valuable stakeholders to attend**
- **Offer “free” rides to multiple groups of individuals for familiarity. Gain feedback and learn from the feedback given**
- **Implement communication strategies across Meigs County**

Goal Completed- During the initial operation of Meigs County Mobility Management, gathering all the transportation resources was implemented into the coordinated plan which includes the services they provide. As transportation resources have grown, updates have been verified which has allowed for knowledge and utilization simple and allow Mobility Management to provide information of services to residents of Meigs County who are disabled, elderly, and low-income. Currently all transportation services are free of charge to all residents.

Goal #8:

SIDEWALK SAFETY AUDIT

Need(s) being addressed: Completing a sidewalk safety audit for all major sidewalks in Meigs county to address concerns brought forward in this plan and to ensure ADA compliance throughout the county/sidewalks

Strategy 1.1:

Sara Hill, Meigs County Health Department Creating Healthy Communities, is creating a group to complete sidewalk audits in Pomeroy. Looking to expand that audit throughout the entire county so that all sidewalks are covered to ensure compliance.

Timeline for Implementation: December 20-21

Action Steps:

- ***Complete an audit of sidewalks in Meigs County***
- ***Understand barriers and prepare a document outlining issues***
- ***Work with different grants to make changes as deemed necessary***

Parties Responsible for Leading Implementation: Meigs County Active Transportation Planning Committee

Parties Responsible for Supporting Implementation: The Transportation Coordinated Planning Committee, Meigs County Health Department, Meigs County Job and Family Services and the Meigs County mobility manager

Resources Needed: Funding, staff time, contract services, building space, vehicles publications/printing, local cash, technology and capital needs

Potential Cost Range: Will depend on project scale

Potential Funding Sources: Grants

Performance Measures/Targets:

- **Complete a safety audit of Meigs County sidewalks**
- **Prepare documentation showing areas that need attention**
- **Receive grant funding in order to fix the major problem areas as we can**

Goal Ongoing- Meigs County Mobility Management has kept a close contact with the Meigs County Health Department and the Village Mayors to continually evaluate sidewalk safety or the possibility creating new safe walk zones within the county. Some villages have already completed reconstruction of walkways or added new safe walk zones. This goal will be a continual to provide easy access for elderly and people with disabilities in the future years as well.

Goal #9:

COORDINATION OF EFFORTS

Need(s) being addressed: Overlapping of services and efforts results in gaps throughout the community and within transportation providers

Strategy 1.1:

A coordination of efforts and services would allow more vehicles to travel to more areas of the County and potentially provide rides to more individuals. As several transportation providers require training and

safety certifications for their staff a coordination of services would allow providers to receive this collectively

Timeline for Implementation: January 2021-January 2025

Action Steps:

- ***Create partnership with local transportation providers***
- ***Utilize the information in the Meigs County Coordinated Transportation Plan to identify gaps and coordination possibilities***
- ***Begin a coordination of efforts and services***

Parties Responsible for Leading Implementation: The Meigs County Mobility Management Program

Parties Responsible for Supporting Implementation: The Ohio Department of Transportation and local transportation providers

Resources Needed: Funding, staff time, local cash, technology, and training

Potential Cost Range: Will depend on project scale

Potential Funding Sources: The Meigs County Mobility Management Program

Performance Measures/Targets:

- **Level of responses from transportation providers**
- **Conducting a coordinated training event**
- **Conducting a coordinated ride**

Goal Completed- Meigs County Mobility Management has worked closely with all possible forms of transportation services available within the county such as Veterans Service Office, Meigs County Public Transit, and Meigs County Council on Ageing.

Goals and Strategies (2023 Goals- Updated October 2022)

Goal 1: WALK/BIKE PATH ROUTES FOR SAFE ZONES AND ACCESSABILITIES IN COLLABORATION WITH COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT ACTIVE TRANSPORTATION PROJECT

Strategy 1.1:

Continued collaboration of the walking/biking path which will connect the upper end of Pomeroy and run completely through the lower end of Middleport which will create healthy activities as well as mobility for handicap assisted devices to ensure mobility throughout the highest economical and health care related area in Meigs County. Planning of other Safe Walk Zones to include areas near schools and business districts for better mobility access for elderly and disabled citizens. This is a continual goal due to monitoring the safety and upkeep for the combined efforts of all partnering entities.

Strategy 1.2:

Assess any damage to this walk/bike path that may require repair. Upkeep and maintenance surrounding the walk/bike path is completed by the Village of Pomeroy and the Village of Middleport. The original section of the walk/bike path, which runs from Kerr Street in Pomeroy to the lower end of the Pomeroy Parking Lot. Assessment of this section needs to be evaluated in a couple of sections for safety and possible repair. Collaborating with partnering agencies will be needing to revisit these sections.

Strategy 1.3:

Market the benefits, accessibilities, and safety of the walk/bike path zone intended for all forms of mobility for the public, ADA accessibility, and the economy within Meigs County.

