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Civil Rights Title VI Plan

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Section1: Civil Rights Title VI/Nondiscrimination Policy Statement

A. Policy Statement

It is the policy of Cattaraugus County that no person shall on the grounds of race, color, national origin, age, disability, gender, income or English proficiency as provided by Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, the Civil Rights Restoration Act of 1987, Age Discrimination Act of 1975, the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990, Executive Order 11246 Affirmative Action in Employment, Executive Order 12898 Environmental Justice (EJ), and Executive Order 13166 Limited English Proficiency (LEP), be excluded from participation in, be denied the benefits of, or be otherwise subjected to discrimination under any program or activity receiving Federal financial assistance. Additionally every effort will be made to ensure nondiscrimination in all of Cattaraugus County programs and activities, whether those programs and activities are federally funded or not.

Our policy of inclusion is meant for all individuals residing within, receiving services from, or employed by Cattaraugus County to enjoy an equal opportunity. Discriminatory practices, procedures and policies are prohibited. As such, all County Departments shall plan, develop, implement, operate and monitor their programs, services, activities so that no person is subjected to unlawful discrimination. Additionally, Cattaraugus County expects all of our partners, contractors, consultants, sub-recipients, community-based organizations, faith-based organizations and advocacy groups to fully support this policy.

In the event that Cattaraugus County distributes federal aid funds to another entity, the County will include Title VI language in all written agreements and will monitor for compliance. Cattaraugus County's Title VI Non-Discrimination Policy applies to all of our programs, activities and services, regardless of funding source.

This policy shall be conspicuously placed on County bulletin boards, website, and made available to all organizations and entities doing business with Cattaraugus County. Any complaints involving allegations of discrimination should be sent to:

Cattaraugus County Compliance Officer/Civil Rights Coordinator 303 Court St. Little Valley, NY 14755

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B. Policy Scope and Guidance

Federal and State nondiscrimination laws, regulations, and Executive Orders are the framework of Cattaraugus County's policy to ensure equal opportunity to everyone we serve. County personnel are expected to apply this spirit of inclusion to their daily work activities. This includes abstaining from, preventing and reporting any discriminatory practices without fear of retaliation or intimidation.

C. Related Policy and Authoritative Sources

New York State Laws

New York State Human Rights Law Article 15 (1945, Originally passed as the Law Against Discrimination) – Prohibits discrimination in the State of New York on the basis of age, race, creed, color, national origin, sex, marital status, military status, disability and/or sexual orientation.

New York State Executive Law Article 15-A (1988) – Promotes equal opportunity in contracting for all persons, without discrimination from minority group members and women and business enterprises owned by them, and in eradicating the barriers that have impaired access by minority-owned and women-owned business enterprises.

Sexual Orientation Nondiscrimination Act (2003) – This Act amended the Human Rights Law to include sexual orientation.

Federal Laws, Executive Orders

Civil Rights Act of 1964 — Prevents discrimination in federally assisted programs: provides relief against discrimination in public accommodations; protects constitutional rights in public facilities and public education; enforces the constitutional rights to vote. **Title VI** — Prohibits discrimination on the grounds of race, color or national origin in programs and activities receiving federal financial assistance. **Title VI** as amended by the **Equal Employment Opportunity Act of 1972** — Makes it unlawful to discriminate in employment practices on the basis of race, color, religion, sex or national origin.

Section 402 of the Vietnam Era Veterans Readjustment Assistance Act of 1964 – Establishes Affirmative Action obligations of contractors and sub-contractors for disabled veterans and veterans of the Vietnam era.

Age Discrimination in Employment Act of 1967 as amended – Applies to individuals age 40 and older, and specifies that it is unlawful for an employer to fail or refuse to hire or to discharge any individual or otherwise to discriminate against any individual with respect to compensation, terms, conditions or privileges of employment because of such individual's age.

Section 503 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 – Requires that government contractors and subcontractors take affirmative action to employ and to advance in employment qualified disabled individuals, and that contractors, subcontractors and their representatives shall not discriminate

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against individuals because of their physical or mental disability in any employment practice (hiring, training, compensation, upgrading, etc.).

Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 – Prohibits discrimination on the basis of physical or mental disability in every federally assisted program or activity in the country.

Age Discrimination Act of 1975 – Prohibits discrimination on the basis of age in programs or activities receiving federal financial assistance.

Civil Rights Restoration Act of 1987 – Specifies that recipients of federal funds must comply with civil rights laws in all areas, not just in a particular program or activity that receives federal funding.

Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) of 1990 – Prohibits discrimination against people with disabilities in employment, public access to services, transportation, public accommodations and telecommunications services.

Civil Rights Act of 1991 – Provides appropriate remedies for intentional discrimination and unlawful harassment in the workplace; codifies the concepts of "business necessity" and "job related"; confirms statutory authority and provides statutory guidelines for the adjudication of disparate impact suits under Title VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964; expands the scope of relevant civil rights statutes to provide adequate protection to victims of discrimination. The Act provides for compensatory and punitive damages and jury trails in cases of sex, religious or disability bias.

Executive Order No. 11246 – Prohibits employers doing business with the federal government from discriminating in employment because of race, color, religion, sex or national origin. Employers are required to take affirmative action in employment activities including hiring, promotion, transfers, training of minorities and women.

Executive Order No. 12898 – Requires federal agencies to make achieving environmental justice part of their mission by identifying and addressing, as appropriate, disproportionately high and adverse human health or environmental effects of their programs, policies and activities on minority populations and low-income populations.

Executive Order No. 13166 – Requires each federal agency to examine the services it provides and to develop and to implement a system by which persons with Limited English Proficiency (LEP) can meaningfully access those services; and work to ensure that recipients of federal financial assistance provide meaningful access to their LEP applicants and beneficiaries.

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Section 2. Definitions

As used in this Title VI Plan the following are further defined:

<u>Affected Parties:</u> persons protected against discrimination because of race, color, national origin, age, disability, gender, or income under Title VI and related requirements.

<u>Applicant:</u> person who submits an application, request, or plan required to be approved by the Secretary, or by a primary recipient, as a condition to eligibility for Federal financial assistance.

<u>Facility:</u> includes all or any part of structures, equipment, or other real or personal property or interests therein, and the provision of facilities includes the construction, expansion, renovation, remodeling, alteration or acquisition of facilities.

<u>Federal Assistance:</u> shall include: 1) grants and loans of Federal funds; 2) grants or donations of Federal property and interests in property; 3) the sale and lease of, and the permission to use Federal property or any interest in such property without consideration or at a nominal consideration, or at a consideration which is reduced for the purpose of assisting the County, or in recognition of the public interest to be served by such sale or lease to the County; and 4) any agreement, arrangement, or other contract which has as one of its purposes, the provision of assistance by the Federal government.

<u>Limited English Proficiency (LEP)</u>: Limited English Proficiency individuals who do not speak English as their primary language, and who therefore have limited ability to read, write, speak, or understand the English language.

<u>Primary Recipient:</u> any recipient that is authorized or required to extend Federal financial assistance to another recipient.

<u>Program or Activity:</u> all of the operations of any entity or any part of which is extended Federal financial assistance.

<u>Proposed Project:</u> a project or program that receives direct or indirect federal funds and is subject to Title VI requirements.

<u>Public Participation Plan:</u> A plan that outlines policies and procedures for public involvement in County Programs and Activities.

<u>Recipient:</u> any State, territory, possession, the District of Columbia, or Puerto Rico, or any political subdivision thereof, or instrumentality thereof, any public or private agency, institution, or organization, or other entity, or any individual, in any State, territory, possession, the District of Columbia, or Puerto Rico, to whom Federal financial assistance is extended, directly or through another recipient, including any successor, assignee, or transferee thereof, but such term does not include any ultimate beneficiary.

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<u>Secretary:</u> refers to the Secretary of a Federal Agency, or any person to whom this position has delegated authority in the matter concerned.

<u>Sub-recipient:</u> a person or entity that received federal funds from the County to be used by the entity to further the objectives of the federal funds. The County in many cases is the "Sponsor", "Contractor" or "Recipient" of the federal funds and the person or entity is a Sub-recipient of those federal funds.

<u>Title VI Assurances:</u> requirements imposed upon sub-recipients as a result of federal funding being directly or indirectly provided to the County.

<u>Title VI Requirements:</u> the non-discrimination provisions contained in Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, the Civil Rights Restoration Act of 1987, the Age Discrimination Act of 1975, the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990, and Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, and Executive Orders 11246, 12898, and 13166.

Discrimination under Title VI

There are two types of illegal discrimination prohibited under Title VI and its related statutes. One type of discrimination which may or may not be intentional is "disparate treatment." Disparate treatment is defined as treating similarly situated persons differently because of their race, color, national origin, sex, disability, or age.

The second type of illegal discrimination is "disparate impact." Disparate impact discrimination occurs when a "neutral procedure or practice" results in fewer services or benefits, or inferior services or benefits, to members of a protected group. With disparate impact, the focus is on the consequences of a decision, policy, or practice rather than the intent.

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Section 3. Title VI Assurances

The Assurances Statement reflects the County's commitment to comply with Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, as amended, and the County's policy to ensure equal opportunity and to prevent and eliminate discrimination. Cattaraugus County shall submit its Assurances Statement whenever the County accepts funding from the Federal government. A copy of Cattaraugus County's Title VI Assurances Statement is attached as Appendix A.

In support of this policy, Cattaraugus County affirms its right to take appropriate action if it or another duly constituted authority should determine that applicable Federal and/or State laws, regulations, Executive Orders have been violated; or that the effect or intent of this policy has been willfully or habitually ignored.

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Section 4. Title VI Organization and Staffing

It is the collective responsibility of the County Legislature, Elected Officials, Department Heads, staff, contractors, sub-recipients and public in general to create and foster an environment of equality. Discrimination is prohibited. The Cattaraugus County Organizational Chart and County Administrator's Office Organizational Chart can be found in Appendix B.

A. Cattaraugus County Legislature

Consistent with applicable laws, rules, regulations, Executive Orders, ultimate responsibility for the achievement of equal opportunity in Cattaraugus County lies with the Cattaraugus County Legislature.

B. County Administrator

The County Administrator's Office is charged with oversight responsibility for ensuring the County's compliance with Title VI Requirements. The County Administrator supervises the County Compliance Officer/Civil Rights Coordinator and Department Heads.

C. Civil Rights Coordinator

Per Act No. 100-2017, the Cattaraugus County Chairman of the Legislature designated and appointed the County Compliance Officer as the Civil Rights Coordinator; who is directly accountable to the County Administrator. The Civil Rights Coordinator shall be responsible for the following:

- a. coordinating, implementing and enforcing all civil rights programs applicable to Cattaraugus County;
- b. attending and conducting trainings regarding Title VI, Limited English Proficiency (LEP), Environmental Justice (EJ) and Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA);
- c. assisting in civil rights compliance, investigations, auditing, monitoring, and reporting obligations for each County department;
- d. reviewing program area policies, announcements, manuals and written procedures, and making recommendations to the County Legislature regarding the implementation of such policies and plans;
- e. acting as the liaison between the County and public and private agencies, organizations and individuals in the development of programs affecting people's civil rights;
- f. providing a means of communication among people with disabilities and people of protected classes, the County Administrator, public and private agencies and the community at large;
- g. assisting County agencies in compiling demographic and statistical data regarding the number of people with disabilities, LEP, or of protected classes within the County in order to develop appropriate policies and programs;

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- h. accepting, logging, investigating and responding to all complaints or grievances alleging an adverse impact suffered by a person interacting with the County based on a protected factor;
- i. in conducting investigations, the Civil Rights Coordinator is authorized to review documents, systems, and communications, and question employees in order to complete reports and recommendations; and
- j. providing assistance to people with civil rights issues through the provision of information and referral services, and by facilitating the resolution of complaints concerning services and the administrative actions of County agencies and others.

D. Departments and Department Heads

Department Heads are charged with the day to day management of Title VI requirements within their respective Departments, thereby ensuring equitable opportunity and treatment to everyone they serve. Those we serve include but is not limited to their staff, the general public and current and/or future sub-recipients.

Department Heads will designate one or more Department Liaisons within their respective departments to work with the Civil Rights Coordinator. Department-specific Title VI information and language can be found in the Appendices. Currently the Department of Public Works (DPW) information is in Appendix H.

E. County Personnel

All County personnel are expected to foster an environment of inclusion and equality over discrimination when conducting County business. County personnel are responsible to report suspected acts of discrimination.

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Section 5. Communication, Publication & Notification to Beneficiaries

The following communication and publication procedures will be used regarding dissemination of Title VI policies:

Internally:

- 1. All employees are informed by:
 - Bulletin board posting or memorandum from the Civil Rights Coordinator.
 - Training provided during new employee orientation. Training of all County employees will be conducted annually.
 - Copies of the Title VI Plan shall be posted on the Cattaraugus County intranet under County policies. Hard copies may be requested of any Department Head and/or representative, County Administrator's Office or the Civil Rights Coordinator.

Externally:

- 1. The Title VI Policy shall be available on the Cattaraugus County website under the County Administrators Page and the County policy page.
- 2. Title VI Posters will be displayed as required by 28 CFR 42.405(c).
- 3. Nondiscrimination clauses are included in contracts and agreements between outside vendors and Cattaraugus County.

Notification to Beneficiaries:

Cattaraugus County recognizes the importance of informing the public of its Title VI rights and of the County's obligations under Title VI laws and regulations. We disseminate information by posting the Title VI Policy Notice on the County's Website and in County Departments. A copy of this Public Notice is attached as Appendix C.

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Section 6. Data Collection & Public Participation Plan

Data Collection

Cattaraugus County promotes full and fair participation by all segments of the population including but not limited to minority, low-income communities and populations that are Limited English Proficient.

Title VI, one of the primary federal nondiscrimination laws, prohibits discrimination in the provision of any services that are at all supported with federal funds. Title VI provides a legal foundation for the collection of racial, ethnic and primary language data from recipients of federal financial assistance even when a specific statutory requirement to collect this data does not exist.

Cattaraugus County shall collect and review relevant data and information in order to assess its implementation of and compliance with its Title VI Program. The County shall also provide data and information to federal or state agencies as required by law or regulations.

