

## State of Georgia Department of Administrative Services State Purchasing Division

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**TO:** Local political subdivision participants of the State's Purchasing Card Program with Bank of America, N.A.

## RE: Revised payout to local political subdivisions for purchasing card rebate

The Department of Administrative Services (DOAS) State Purchasing Division (SPD) is announcing an update to the payout of purchasing card (p-card) rebates. Due to a change in the rebate structure paid by Bank of America, DOAS will implement a similar payout structure to local political subdivision program participants beginning FY22, which runs July 1, 2021, through June 30, 2022.

The following tables provides a summary of the updated payout calculation:

	Notes	Standard Volume Rate*	Partner Programs Volume* Rate	Large Ticket Interchange* Volume Rate
Through FY21	Partner Programs Volume was included in the standard volume rate. It was not a separate category.	.5% - 1.4%	.5% - 1.4%	.75%
Beginning FY22	Partner Program Volume paid at same rate at Large Ticket Interchange Volume	.5% - 1.4%	.75%	.75%

\* **Partner Programs Volume (PPV)**: Alternative interchange rates negotiated by major retailers/suppliers (e.g., Amazon, Walmart, etc.) to increase card acceptance.

\* **Large Ticket Interchange (LTV)**: Alternative interchange rates for large ticket transactions to encourage card acceptance with merchants. For Visa, LTI includes individual transactions greater than \$7,755.

\* **Standard Volume Rate** tiers are based on total p-card spend, including PPV and LTV spend.

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SPD will be conducting a webinar to review these changes. Please register here to attend.

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