Goal Completed: Additional stretch of walk/bike path has been completed which runs from the lower end of Middleport and continues into the restaurant area of Pomeroy complete with pavement markings, signage, and barriers for safety. Also flashing pedestrian crossing signs have been added into Syracuse as well as signage being utilized in Pomeroy for pedestrian rights-of-way during activities such as Farmers Market.

Goal 2: CONTINUED GROWTH OF TRANSPORTATION RESOURCES AND FUNDING FOR THE FUTURE OF TRANSPORTATION WITHIN THE COUNTY WHICH WOULD INCREASE THE AVAILABILITY OF SERVICES

Strategy 2.1:

Connecting Stakeholders, Elected Officials, Businesses, Transportation Providers, and Government Agencies to explain the benefits of transportation programs and secure further financial support from the local area. With continual growth of transportation assistance, we are still seeing a need for growth and funding due to the number of ride requests verses the availability in resources. We need to continue looking at areas in which we can further offer transportation services, with the goal of providing these services for Elderly, Disabled, and Low-Income. Ongoing

Strategy 2.2:

Expand services to allow for longer available hours of transportation assistance and more availability for same day scheduling for local transports. Using up to date computer scheduling software to help make same day requests and better scheduling possible. Being able to offer these transportation services during off peak hours for the Elderly, Disabled, and Low-Income population. Ongoing

Strategy 2.3:

Solicit the importance of funding from local government, community groups/organizations, and businesses owners to further benefit them and the citizens of our community by means of being able to provide transportation for Elderly, Disabled, and Low-Income to their establishments. Secure MOU contracts for purchase of service agreement throughout agencies within the county.

Goal Completed- Additional contract company (ies) have been added to Medicaid Eligible transports. Meigs County Council on Aging has re-implemented their Senior Transport services. Meigs County Veterans Service Office has hired extra staffing for more transportation for Veterans. Meigs County Public Transit has continued to grow in vehicle fleet making more available access for public transportation. Meigs County Public Transit has also included multi-passenger vehicles to their fleet which allows the possibility for group rides with the hopes of Loop Routes in the near future.

Goal 3: UNITY BETWEEN AGENCIES AND THE PUBLIC FOR THE GOAL OF TRANSPARENCY.

Strategy 3.1:

Maintaining a strong working relationship with the Buckeye Hills Regional Council, Region 8 Mobility Management, Meigs County Health Department's Program Director of Creating Healthy Communities, Meigs County Area on Aging, Veterans' Services Office, Meigs County Commissioners, Elected Officials, TAC Group and all stakeholders.

Strategy 3.2:

Continue outreach efforts with the citizens in which Meigs County Mobility Management can educate about the resources available and listen to concerns from the Elderly, Disabled, and Low-Income population of Meigs County, as well as Healthcare Professionals, Agency Administrators, and Business Owners and Elected Officials.

Goal Completed: Through coordinated efforts of multiple agencies within the county and regionally, routine meetings, events and collaborations, the efforts of outreach is reaching the far edges of Meigs County and continues to grow the needed transports for the residents' needs.

Goals and Strategies (2025 Goals- Updated July 2024)

Goal 1: Begin to provide Loop Routes within designated areas by means of multi-passenger vehicles.

Strategy 1.1:

Providing Loop Routes to better assist daily needs of residents to common areas such as grocery stores, banks, shopping areas, legal assistance, government agencies without scheduling far in advance. Allowing retirement properties to benefits group rides to food areas within the loop such as the Mulbury Community Center or the Meigs County Senior Center in which they could have cost effective meals as well as peer engagement and exercise at the facilities.

Strategy 1.2:

Assign driver (s) specific to the Loop Route which could allow more open availabilities for the On-Demand transport schedule to those residents that need to get to medical facilities.

Goal 2: Provide training for agencies and volunteers throughout the county with safe transportation options.

Strategy 2.1:

Become a certified trainer in vehicle safety options for both the public and for agencies who transport the public. Provide educational services at events within the county and be able to assist other counties with their events.

Strategy 2.2:

By offering training vehicle training services, Meigs County Mobility Management would assist in the advocacy of safe roadways by educating Seniors, Agency Drivers, Contract Drivers, and more.

Goal 3: Continued coalition efforts with individual villages along the river for future access of mobility wellness zones along the riverfront.

Strategy 2.1:

Assist villages with the future revitalizing efforts of the riverfront areas, whereby public access can safely be utilized for walking/biking/kayaking/boating and other recreational activities as well as keeping handicap accessibility as a priority for safety.

Strategy 2.2:

By assisting villages with these future pathways and opportunities, Meigs County Mobility Management seeks to assist in providing activities in which would be exercise for good health and wellbeing of

residents. Combined assistance in these healthy activities could range from walking paths to handicap accessible exercise equipment, resting areas, hydration stations, pet friendly areas, and more. All of this can lead to a healthier lifestyle for the public.