Upon request, the County shall provide agencies from which it receives federal funding/assistance access to data and information necessary to ascertain its Title VI compliance, including access to pertinent books, records, accounts, facilities, and other sources of information. The County shall also provide data and information as required by 28 CFR § 42.406 as requested in conjunction with a new application for federal funding, an application for continuance or renewal of funding with specific projects or significant changes, and at other times appropriate under the regulation.

The County shall reasonably gather, analyze, and retain statistical data on the race, color, national origin, sex, age, income, disability status and LEP status of beneficiaries of its services and programs. The County shall identify the programs and services most appropriate for analysis. The County shall analyze the data to determine whether benefits from County services are fairly distributed, especially among minority and low-income populations.

To assist the County in analyzing fair distribution of benefits and burdens, each department within the County shall maintain relevant data on identified programs appropriate for analysis. Additionally, if the County extends federal funding/assistance to a sub-recipient, the sub-recipient shall collect, retain, and submit such data to the County in order to enable the County to carry out its civil rights compliance obligations. Data submitted by sub-recipients shall also be incorporated into the County's comprehensive analysis.

Self-Identification

From time to time, the County may find it necessary to request voluntary identification of racial, ethnic, or other relevant information from those who participate in its public events or utilize its services. This information will assist the County in improving its targeted outreach and measures of effectiveness. Self-identification of personal information to the County will always be voluntary and

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anonymous. Moreover, the County will not release or otherwise use these data in any manner inconsistent with federal and state regulations.

Race and Ethnicity Codes

Self-identification surveys shall include the following race and ethnicity codes, in the combined format as structured by the federal Office of Management and Budget:

American Indian or Alaska Native Asian or Pacific Islander Black or African American Caucasian (not of Hispanic origin) Hispanic or Latino Native Hawaiian or other Pacific Islander Multiracial or Other

All surveys shall note that participants may include multiple responses.

Public Participation Plan

We encourage public participation through several means. Public events (meetings, hearings, etc) are held in ADA accessible locations. If a person requires a reasonable accommodation to attend a meeting, (s)he may contact the department or the Compliance Officer/Civil Rights Coordinator/ADA Coordinator to discuss the matter and make a request for accommodation. A sign-in sheet shall be distributed at the event to document those individuals in attendance. If the individuals are unwilling to sign-in, a head count will be performed and the event host shall sign the sign-in sheet confirming attendance.

Minutes of all public Legislature meetings will be available on the Cattaraugus County website (www.cattco.org). Agendas and/or minutes of departmental public events may be reviewed on an individual, scheduled basis after the event occurs.

If a member of the public requests assistance with reading the minutes, understanding the content of the meeting or providing information for project planning and development, the individual can arrange this with the department itself or the Compliance Officer/Civil Rights Coordinator who will then make the necessary arrangements.

For the individuals whose primary language is not English, the County can provide interpretation or translation on a requested basis. There is more information on this below and in our appendices.

Members of the public may leave their contact information if they want to be contacted at the next opportunity for public participation, or to receive follow-up information from the event they attended.

The public may also participate by providing written comments or utilizing our website feedback option or answering surveys.

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ADA Transition Plan

ADA Transition Plan: A written plan updated annually which outlines identified physical barriers and a schedule of activities to remove those barriers and improve program accessibility. By definition, a transition plan must:

- a. Identify physical barriers that limit accessibility to county programs, activities and services;
- b. Outline the methods which will be used to remove the barriers and make the facility more accessible;
- c. Contain a schedule for the necessary steps to achieve improved compliance;
- d. State the name of the management staff responsible for the plan's implementation.

A copy of the Cattaraugus County ADA Transition Plan is available for inspection during regular business hours at the office of the County Administrator.

Limited English Proficiency (LEP)

Executive Order 13166, titled *Improving Access to Services for Persons with Limited English Proficiency*, states that differing treatment based upon a person's inability to speak, read, write or understands English is a type of national origin discrimination which is covered under Title VI.

It directs each agency to publish guidance for its respective recipients clarifying their obligation to ensure that such discrimination does not take place. This order applies to all state and local agencies that receive federal funds and extends to its sub-recipients.

Cattaraugus County strives to serve its population to the best of its ability. We reviewed the American Community Survey 2011-2015, 5-Year Estimates for the county and determined that:

- (a) 3794 individuals in Cattaraugus County's service area, comprising 5.109% of the population speak a language other than English;
- (b) Of those, 1475 individuals have limited English proficiency; that is, they speak English less than "very well" or "not at all." This is only 1.983 % of the overall population in the service area;
- (c) In Cattaraugus County's service area, of those persons with limited English proficiency:

•	.646% (480) speak West Germanic languages	.036% (27) speak Russian
•	.336% (250) speak Spanish	.031% (23) speak Gujarati
•	.246% (183) speak German	.028% (21) speak Tagalog
•	.167% (124) speak Chinese	.022% (16) speak Japanese
•	.127% (94) speak Polish	.020% (15) speak French
•	.081% (60) speak French Creole	.015% (11) speak Korean
•	.071% (53) speak Native North American Languages	.009% (7) speak Portuguese
•	.044% (33) speak Vietnamese	.005% (4) speak Greek
•	.036% (27) speak Italian	.004% (3) speak Arabic
•	.036% (27) speak other Asian languages	.023% (17) speak all other languages

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To accommodate these individuals, Cattaraugus County provides, upon request, services to assist the LEP population including translation of vital documents, interpretation services, and a website that allows users to select their language using google translator services. Language identification cards have been provided to our departments for assistance in providing services to LEP individuals.

Safe Harbor

The following actions will be considered strong evidence of compliance with the County's writtentranslation obligations:

- (a) The County provides written translations of vital documents for each eligible LEP language group that constitutes 5% or 1,000, whichever is less, of the population of persons eligible to be served or likely to be affected or encountered. Translation of other documents, if needed, can be provided orally; or
- (b) If there are fewer than 50 persons in a language group that reaches the 5% trigger in (a), the County does not translate vital written materials but provides written notice in the primary language of the LEP language group of the right to receive competent oral interpretation of those written materials, free of cost.

These safe harbor provisions apply to the translation of written documents only. They do not affect the requirement to provide meaningful access to LEP individuals through competent oral interpreters where oral language services are needed and are reasonable.

The Cattaraugus County Limited English Proficiency Plan (LEP Plan) can be found in Appendix D.

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Section 7. Title VI Sub-Recipient Monitoring and Guidance

Contracts with sub-recipients of federal funding will be reviewed by the Cattaraugus County Attorney's Office which ensures all contracts include nondiscrimination clauses.

Cattaraugus County will monitor and provide assistance to sub-recipients regarding their responsibility for complying with Title VI requirements.

Please see Appendix E for Cattaraugus County's Title VI Sub-Recipient Monitoring and Guidance.

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Section 8. Complaint Procedures

These procedures cover all complaints filed under Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 as amended, (including its Disadvantaged Business Enterprises (DBE)), Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, Civil Rights Restoration Act of 1987, and the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990, relating to any program or activity administered by the County, as well as to sub-recipients, consultants, and contractors.

Intimidatory or retaliatory acts are prohibited per Title 49, Code of Federal Regulations, Part 21.11(e). This regulation also states the identity of complainants shall be kept confidential except to the extent necessary to carry out the purposes of this part, including the conduct of any investigation, hearing, or judicial proceeding arising thereunder.

The procedures do not deny the right of the complainant to file formal complaints with other state or federal agencies or to seek private counsel for complaints alleging discrimination.

These procedures are part of an administrative process, which does not provide for remedies that include punitive damages or compensatory remuneration for the complainant. Every effort will be made to obtain early resolution of complaints at the lowest managerial/administrative level possible. The option of informal mediation meeting(s) between the affected parties and the investigator may be used for resolution, at any stage of the process. The investigator will make every effort to pursue a resolution of the complaint. Initial interviews with the complainant and the respondent will request information regarding specifically requested relief and settlement opportunities.

Procedures

The following persons may file a written complaint with Cattaraugus County:

- (1) Any person who believes (s)he or any specific class of persons in which (s)he is included has been subjected to discrimination or retaliation prohibited by any of the Civil Rights authorities prohibited under Title VI based upon race, color, national origin, age, disability, gender, income or English proficiency;
- (2) Any person who believes that another individual on whose behalf (s)he is acting has been subjected to discrimination or retaliation prohibited by any of the Civil Rights authorities prohibited under Title VI based upon race, color, national origin, age, disability, gender, income or English proficiency.

Time Limits for Filing

A formal complaint must be filed within 180 days after:

- The date of the alleged act of discrimination; or
- The date when the person became aware of the alleged discrimination; or
- There has been a continuing or the latest instance of the discriminatory conduct.

Form of Complaints

A formal complaint must meet the following requirements:

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- Must be in writing and signed by the person or their representative and include the complainant's name, address and telephone number. A formal complaint of discrimination will also be acknowledged and processed if received by fax or e-mail.
- A formal complaint of discrimination received by telephone will be written down and provided to the complainant for confirmation or revision before processing.
- Must provide a detailed description of the issues including names, dates, and job titles of witnesses or those individuals perceived as parties in the complained of incident.

Upon receipt of the complaint, Cattaraugus County will determine its jurisdiction, acceptability, need for additional information and the investigative merit of the complaint.

In cases where the complaint is against one of Cattaraugus County's sub-recipients, the County will assume jurisdiction and will investigate and adjudicate the case.

Complaints against Cattaraugus County will be referred to the appropriate Federal or State agency for proper disposition to the extent required by law or by the terms of any grant agreement or other contract to which the County is a party. In special situations warranting intervention to ensure equity, a Federal or State agency may assume jurisdiction and either complete or obtain services to review or investigate matters.

Acceptance of a complaint will be determined by

- Whether the complaint is timely filed;
- Whether the allegations involve a covered basis such as race, color, national origin, age, disability, gender, income, or English proficiency;
- Whether the allegations involve a program or activity of a County sub-recipient, or contractor;

A complaint may be dismissed for the following reasons

- The complainant requests the withdrawal of the complaint;
- The complainant fails to respond to repeated requests for additional information needed to process complaint;
- The complainant cannot be located after reasonable attempts.

Cattaraugus County has sole authority for accepting complaints for investigation. Once the County decides to proceed with the investigation, the complainant and the respondent will be notified in writing of the determination within ten (10) calendar days. The complaint will receive a case number and be logged into the County's records identifying its basis, alleged harm, the race, color, national origin, age, disability, gender, income or English proficiency of the complainant(s).

In cases where Cattaraugus County assumes investigation of the complaint, the County will provide the respondent with the opportunity to respond to the allegations in writing. The respondent will have ten (10) calendar days from the date of the County's written notification of acceptance of the complaint to furnish their response to the allegations.

Within 40 calendar days of the acceptance of the complaint, the investigator will prepare an investigative report for the Cattaraugus County Civil Rights Coordinator and/or the County Administrator. The report will include a narrative description of the incident, identification of persons interviewed, findings and recommendations for disposition. The Cattaraugus County Civil Rights

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Coordinator and/or County Administrator will have 30 calendar days to prepare the final investigative report.

The County's final investigative report and a copy of the complaint will be forwarded to the appropriate Federal or State agency if required by law or by the terms of any grant agreement or other contract to which the County is a party.

The County will provide a copy of the final investigative report to the complainant within 10 calendar day after its completion.

If the final investigative report establishes that a County employee has discriminated against a person or class of persons, the County Administrator may direct the commencement of disciplinary action pursuant to NYS Civil Service Law Secs. 75 and 76 unless the employee is a member of a Collective Bargaining Unit. Employees who are members of a Collective Bargaining Agreement will be treated pursuant to negotiated disciplinary procedures of their respective Collective Bargaining Units.

See Appendices F and G, respectively, for our Complaint Form and the Complaint Log.

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APPENDIX A

Cattaraugus County Title VI Assurances Statement

Cattaraugus County hereby gives the following assurances:

Elimination of Discrimination

That no person shall on the grounds of race, color, national origin, age, disability, gender, income or English proficiency, be excluded from participation in, be denied the benefits of, or otherwise be subjected to discrimination under any program or activity conducted by Cattaraugus County regardless of whether those programs and activities are federally funded or not. Additionally, Cattaraugus County programs and activities include, but are not limited to, monitoring and reporting of Minority/Women/Disadvantaged Business Enterprises (MW/DBE) participation, providing translations through our Limited English Proficiency (LEP) Program, and conducting public outreach and involvement in County projects.

Public Dissemination of Information

The Cattaraugus County Civil Rights Coordinator will disseminate the Title VI program information to County employees and the general public. County Departments are responsible for informing their sub-recipients, contracts and affected parties. Public dissemination efforts may include, but not limited to: posting public statements setting forth the County's nondiscrimination policy; inclusion of Title VI Assurances in County contracts and grant agreements; publishing our Title VI Policy Statement on the County's website; and including a Title VI Policy Statement in announcements of hearings and meetings.

Departmental Responsibilities

Each County Department is responsible for Title VI compliance for individual federal, state, and/or local programs, facilities, or projects. Compliance activities include, but are not limited to:

- 1. Ensuring each program and each facility will operate in compliance with all requirements imposed by or pursuant to Laws, Regulations or Executive Orders.
- 2. Ensuring that the following notification in all solicitations for bids for work or material subject to Title VI, and in adapted form, in all proposals for negotiated agreements:
 - "Cattaraugus County, in accordance with Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, and related Federal and State Laws, Regulations, and Executive Orders, hereby notifies all bidden that it will affirmatively insure that in any contract entered into pursuant to this advertisement, disadvantaged, women and minority business enterprises will be afforded full opportunity to submit bids in response to this invitation and will not be discriminated against on the grounds of race, color, national origin, age, disability, gender, income or English proficiency."

