Louisiana Department of Public Safety and Corrections, Public Safety Services Public Notice of Title VI Program Rights

The Louisiana Department of Public Safety and Corrections, Public Safety Services (LA DPS PSS) gives notice that it is the policy of all LA DPS PSS Offices to assure compliance with the following Federal acts and regulation:

- Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, which prohibits discrimination based on race, color, or national origin (including limited English proficiency).
- Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, which prohibits discrimination based on disability.
- Title IX of the Education Amendments Act of 1972, which prohibits discrimination based on sex in education programs or activities.
- Age Discrimination Act of 1975, which prohibits discrimination based on age.
- U.S. Department of Homeland Security regulation 6 C.F.R. Part 19, which prohibits discrimination based on religion in social service programs.

Any person who believes they have, individually or as a member of any specific class of persons, been subjected to discrimination on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, age, disability, income level, or Limited English Proficiency has the right to file a formal complaint. Complaints should be filed using the *Title VI and Related Authorities Complaint Form* and submitted within one hundred eighty (180) days following the date of the alleged discriminatory occurrence. All complaint forms must be signed.

Complaints may be filed in person with the Title VI Coordinator, Compliance Programs Section, Office of Legal Affairs at 7979 Independence Blvd., Ste. 307, Baton Rouge, LA. Complaints may also be submitted via email to: PSS.CPS@LA.GOV. Mail pertaining to Title VI may be sent to: LA DPS PSS Title VI Coordinator, Compliance Programs Section, Office of Legal Affairs, P.O. Box 66614, Box B-4, Baton Rouge, LA 70896-6614. For questions regarding Title VI Complaints, please call 225-925-6103.

Please note, LA DPS PSS strictly prohibits retaliation against any individual who reports discrimination or harassment, participates in an investigation of a complaint, or who otherwise acts to enforce non-discriminatory practices. If you feel you are victim of retaliation, please contact the Title VI Coordinator immediately at 225-925-6103.