VI. Plan Adoption (Updated TAC for 2022 on next page)

The Meigs County Coordinated Transportation Plan was adopted by the Meigs County Coordinated Transportation Planning Committee, a group of local organizations including an older adult and an individual with a disability. The Meigs County Coordinated Plan Planning Committee voted on the adoption of this document and the Meigs County Commissioners adopted and signed off on this plan. Due to COVID-19 all members signed via Google Docs.

12/1/2020 7:10:19	Buckeye Hills Regional Council	Brandi Hesson
12/1/2020 7:57:11	Meigs County Job & Family Services	Carrie Long
12/1/2020 8:06:56	Meigs County Health Department	Sara Hill
12/1/2020 8:09:03	Meigs County Resident, Veteran	Ashley M. Cavazos
12/1/2020 8:21:20	Meigs County Board of Developmental Disabilities	Kay Davis
12/1/2020 9:03:20	Meigs County Job & Family Services	Theresa Lavender
12/1/2020 9:11:54	Gallia-Meigs Community Action	Lora Rawson
12/1/2020 9:35:01	Meigs County Resident with a Disability	Amber pierce
12/1/2020 10:06:00	Buckeye Hills Regional Council	Sam Wallace
12/1/2020 22:41:19	Meigs County Senior Citizen	Barbara Ann Chapman
12/2/2020 8:16:38	Board of Alcohol Drug Addiction & Mental Health	Robin Harris
12/2/2020 8:38:31	Meigs County Job & Family Services	Terri Ingels
12/2/2020 8:47:13	Meigs County Job & Family Services	Rebecca Willford
12/2/2020 10:42:38	Meigs County Health Department	Courtney Midkiff
12/7/2020 8:16:24	Meigs Council on Aging	Beth Shaver
12/7/2020 10:43:19	Meigs County Resident	Kimberly Dunham
12/14/2020 11:32:49	Meigs County Public Libraries	Kristi L. Eblin
12/14/2020 11:43:38	Meigs County Job & Family Services	Chris Shank
12/14/2020 12:25:03	Meigs County Job & Family Services	Vincent Reiber

Meigs County Mobility Management
Transportation Advisory Committee
(TAC)

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Meigs County Commissioners Resolution; Adopted 12-10-20

RESOLUTION

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WHEREAS, the Ohio Department of Transportation (ODOT) provides financial assistance for the Mobility Management activities as funded by the Specialized Transportation Program (5310);

WHEREAS, the Meigs County Department of Job and Family Services has staffed the Meigs County Mobility Manager position;

WHEREAS, a Coordinated Transit Plan document must be created and updated as required in order to satisfy an ongoing condition of this funding;

WHEREAS, the 2020 coordinated Transit Plan has been completed in partnership with the Meigs County Coordinated Transportation Planning Committee;

WHEREAS, The Coordinated Transit Plan for Meigs County has been completed in the manner and time frame prescribed by ODOT; and

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the 2020 Coordinated Transit Plan has been reviewed and approved by the Meigs County Board of Commissioners and we hereby approve the submission of the 2020 Coordinated Transit Plan document to the Ohio Department of Transportation.

It was moved by Mr. Ihle and seconded by Mr. Will to adopt the foregoing.

Vote on roll call resulted: Mr. Smith _____ Mr. Ihle yea Mr. Will yea

ADOPTED: 12-10-20

Randy Smith, President

Jimmy Will
Jimmy Will, Vice-President

Tim Ihle
Tim Ihle, Member

ATTEST:

Tonya Edwards
Tonya Edwards, Clerk

Appendix A: List of Planning Committee Participants

The planning committee consists of representation from local agencies as well as participation of individuals with disabilities, older adults, and members of the general public. More information about the planning committee is available upon request by contacting

Agency Representation

Name	Agency
Kay Davis	Meigs County Board of DD
David Jackson	Meigs County Board of DD
Terri Ingles	Children Services, MCDJFS
Rebecca Willford	Children Services, MCDJFS
Courtney Midkiff	Meigs County Health Department
Chris Shank	Director, MCDJFS
Theresa Lavender	MCDJFS
Vince Reiber	MCDJFS
Kristi Eblin	Director, Meigs County Public Library
Sam Wallace	Buckeye Hills Regional Council
Brandi Hesson	Buckeye Hills Regional Council
Amber Pierce	Individuals with a Disability Representative
Ashley Cavazos	Meigs County local Veteran
Robin Harris	Board of Alcohol, Drug Addiction and Mental Health
Lora Rawson	Gallia-Meigs Community Action
Beth Shaver	Executive Director, Meigs Council on Aging
Barbara Chapman	Senior Citizen, Meigs County Local Representative

In addition to participants listed above, the planning committee also included representation of older adults, people with disabilities, and members of the general public. In addition to hosting a planning committee, Meigs County and other planning committee members also conducted a wide variety of activities designed to increase involvement of community stakeholders in identifying community resources, addressing community needs, and setting goals and priorities. More information about the efforts that occurred is available upon request. To request additional information please contact:

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Appendix B: List of Annual Reviews and Plan Amendments

It is required that this plan be reviewed by the planning committee annually. For more information on when the next annual review will occur, how to be involved in the annual review process or to request information on how to make changes or corrections to this plan between annual reviews, please contact Rich Wamsley, Meigs County Department of Job and Family Services, 740-992-2119, richard.wamsley@jfs.ohio.gov.