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- 3. Ensure when Cattaraugus County receives Federal financial assistance to construct a facility, or part of a facility, the assurance shall extend to the entire facility and facilities operated in connection therewith.
- 4. Ensuring where Cattaraugus County receives Federal financial assistance in the form, or for the acquisition of real property or an interest in real property, the assurance shall extend to rights to space on, over, or under such property.
- 5. Specific to Cattaraugus County DPW federal aid projects, the DPW will include any and all required clauses related to Title VI, contracts, covenants running with the land, any deed from the United States effecting or recording a transfer of real property, structures, use or improvements, future deeds, leases, licenses, permits or similar instruments, as necessary.
- 6. Cattaraugus County will provide such methods of administration for the program to give reasonable guarantee that it, other recipients, sub-recipients, sub-grantees, contractors, subcontractors, consultants, transferees, successors in interest, and other participants of Federal financial assistance under such program will comply with all requirements imposed pursuant to the Acts, the Regulations, and this assurance.
- 7. Cattaraugus County agrees that the United States has the right to seek judicial enforcement with regard to any matter arising under the Act, the Regulations, and this assurance.

By signing this ASSURANCE, Cattaraugus County also agrees to comply (and require any sub-recipients, sub-grantees, contractors, successors, transferees, and/or assignees to comply) with all applicable provisions governing Federal access to records, accounts, documents, information, facilities or staff. Cattaraugus County also recognizes that it must comply with any program or compliance reviews, and/or complaint investigations conducted by a Federal or State agency. Cattaraugus County shall keep records, reports, and submit the material for review upon the request of a Federal or State agency, or its designee, in a timely, complete and accurate way. Additionally, Cattaraugus County shall comply with all other reporting, data collection, and evaluation requirements, as prescribed by law, regulation or detailed in program guidance.

This ASSURANCE is given in consideration of and for the purpose of obtaining any and all Federal grants, loans, contracts, property, discounts, or other Federal financial assistance extended after the date hereof to Cattaraugus County and is binding on it, other recipients, sub-recipients, contractors, sub-contractors, transferees, successors in interest and assignees. The person whose signature appears below is authorized to sign this assurance on behalf of Cattaraugus County.

Cattaraugus County Legislature Chair

Paula J. Stockman, Chairman

Authorized by Act 305-2017 of the Cattaraugus County Legislature

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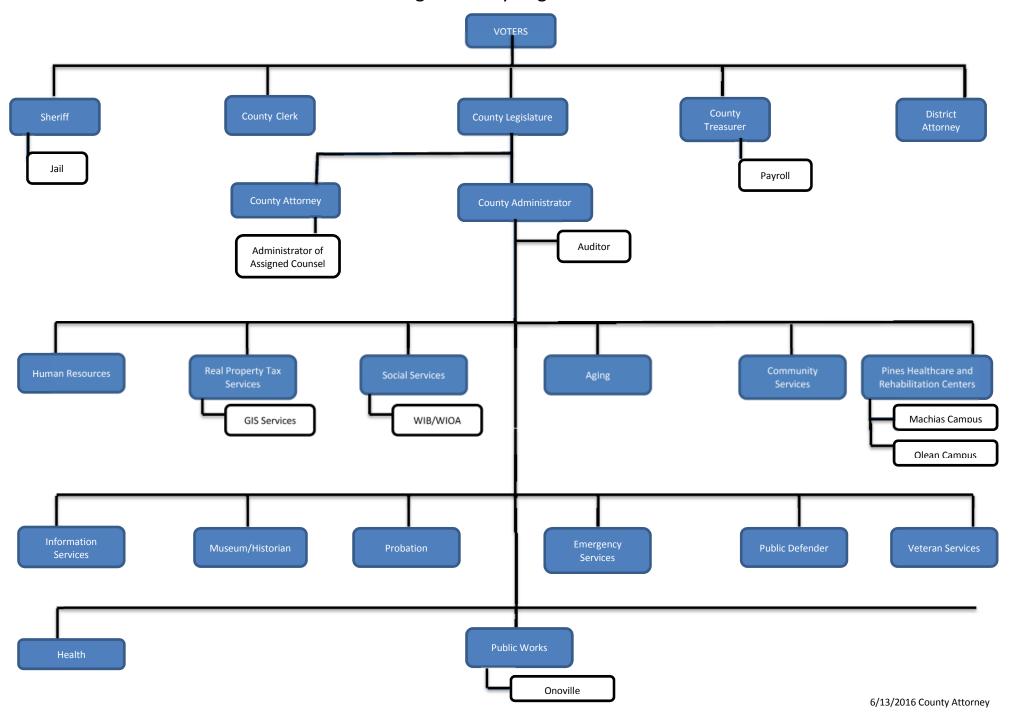
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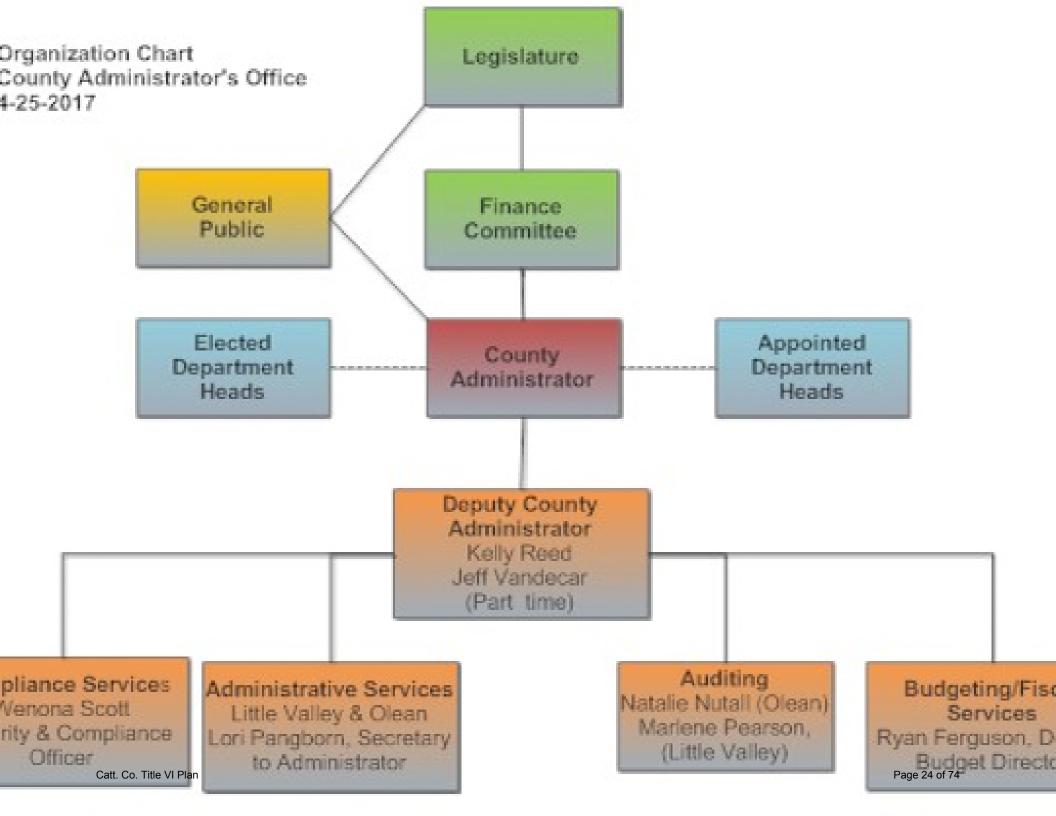
<u>Cattaraugus County Organizational Chart</u> <u>And</u>

the County Administrator's Office Organizational Chart

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Cattaraugus County Organization Chart





APPENDIX C

Cattaraugus County Title VI Notice to Public

Cattaraugus County hereby gives public notice that it is Cattaraugus County's policy to assure full compliance with Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, the Civil Rights Restoration Act of 1987, and related statutes and regulations in all programs and activities. Title VI requires that no person in the United States of America shall, on the grounds of race, color, national origin, age, disability, gender, income, or English proficiency be excluded from the participation in, be denied the benefits of, or be otherwise subjected to discrimination under any program or activity for which Cattaraugus County receives federal financial assistance.

Any person who believes they have been aggrieved by an unlawful discriminatory practice under Title VI has a right to file a formal complaint with Cattaraugus County. Any such complaint must be in writing and filed with the Civil Rights Coordinator within one hundred eighty (180) days following the date of the alleged discriminatory occurrence. Title VI Discrimination Complaint Forms may be obtained from this office (303 Court St., Little Valley, NY 14755) at no cost to the complainant, or on our website at www.cattco.org, or by calling (716) 938-2280.

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APPENDIX D

Cattaraugus County Limited English Proficiency (LEP) Plan

INTRODUCTION

This Limited English Proficiency Plan (The Plan) has been prepared to address Cattaraugus County's (The County) responsibilities as a recipient of federal financial assistance as they relate to the needs of individuals with limited English proficiency. The Plan has been prepared in accordance with Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, 42 U.S.C. 2000d, et seq., and its implementing regulations, which states that no person shall be subjected to discrimination on the basis of race, color or national origin.

Executive Order 13166, titled *Improving Access to Services for Persons with Limited English Proficiency,* states that differing treatment based upon a person's inability to speak, read, write or understands English is a type of national origin discrimination which is covered under Title VI. It directs each agency to publish guidance for its respective recipients clarifying their obligation to ensure that such discrimination does not take place. This order applies to all state and local agencies that receive federal funds and extends to its sub recipients.

Plan Summary

Cattaraugus County has developed this Limited English Proficiency Plan to help identify reasonable steps for providing language assistance to persons with limited English proficiency (LEP) who wish to access services provided. As defined by Executive Order 13166, LEP persons are those who do not speak English as their primary language and have limited ability to read, speak, write or understand English. This plan outlines how to identify a person who may need language assistance, the ways in which assistance may be provided, staff training that may be required, and notification to LEP persons regarding the availability of assistance. For an example of a detailed guidance regarding LEP, see NYSDOT's LEP Plan at:

https://www.dot.ny.gov/divisions/policy-and-strategy/public-trans-respository/Attachment%20D-1%20LEP Plan.pdf.

In order to prepare this plan, Cattaraugus County used the Four-Factor LEP analysis:

- 1. The number or proportion of LEP persons in the service area who may be served by Cattaraugus County.
- 2. The frequency with which LEP persons come in contact with Cattaraugus County services.
- 3. The nature and importance of services provided by Cattaraugus County to the LEP population.
- 4. The interpretation services available to Cattaraugus County and overall cost to provide LEP assistance. A summary of the results of the four-factor analysis is found in the following section.

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MEANINGFUL ACCESS: FOUR-FACTOR ANALYSIS

1. The number or proportion of LEP persons in the service area who may be served or are likely to require Cattaraugus County services:

Cattaraugus County staff reviewed the American Community Survey 2011-2015, 5-Year Estimates for the county and determined that:

- (a) 3794 individuals in Cattaraugus County's service area, comprising 5.109% of the population speak a language other than English;
- (b) Of those, 1475 individuals have limited English proficiency; that is, they speak English less than "very well" or "not at all." This is only 1.983 % of the overall population in the service area;
- (c) In Cattaraugus County's service area, of those persons with limited English proficiency:
- .646% (480) speak West Germanic languages
- .336% (250) speak Spanish
- .246% (183) speak German
- .167% (124) speak Chinese
- .127% (94) speak Polish
- .081% (60) speak French Creole
- .071% (53) speak Native North American Languages
- .044% (33) speak Vietnamese
- .036% (27) speak Italian
- .036% (27) speak other Asian languages
- .036% (27) speak Russian
- .031% (23) speak Gujarati
- .028% (21) speak Tagalog
- .022% (16) speak Japanese
- .020% (15) speak French
- .015% (11) speak Korean
- .009% (7) speak Portuguese
- .005% (4) speak Greek
- .004% (3) speak Arabic
- .023% (17) speak all other languages

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2. The frequency with which LEP persons come in contact with Cattaraugus County services:

Cattaraugus County reviewed the frequency with which their staff have, or potentially have, contact with LEP persons. This includes documenting phone inquiries or office visits.

- a. To date, Cattaraugus County has had 59 requests for interpreters and 3 requests for translated program documents from 2011-2016, for an average of 10.3 requests per year across 5 of the county departments as follows:
 - i. Provision of services in the Sheriff's Department (Jail and 911 system)
 - ii. Provision of services in the Social Services Department (Medicaid application and case maintenance),
 - iii. Provision of services in the Aging Department (Intake to coordinating care),
 - iv. Provision of services in the Health Department (providing home care services),
 - v. Provision of services in Community Services (clinical counseling, intake)

3. The nature and importance of services provided by Cattaraugus County to the LEP population

There is no large geographic concentration of any type of LEP individuals in the service area for Cattaraugus County. According to the 2015 American Community Survey, the overwhelming majority of the population, 94.891%, speaks only English. As a result, there are few social, service, or professional and leadership organizations within Cattaraugus County's service area that focuses on outreach to LEP individuals.

Cattaraugus County's approximate staff of 1330 is most likely to encounter LEP individuals through office visits, phone conversations, notifications from department staff regarding the results of service delivery, and attendance and participation at public meetings.

4. The resources available to Cattaraugus County and overall cost to provide LEP assistance:

Cattaraugus County reviewed its available resources that could be used to provide LEP assistance and inventoried its documents to determine which are suitable for translation if the need arises.

Language translation options could be provided by telephone from a professional interpretation service for which Cattaraugus County would pay a fee. We also employ one full time bilingual Spanish-speaking staff member.

LANGUAGE ASSISTANCE

A person who does not speak English as her primary language and who has a limited ability to read, write, speak or understand English may be a Limited English Proficient person and may be eligible for language assistance with respect to Cattaraugus County services. Language assistance can include interpretation (that means oral or spoken transfer of a message from one language into another

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language) and translation (that means the written transfer of a message from one language into another language).

How Cattaraugus County staff can identify an LEP person in need of language assistance:

- Post notices of the LEP Plan and the availability of interpretation or translation services free of charge in languages LEP persons would understand.
- Providing county staff with language identification cards to assist in identifying the language interpretation services needed if the occasion arises.
- Periodically surveying county staff regarding their interaction with LEP persons during the previous period (e.g., quarterly, semi-annually, and annually).
- Greeting participants at county sponsored informational meeting or event. Conversational interaction with participants can help determine LEP needs for future events.

