## AGING AND YOUTH SERVICES DEPARTMENT Mobility Options for Senior Transport

#### .....Giving you the MOST!



Innovations in Transportation and Technology: County Leadership Peer Exchange

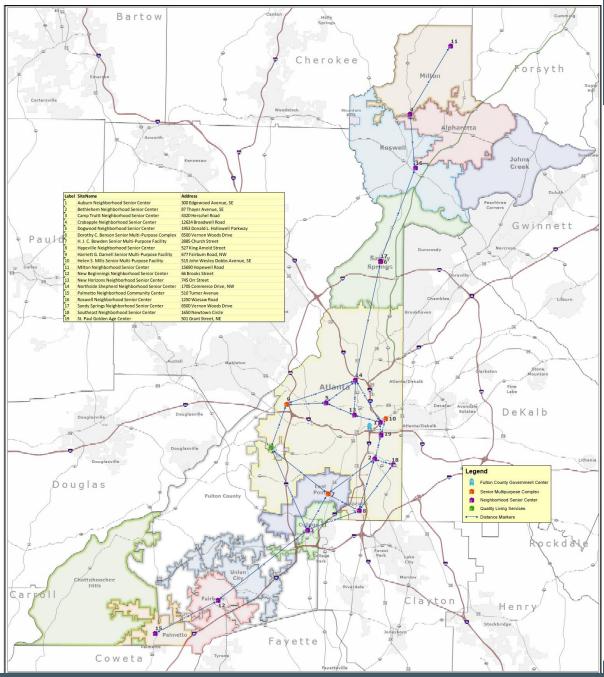




#### Who Are We?

#### Fulton County, Georgia







### **Overview of Transportation Services**

- Center Transportation (Fixed Route or Modified Fixed Route)
  - Neighborhood Senior Centers
  - Behavioral Health Training Centers
  - Adult Day Care Centers
- Group Trips
  - Neighborhood Senior Centers
  - Behavioral Health Training Centers
  - Adult Day Care Centers
- Non-Emergency Medical Transportation
  - Routine (Subscription)
  - Demand Response
    - Medical Appointments
    - Grocery Shopping, Social Activities, "Short" Trips within the community



#### Service Delivery Models

- Direct Service Owned the vehicles and employed Operators
- Hybrid County owned Vehicles/County Employees Managed Operations/Staffed by Private Non-profit
- Direct Contract County issued RFP to select a service provider and manage contract
- Coordinated Transportation with DHS Intergovernmental Agreement with DHS – DHS selects multiple service providers – DHS managers contracts – County provides funding
- Direct Contract/Coordinated Transportation with DHS County is the service provider – County selects vendor and manages contract – DHS provides funding



#### Background of the Uber Pilot Program

- Originated from Senior Participants
- Pilot Program: started with one Senior Multipurpose Center using smartphones
- Beta Program: Introduced Uber Central;
   online software
- Trial Program: Opened to remaining Senior Multipurpose Centers



#### Lessons Learned

- Demand Response vs. Appointments
- Establish Ridership Orientation
- Cost Share
- Negotiate Surges
- Carpool
- Progressing Systems Didn't Align
- Huge Administrative Overhead



#### **Uber Pilot Program Statistics**

#### 17 Weeks

30 Riders

854 Trips (One-Way)

4.6 Average Miles per Trip

21 minutes per trip on average



# Enhanced Benefits of the Uber Service

- Individualized Service
- Much shorter wait times for return rides
- □ No need for up to 2-week advance trip reservations
- Intergenerational Interaction
- Possible Employment for senior, as drivers



**Uber Pilot Program Costs** 

#### Total Cost: \$7,626.83

#### Cost per Hour: \$25.48

#### Contractor Cost per Hour: \$48.02

Savings: 47%



#### What's Next

- Identify a partner that is providing this type of service (GoGoGrandparent.com)
- Enter into a contract with the partner to manage the scheduling, payment of the TNC, and a 6-month Pilot Cost Share system to gather data and determine its viability
- Administer the contract, as we do other contracted services
- Review the data from the Cost Share Pilot to determine its viability



### **Questions/Reflections**