Annual Review – November 2021

The Meigs County Coordinated Transportation Plan is new to this county and will be reviewed again next year.

Annual Review- November 2022

The Meigs County Coordinated Transportation Plan is a year into operation. Current TAC has been in routine contact quarterly at meetings and the Coordinated Plan has been reviewed. Progress toward education in the public has grown as well as collaboration with the new transportation services within the county.

Annual Review- November 2023

The Meigs County Coordinated Transportation Plan continues to be reviewed annually by the TAC. Reports are completed quarterly at our collaborated TAC/Get Healthy Meigs meetings. As Mobility Management continues to grow, further goals have been set. Transportation has grown tremendously over the past year by multiple resources within the county. Therefore, Mobility Management continues to educate the public and agencies around the county by means of outreach efforts, events, and meetings.

Appendix C: Definitions

There are several terms used throughout the plan that may be unique to transportation providers or human service agencies. The terms are defined here for reference.

Coordination – Collaborative efforts toward understanding and meeting the mobility needs in the most appropriate, cost effective, and responsive manner.

FAST Act – Congress established the funding for Federal Transit Administration programs through authorizing legislation that amends Chapter 53 of Title 49 of the U.S. Code. On December 4, 2015, President Obama signed the Fixing America's Surface Transportation (FAST) Act, reauthorizing surface transportation programs through Fiscal Year 2020.

Gaps in Service – A break in the continuity of available transportation resources such as a break between hours of operation or a break between two or more geographic areas.

Lead Agency – The organization responsible for facilitating outreach; composing a plan that meets the requirements of current Federal and State legislation; maintaining documentation from the planning process and making it available upon request; and leading stakeholders through annual reviews, amendments, and updates of the plan. The Lead Agency also is responsible for submitting the adopted Coordinated Plan and all amendments or updates to participating stakeholders and ODOT.

Planning Committee – (indicate if the planning committee has another formal name) The Planning Committee is composed of key community stakeholders. The Planning Committee members agree to actively participate in the planning process and act as the plan advisory and adopting entity.

Ridership – The total number of passengers who boarded transportation vehicles are counted each time they board a vehicle.

Section 5310 Program – Enhanced Mobility of Seniors & Individuals with Disabilities (49 U.S.C. 5310) provides Federal formula funding for the purpose of assisting private nonprofit groups in meeting the transportation needs of older adults and people with disabilities when the transportation service provided is unavailable, insufficient, or inappropriate to meeting these needs. The program aims to improve mobility for seniors and individuals with disabilities by removing barriers to transportation service and expanding transportation mobility options.

Section 5311 Program – The Formula Grants for Rural Areas program provides capital, planning, and operating assistance to states to support public transportation in rural areas with populations of less than 50,000 where many residents often rely on public transit to reach their destinations. The program also provides funding for state and national training and technical assistance through the Rural Transportation Assistance Program. Subrecipients may include state or local government authorities, nonprofit organizations, and operators of public transportation or intercity bus service.

Section 5307 Program – The Urbanized Area Formula Grants program (49 U.S.C. 5307) makes federal resources available to urbanized areas and to governors for transit capital and operating assistance in urbanized areas and for transportation-related planning. An urbanized area is an incorporated area with a population of 50,000 or more.

Transportation – Transportation is broadly defined to include traditional transit, human service agency services, on-demand (taxi-like) services, bicycle and pedestrian programs and amenities.

Unmet Transportation Needs – Transportation that is wanted or desired but is not currently available.

Appendix D: Meigs County Transportation Public Needs Survey

Meigs County Transportation Public Needs Survey

Meigs County truly appreciates your time and values your feedback. We are trying to gain a better understanding of Transportation needs in Meigs County, please assist us in how you are currently using transportation in Meigs County by completing this survey. Please feel free to share this survey with family, neighbors, friends, coworkers and/or clients. The more surveys we receive the better understanding we will have.

Once all information is collected, The Meigs County Coordinated Transportation Plan will address these issues and plan for important changes to Transportation in our area with the Ohio Department of Transportation (ODOT) In the upcoming months public over the phone round tables regarding transportation will be held in Meigs County that anyone can attend, due to COVID-19 we will only complete these round tables via phone. If you would like more information on the upcoming public forums, have any questions or need assistance filling out this survey, please contact the Meigs County Mobility Manager, Bridget Gilmore at bridget.gilmore@jfs.ohio.gov

1. I am (Check one box below)

- Age 0-20
- Age 21-40
- Age 41-64
- Age 65+

2. Are you currently a student? (Grade-school - College)

- Yes
- No
- Other:

3. If you are currently a student, what school do you attend?

Your answer

4. Are you a Meigs County Resident?

- Yes
- No
- Other:

5. What city, village or township do you live in?

- Middleport
- Pomeroy
- Racine
- Rutland
- Syracuse
- Tappers Plains
- Columbia
- Scipio
- Bedford
- Orange
- Olive
- Salem

- Salisbury
- Chester
- Sutton
- Lebanon
- Letart
- I don't live in the cities, villages or townships listed above
- Other:

6. Including you, how many people are in your household (Check one box below)

- 1
- 2
- 3
- 4
- 5
- Other:

7. How far away is your place of employment from your home?

- 0-5 Miles
- 6-10 Miles
- 11-20 Miles
- 21-30 Miles
- 31+ Miles
- I am not currently employed
- Other:

8. I consider myself (Check all that apply to you):

- Disabled
- Low Income
- Elderly (60+)
- Other:

9. Places I need to go (Please check all that apply to you & your family) to:

- WORK
- SCHOOL/CLASS
- THE DOCTOR
- THE HOSPITAL
- A DRUGSTORE OR PHARMACY
- CHILDCARE
- THE GROCERY STORE
- A DEPARTMENT STORE
- VISIT FRIENDS/FAMILY/OTHERS
- A SOCIAL EVENT
- COURT/LEGAL SERVICES
- JOB AND FAMILY SERVICES
- THE SOCIAL SECURITY OFFICE
- CONGREGATE MEAL SITES/FOOD PANTRIES
- CHURCH/RELIGIOUS SERVICES
- DIALYSIS APPOINTMENTS
- A DESTINATION IN MEIGS COUNTY
- A DESTINATION OUTSIDE MEIGS COUNTY
- Other:

10. How I get to my destination (Check all that apply to you:)

- I WALK
- I RIDE A BICYCLE
- I DRIVE MY OWN VEHICLE
- I RIDE WITH A FRIEND
- I RIDE WITH A FAMILY MEMBER
- I CALL A SOCIAL SERVICES PROVIDER
- I USE A DOOR-TO-DOOR SERVICE
- I USE A TAXI
- Other:

11. How often do you miss work because you are unable to get there?

- ONE TIME A WEEK
- ONE TIME A MONTH
- ONE TIME EVERY THREE MONTHS
- ONE TIME A YEAR
- NEVER
- Other:

12. How often do you miss medical or counseling appointments because you are unable to get there?

- ONE TIME A WEEK
- ONE TIME A MONTH
- ONE TIME EVERY THREE MONTHS
- ONE TIME A YEAR
- NEVER
- Other:

13. How often do you miss legal or benefit assistance appointments because you are unable to get there?

- ONE TIME A WEEK
- ONE TIME A MONTH
- ONE TIME EVERY THREE MONTHS
- ONE TIME A YEAR
- NEVER
- Other:

14. I need a ride from someone else (Check how often):

- EVERY DAY
- ONE TIME A WEEK
- TWO TIMES A WEEK
- ONE TIME A MONTH
- TWO TIMES A MONTH
- NEVER
- Other:

15. In the past six months, which of the following statement has been true for you: (Check all that apply)

- I DO NOT HAVE A DRIVER'S LICENSE
- MY DRIVER'S LICENSE IS SUSPENDED
- I DO NOT HAVE CAR INSURANCE
- I CANNOT AFFORD CAR INSURANCE
- I CANNOT AFFORD GASOLINE/DIESEL

- I DO NOT HAVE A VEHICLE
- MY VEHICLE IS BROKEN DOWN
- MY VEHICLE IS NOT RELIABLE
- I CANNOT AFFORD TO USE A TAXI SERVICE
- Other:

16. What suggestions do you have to improve transportation in Meigs County?

Your answer

17. If you would like to be contacted about transportation options available in Meigs County or would like to see the results of this survey, please leave a phone number or email address:

Your answer

18. Any other feedback you would like to incorporate for the greater good of the Meigs County community in regard to Transportation Services?

Your answer

Appendix E: Meigs County Assessment of Available Services

Meigs County Assessment of Available Services 2020-21

* Required

1. Agency Name & The Person Completing This Form's Name: *

- Your answer

2. Contact Information - Phone Number *

- Your answer

3. Transportation Service Type *

- Curb-to-Curb
- Door-to-Door
- Fixed Route
- Fixed Route School Transportation
- Transportation Waivers/Referrals
- Taxi Service
- Non Emergency Medical Transportation
- Emergency Medical Transportation
- Purchases Services From Providers
- Volunteer Driver Service
- Other:

4. Other Services/if any Provided *

- Yes
- No

5. Operation Hours *

- Your answer

6. Service Area(s) *

- Your answer

7. Eligibility Requirements: *

- Your answer

8. Website: *

- Your answer

Organizational Characteristics

9. Do you directly operate transportation *

- Yes
- No
- Maybe

10. Purchases Transportation from Another Agency (If yes, who?) *

- Your answer

11. Legal Authority(Private Non Profit, Private For Profit, Public Non Profit,) *

- Government Entity
- Public non-profit
- Public for-profit
- Private non-profit
- Private for-profit
- Other:

12. Number of Annual One-Way Passenger Trips *

- Your answer

13. Average Number Trip Denials per Week *

- Your answer

14. Are Vehicles Only Available for Human Service Agency Clients (Y/N) *

- Yes
- No
- Other

Transportation Service Characteristics

15. Mode of Service *

- Fixed Route
- Referral and Contract Service(s)
- Referral and Voucher Services
- Fixed Route - Students ONLY
- On Demand - Clients ONLY
- Intercity Bus
- Taxi Service
- H/PC, NMT, Medical, As-Needed
- Volunteer Ride-Share Service

16. Days & Hours of Operation *

- Your answer

17. Provides Medicaid-Eligible Trips (Y/N) *

- Yes
- No
- Other:

18. Level of Passenger Assistance Provided *

- Boarding
- Departing
- Wheelchair Assistance
- Aids
- Seat belt Assistance
- Other:

19. Training Courses Required for Drivers *

- CPR
- First-Aid
- Blood Borne Pathogens
- Vehicle Operations

- Customer Service
- ADA
- Safety Vests
- Safety
- CDL
- DMV Record Checks
- Other:

Transportation-Related Expenses and Revenues

20. Fare Structure *

- Your answer

21. Donations Accepted *

- Yes
- No
- Other:

22. Number of Full-Time & Part-Time Drivers *

- Your answer

23. Number of Full-Time & Part-Time Schedulers/Dispatchers *

- Your answer

24. Revenue Sources(most recent Fiscal Year) *

- Your answer

25. Total Annual Transportation Expenses *

- Your answer

Technology

26. Name of Scheduling Software *

- Your answer

27. Do you have an App for Transportation (Y/N)? *

- Yes
- No
- Other:

28. Name of Dispatching Software *

- Your answer

29. AVL System/GPS (Y/N) *

- Yes
- No
- Other:

Vehicle Assessment

30. Total Number of Vehicles *

- Your answer

31. How Many of Those Are Handicap Accessible? *

- Your answer

32. Vehicle Utilization Table (Will send as attachment, please upload into this question!)

Appendix F: Meigs County Coordinated Transportation Coalition

1. Name & Business Name: *

- Your answer

2. Agency/Title: Role in Transportation

- Your answer

3. Contact Address: *

- Your answer

4. Phone: *

- Your answer

5. Email Address: *

- Your answer

6. Preferred method of contact: *

- Phone
- Email

Your input is invaluable and will be used as a means of collecting input from our stakeholders. Thanks for taking the time to complete this important form! We are in the process of updating/creating our Coordination Plan and will need your assistance in developing new strategies or goals in an effort to increase coordination in the region. Your input will also help us determine new or unresolved issues that exist in our region. Please complete sections A-D on the following pages. Let us know if you have we can be of any assistance in helping you fill out the questionnaire

Section A:

7. Are you having any problems with your current method of getting clients to your site or service? If yes, can you elaborate on the issue(s) and how you could see transportation making an impact to better your needs:

- Your answer

8. Please describe transportation needs specific to your agency or community, that you feel are not being adequately met. Please be as specific as you can. (Include any special needs or requirements your clients or passengers may have)

- Your answer

9. Are there activities or destinations which need more transportation services (Please be specific –destination, city, day, time)

- Your answer

10. What plans do you have during the next five years to expand (or reduce) agency programs or services? What impacts will these changes have on your client transportation issues?

- Your answer

11. What are the major barriers to service coordination that your agency/system has encountered?

- Your answer

12. What are your suggestions to increase the current coordination efforts in Meigs County?

- Your answer

Section B:

Please indicate if you AGREE or DISAGREE with the following statements. Consider all of the transportation options in Meigs County.

13. Transportation systems for persons with special needs are not operated as efficiently as possible. In some case, programs established by federal, state and local governments to assist people with special needs cannot be accessed due to inefficiencies and coordination barriers.

- Agree
- Disagree

14. Require documented coordination efforts between public transportation agencies, pupil transportation programs, private nonprofit transportation providers, and other public agencies sponsoring programs that require transportation.

- Agree
- Disagree

15. Coordination could improve transportation efficiency and effectiveness to maximize the use of community resources so that more people can be served within available funding levels.

- Agree
- Disagree

Definition: "Persons with special transportation needs" means those person, including their personal attendants, who because a physical or mental disability, income status, or age are unable to transport themselves or purchase transportation.

Section C:

Please Rank the Statements Below using the Following:

1. Very Important 2. Important 3. Somewhat Important 4. Not Important

16. Organizations serving persons with special transportation needs share responsibility for ensuring that customers can access services

- Very Important
- Important
- Somewhat Important
- Not Important

17. There is a single entry process for customers to use to have trips arranged and scheduled, so the customer does not have to contact different locations based on which sponsoring agency or program is paying for trip.

- Very Important
- Important

- Somewhat Important
- Not Important

18. There are processes in place so that when decisions or changes (Facility location or policy changes) are made by service agencies, the potential effects (Costs access, travel time) on client transportation are considered.