Language Assistance Measures

Although there are a very low percentage of LEP individuals in Cattaraugus County's service area, (i.e., persons who speak English less than "very well" or "not at all",) the county will take the following actions:

- 1. Cattaraugus County staff will take reasonable steps to provide the opportunity for meaningful access to LEP clients who have difficulty communicating English.
- 2. The following resources will be available to accommodate LEP persons:
 - Language interpretation services for other languages will be accessed through a professional telephone interpretation service. We currently use Language Line.
 - Each department has their own access code and must contact their Department Head or representative to use this service. At the end of this document please see a guide for how to contact and interact with a Language Line interpreter.
- 3. The individual may choose to waive their right to a free oral interpreter. These instances must be captured in writing and maintained in the Department(s) records. See the end of the LEP Plan for the form titled, "Waiver of Right to Free Oral Interpretation Services", in English, Spanish and Chinese.

STAFF TRAINING

The information below will be disseminated to staff. Training opportunities on these topics also will be provided:

- Title VI Policy and LEP responsibilities
- Description of language assistance services offered to the public
- Proper use of interpreter service provider's language identification cards
- Documentation of language assistance requests
- Handling of Title VI/LEP complaints

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All contractors or subcontractors performing work for Cattaraugus County are required to follow the Title VI/LEP guidelines.

TRANSLATION OF DOCUMENTS

Cattaraugus County weighed the cost and benefits of translating documents for potential LEP groups. Considering the expense of translating documents, the likelihood of frequent changes in documents and other relevant factors, the county has determined that it is an unreasonable burden to translate documents at this time.

Due to the very small LEP population, Cattaraugus County does not have a formal outreach procedure in place as of 2017. Translation resources have been identified and are limited in this region. However, if the need arises to conduct outreach to LEP individuals, the County will consider the following options:

- When staff prepares documents or schedules public meeting whose audience is expected to include LEP individuals, the county will provide meeting notices, flyers, and agendas in the appropriate non-English language(s).
- The county will assess requests for the translation of documents based on the potential effect and known LEP population.

MONITORING

Monitoring and Updating the LEP Plan – Cattaraugus County will update the LEP Plan as required. At a minimum, the plan will be reviewed and updated when recent data from the U.S. Census and the American Community Survey is available, or when it is clear that higher concentrations of LEP individuals are present in the county's service area. Updates to the LEP Plan will include the following:

- The number of documented LEP contacts encountered annually.
- How the needs of LEP persons have been addressed.
- Determination of the current LEP population in the service area (census data, surveys, information from community-based organizations, and other sources).
- Determination as to whether the need for translation services has changed.
- Determination of the effectiveness of language assistance efforts
- Determination of the adequacy of county financial resources to fund language assistance resources.
- Determination of the county full compliance with the goals of the LEP Plan.
- Determination of the county processing of LEP complaints

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DISSEMINATION OF CATTARAUGUS COUNTY LEP PLAN

Cattaraugus County will:

- Post signs in county public areas informing LEP persons of the LEP Plan and how to access language services.
- Notify LEP persons of the availability, upon request, of documents in other languages. This should be placed on agendas and public notices and in the language that LEP persons would understand.
- On Cattaraugus County's website, post the LEP Plan and procedure to access language services.

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Quick Reference Guide

ACCESSING INTERPRETING SERVICES

Cattaraugus County

TO ACCESS AN INTERPRETER

When Receiving a call:

- Use your phone's conference feature to place the Limited English Proficient (LEP) speaker on hold.
- 2. Dial 1 866-874-3972
- 3. Provide your Client ID # ******
- 4. Select the language you need
 - a. Press 1 for Spanish
 - b. Press 2 for all other languages and state the name of the language you need

 ** Press 0 for agent assistance if you do not know the language

You will be connected to an interpreter who will provide his/her ID number.

- 5. Brief the interpreter.
 - Summarize what you wish to accomplish and provide any special instructions.
- 6. Add the LEP onto the call.
- 7. Say "End of Call" to the interpreter when your call is completed.

Note:

When placing an outbound call to a LEP, begin at **Step 2**. If you need assistance placing a call to the LEP, Please inform the interpreter or agent at the beginning of the call.

When the LEP is face-to-face with you begin at **Step 2**. Once the interpreter joins the line, brief him/her and place the phone on "Speaker" mode or pass the handset back-and-forth.

IMPORTANT INFORMATION:

INTERPRETER IDENTIFICATION - Interpreters identify themselves by name and ID number. Feel free to note this information for future reference if your organization requires it for their records or to comply with regulatory requirements.

WORKING WITH AN INTERPRETER – At the beginning of the call, briefly tell the interpreter the nature of the call. Speak directly to the limited English speaking speaker, not to the interpreter, and pause at the end of a complete thought. Please note, to ensure accuracy, your interpreter may sometimes ask for clarification or repetition.

CUSTOMER SERVICE— To provide feedback, commend an interpreter, or report any service concerns, call 1-800-752-6096 or go to www.languageline.com, and click on the "Customer Service" tab to complete a Voice of the Customer form.

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11 Helpful Tips for Working with an Over-the-Phone Interpreter

- 1. BRIEF THE INTERPRETER Identify the name of your organization to the interpreter, provide specific instructions of what needs to be done or obtained and let him/her know whether you need help with placing a call. If you need the interpreter to help you place a call to the limited English Proficient (LEP) customer, you may ask the interpreter for a dial-out. There is a limited amount of time allotted for placing a dial-out once the interpreter is on the phone. Therefore, it is important that you provide a brief introduction and specific instructions to the interpreter in a timely manner.
- 2. SPEAK DIRECTLY TO THE CUSTOMER You and your customer can communicate directly with each other as if the interpreter were not there. The interpreter will relay the information and then communicate the customer's response directly back to you.
- **3. SPEAK NATURALLY, NOT LOUDER -** Speak at your normal pace, not slower.
 - SEGMENTS Speak in one sentence or two short ones at a time. Try to avoid breaking up a thought. Your interpreter is trying to understand the meaning of what you're saying, so express the whole thought if possible. Interpreters will ask you to slow down or repeat if necessary. You should pause to make sure you give the interpreter time to deliver your message.
 - CLARIFICATIONS If something is unclear, or if the interpreter is given a long statement, the interpreter will ask you for a complete or partial repetition of what was said, or to clarify what the statement meant.
- 4. ASK IF THE LEP UNDERSTANDS Don't assume that a limited English-speaking customer understands you. In some cultures a person may say 'yes' as you explain something, not meaning they understand, but rather they want you to keep talking because they are trying to follow the conversation. Keep in mind that a lack of English does not necessarily indicate a lack of education.
- DO NOT ASK THE INTERPRETER FOR THEIR OPINION - The interpreter's job is to convey

the meaning of the source language and under no circumstances may he or she allow personal opinion to color the interpretation. Also, do not hold the interpreter responsible for what the customer does or does not say. For example, when the customer does not answer your question.

6. EVERYTHING YOU SAY WILL BE INTERPRETED

- Avoid private conversations. Whatever the interpreter hears will be interpreted. If you feel that the interpreter has not interpreted everything, ask the interpreter to do so. Avoid interrupting the interpreter while he/she is interpreting.
- 7. AVOID JARGON OR TECHNICAL TERMS Don't use jargon, slang, idioms, acronyms or technical medical terms. Clarify unique vocabulary and provide examples if they are needed to explain a term.
- 8. LENGTH OF INTERPRETATION SESSION When you're working with an interpreter the conversation can often take twice as long compared with one in English. Many concepts you express have no equivalent in other languages, so the interpreter may have to describe or paraphrase many terms you use. Interpreters will often use more words to interpret what the original speaker says simply because of the grammar and syntax of the target language.
- 9. READING SCRIPTS People often talk more quickly when reading a script. When you are reading a script, prepared text or a disclosure, slow down to give the interpreter a chance to stay up with you.
- 10. CULTURE Professional interpreters are familiar with the culture and customs of the limited English proficient (LEP) customer. During the conversation the interpreter may identify and clarify a cultural issue they may not think you are aware of. If the interpreter feels that a particular question is culturally inappropriate, he or she might ask you to either rephrase the question. You may or ask the interpreter to help you to get the information in a more appropriate way.
- 11. CLOSING OF THE CALL The interpreter will wait for you to initiate the closing of the call. When appropriate, the interpreter will offer further assistance and will be the last to disconnect from the call. Remember to thank the interpreter for his or her efforts at the end of the session.

FOR MORE INFORMATION: www.LanguageLine.com / 1-800-752-6096

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Partnering with Your LanguageLine Solutions® Interpreter to Ensure Effective Communication



STARTING THE SESSION

- Allow the interpreter to start the session by giving you their name and Interpreter ID. Document this information for reference.
- Introduce yourself to the interpreter.
- Brief the interpreter and state the goal of the session and provide any specific instructions.
- Introduce yourself and the interpreter to the limited English proficient, Deaf, or Hardof-Hearing individual.



DURING THE SESSION

- Address the limited English proficient, Deaf, or Hard-of-Hearing individual, not the interpreter. The interpreter will be your voice. Keep in mind that everything stated will be interpreted.
- State information in short, concise sentences. When stating complicated or detailed information, speak at a slow pace and pause often. This allows the interpreter to note, retain, and relay the information. The interpreter may sometimes ask for repetitions or clarification.
- Avoid technical jargon and try to explain specialized terms or concepts.
- Avoid interrupting the interpreter or talking at the same time.
- Do not ask interpreters for their opinion.



ENDING THE SESSION

- Ask the limited English proficient, Deaf or Hard-of-Hearing individual if they understood, or if they have any questions or concerns.
- Allow the interpreter to interpret everything before ending the session.

FOR MORE INFORMATION

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Onsite Interpreters



Over-the-Phone Interpreters



Video Remote Interpreters

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English Translation:

American Sign Language Point to your language. An interpreter will be called. The interpreter is provided at no cost to you.	Korean한국어귀하께서 사용하는 언어를 지정하시면 해당언어 통역 서비스를 무료로 제공해 드립니다.		
عربي عربي أشر إلى لغتك. وسيتم الاتصال بمترجم فوري. كما سيتم إحضار المترجم الفوري مجانًا.	Mandarin 國語 請指認您的語言, 以便為您提供免費的口譯服務。		
Bengali বাংলা আপনার ভাষার দিকে নির্দেশ করুন। একজন দোভাষীকে ডাকা হবে।দোভাষী আপনি নিখরচায় পাবেন।	Nepali नेपाली आफ्नो भाषातर्फ औंल्याउनुहोस्। एक दोभाषेलाई बोलाइनेछ। तपाईको विना कुनै खर्चको, एकजना दोभाषे उपलब्ध गराइनेछ।		
Burmese သင့်ဘာသာစကားကို ညွှန်ပြပါ။ စကားပြန် ခေါ်ပေးပါမယ်။ သင့်အတွက် စကားပြန် အခမဲ့ ပေးပါမယ်။	Polish Proszę wskazać swój język i wezwiemy tłumacza. Usługa ta zapewniana jest bezpłatnie.		
Cantonese 請指認您的語言, 以便為您提供免費的口譯服務。	Portuguese Indique o seu idioma. Um intérprete será chamado. A interpretação é fornecida sem qualquer custo para você.		
فار سی زبان مورد نظر خود را مشخص کنید. یک مترجم برای شما درخواست خواهد شد. مترجم بصورت رایگان در اختیار شما قرار می گیرد.	Punjabi ਪੰਜਾਬੀ ਆਪਣੀ ਭਾਸ਼ਾ ਵੱਲ ਇਸ਼ਾਰਾ ਕਰੋ। ਜਿਸ ਮੁਤਾਬਕ ਇਕ ਦੁਭਾਸ਼ੀਆ ਬੁਲਾਇਆ ਜਾਵੇਗਾ। ਤੁਹਾਡੇ ਲਈ ਦੁਭਾਸ਼ੀਆ ਦੀ ਮੁਫਤ ਇੰਤਜ਼ਾਮ ਕੀਤਾ ਜਾਂਦਾ ਹੈ।		
French Français	Romanian Română		
Indiquez votre langue et nous appellerons un interprète. Le service est gratuit.	Indicați limba pe care o vorbiți. Vi se va face legătura cu un interpret caare vă este asigurat gratuit.		
Haitian Creole Kreyòl	Russian Русский		
Lonje dwèt ou sou lang ou pale a epi n ap rele yon entèprèt pou ou. Nou ba ou sèvis entèprèt la gratis.	Укажите язык, на котором вы говорите. Вам вызовут переводчика. Услуги переводчика предоставляются бесплатно.		
Hindi अपनी भाषा को इंगित करें। जिसके अनुसार आपके लिए दुभाषिया बुलाया जाएगा।आपके लिए द्वभाषिया की निशुल्क व्यवस्था की जाती है।	Somali Farta ku fiiqluqadaada Waxa laguugu yeeri doonaa turjubaan. Turjubaanka wax lacagi kaaga bixi mayso.		
Hmong Taw rau koj hom lus. Yuav hu rau ib tug neeg txhais lus. Yuav muaj neeg txhais lus yam uas koj tsis tau them dab tsi.	Spanish Español Señale su idioma y llamaremos a un intérprete. El servicio es gratuito.		
Italiano Indicare la propia lingua. Un interprete sarà chiamato. Il servizio è gratuito.	Tagalog Ituro po ang inyong wika. Isang tagasalin ang ipagkakaloob nang libre sa inyo.		
Japanese 日本語 あなたの話す言語を指してください。 無料で通訳サービスを提供します。	Vietnamese Tiếng Việt Hãy chỉ vào ngôn ngữ của quý vị. Một thông dịch viên sẽ được gọi đến, quý vị sẽ không phải trả tiền cho thông dịch viên.		



CATTARAUGUS COUNTY

Waiver of Right to Free Oral Interpretation Services

	PART 1 - Waiver					
Name of Limited English Proficient (LEP) Clie	nt		Please Circle:			
		Client	Recipient Representative			
I've been told I have the right to free interpretation from Cattaraugus County.			Yes No			
I understand that I can have an interpreter a	t no cost to me or my family mem	bers.	Yes No			
I understand that I am allowed to changed m	ree interpre	ter.				
I choose NOT to use a free interpreter at this	time and instead will use the follo	owing perso	n. My intepreter is at least 18			
years of age:						
	Please Circle:					
	ricuse circle.					
Signature*		resentative	Date			
COUNTY USE, From Here below:						
Name of Employee (Please Print)			Data			
Name of Employee (Please Print)	Employee Signature Date med below has read this form to the LEP person in his or her primary language.					
WHENEVER APPLICABLE: The interpreter ha	Tied below has read this form to t	ile LEF perso	I			
Name of Interpreter/Operator	Name of Interpreting Service		Language Interpreted			
Name of interpretery operator	Nume of interpreting Ser	VICC	Language interpreteu			
Interpreter/Operator's Number	Signature of Interpreter		 Date/Time			
PART 2 - Revocation of Waiver						
I want to revoke my waiver. I also	want to use a free internr	eter that	the County will provide.			
I want to revoke my waiver. I also want to use a free interpreter that the County will provide.						
	Please Circle:					
Signature*	Client Recipient Rep	resentative	Date			
COUNTY USE, From Here below:						
Name of Employee (Please Print)	Employee Signature		Date			
WHENEVER APPLICABLE: The interpreter nar	med below has read this form to t	he LEP perso	on in his or her primary language.			
Name of Interpreter/Operator	Name of Interpreting Serv	vice	Language Interpreted			
Interpreter/Operator's Number	Cignature of Interests		Dota/Time			
interpreter/Operator's Number	Signature of Interprete	!I	Date/Time			

NOTE: LEP persons are individuals who do not speak English as their primary language and who have a limited ability to read, write, speak or understand English.

Catt. Co. Waiver of Right to Free Oral Interpretation Services

^{*} A signature is only needed if the contact with the LEP Person or representative is in person.

Condado de Cattaraugus

RENUNCIA DEL DERECHO A OBTENER SERVICIOS GRATUITOS DE INTERPRETACIÓN ORAL

	PARTE 1 - Renuncia	a				
Nombre del cliente con conocimientos limit	ados de inglés (LEP)		Por favor marque:			
		Cliente	Recipiente	Representante		
Me han dicho que tengo derecho a la interp	retación gratis del Condado d	e Cattaraugus	☐ Sí	☐ No		
Entiendo que puedo tener un intérprete sin	costo para mí o los miembros	de mi familia.	☐ Sí	☐ No		
Entiendo que se me permite cambiar de opi	nión en cualquier momento y	aceptar un intér	prete gratis. Sí	No_No_		
Elijo NO usar un intérprete gratis en este mo	omento y en su lugar utilizaré	la siguiente pers	ona. Mi intérprete	tiene al		
menos 18 años de edad:						
	Por favor marg	ue:				
Firma*	Cliente Recipiente	Representante		Fecha		
	USO DEL CONDADO, De aquí	арајо	I			
Nombre del Empleado (Por favor escriba)	Firma del emple		-			
CUANDO APLIQUE: El intérprete nombrado		ersona LEP en su ic				
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Nombre del Intérprete / Operador	Nombre del servicio de in	Lenguaje Interpretado				
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Número de intérprete / operador	Firma del intérp	rete		Fecha y hora		
PAI	RTE 2 - Revocación de R	enuncia				
Quiero revocar mi renuncia. Tamb	pién quiero usar un intéi	rprete gratis (que el Condado	proveerá.		
	Por favor marg			•		
	r or lavor marq	ue.				
Firma*	Cliente Recipiente	Representante		Fecha		
	USO DEL CONDADO, De aquí	abajo				
Nombre del Empleado (Por favor escriba)	Firma del emple			Fecha		
CUANDO APLIQUE: El intérprete nombrado	' ' ' ' ' ' ' ' ' ' ' ' ' ' ' ' ' ' '		ersona LEP en su io			
Nombre del Intérprete / Operador	Nombre del servicio de in	Lenguaje Interpretado				
Número de intérprete / operador	Firma del intérp	Fecha y hora				

NOTA: Las personas LEP son personas que no hablan inglés como su idioma principal y que tienen una habilidad limitada para leer, escribir, hablar o entender inglés.

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^{*} Sólo es necesaria una firma si el contacto con la persona o representante de LEP es en persona.

Cattaraugus县 放弃口头解释服务权

	第1部分 - 放弃		
英语熟练程度有限 (LEP) 客户姓名		客 户	请圈: 1 接受者 代表
我被告知我有权免费从县解释。 我明白,我可以免费给我或我的家人一 我明白我可以随时改变主意,接受一个			
我选择不使用免费的口译员,而是使用		满18岁	
	请圈:		
签名*	客户 接受者 代	表	日期
	COUNTY USE,从这里下面:		
	的口译员将此表格以主要语言	·读到LEP人	
774 274 271 77			<u> </u>
口	口件服务石阶		语言解释
	第2部分-撤销豁免		
我想撤销我的害	浴免。我也想使用一个免费的翻证	革 ,县将提供	0
	请圈:		
 签名*	客户 接受者 代	表	
	COUNTY USE,从这里下面:		
	的口译员将此表格以主要语言	·读到LEP人	
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口译员 /操作人 员编号	口译员签名		日期/时间

*仅当与LEP人员或代表联系时才需要签名。

注意:LEP人是不会以英文为主要语言,而且阅读,写作,说话或理解英语能力有限的个人。

Catt. Co. Waiver of Right to Free Oral Interpretation Services (Chinese)

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APPENDIX E

<u>Cattaraugus County Title VI Sub-Recipient Monitoring and</u> <u>Guidance</u>

The following information is to be provided to any and all sub-recipients, contractors, subcontractors, transferees, successors in interest and other participants that receive federal funding assistance through Cattaraugus County.

Dear Cattaraugus County Sub-Recipient,

Congratulations on being awarded federal funding through Cattaraugus County! This document outlines the Nondiscrimination Title VI requirements that are a condition of receiving federal funding through Cattaraugus County. The federal regulatory authority for requiring nondiscrimination has its basis in Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, Executive Order 12898 {Environmental Justice (EJ)}, and Executive Order 13166 {Limited English Proficiency (LEP)}.

Cattaraugus County's Title VI Policy Statement

It is the policy of Cattaraugus County that no person shall on the grounds of race, color, national origin, age, disability, gender, income or English proficiency as provided by Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, the Civil Rights Restoration Act of 1987, Age Discrimination Act of 1975, the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990, Executive Order 11246 Affirmative Action in Employment, Executive Order 12898 Environmental Justice (EJ), and Executive Order 13166 Limited English Proficiency (LEP), be excluded from participation in, be denied the benefits of, or be otherwise subjected to discrimination under any program or activity receiving Federal financial assistance. Cattaraugus County further assures every effort will be made to ensure nondiscrimination in all of its programs and activities, whether those programs and activities are federally funded or not.

Our policy of inclusion is meant for all individuals residing within, receiving services from, or employed with Cattaraugus County to enjoy an equal opportunity. Discriminatory practices, procedures and policies are prohibited. As such, all County Departments shall plan, develop, implement, operate and monitor their programs, services, activities so that no person is subjected to unlawful discrimination. Additionally, Cattaraugus County expects all of our partners, contractors, consultants, sub-recipients, community-based organizations, faith-based organizations and advocacy groups to give the County their full support and cooperation.

In the event that Cattaraugus County distributes federal aid funds to another entity, the County will include Title VI language in all written agreements and will monitor for compliance. Cattaraugus County's Title VI Non-Discrimination Policy applies to all of our programs, activities and services, regardless of funding source.

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This policy shall be conspicuously placed on County bulletin boards, website, and made available to all organizations and entities doing business with Cattaraugus County. Any complaints involving allegations of discrimination should be sent to:

Cattaraugus County Compliance Officer/Civil Rights Coordinator 303 Court St. Little Valley, NY 14755

Overview of Monitoring Requirements

As per Cattaraugus County's Title VI Policy and federal regulations regulating Cattaraugus County, Title VI provisions are a standard part of all agreements between Cattaraugus County and subrecipients of federally funded programs. Cattaraugus County's Title VI monitoring process begins at the time of Agreement execution, continues during the duration of the project, and is completed when the project wraps up and the Agreement is expired.

During this time, Cattaraugus County monitors information provided by each sub-recipient, retaining the right to conduct an audit should Cattaraugus County suspect the sub-recipient is not in compliance. If Cattaraugus County determines that a sub-recipient is not in compliance with Title VI, the Civil Rights Coordinator and assigned staff will work with the sub-recipient to correct the deficiency. This may include providing technical assistance.

If the sub-recipient does not correct the deficiency, Cattaraugus County may take corrective action or implement other remedies as provided in the executed agreement. Specific requirements are detailed below:

- Complete a Post-Contracting Stage Title VI questionnaire at the completion of the project. Cattaraugus County uses the questionnaires to assess the [SUB-RECIPIENT]'s compliance with Title VI requirements.
- [SUB-RECIPIENT] shall provide Cattaraugus County with any additional information that Cattaraugus County requests in regard to Title VI compliance.
- [SUB-RECIPIENT] shall also permit Cattaraugus County to access its records up to and including accounting records that are pertinent to Cattaraugus County substantiating [SUB-RECIPIENT]'s compliance with Title VI.

Non-discrimination Policy, Statement, and Assurance

In order to reduce the administrative burden associated with this requirement, sub-recipients may adopt the Title VI agency/organization-wide nondiscrimination policy after the one developed by Cattaraugus County; however, sub-recipients that chose to adopt their own Title VI agency/organization-wide nondiscrimination policy must provide assurances that the agency/organization will not discriminate against any person in the performance of any federally

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assisted program on the basis of race, color, national origin, age, disability, gender, income or English proficiency.

Sub-recipient Statements of Nondiscrimination must include:

- The Statement of Nondiscrimination must state: "[SUB-RECIPIENT] assures that no person shall, on the grounds of race, color, national origin, age, disability, gender, income or English proficiency be excluded from participation in, be denied the benefits of, or be otherwise subjected to discrimination under any program or activity receiving Federal financial assistance."
- The Statement of Nondiscrimination may be more inclusive than the language listed above, but it cannot be more exclusive.
- If your agency/organization has not adopted the Title VI Nondiscrimination policy developed by Cattaraugus County and does not have an agency specific non-discrimination policy as stated in a Statement of Nondiscrimination, then [SUB-RECIPIENT] must notify Cattaraugus County prior to execution of the Agreement. If [SUB-RECIPIENT) does not develop and/or adopt such a policy and statement prior to the execution of the Agreement, then [SUBRECIPIENT] must use and adhere to Cattaraugus County's nondiscrimination policy and statement.
- Provide a written copy of [SUB-RECIPIENT]'s Statement of Nondiscrimination to Cattaraugus County upon completion of the post-contracting stage questionnaire.

Title VI Plan and Complaint Procedures

In order to reduce the administrative burden associated with this requirement, sub-recipients may adopt the Title VI Plan and Complaint Procedures after the one developed by Cattaraugus County; however, sub-recipients that chose to adopt their own Title VI Plan that includes a Public Participation Plan (PPP), a Limited English Proficiency (LEP) Plan, and a Title VI Complaint Procedure. The Title VI Plan, and its attendant parts, must comply with Federal guidelines regarding such plans. Sub-recipient Title VI Plan and Complaint Procedures must include:

- Provide a copy of the Title VI Plan, including the PPP, LEP Plan, and Complaint Procedure and Complaint Form upon completion of the Post Contracting Stage Title VI Questionnaire.
- Make the Title VI Plan, including the PPP, LEP Plan, and Complaint Procedure and Complaint Form publicly available, which includes posting each of these documents to [SUB-RECIPIENT]'s website if it has one, and informing attendees at any public meetings, hearings, or other events related to the work under the Agreement of their rights under Title VI and the procedures for filing a Title VI complaint.

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• If [SUB-RECIPIENT] does not have a federally compliant Title VI Plan, including the PPP, LEP Plan, and Complaint Procedure, and Complaint Form then [SUB-RECIPIENT] must notify Cattaraugus County of this prior to the execution of the Agreement, and [SUB-RECIPIENT] must use Cattaraugus County's Title VI Plan, PPP, LEP Plan, and Complaint Procedure and Complaint Form.

[SUB-RECIPIENT] must notify Cattaraugus County in writing if a Title VI complaint is filed against it, within five (5) business days of [SUB-RECIPIENT] being notified of such complaint. The notification must be provided to Cattaraugus County even if the complaint is not in regard to work that [SUB-RECIPIENT] performed under the Agreement. The notification shall include the following information:

- Date complaint was filed
- Nature of complaint
- Who was involved
- What action has been taken to date
- Any outcome(s) to date, if applicable

Procurement - RFPs, RFQs, and Subcontracts

- If [SUB-RECIPIENT] has a federally compliant, competitive procurement process, the [SUBRECIPIENT] is required to provide a copy of the written procurement procedures to Cattaraugus County.
- If [SUB-RECIPIENT] does not have a federally compliant, competitive procurement process, the [SUBRECIPIENT] is required to follow Cattaraugus County procurement procedures.

If, as part of the Agreement, the [SUB-RECIPIENT] enters into any subcontracts, leases, or other sub-agreements regarding the work under the Agreement, [SUB-RECIPIENT] must follow the requirements listed below. Include the [SUB-RECIPIENT]'s Statement of Nondiscrimination in all procurement documents, such as Request for Proposals (RFP), Request for Qualifications (RFQ), and other procurement documents that it issues under the Agreement.

- Include the [SUB-RECIPIENT]'s Statement of Nondiscrimination in all subcontracts, including those for materials and leases that it enters into under the Agreement.
- Include the following statement in all procurement documents, such as RFPs, RFQs, subcontracts, including those for materials and leases, and other similar documents that it issues under this Agreement.
- [SUB-RECIPIENT] is prohibited from excluding any person from participation in, deny any person the benefits of, or otherwise discriminate against anyone in connection with the award and performance of any contract made under the Agreement on the basis of race, color, gender, disability or national origin.

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The provisions listed in this Attachment apply to every subcontractor hired by [SUBRECIPIENT] to perform work under the Agreement. [SUB-RECIPIENT] will ensure that all of its subcontractors are made aware of these requirements and will include these provisions as a part to any subcontract that [SUB-RECIPIENT] enters into under the Agreement.

If the Agreement does not call for subcontracted services, these requirements do not need to be followed.

Community/Public Engagement or Outreach

If [SUB-RECIPIENT] is required to perform any public meetings, engagement, or other community outreach as part of the work under the Agreement, then [SUB-RECIPIENT) must ensure that all persons, including Limited English Proficiency (LEP) persons, are provided meaningful access, as it is defined under Title VI and related provisions, to these events.

- Ensure that the meeting location, date, and time are selected in such a way as to not exclude a person from participation on the basis of race, color, national origin, gender, or disability.
- Inform attendees of their rights under Title VI.
- Ensure that all attendees are provided the opportunity to participate without regard to their race, color, national origin, age, disability, gender, income, or English proficiency.
- [SUB-RECIPIENT] shall submit to Cattaraugus County after every public meeting, engagement, or other community outreach a one-page summary that provides the following information:
 - Description of the purpose of the event.
 - Time, date, and location of the event.
 - Methods used to advertise the event.
 - Building, time and room where the event was held.
 - Note any special accommodations that were requested prior to or during the event. How the attendees were informed of their rights under Title VI including complaint procedures.
 - Number of attendees.

Websites

If [SUB-RECIPIENT] is required to develop or create a website as part of its work under the Agreement, then [SUB-RECIPIENT] must ensure that all persons, including Limited English Proficiency (LEP) persons, are provided meaningful access, as it is defined under Title VI and related provisions, to the website.

- [SUB-RECIPIENT] must design or create any website such that it includes a translator function so that the material included on the website can be translated into other languages.
- [SUB-RECIPIENT] must design or create any website so that it is in compliance with the Rehabilitation Act, 29 U.S.C. §§ 794 et seq., as amended, and the Americans with Disabilities Act,

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42 U.S.C. §§ 12101et seq., as amended, and their implementing regulations, and that it adheres to the accessibility requirements set forth by the Federal government.

• [SUB-RECIPIENT] must design or create any website in adherence with Section 504 Standards of the Rehabilitation Act.

Printed Materials

If [SUB-RECIPIENT] is required to develop or create printed informational materials as part of its work under the Agreement, then [SUB-RECIPIENT] must ensure that all persons, including Limited English Proficiency (LEP) persons, are provided meaningful access, as it is defined under Title VI and related provisions, to the information contained in the printed materials.

• [SUB-RECIPIENT] will be required to develop any printed materials intended for public informational purposes (i.e. brochures and other promotional items) in such a way that these documents can readily be translated into other languages and/or formats upon request.

Sub-Recipient Deadlines

Provide the following documents to Cattaraugus County at the time indicated below:

Project End

Completed Post-Contracting Stage Title VI Questionnaire

If [SUB-RECIPIENT] choose to follow their own (e.g.;. Not Cattaraugus County's) Title VI Program and procurement process:

- o Statement of Nondiscrimination
- Title VI Plan, including the PPP, LEP Plan, and Complaint Procedure and Complaint Form
- Written procurement procedures

After Each Public Meeting or Other Public Outreach Event

Submit one-page summary with required information outlined above.

POST-CONTRACTING STAGE TITLE VI QUESTIONNAIRE

As a recipient of Federal grant funding, Cattaraugus County is required to ensure that all of its subrecipients on each of its projects are in compliance with Title VI and the rules, regulations, and executive orders that govern Title VI on federally funded projects. In order to ensure that the subrecipients receiving funding from Cattaraugus County are in compliance, your organization must complete the following questionnaire in its entirety.

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If you have any questions regarding this questionnaire, please contact Cattaraugus County's Civil Rights Coordinator at the address or phone number provided below. Please submit your completed questionnaire and all additional materials to Cattaraugus County's Civil Rights Coordinator:

Cattaraugus County Compliance Officer/Civil Rights Coordinator 303 Court St. Little Valley, NY 14755 Phone: (716) 938-2280

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Cattaraugus County Sub-Recipient Title VI Questionnaire

As a recipient of Federal grant funding, Cattaraugus County is required to ensure that all of its subrecipients on each of its projects are in compliance with Title
VI and the rules, regulation and executive orders that govern Title VI on federally funded projects. In order to ensure that the subrecipients that receive funding
from Cattaraugus County are in compliance, your organization must complete the following questionnaire in its entirety.
Please submit your completed questionnaire and all additional materials to Cattaraugus County's Civil Rights Coordinator within thirty (30) business days of
completion of the project. If you have any questions regarding this questionnaire, please contact the Cattaraugus County Civil Rights Coordinator at the address or phone number provided below.
Cattaraugus County Compliance Officer/Civil Rights Coordinator
303 Court St.
Little Valley, NY 14755
(716) 938-2280

DIRECTIONS: Please answer the following sections completely. If the question asks you to provide additional information please include it in the space provided or attach additional sheets with the section labeled. Attach all requested material to this questionnaire.

Section A:	Title VI Discrimination	<u>Complaints</u>						
How many complaints were filed against your organization during the course of the project:								
	Age		Color	Disability				
	English Pro	ficiency	Gender	Income				
	National O	rigin	Race					
Please describe for each complaint:								
Date	Nature of complaint (see above)	Who was involved	Action taken		Outcome			

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Section B: Public Engagement/Outreach									
Describe the public engagement process, community out	reach activi	ities or simi	lar public ev	ents as part	of work ur	der the Agr	eement. In	clude attac	hments and
supplemental information as necessary.									News
Please describe for each event:				Λάνοι	tising	Special	Accommod	lation(s)	None #
Purpose of Event		Date/Tim	e/Location	Meth	_	Special	Requested		# Attendees
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Section C: Subcontracting, Leasing, Purchasing									
Identify if you had any subcontractors, leases or other su	b agreemer	its that wer	e entered in	ito regardin	g the work	under this A	greement.	Include att	achments
and supplemental information as necessary. Please describe for each Sub-Recipient:									None
riease describe for each Sub-Necipient.		DBE			MBE			WBE	None
Sub-Recipient Name & Contact Info	Contract		Certified	Contract		Certified	Contract		Certified
	Goal	Actual #	Registered	Goal	Actual #	Registered	Goal	Actual #	Registered
<u>Section D: Non-Discrimination Policy, Statement and As</u> Adopt Cattaraugus County Nondiscrimination Policy:	<u>surance</u> Yes	N							
If no, did you adopt your own Nondiscrimination Policy w	_	No No	I not discrim	inate again	st any nerso	on on the ha	sis of race	color natio	nal origin
age, disability, gender, income or english proficiency?	Yes	□ No	THOC discrim	mate again.	or arry perso	on the bu	313 01 1466,	color, nacio	mar origini,
Project Name:		_		Pro	ject Compl	etion Date: _.			
Printed Name:						-			
Signature:						Date:			

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Cattaraugus County Discrimination Complaint Form

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Discrimination Complaint Form

	Secti	ion 1					
Name:			Phone #:				
Address:			Email:				
Accessible Format Requests:	Print	Audio Ta	ре	Other:			
	Secti	ion 2					
Are you filing this complaint on your own l	oehalf?	/es*	☐ No	*]	f yes, go to	Section 3.	
If you answered No, please write the Name	and Relationshi	p of th	ne person fo	or whom yo	ou are com	plaining:	
Please explain why you have filed for a thir	d party:						
Please confirm that you have obtained permission from the aggrieved party if you are filing on behalf of a third party:							☐ No
	Secti						
[] Race/Color or Ethnicity Please Specify:	experienced wa	ced was based on (Check all that apply and fill out): [] National Origin Please Specify:					
[] Age Date of Birth:			[] Disability Please Specify:				
[] Sex/Gender Please Specify:			[] Income Please Specify:				
[] English Proficiency Please Specify:			[] Retaliation/Other Please Specify:				
Date(s)/Time(s) of Alleged Discrimination	(Month, Day, Yea	ar):					
Who allegedly discriminated against you?							
Name	Title	e (if ap	plicable)		(Contact Info)
If an organization, what is its name?							
Name of Organization	C	Contac	et Info		Nai	ne of Cont	act

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	Section 3 Con't.			
persons who were involved. Include the nayou (if known). You may write any witnes	ed and why you believe you were discrimin ame and contact information of the person(ses and their contact information in here or ore space is needed, please use the back of t	s) who dis list below	criminated	against
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Please list any witnesses to the alledged di Name	scrimination: Title	(Contact Inf	0
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	Section 4			
Have you previously filed a Title VI compla			☐ Yes	□ No
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Have you filed this complaint with any other	er Federal, State or local agency or Court?		☐ Yes	☐ No
If yes, please list, with contac	ct information:			
				П.,
Do you have an attorney in this matter?			Yes	□ No
If yes, please list, with contact	ct information:			
What is the resolution you are seeking in the	nis matter?			
You may attach any written mater	rials or other information you think is releva	ant to your	· complaint	
	_			
Signature				Date

Please submit this form in person or via mail to the address below:

Cattaraugus County Civil Rights Coordinator 303 Court St. Little Valley, NY 14755 (716) 938-2280

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Condado de Cattaraugus Formulario de Queja de Discriminación

Sección 1							
Nombre:			Teléfono #	! :			
Dirección:			Correo ele	ctrónico:			
Solicitud de formato accesible:	☐ Impre	esión grande	Cinta	de audio	Otro		
		Sección 2					
¿Está presentando esta queja en su propio	nombre?	☐ Sí	☐ No	* En caso	afirmativo	, vaya a la S	Sección 3.
Si respondió No, por favor escriba el Nomb	re y la Rela	ación de la _l	persona po	r quien ust	ed se está o	quejando:	
Por favor, explique por qué ha presentado	un tercero:	:					
Por favor, confirme que ha obtenido el perr nombre de un tercero:				i presentan	do en	☐ Sí	□ No
		Sección 3					
Creo que la discriminación que es	xperiment	<u>é se basó e</u>	1		ue apliquen	y rellene):	
[] Raza / Color o Etnia Por favor especifica:			Por favor e	n Nacional especifica:			
[] Años Fecha de nacimiento:			[] Discapacidad Por favor especifica:				
[] Sexo / Género Por favor especifica:			[] Ingresos Por favor especifica:				
[] Dominio del Inglés Por favor especifica:			[] Represalias / Otros Por favor especifica:				
Fecha (s) / Hora (s) de Presunta Discrimin	ación (Mes	s, Día, Año): 	:				
¿Quién supuestamente discriminó contra u	ısted?						
Nombre	Título (si procede) Datos de contacto					acto	
Si una organización, ¿cuál es su nombre?							
Nombre de la organización		Datos de	contacto		Nom	bre del con	tacto

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Formulario de Queja de Discriminación

	Sección 3 Continuación			
Explique lo más claramente posible lo que	sucedió y por qué cree que fue discriminado). Describa	a todas la	s personas
involucradas. Incluya el nombre y la inform	nación de contacto de la persona (s) que dis	criminó (si	i se conoce	e). Puede
	de contacto aquí o en la lista a continuación		la ubicació	ón de la
supuesta discriminación. Si necesita más e	spacio, utilice la parte posterior de este form	nulario.		
Por favor escriba cualquier testigo de la dis		D-4		
Nombre	Título	Dat	os de cont	acto
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	Sección 4		T	
¿Ha presentado anteriormente una queja d	e Título VI con nosotros?		☐ Sí	☐ No
¿Ha presentado esta queja ante cualquier o	tra agencia o tribunal federal, estatal o loca	l?	☐ Sí	☐ No
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En caso afirmativo, sirvase en	umerar, con información de contacto:			
¿Tiene un abogado en este asunto?			☐ Sí	☐ No
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En caso afirmativo, sírvase en	umerar, con información de contacto:			
:Cuál es la resolución que está huscando en	n este asunto?			
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<u> </u>				
Usted puede adjuntar cualquier mate	erial escrito u otra información que conside	re relevant	e para su o	queja.
Firma	_			Fecha
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Por favor envíe este formulario en persona o por correo a la siguiente dirección:
Coordinador de Derechos Civiles del Condado de Cattaraugus
303 Court St.
Little Valley, NY 14755
(716) 938-2280

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Cattaraugus County Discrimination Complaint Log

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							Reporting Yea		
Case #	Name				Address				
Status of Comp	l plainant:								
Race/Color or E	thnicity			National C)rigin		Age		
Disability S			Sex/Gende	<u>l</u> er	Income	English Pro	<u>l</u> ficiency		
Nature of Comp	olaint (If more spac	ce is needed	, attach ac	dditional sh	eets)				
Recipient (Proc	essor of Complaint)	Date Filed		Date Inves	tigation Completed	Date of Dis	sposition		
Case #	Name				Address				
Status of Comp	lainant:				1				
Race/Color or E	thnicity			National C)rigin		Age		
Disability		S	Sex/Gende	er	Income	English Pro	I oficiency		
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<u>DPW Special Emphasis Area & Federal Funded Contract</u> <u>Supplemental Documents</u>

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Standard Title VI/Non-Discrimination Assurances

Cattaraugus County (herein referred to as the "Recipient"), HEREBY AGREES THAT, as a condition to receiving any Federal financial assistance from the U.S. Department of Transportation (DOT), through the *New York State Department of Transportation* (*NYSDOT*), is subject to and will comply with the following:

Statutory/Regulatory Authorities

- Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 (42 U.S.C. § 2000d *et seq.*, 78 stat. 252), (prohibits discrimination on the basis of race, color, national origin);
- 49 C.P.R. Part 21 (entitled *Non-discrimination In Federally-Assisted Programs Of The Department Of Transportation-Effectuation of Title VI Of The Civil Rights Act Of 1964);*
- 28 C.P.R. section 50.3 (U.S. Department of Justice Guidelines for Enforcement of Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964);

The preceding statutory and regulatory cites hereinafter are referred to as the "Acts" and "Regulations," respectively.

General Assurances

In accordance with the Acts, the Regulations, and other pertinent directives, circulars, policy, memoranda, and/or guidance, the Recipient hereby gives assurance that it will promptly take any measures necessary to ensure that:

"No person in the United States shall, on the grounds of race, color, or national origin be excluded from participation in, be denied the benefits of, or be otherwise subjected to discrimination under any program or activity, "for which the Recipient receives Federal financial assistance from DOT, including the NYSDOT."

The Civil Rights Restoration Act of 1987 clarified the original intent of Congress, with respect to Title VI and other Non-discrimination requirements (The Age Discrimination Act of 1975, and Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973), by restoring the broad, institutional-wide scope and coverage of these non-discrimination statutes and

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requirements to include all programs and activities of the Recipient, so long as any portion of the program is Federally assisted.

Specific Assurances

More specifically, and without limiting the above general Assurance, the Recipient agrees with and gives the following Assurances with respect to its Federally- assisted projects.

- 1. The Recipient agrees that each "activity," "facility," or "program," as defined in §§ 21.23 (b) and 21.23 (e) of 49 C.F.R. § 21 will be (with regard to an "activity") facilitated, or will be (with regard to a "facility") operated, or will be (with regard to a "program") conducted in compliance with all requirements imposed by, or pursuant to the Acts and the Regulations.
- 2. The Recipient will insert the following notification in all solicitations for bids, Requests for Proposals for work, or material subject to the Acts and the Regulations made in connection with all federally assisted projects and, in adapted form, in all proposals for negotiated agreements regardless of funding source:

"Cattaraugus County in accordance with the provisions of Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 (78 Stat. 252, 42 US. C.§ 2000d to 2000d-4) and the Regulations, hereby notifies all bidders that it will affirmatively ensure that any contract entered into pursuant to this advertisement, disadvantaged business enterprises will be afforded full and fair opportunity to submit bids in response to this invitation and will not be discriminated against on the grounds of race, color, or national origin in consideration for an award."

- 3. The Recipient will insert the clauses of Appendix H-3 and H-7 of this Assurance in every contract or agreement subject to the Acts and the Regulations.
- 4. The Recipient will insert the clauses of Appendix H-4 of this Assurance, as a covenant running with the land, in any deed from the United States effecting or recording a transfer of real property, structures, use, or improvements thereon or interest therein to a Recipient.
- 5. That where the Recipient receives Federal financial assistance to construct a facility, or part of a facility, the Assurance will extend to the entire facility and facilities operated in connection therewith.

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- 6. That where the Recipient receives Federal financial assistance in the form, or for the acquisition of real property or an interest in real property, the Assurance will extend to rights to space on, over, or under such property.
- 7. That the Recipient will include the clauses set forth in Appendix H-5 and Appendix H-6 of this Assurance, as a covenant running with the land, in any future deeds, leases, licenses, permits, or similar instruments entered into by the Recipient with other parties:
 - a. for the subsequent transfer of real property acquired or improved under the applicable activity, project, or program; and
 - b. for the construction or use of, or access to, space on, over, or under real property acquired or improved under the applicable activity, project, or program.
- 8. That this Assurance obligates the Recipient for the period during which Federal financial assistance is extended to the program, except where the Federal financial assistance is to provide, or is in the form of, personal property, or real property, or interest therein, or structures or improvements thereon, in which case the Assurance obligates the Recipient, or any transferee for the longer of the following periods:
 - a. the period during which the property is used for a purpose for which the Federal financial assistance is extended, or for another purpose involving the provision of similar services or benefits; or
 - b. the period during which the Recipient retains ownership or possession of the property.
- 9. The Recipient will provide for such methods of administration for the program as are found by the Secretary of Transportation or the official to whom he/she delegates specific authority to give reasonable guarantee that it, other recipients, sub-recipients, sub-grantees, contractors, subcontractors, consultants, transferees, successors in interest, and other participants of Federal financial assistance under such program will comply with all requirements imposed or pursuant to the Acts, the Regulations, and this Assurance.
- 10. The Recipient agrees that the United States has a right to seek judicial enforcement with regard to any matter arising under the Acts, the Regulations, and this Assurance.

By signing this ASSURANCE, Cattaraugus County also agrees to comply (and require any sub-recipients, sub-grantees, contractors, successors, transferees, and/or assignees to

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comply) with all applicable provisions governing the NYS DOT access to records, accounts, documents, information, facilities, and staff.

You also recognize that you must comply with any program or compliance reviews, and/or complaint investigations conducted by the NYS DOT. You must keep records, reports, and submit the material for review upon request to NYS DOT, or its designee in a timely, complete, and accurate way.

Additionally, you must comply with all other reporting, data collection, and evaluation requirements, as prescribed by law or detailed in program guidance.

Cattaraugus County gives this ASSURANCE in consideration of and for obtaining any Federal grants, loans, contracts, agreements, property, and/or discounts, or other Federal-aid and Federal financial assistance extended after the date hereof to the recipients by the U.S. Department of Transportation under the Federal-aid program. This ASSURANCE is binding on the State of New York, other recipients, sub-recipients, sub-grantees, contractors, subcontractors and their subcontractors', transferees, successors in interest, and any other participants in the Federal-aid program.

The person signing below is authorized to sign this ASSURANCE on behalf of Cattaraugus County.

Cattaraugus County

Cattaraugus County Legislature Chair

Paula J. Stockman, Chairman

Authorized by Act 305-2017 of the Cattaraugus County Legislature

Dated

Title VI Program Specialists

In addition to appointing a Civil Rights Coordinator, Cattaraugus County has proactively assigned several Title VI Program Specialists to monitor the Cattaraugus County Department of Public Works (DPW) special emphasis program areas. The emphasis program areas of DPW are: Planning, Environment, Design, Right-of-Way, Construction, Maintenance, and Safety. The County personnel to contact for these areas are noted below.

Contract Compliance – This will be the responsibility of the DPW Commissioner or his or her designee.

Consulting/Professional Services (Consisting of Engineering Services, Design, Construction, Maintenance, Right-of-Way, and Environmental Services) will be handled by the Engineering Division staff of Cattaraugus County DPW.

Safety will be handled by the Risk Management staff with Cattaraugus County's Human Resource Department.

Special Emphasis Program Areas

Planning

Planning and Program Development

Develop near-term and long-term strategies to maintain and enhance the quality and safety of Cattaraugus County's transportation and infrastructure. The County staff person responsible for this is the DPW Commissioner or his or her designee.

Title VI Responsibilities

- Ensure that all aspects of the transportation planning process comply with Title VI.
- Ensure participation of a cross section of various social, economic, and ethnic interest groups are represented in the planning process by disseminating program information, where possible, to minority media and ethnic organizations and participating in roundtable meetings in minority and low-income communities when applicable.
- Work with community based organizations (CBOs) and/or Faith Based Organizations (FBO) to ensure equal participation. If an organization collects information regarding their selection process for members and to furnish information on membership make up (race, gender, and position within the organization) for evaluation, request documentation of it.
- Visit CBO and FBO public meetings, when appropriate, to verify the level of participation of Title VI protected group members when offered in predominantly minority or low-income communities.

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- Assist the Civil Rights Coordinator in gathering and organizing information for internal annual Title VI Update Reports.

Environmental Services

Consultant Contracts Administration

Identify the needs for each federally-funded project, ensure they are met in the contract, and ensure consultant compliance to the satisfaction of Cattaraugus County. The County staff person responsible for this is the DPW Commissioner or his or her designee.

Authorities:

48 CFR 31; 23 CFR 172 National Environmental Policy Act of 1969, 42-USC-4321 23 CFR Part 771 40 CFR Part 1500 49 CFR Part 622 EO 12898

Consultant Selection Process

Utilizing a qualification-based selection process, Cattaraugus County selects the appropriate consultants for the project. Title VI nondiscrimination provisions will be incorporated into all written contracts and materials in this process.

Environmental Process

Work with neighborhood stakeholders and community groups to ensure that all affected residents have opportunities to participate in the planning, design and construction of transportation projects.

Environmental Justice Outreach

Public Involvement in the area of Environmental Justice will be achieved through outreach measures that assure meaningful involvement of minority and low-income populations. This will be achieved through a variety of measures, including but not limited to:

- Obtaining U.S. Census Data and data from the local School District to identify minority and low-income populations to determine impacts during the initial stages of project planning. Further analyze this data using additional sources, including area community, religious, and business associations, school districts, senior citizen groups, and economic development organizations.
- Inviting a cross section of the populace from social, economic, and ethnic groups in the planning process through written information in local newspapers and where possible, minority news media. Create notices that attract attention and are in layman's terms.
- Holding meetings at a variety of times during the day and providing various locations to facilitate access and participation by target populations.
- When necessary, translate documents, notices and hearings for limited English-speaking populations.

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- Document all evidence to support conclusions regarding Environmental Justice issues. Detail all efforts taken to identify minority or low-income populations affected by transportation planning activities.

Title VI Responsibilities

- Comply with Title VI requirements in all aspects of the environmental process, including Environmental Justice and Limited English Proficiency requirements.
- Conduct meetings to review the project impact.
- Disseminate to the public their right to call or write the department to view plans and discuss environmental problems.
- Ensure DBE goal attainment.
- Notify protected group residents of public meetings or hearings regarding a proposed project. Ensure time and location for public meetings or hearings is accessible.
- Ensure participation of all segments of the impacted population in the location selection process.
- Ensure that all federally funded contracts administered by this section have the appropriate Title VI documents enclosed. See Appendix H for these documents.
- Assist the Civil Rights Coordinator in gathering and organizing information for internal annual Title VI Update Reports.

Engineering Services

Engineering Services

Engineering services assess Cattaraugus County's infrastructure and prepares plans for construction, design, and repair. Special efforts will be made to inform members of minority communities of public hearings and other public involvement activities. These efforts include public notices in minority newspapers, when available, and selection of accessible location and time for public hearings or meetings. The County staff person responsible for this is the DPW Commissioner or his or her designee.

Authorities

The following is an abbreviated list of statutes and regulations that Engineering Services must follow in the conduct of its work: Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, Civil Rights Restoration Act of 1987, Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA), National Environmental Protection Act (NEPA), National Historic Preservation Act, New York State Environmental Quality Review Act (SEQRA), Clean Air Act Amendment 1990, New York State Historic Preservation Act, New York State Smart Growth Public Infrastructure Policy Act, Executive Order 12898 Environmental Justice in Minority Populations, Executive Order 13045 Protection of Children from Environmental Health Risks and Safety Risks, New York State Fire Code, Manual of Uniform Traffic Control Devices (MUTCD), New

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York State Vehicle & Traffic Law,; Title 23, U.S.C 109(d), 14(a), 217, 315 and 402(a); 23 CFR 1204.4; 23 CFR 771; EO 12898; 49 CFR 1.48(b)(33) and 1.48(c)(2); among others.

Design Process

Economic, social, topographic, and environmental impacts of a proposed project are key factors weighed in the location consideration. Special efforts in the area of Environmental Justice will be made to inform members of minority communities of public hearings and other public involvement activities. These efforts include public notices in minority newspapers and selection of accessible location and time for public hearings or meetings.

Construction Engineering

Construction engineering deals with the designing, planning, construction, and management of infrastructures such as highways, bridges, airports, railroads, buildings, and utilities. Special efforts will be made to inform members of minority communities of public hearings and other public involvement activities. These efforts include public notices in minority newspapers and selection of accessible location and time for public hearings or meetings.

Authorities

The following is an abbreviated list of statutes and regulations that Engineering Services must follow in the conduct of its work: Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, Civil Rights Restoration Act of 1987, Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA), National Environmental Protection Act (NEPA), National Historic Preservation Act, New York State Environmental Quality Review Act (SEQRA), Clean Air Act Amendment 1990, New York State Historic Preservation Act, New York State Smart Growth Public Infrastructure Policy Act, Executive Order 12898 Environmental Justice in Minority Populations, Executive Order 13045 Protection of Children from Environmental Health Risks and Safety Risks, New York State Fire Code, Manual of Uniform Traffic Control Devices (MUTCD), New York State Vehicle & Traffic Law, , among others.

Construction Process

Construction Engineering is responsible for new construction and maintaining Cattaraugus County roads and bridges by using the resources of contractors, equipment, and materials in the most economic way. Construction Engineering provides guidance and oversight for the administration of transportation construction projects. Special efforts will be made to inform members of minority communities of public hearings and other public involvement activities. These efforts include public notices in minority newspapers and selection of accessible location and time for public hearings or meetings.

Title VI Responsibilities

- Ensure that all aspects of the location selection process comply with the Title VI requirements.
- Consult and seek input from affected populations.
- Develop mechanisms to identify affected populations.
- Provide notice of public meetings in minority newspapers and newsletters when appropriate.

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- Maintain required Title VI compliance documentation and statistical data. Gather statistical data on race, color, national origin, age, disability, gender, income, and English proficiency for program requirements.
- Ensure through reviews that prime contractors with DBE requirements award previously committed work to proper DBEs and that DBEs actually perform commercially useful functions on contracts.
- Assist the Civil Rights Coordinator in gathering and organizing information for internal annual Title VI Update Reports.

Right-of-Way

Right-of-Way Programming

Right-of-way programming involves monitoring and administering construction and obstructions in the right-of-way. Right-of-Way programming is handled by the Cattaraugus County Department of Public Works and involves inspections and compliance measures in the right-of-way. The County staff person responsible for this is the DPW Commissioner or his or her designee.

Authorities:

The following is an abbreviated list of statutes and regulations that Engineering Services must follow in the conduct of its work: Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, Civil Rights Restoration Act of 1987, Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA), National Environmental Protection Act (NEPA), National Historic Preservation Act, New York State Environmental Quality Review Act (SEQRA), Clean Air Act Amendment 1990, New York State Historic Preservation Act, New York State Smart Growth Public Infrastructure Policy Act, Executive Order 12898 Environmental Justice in Minority Populations, Executive Order 13045 Protection of Children from Environmental Health Risks and Safety Risks, New York State Fire Code, Manual of Uniform Traffic Control Devices (MUTCD), New York State Vehicle & Traffic Law, 23 CFR 130, 49 CFR 24, among others.

Acquisition Process

The guidelines in the NYS Highway Law, NYSDOT Procedures for Locally Administered Federal Aid Projects, and Eminent Domain Procedure Law are followed for property acquisition as well as all applicable laws and regulations, including Title VI and Section 504. The right of way acquisition process entails appraisal of property, negotiation of terms and conditions for acquisition, and assistance in the relocation of displaced individuals, businesses, farm operations, nonprofit organizations, and property management.

Title VI Responsibilities

- Implement Title VI provisions within the real estate acquisition process.
- Incorporate Title VI language and assurance statements in all surveys of property owners and tenants after the conclusion of all business. Coordinate the preparation of deeds, permits and leases to ensure the inclusion of the appropriate clauses, including Title VI Assurances.

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- Ensure that appraised values and communications associated with the appraisal and negotiation operations result in equitable treatment.
- Ensure comparable replacement dwellings are available and assistance is given to all displaced persons and entities by the property acquisition process.
- Maintain statistical data including race, color, national origin, age, disability, gender, income, and English proficiency on all relocatees affected by federally funded projects.
- Assist the Civil Rights Coordinator in gathering and organizing information for internal annual Title VI Update Reports.

Contract Compliance

Contract Compliance

Contract compliance ensures that that Cattaraugus County's contractors are complying with standards regarding nondiscrimination and equal opportunity employment. It includes provisions that Cattaraugus County may not discriminate in any programs or services on the basis of race, color, national origin, age, disability, gender, income or English proficiency; must accept applications from women and minorities; must solicit bids for contract work from Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) businesses; and follow fair hiring, retention, and promotion policies. The County staff person responsible for this is the DPW Commissioner or his or her designee.

Authorities:

The following is an abbreviated list of statutes and regulations that Engineering Services must follow in the conduct of its work: Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, Civil Rights Restoration Act of 1987, Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA), National Environmental Protection Act (NEPA), National Historic Preservation Act, New York State Environmental Quality Review Act (SEQRA), Clean Air Act Amendment 1990, New York State Historic Preservation Act, New York State Smart Growth Public Infrastructure Policy Act, Executive Order 12898 Environmental Justice in Minority Populations, Executive Order 13045 Protection of Children from Environmental Health Risks and Safety Risks, New York State Fire Code, Manual of Uniform Traffic Control Devices (MUTCD), New York State Vehicle & Traffic Law, NYS Civil Service Law, Cattaraugus County Civil Service Law, Rules of the Classified Service of Cattaraugus County, among others.

Title VI Responsibilities

- Include Title VI special provisions in the federal-aid contracts. Award of construction contracts shall be granted on the basis of the lowest responsible bidder including DBE requirements.
- Assist the Civil Rights Coordinator in gathering and organizing information for internal annual Title VI Update Reports.

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SUPPLEMENTAL TITLE VI PROVISIONS (CIVIL RIGHTS ACT)

(To be included in all Federal Aid contracts)

During the performance of this contract, the contractor, for itself, its assignees and successors in interest (hereinafter referred to as the "contractor") agrees as follows:

- (1) <u>Compliance with Regulations</u>: The contractor shall comply with the Regulation relative to nondiscrimination in Federally assisted programs of the Department of Transportation of the United States, Title 49, Code of Federal Regulations, Part 21, and the Federal Highway Administration (hereinafter "FHWA") Title 23, Code of Federal Regulations, Part 200 as they may be amended from time to time, (hereinafter referred to as the Regulations), which are herein incorporated by reference and made a part of this contract.
- (2) <u>Nondiscrimination</u>: The Contractor, with regard to the work performed by it during the contract, shall not discriminate on the grounds of race, religion, age, color, sex or national origin, sex, age, and disability/handicap in the selection and retention of subcontractors, including procurements of materials and leases of equipment. The contractor shall not participate either directly or indirectly in the discrimination prohibited by 49 CFR, section 21.5 of the Regulations, including employment practices when the contract covers a program set forth in Appendix B of the Regulations.
- (3) <u>Solicitations for Subcontractors, Including Procurements of Materials and Equipment</u>: In all solicitations either by competitive bidding or negotiation made by the contractor for work to be performed under a subcontract, including procurements of materials or leases of equipment, each potential subcontractor or supplier shall be notified by the contractor of the contractor's obligations under this contract and the Regulations relative to nondiscrimination on the grounds of race, color, or national origin, sex, age, and disability/handicap.
- (4) <u>Information and Reports</u>: The contractor shall provide all information and reports required by the Regulations or directives issued pursuant thereto, and shall permit access to its books, records, accounts, other sources of information, and its facilities as may be determined by NYSDOT or the FHWA to be pertinent to ascertain compliance with such Regulations, orders and instructions. Where any information required of a contractor is in the exclusive possession of another who fails or refuses to furnish this information the contractor shall so certify to NYSDOT's Office of Civil Rights or FHWA, as appropriate, and shall set forth what efforts it has made to obtain the information.

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- (5) <u>Sanctions for Noncompliance</u>: In the event of the contractor's noncompliance with the nondiscrimination provisions of this contract, NYSDOT shall impose such contract sanctions as it or the FHWA may determine to be appropriate, including, but not limited to:
 - a) Withholding of payments to the contractor under the contract until the contractor complies; and/or
 - b) Cancellation, termination or suspension of the contract, in whole or in part.
- (6) Incorporation of Provisions: The contractor shall include the provisions of paragraphs (1) through (6) in every subcontract, including procurements of materials and leases of equipment, unless exempt by the Regulations, or directives issued pursuant thereto.

The contractor shall take such action with respect to any subcontractor procurement as NYSDOT or the FHWA may direct as a means of enforcing such provisions including sanctions for non-compliance: Provided, however, that in the event a contractor becomes involved in, or is threatened with, litigation with a subcontractor or supplier as a result of such direction, the contractor may request NYSDOT to enter into such litigation to protect the interests of NYSDOT, and, in addition, the contractor may request the United States to enter into such litigation to protect the interests of the United States.

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The following clauses will be included in deeds effecting or recording the transfer of real property, structures, or improvements thereon, or granting interests when Federal aid is utilitized, pursuant to the provisions of the Title VI Assurances.

GRANTING CLAUSE

NOW, THEREFORE, the Department of Transportation as authorized by law and upon the condition that the (*Title of Recipient*) will accept title to the lands and maintain the project constructed thereon in accordance with (*Name of Appropriate Legislative Authority*), the Regulations for the Administration of Federal Highway Program, and the policies and procedures prescribed by the Federal Highway Administration of the Department of Transportation in accordance and in compliance with all requirements imposed by Title 49, Code of Federal Regulations, Department of Transportation, Subtitle A, Office of the Secretary, Part 21, Non-discrimination in Federally-assisted programs of the Department of Transportation pertaining to and effectuating the provisions of Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 (78 Stat. 252; 42 U.S.C. § 2000d to 2000d-4), does hereby remise, release, quitclaim and convey unto the (*Title of Recipient*) all the right, title and interest of the Department of Transportation in and to said lands described in Exhibit "A" attached hereto and made a part hereof.

HABENDUM CLAUSE

TO HAVE AND TO HOLD said lands and interests therein unto (<u>Title of Recipient</u>) and its successors forever, subject, however, to the covenants, conditions, restrictions and reservations herein contained as follows, which will remain in effect for the period during which the real property or structures are used for a purpose for which Federal financial assistance is extended or for another purpose involving the provision of similar services or benefits and will be binding on the (<u>Title of Recipient</u>), its successors and assigns.

The (<u>Title of Recipient</u>), in consideration of the conveyance of said lands and interests in lands, does hereby covenant and agree as a covenant running with the land for itself, its successors and assigns, that (1) no person will on the grounds of race, color, or national origin be excluded from participation in, be denied the benefits of, or be otherwise subjected to discrimination with regard to any facility located wholly or in part on, over, or under such lands hereby conveyed [,] [and]* (2) that the (<u>Title of Recipient</u>) will use the lands and interests in lands and interests in lands so conveyed, in compliance with all requirements imposed by or pursuant to Title 49, Code of Federal Regulations, Department of Transportation, Subtitle A, Office of the Secretary, Part 21, Non-discrimination in Federally-assisted programs of the Department of Transportation, Effectuation of Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, and as said Regulations and Acts may be amended, and (3) that in the event of breach of any of the above-mentioned non-discrimination conditions, the Department will have a right to enter or re-enter

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said lands and facilities on said land, and that above described land and facilities will thereon revert to and vest in and become the absolute property of the Department of Transportation and its assigns as such interest existed prior to this instruction.*

(*Reverter clause and related language to be used only when it is determined that such a clause is necessary in order to effectuate the purpose of Title VI.)

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The following clauses will be included in deeds, licenses, leases, permits, or similar instruments entered into by the (*Title of Recipient*) pursuant to the provisions of the Title VI Assurances.

- A. The (grantee, lessee, permittee, etc. as appropriate) for himself/herself, his/her heirs, personal representatives, successors in interest, and assigns, as a part of the consideration hereof, does hereby covenant and agree [in the case of deeds and leases add "as a covenant running with the land"] that:
 - 1. In the event facilities are constructed, maintained, or otherwise operated on the property described in this (deed, license, lease, permit, etc.) for a purpose for which a Department of Transportation activity, facility, or program is extended or for another purpose involving the provision of similar services or benefits, the (grantee, licensee, lessee, permittee, etc.) will maintain and operate such facilities and services in compliance with all requirements imposed by the Acts and Regulations (as may be amended) such that no person on the grounds of race (equates to minority), color, national origin, sex, age, disability, low-income, or LEP will be excluded from participation in, denied the benefits of, or be otherwise subjected to discrimination in the use of said facilities.
- B. With respect to licenses, leases, permits, etc., in the event of breach of any of the above Non-discrimination covenants, (*Title of Recipient*) will have the right to terminate the (lease, license, permit, etc.) and to enter, re-enter, and repossess said lands and facilities thereon, and hold the same as if the (lease, license, permit, etc.) had never been made or issued.*
- C. With respect to a deed, in the event of breach of any of the above Non-discrimination covenants, the (*Title of Recipient*) will have the right to enter or re-enter the lands and facilities thereon, and the above described lands and facilities will there upon revert to and vest in and become the absolute property of the (*Title of Recipient*) and its assigns.*

(*Reverter clause and related language to be used only when it is determined that such a clause is necessary to effectuate the purpose of Title VI.)

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The following clauses will be included in deeds, licenses, permits, or similar instruments/ agreements entered into by (*Title of Recipient*) pursuant to the provisions of the Title VI Assurances.

- A. The (grantee, licensee, permittee, etc., as appropriate) for himself/herself, his/her heirs, personal representatives, successors in interest, and assigns, as a part of the consideration hereof, does hereby covenant and agree (in the case of deeds and leases add, "as a covenant running with the land") that (1) no person on the ground of race (equates to minority), color, national origin, sex, age, disability, low-income, or LEP will be excluded from participation in, denied the benefits of, or be otherwise subjected to discrimination in the use of said facilities, (2) that in the construction of any improvements on, over, or under such land, and the furnishing of services thereon, no person on the ground of race, color, or national origin, sex, age, disability, low-income, or LEP will be excluded from participation in, denied the benefits of, or otherwise be subjected to discrimination, (3) that the (grantee, licensee, lessee, permittee, etc.) will use the premises in compliance with all other requirements imposed by or pursuant to the Acts and Regulations, as amended, set forth in this Assurance.
- B. With respect to (licenses, leases, permits, etc.), in the event of breach of any of the above Non-discrimination covenants, (*Title of Recipient*) will have the right to terminate the (license, permit, etc., as appropriate) and to enter or re-enter and repossess said land and the facilities thereon, and hold the same as if said (license, permit, etc., as appropriate) had never been made or issued.*
- C. With respect to deeds, in the event of breach of any of the above Non-discrimination covenants, (<u>Title of Recipient</u>) will there upon revert to and vest in and become the absolute property of (<u>Title of Recipient</u>) and its assigns.*

(*Reverter clause and related language to be used only when it is determined that such a clause is necessary to effectuate the purpose of Title VI.)

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The following language will be included in all federal aid contracts:

During the performance of this contract, the contractor, for itself, its assignees, and successors in interest (hereinafter referred to as the "contractor") agrees to comply with the following non-discrimination statutes and authorities; including but not limited to:

- Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 (42 U.S.C. § 2000d *et seq.*, 78 stat. 252), (prohibits discrimination on the basis of race, color, national origin); and 49 CFR Part 21;
- The Uniform Relocation Assistance and Real Property Acquisition Policies Act of 1970, (42 U.S.C. § 4601), (prohibits unfair treatment of persons displaced or whose property has been acquired because of Federal or Federal-aid programs and projects);
- Federal-Aid Highway Act of 1973, (23 U.S.C. § 324 *et seq.*), (prohibits discrimination on the basis of sex);
- Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, (29 U.S.C. § 794 *et seq.*), as amended, (prohibits discrimination on the basis of disability); and 49 CFR Part 27;
- The Age Discrimination Act of 1975, as amended, (42 U.S.C. § 6101 *et seq.*), (prohibits discrimination on the basis of age);
- Airport and Airway Improvement Act of 1982, (49 USC § 471, Section 47123), as amended, (prohibits discrimination based on race, creed, color, national origin, or sex);
- The Civil Rights Restoration Act of 1987, (PL 100-209), (Broadened the scope, coverage and applicability of Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, The Age Discrimination Act of 1975 and Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, by expanding the definition of the terms "programs or activities" to include all of the programs or activities of the Federal-aid recipients, sub-recipients and contractors, whether such programs or activities are Federally funded or not);
- Titles II and III of the Americans with Disabilities Act, which prohibit discrimination on the basis of disability in the operation of public entities, public and private transportation systems, places of public accommodation, and certain testing entities (42 U.S.C. §§ 12131 -- 12189) as implemented by Department of Transportation regulations at 49 C.F.R. parts 37 and 38;
- The Federal Aviation Administration's Non-discrimination statute (49 U.S.C. § 47123) (prohibits discrimination on the basis of race, color, national origin, and sex);
- Executive Order 12898, Federal Actions to Address Environmental Justice in Minority Populations and Low-Income Populations, which ensures non-discrimination against minority populations by discouraging programs, policies, and activities with disproportionately high and adverse human health or environmental effects on minority and low-income populations;

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- Executive Order 13166, Improving Access to Services for Persons with Limited English Proficiency, and resulting agency guidance, national origin discrimination includes discrimination because of limited English proficiency (LEP). To ensure compliance with Title VI, you must take reasonable steps to ensure that LEP persons have meaningful access to your programs (70 Fed. Reg. at 74087 to 74100);
- Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972, as amended, which prohibits you from discriminating because of sex in education programs or activities (20 U.S.C. 1681 et seq).

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