



SERVICE DELIVERY STRATEGY

FORM 1

COUNTY: STEPHENS COUNTY

I. GENERAL INSTRUCTIONS:

1. Only one set of these forms should be submitted per county. The completed forms should clearly present the collective agreement reached by all cities and counties that were party to the service delivery strategy.
2. List each local government and/or authority that provides services included in the service delivery strategy in Section II below.
3. List all services provided or primarily funded by each general purpose local government and authority within the county in Section III below. It is acceptable to break a service into separate components if this will facilitate description of the service delivery strategy.
4. For **each** service or service component listed in Section III, complete a separate *Summary of Service Delivery Arrangements* form (FORM 2).
5. Complete one copy of the *Summary of Land Use Agreements* form (FORM 3).
6. Have the *Certifications* form (FORM 4) signed by the authorized representatives of participating local governments. Please note that DCA cannot validate the strategy unless it is signed by the local governments required by law (see Instructions, FORM 4).
7. Email the completed forms and any attachments as .pdf attachments to: pemd.opqga@dca.ga.gov, or mail the completed forms along with any attachments to: **GEORGIA DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY AFFAIRS
OFFICE OF PLANNING AND QUALITY GROWTH
60 Executive Park South, N.E.
Atlanta, Georgia 30329**

For answers to most frequently asked questions on Georgia's Service Delivery Act, links and helpful publications, visit DCA's website at www.dca.servicedelivery.org, or call the Office of Planning and Quality Growth at (404) 679-5279.

NOTE: ANY FUTURE CHANGES TO THE SERVICE DELIVERY ARRANGEMENTS DESCRIBED ON THESE FORMS WILL REQUIRE AN OFFICIAL UPDATE OF THE SERVICE DELIVERY STRATEGY AND SUBMITTAL OF REVISED FORMS AND ATTACHMENTS TO THE GEORGIA DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY AFFAIRS.

II. LOCAL GOVERNMENTS INCLUDED IN THE SERVICE DELIVERY STRATEGY:

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

Stephens County
 City of Toccoa
 City of Avalon
 City of Martin

III. SERVICES INCLUDED IN THE SERVICE DELIVERY STRATEGY:

For each service listed here, a separate *Summary of Service Delivery Arrangements* form (FORM 2) must be completed.

Airport	Economic Development	Natural Gas Distribution
Ambulance Service	EMA/ Civil Defense	Parks
Animal Control	Fire Protection	Recreation
Building Inspection/ Permits	Hospital	Tax Assessment
Business Licenses	Jail	Water System
Cemetery	Library	Wastewater System
Code Enforcement	Law Enforcement	Streets/Roads
D.A.R.E.	Landfill/Solid Waste	911/Communications
Downtown Development		



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FORM 5: Certifications for Extension of Existing SDS

Instructions: This two page form must, at a minimum, be signed by an authorized representative of the following governments: 1) the county; 2) the city serving as the county seat; 3) all cities having a 2010 population of over 9,000 residing within the county; and 4) no less than 50% of all other cities with a 2010 population of between 500 and 9,000 residing within the county.

If the strategy for providing ANY local service is being revised, FORM 5 CANNOT be used. When revisions are necessary, a submittal MUST include updates to FORM 1, FORM 2, and FORM 4 that cover ALL local services.

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

- 1. We have reviewed our existing Service Delivery Strategy (SDS) and have determined that it continues to accurately reflect our preferred arrangements for providing ALL local services throughout our county and no changes in our Strategy are needed at this time. We authorize its extension until:

Table with 2 columns: Select 1 box, below and Type End-Year Below. The table shows selection of October 31 and the year 2017.

- 2. Each of our governing bodies (County Commission and City Councils) that are a party to this strategy have adopted resolutions agreeing to the Service Delivery arrangements identified in our strategy and have executed agreements for implementation of our service delivery strategy (O.C.G.A. 36-70-21);
3. Our service delivery strategy continues to promote the delivery of local government services in the most efficient, effective, and responsive manner for all residents, individuals and property owners throughout the county (O.C.G.A. 36-70-24(1));
4. Our service delivery strategy continues to provide that water or sewer fees charged to customers located outside the geographic boundaries of a service provider are reasonable and are not arbitrarily higher than the fees charged to customers located within the geographic boundaries of the service provider (O.C.G.A. 36-70-24 (2));
5. Our service delivery strategy continues to ensure that the cost of any services the county government provides (including those jointly funded by the county and one or more municipalities) primarily for the benefit of the unincorporated area of the county are borne by the unincorporated area residents, individuals, and property owners who receive such service (O.C.G.A. 36-70-24 (3));
6. Our Service Delivery Strategy continues to ensure that the officially adopted County and City land use plans of all local governments located in the County are compatible and nonconflicting (O.C.G.A. 36-70-24 (4)(A));
7. Our Service Delivery Strategy continues to ensure that the provision of extraterritorial water and sewer services by any jurisdiction is consistent with all County and City land use plans and ordinances (O.C.G.A. 36-70-24 (4)(B)); and
8. DCA has been provided a copy of this certification and copies of all forms, maps and supporting agreements needed to accurately depict our agreed upon strategy (O.C.G.A. 36-70-27).

SDS FORM 5, continued

JURISDICTION	TITLE	NAME	SIGNATURE	DATE
<u>STEPHENS COUNTY</u>	Chairman	Debbie Whitlock	<i>Debbie Whitlock</i>	<i>6/17/17</i>
<u>CITY OF TOCCOA</u>	Mayor	Jeanette Jamieson		
<u>CITY OF AVALON</u>	Mayor	Linda Dean		
<u>CITY OF MARTIN</u>	Mayor	Donald Foster		

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<u>CITY OF TOCCOA</u>	Mayor	Jeanette Jamieson	<i>Jeanette Jamieson</i>	10/28/17
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