Transportation Department

New CATS Vehicle By Louis Friend, Transit Coordinator/Emergency Planner

On March 22, 2021, Chickaloon Area Transit System purchased a 2021 Ford Transit All wheel drive van through a Federal Transportation Administration (FTA) grant. The van has seating for 11 plus the driver and space in the back for other items such as grocers, mobility aids (not Wheelchairs), car seats, and similar items. This van sets just low enough to make an entry for all ages much more pleasant. CATs drivers have already observed the full-length running board should be a great benefit to access and egress the van.



The ride will be smooth, enjoyable, and relaxing. There is AC & heat throughout the cabin so no one is left uncomfortable during their ride. Riders will notice USB ports in various locations in the cabin to plug in their cell phones. The one over-the-top feature is the automatic door into the passenger's cabin. This feather will allow drivers and passengers to keep social distancing while adding ease of entry and exit for our riders.