- Very Important
- Important
- Somewhat Important
- Not Important

19. There is flexibility in using the available vehicles in a community so that the ability to transport people is not restricted by specific program claims to vehicles.

- Very Important
- Important
- Somewhat Important
- Not Important

20. There is a maximum sharing of operating facilities and administrative services, to avoid duplication of costly program elements

- Very Important
- Important
- Somewhat Important
- Not Important

21. There are transportation performance goals and an evaluation process that leads to continuous system improvements.

- Very Important
- Important
- Somewhat Important
- Not Important

Section D:

Please Indicate your interest in the following programming:

22. I would be interested in working with the Meigs County Senior Centers to develop strategies to improve seniors' access to life sustaining and life enhancing services in Meigs County and the region.

- Yes
- No
- Maybe

23. I would be interested in participating in a workshop to learn about the challenges people with disabilities face when accessing different types of transportation and the best practices for addressing those challenges.

- Yes
- No
- Maybe

24. I would be interested in finding out more about how my organization could help improve veteran transportation to medical appointments in and out of the county.

- Yes
- No
- Maybe

What Three (3) Outcomes Would You Like to See Accomplished?

25.

Improve mobility for the residents of your community

Option 1:

Increase accessibility of transportation services

Option 2:

Improve the mobility skills of your current/future users

Option 3:

Reduce demand on Door-to-Door services

Option 4:

Provide alternatives to Door-to-Door services

Option 5:

Other:

26. Are there any other suggestions, comments, concerns that you would like to add?

Appendix G: Meigs County Public Needs Survey for Individuals with a Disability

Meigs County wants to hear from you! Transportation is an important part of our community, especially for individuals with disabilities. As we try to better understand what transportation needs disabled community members have, please help us learn a little about what transportation you use, what gaps you see in our community, and what you would like to see transportation in Meigs County look like in the future by filling out this survey. Feel free to share this survey with family, neighbors, friends, coworkers, or clients.

Once all information is collected, The Meigs County Coordinated Transportation Plan will address these issues and plan for important changes to Transportation in our area with the Ohio Department of Transportation (ODOT) In the upcoming months public over the phone round tables regarding transportation will be held in Meigs County that anyone can attend, due to COVID-19 we will only complete these round tables via phone. If you would like more information on the upcoming public forums, have any questions or need assistance filling out this survey, please contact the Meigs County Mobility Manager, Bridget Gilmore at bridget.gilmore@jfs.ohio.gov

1. I am:

- Age 0-20
- Age 21-40
- Age 41-64
- Age 65+

2. Are you a Meigs County Resident?

- Yes
- No

3. What city, village or township do you live in?

- MIDDLEPORT
- POMEROY
- RACINE
- RUTLAND
- SYRACUSE
- TUPPERS PLAINS
- COLUMBIA
- SCIPIO
- BEDFORD
- ORANGE
- OLIVE
- SALEM
- SALISBURY
- CHESTER
- SUTTON
- LEBANON
- LETART
- I DON'T LIVE IN THE CITIES, VILLAGES OR TOWNSHIPS LISTED ABOVE

- Other:

4. Are you currently a student?

- Yes
- No
- Maybe
- Other:

5. If you are a student, what school do you attend?

- Your answer

6. Including you, how many people live in your household?

- 1
- 2
- 3
- 4
- 5
- 6
- Other:

7. What is your disability (Please check all that apply)?

- Developmental
- Mobility (walker/wheelchair)
- Hearing
- Vision
- Other:

8. What do you use transportation services for? (Please check all that apply)?

- To or from work/job
- Attending a day hab
- Medical/health appointments
- Government services (Social Security office, Job & Family Services office, etc)
- Grocery shopping/Bank/Errands
- Religious Services
- Visit Family/Friends
- To congregate meal sites/food pantries
- To or from childcare
- To or from school
- To or from social entertainment or community events
- To the drugstore/pharmacy
- Other:

9. What kind of transportation do you use now to get where you want and need to go (Please check all that apply)?

- I walk
- I ride a bike
- I drive my own vehicle
- I use a taxi service
- I ride with my family members/neighbors/friends
- I ride with a caretaker
- I use a door-to-door van service

- I use non-medical transportation services (NMT)
- Other:

10. How far away is your place of employment from your home?

- 0-5 MILES
- 6-10 MILES
- 11-15 MILES
- 16-20- MILES
- 21-30 MILES
- 30+ MILES
- I AM NOT CURRENTLY EMPLOYED
- Other:

11. How often do you have medical appointments?

- ONCE A WEEK
- TWICE A WEEK
- ONCE A MONTH
- TWICE A MONTH
- ONCE A YEAR
- TWICE A YEAR
- Other:

12. Do you often have medical appointments outside of Meigs County?

- Yes
- No
- Maybe
- Other:

13. Have you ever missed an appointment due to a lack of transportation?

- Yes
- No
- Maybe
- Other:

14. What problems do you have getting the transportation you want? (Check all that apply)

- It doesn't come where I live
- It doesn't go where I want to go
- The service hours do not work with my schedule
- I cannot afford it
- It's not accessible
- I need a personal assistant to be able to ride with me
- I don't know how to use it
- I don't have any problems/issues getting the transportation that I want/need
- Other:

15. If you have a temporary emergency situation, what type of transportation do you use?

- Private transportation
- Ambulance
- Call family, friends, or neighbors to drive me
- Have a care taker drive me
- Other:

16. What days of the week are the most difficult for you to use public transportation? (Check all that apply)

- Monday
- Tuesday
- Wednesday
- Thursday
- Friday
- Saturday
- Sunday

- How much do you spend on Transportation Services per month?
- \$0.00
- \$1.00 - \$10.00
- \$11.00 - \$21.00
- \$22.00 - \$30.00
- \$31.00 +
- Other:

17. How can transportation for individuals with disabilities be improved in Meigs County?

- Your answer

18. If you would like to be contacted about transportation options available in Meigs County or would like to see the results of this survey, please leave a phone number or email address:

Appendix H: Meigs County Transportation Survey: 60+ Meigs County Public Needs Survey for Individuals who are Seniors

1. I am (Check one box)

- Age 60-65
- Age 66-70
- Age 71-75
- Age 76-80
- 80+
- Other:

2. Are you a Meigs County Resident?

- Yes
- No
- Maybe
- Other:

3. What City/Township/Village Do you live in?

- Your answer

4. Including you, how many people are in your household? (Check one box)

- 1
- 2
- 3
- 4
- 5

5. I live in an assisted living facility?

- Other:

6. Are you currently able to drive?

- Yes
- No
- Maybe
- Other:

7. Are there any circumstances under which you would prefer not to drive? (Check all that apply)

- At night time
- To a destination more than 3 miles away
- To a medical appointment when I am not feeling well
- On high-speed highways or interstates
- To an area of town that I do not know very well
- I do not drive
- Other:

8. If you are not currently able to drive, why not? (Check all that apply)

- I do not have my drivers license
- I do not have a vehicle
- I can't afford car insurance

- My license is suspended
- It is unsafe
- I am temporarily disabled
- My car is broken down
- My car is not reliable
- I can't afford gasoline
- Other:

9. If you drive, to which of the following local destinations do you drive (Check all that apply)

- to shopping / grocery store / bank
- to medical / dental appointments
- to social outings
- to religious Services
- To school
- To work
- To childcare
- To a drugstore/pharmacy
- To visit family/friends
- to dialysis appointments
- to congregate meal sites / food pantries
- to Job and Family services
- to the Social Security office
- to a destination in Meigs
- to a destination outside of Meigs
- I don't drive to any destinations
- Other:

10. How do you get to your destinations? (Check all that apply to you)

- I walk
- I ride a bicycle
- I drive my own car
- I call a friend for a ride
- I call a family member for a ride
- I use a door-to-door van service
- I use a taxi
- Other:

11. How often do you have medical appointments that are located outside of Meigs County?

- Once a week
- Once a month
- Once a year
- Other:

12. Have you ever missed a medical appointment due to the lack of transportation?

- Yes
- No
- Maybe
- Other:

13. Have you ever missed a social event due to a lack of transportation?

- Yes

- No
- Maybe
- Other:

14. What days of the week are difficult for you to find transportation services? (Please check all that apply)

- Monday
- Tuesday
- Wednesday
- Thursday
- Friday
- Saturday
- Sunday

15. If you depend on others for any of your trips, who do you depend on? (Check all that apply)

- Spouse
- Children/Other Relatives
- Friends/Neighbors
- Private Services (Taxis)
- Public Services (bus system, Medicaid-paid transportation)
- Volunteers (from churches or non-profit)
- Other:

16. Over the past 3 months, how much did you rely on family, friends, or neighbors for transportation?

- For all of my trips
- For about 75% of my trips
- For about 50% of my trips
- For about 25% of my trips
- For none of my trips
- Other:

17. Over the past 3 months, how much did you rely on public transportation (bus, door-to-door van service) for transportation?

- For all of my trips
- For about 75% of my trips
- For about 50% of my trips
- For about 25% of my trips
- For none of my trips
- Other:

18. How much do you spend on transportation services in one month?

- \$0.00
- \$1.00 - \$5.00
- \$6.00 - \$10.00
- \$11.00 - \$20.00
- \$21.00 - \$30.00
- \$30.00 +
- Other:

19. Regarding private transportation services (taxis), which of the following are true for you?(Check all that apply)

- I am not familiar with who provides these services
- These services do not feel safe
- These services are too expensive
- These services are not provided where I live
- These services do not operate at times when I need to travel
- I cannot use these services for health reasons
- These services are not reliable
- I do not use a taxi service
- I use a taxi service and I have no issues
- Other:

20. What improvements could be made to the transportation options available to individuals aged 60 or more in Meigs County?

- Your answer

21. If you would like to be contacted about transportation options available to you or would like to see the results of this survey, please leave a phone number or email address: