

**1. What is Transparency and what does MATA stand for?**

“Transparency” and “MATA” are interchangeable terms referring to the Mississippi Accountability and Transparency Act of 2008 (MATA), passed by the 2008 Regular Session of the Mississippi Legislature (Section 27-104-3, of the Mississippi Code of 1972, as amended). In response to the Transparency legislation, the Department of Finance and Administration (DFA) has created a public access website to display state agency expenditures and other information beginning with Budget Year 2009.

**2. Where can I get more information relating to the Mississippi Accountability and Transparency Act of 2008?**

Visit the MMRS website to view additional information pertaining to the Mississippi Accountability and Transparency Act at <http://www.dfa.ms.gov/dfa-offices/mmrs/mmrs-applications/transparency/>

Other Related Links:

The Department of Finance and Administration Website  
<http://www.dfa.state.ms.us/>

**3. What is the web address of the Transparency website?**

Transparency information is accessible via the web at:  
<http://www.transparency.mississippi.gov/>.

**4. Are a user name and password required to access the Transparency information?**

No. A user name and password are not required for viewing Transparency data.

**5. Who may I contact if I have questions?**

Please contact the MMRS Call Center by phone at 601-359-1343 or by email at [mash@dfa.ms.gov](mailto:mash@dfa.ms.gov) if you need assistance.