



SERVICE DELIVERY STRATEGY

FORM 1

COUNTY: **PIERCE**

I. GENERAL INSTRUCTIONS:

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

<p>OPTION A <i>Revising or Adding to the SDS</i></p>	<p>OPTION B <i>Extending the Existing SDS</i></p>
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 4. List all services provided or primarily funded by each general purpose local government and authority within the county which are revised or added to the SDS in Section IV, below. (It is acceptable to break a service into separate components if this will facilitate description of the service delivery strategy.) 5. For each service or service component listed in Section IV, complete a separate, updated <i>Summary of Service Delivery Arrangements</i> form (FORM 2). 6. Complete one copy of the <i>Certifications</i> form (FORM 4) and have it signed by the authorized representatives of participating local governments. [Please note that DCA cannot validate the strategy unless it is signed by the local governments required by law (see Instructions, FORM 4).] 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 4. In Section IV type, "NONE." 5. Complete one copy of the <i>Certifications for Extension of Existing SDS</i> form (FORM 5) and have it signed by the authorized representatives of the participating local governments. [Please note that DCA cannot validate the strategy unless it is signed by the local governments required by law (see Instructions, FORM 5).] 6. Proceed to step 7, below. <div data-bbox="841 1180 1539 1415" style="background-color: #003366; color: white; padding: 10px; text-align: center;"> <p>For answers to most frequently asked questions on Georgia's Service Delivery Act, links and helpful publications, visit DCA's website at http://www.dca.ga.gov/development/PlanningQualityGrowth/programs/servicedelivery.asp, or call the Office of Planning and Quality Growth at (404) 679-5279.</p> </div>

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

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

II. LOCAL GOVERNMENTS INCLUDED IN THE SERVICE DELIVERY STRATEGY:

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

- Pierce County
- City of Blackshear
- City of Offerman
- City of Patterson
- City of Waycross
- Pierce County Industrial Development & Building Authority
- Blackshear Housing Authority
- Pierce County Board of Education
- Action Pact, Inc.
- Pierce County Office of the Sheriff

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

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

- Aging Services
- Animal Control
- Courts
- Economic Development
- Elections
- Emergency Management Service
- Fire Protection
- Health and Human Services
- Housing Authority
- Jails
- Land Use
- Law Enforcement
- Libraries
- Parks and Recreation
- Property Tax Assessment and Collection
- Public Transit
- Roads and Bridges
- Solid Wastes
- Waste Water
- Water Supply

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

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

- Housing Revitalization (Revised)



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FORM 2: Summary of Service Delivery Arrangements

Instructions:

Make copies of this form and complete one for each service listed on FORM 1, Section IV. Use EXACTLY the same service names listed on FORM 1. Answer each question below, attaching additional pages as necessary. If the contact person for this service (listed at the bottom of the page) changes, this should be reported to the Department of Community Affairs.

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Service:Housing Revitalization

1. Check one box that best describes the agreed upon delivery arrangement for this service:

- a.) Service will be provided countywide (i.e., including all cities and unincorporated areas) by a single service provider. (If this box is checked, identify the government, authority or organization providing the service.):

- b.) Service will be provided only in the unincorporated portion of the county by a single service provider. (If this box is checked, identify the government, authority or organization providing the service.):

- c.) One or more cities will provide this service only within their incorporated boundaries, and the service will not be provided in unincorporated areas. (If this box is checked, identify the government(s), authority or organization providing the service):

- d.) One or more cities will provide this service only within their incorporated boundaries, and the county will provide the service in unincorporated areas. (If this box is checked, identify the government(s), authority or organization providing the service.): **Pierce County, Blackshear Housing Authority, City of Blackshear, City of Offerman, and City of Patterson**

- e.) Other (If this box is checked, attach a legible map delineating the service area of each service provider, and identify the government, authority, or other organization that will provide service within each service area.):

2. In developing this strategy, were overlapping service areas, unnecessary competition and/or duplication of this service identified?

Yes (if "Yes," you must attach additional documentation as described, below)

No

If these conditions will continue under this strategy, attach an explanation for continuing the arrangement (i.e., overlapping but higher levels of service (See O.C.G.A. 36-70-24(1)), overriding benefits of the duplication, or reasons that overlapping service areas or competition cannot be eliminated).

If these conditions will be eliminated under the strategy, attach an implementation schedule listing each step or action that will be taken to eliminate them, the responsible party and the agreed upon deadline for completing it.

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3. List each government or authority that will help to pay for this service and indicate how the service will be funded (e.g., enterprise funds, user fees, general funds, special service district revenues, hotel/motel taxes, franchise taxes, impact fees, bonded indebtedness, etc.).

Local Government or Authority	Funding Method
Pierce County	Grant Funds
City of Blackshear	Grant Funds
City of Offerman	Grant Funds
City of Patterson	Grant Funds
Blackshear Housing Authority	Operational Funding, Grant Funds

4. How will the strategy change the previous arrangements for providing and/or funding this service within the county?

This amendment adds the cities of Blackshear, Offerman, and Patterson to 1.d. on Page 1 of this form.

5. List any formal service delivery agreements or intergovernmental contracts that will be used to implement the strategy for this service:

Agreement Name	Contracting Parties	Effective and Ending Dates
N/A		

6. What other mechanisms (if any) will be used to implement the strategy for this service (e.g., ordinances, resolutions, local acts of the General Assembly, rate or fee changes, etc.), and when will they take effect?

N/A

7. Person completing form: **Chris Wright**

Phone number: **(912)449-7000** Date completed: 2/14/22

8. Is this the person who should be contacted by state agencies when evaluating whether proposed local government projects are consistent with the service delivery strategy? Yes No

If not, provide designated contact person(s) and phone number(s) below:

Form 2: Housing Revitalization Question 2 Explanation

The Blackshear Housing Authority and the City of Blackshear have overlapping service boundaries within the City of Blackshear. However, the services provided are such that the Housing Authority exclusively provides low impact housing for housing owned and operated by the Authority whereas the City of Blackshear undergoes revitalization of low income housing, not owned by the Housing Authority. Both the City of Blackshear and the Blackshear Housing Authority have the entire City of Blackshear incorporated area as their service area.

RESOLUTION 2022-10

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BLACKSHEAR, GEORGIA ADOPTING THE REVISED SERVICE DELIVERY STRATEGY; TO PROVIDE FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

WHEREAS, a requirement of the Georgia Planning Act of 1989 is that all local governments review and revise, if applicable, sections of their Service Delivery Strategy as part of the mandatory updating of their Comprehensive Plan; and

WHEREAS, the intent of this legislation is to provide a flexible framework within which local governments in each county can develop a service delivery system that is both efficient and responsive to citizens in their county; and

WHEREAS, the City of Blackshear has reviewed, and revised as necessary, each section of the current Service Delivery Strategy and all applicable agreements to ensure the Strategy is currently eliminating inefficiencies from duplication of services and competition between local governments and provides a mechanism to resolve disputes over local government service delivery, funding equity, and land use;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BLACKSHEAR, GEORGIA, THAT:

SECTION ONE. The Blackshear City Council hereby adopts the revisions and continues the unchanged provisions of the Strategy.

SECTION TWO. The Blackshear City Council authorizes the Mayor of the City of Blackshear to sign the updated "Certifications" page that indicates the agreement of all jurisdictions required to approve the changes of this strategy.

SECTION THREE. This resolution shall become effective upon passage.

ADOPTED this 7th day of MARCH, 2022.

ATTEST:



JENNY GRANT
City Clerk

CITY OF BLACKSHEAR



KEITH BROOKS
Mayor



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FORM 4: Certifications

Instructions:

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

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

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

JURISDICTION	TITLE	NAME	SIGNATURE	DATE
<u>PIERCE COUNTY</u>	Chairman	K. Neal Bennett		4/13/22
<u>CITY OF BLACKSHEAR</u>	Mayor	Keith Brooks		3/8/22
<u>CITY OF OFFERMAN</u>	Mayor	Brenda Denison		4-11-22
<u>CITY OF PATERSON</u>	Mayor	R.D. Thomas, Jr.		4/8/22