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Welcome to Tampa and the 48th National Meeting and Training Conference!

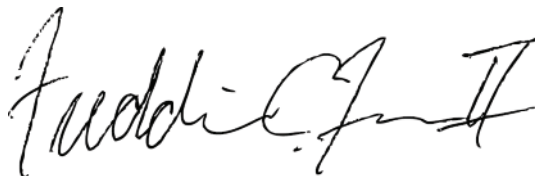
We have an exciting four days planned. Appropriately themed, **Intelligent Mobility — Transforming the Future of Transportation: Automated, Integrated & Data-Driven**, our conference will address some of our industry's most critical issues. There will be 40 workshops, distinguished speakers, plenary sessions, a youth symposium, scholarship luncheon, and so much more. Since COMTO is the only meeting that brings together our nation's top minority transportation leaders, we have built in plenty of time for renewing old friendships, making new friends and networking.

A major milestone this year is the 15th Anniversary of our CITY Internship program, which prepares the best and brightest youth to become leaders, decision makers, and change agents in the transportation industry. In 2004, we started our internship program with 27 students in three locations around the country in the Washington, DC/Baltimore region, North Carolina and the San Francisco Bay Area. Today, we have provided internships to more than 350 students in over 22 cities across the country — and the program continues to grow! A special thank you to the Federal Transit Administration for being the initial sponsor of this successful program.

Before I close, I'd like to thank each of you for attending our conference and bringing your expertise to our gathering. You, as industry leaders, have the vision, the knowledge, the wherewithal and the experience to help us pave our way into the future. You are truly our greatest asset today and tomorrow, and we could not accomplish what we do without your support and leadership. Throughout this conference, I ask you to stay engaged, keep us proactive and help us shape the future of transportation.

Enjoy the conference and enjoy Tampa!

Sincerely,



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Dear Friends and Colleagues:

I'd like to personally welcome each of you to the 48th National Meeting and Training Conference. It's an exciting time for COMTO as we continue to grow and always remain adaptable, motivated and responsive to our industry's needs.

This year's theme, **Intelligent Mobility — Transforming the Future of Transportation: Automated, Integrated & Data-Driven**, promises to challenge us as we focus on how technical innovations will affect everything from accessibility to contracting to policy and leadership. We will explore this theme in a number of different ways — in our workshops, panel discussions, plenary and keynote sessions, tech tours, exhibits and meetings. We'll also celebrate and network with our award ceremony and social events. We will also be celebrating the 15th anniversary of our CITY Internship Program, where we've provided more than 350 minority college students in 22 cities nationwide with a unique opportunity to gain professional and practical experience in the transportation industry.

The world of transportation is an exciting area in which to work, and we'll continue to meet and bring inspired people together in forums like this to ensure COMTO and its membership remain at the forefront of the industry. I'd like to thank everyone involved in this year's conference, including our host chapter, our Board of Directors, committee members, staff, industry partners and sponsors.

As the nation's only multi-model advocacy organization and membership association for minority professionals and businesses in the transportation industry, our pledge is to offer legislative advocacy, information sharing, training, education, and professional development to help groom the next generation of transportation industry professionals and organizations. We thank you all for supporting COMTO as we continue to Move the Nation!

Here's to a great conference!

Sincerely,



A. Bradley Mims
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Welcome to Florida — It is with great pride that the honor of hosting the **48th COMTO National Meeting and Training Conference** was entrusted to the Central Florida Chapter in 2019! We have worked tirelessly over the previous twenty-four (24) months to plan an impactful, enlightening and thought-provoking conference event we hope will send you home buzzing with inspiration and brimming with new ideas to bring back to your organization.

Who We Are — The Central Florida Chapter represents an amalgamation of the region's largest and most influential agencies who deeply affect how seamlessly we move people around the Bay and beyond in central Florida! Our chapter truly embodies a diverse network of multi-modal partnerships which spans across fields that include transit, highway, port, rail, airport, construction, engineering and project management.

Mission of Conference #48 — The focus of this year's conference is how automated, integrated and data-driven systems have served to increase first-mile/last-mile solutions in transit by streamlining processes for our patrons while attracting newcomers to our product. The Intelligent Mobility theme of the 48th conference takes a deeper dive at how the interpretation of rider trend information through system performance metrics and data analytic tools is allowing product suppliers to meet the ever-increasing demands of its superusers through smart, innovative and cutting-edge mobility solutions like vehicle automation, on-demand trip service and the next wave of ride sharing programs.

Programs and Presentations — We have worked very diligently to construct a robust seminar and training program which will hopefully have a lasting impression on you long after you leave. Each day of the conference will be filled with opportunities to take part in influential sessions addressing our industry's most challenging matters. You will participate in presentations that shall serve to teach, lead and empower, and will listen to thought-provoking keynote speakers who will inspire us to think differently and embrace new ideas. There will be ample chances to connect with others and grow your network all throughout, so keep your business cards close by and be ready to interact with your colleagues and mingle with some of the industry's best of the best!

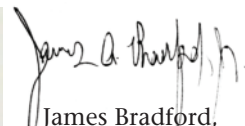
Explore the Area — We hope while you're here, you'll have an opportunity to explore the Tampa Bay and Saint Petersburg area with its beautiful views of the Bay and Gulf but don't forget your shades because it stays quite sunny in central Florida. Keep your conference badge handy and display it onboard the bus or streetcar to take public transportation for free while you explore downtown Tampa, Channelside Drive, Harbor Island and the Historic Ybor City. Sign up for the guest tour and take a trip to America's #1 beach in Clearwater and plan a fun day in the sun with your toes in the sand! Look for display signs near the registration tables for opportunities to enjoy the nightlife including an outing to the Ybor City Jazz Club among other fun events!

Our Conference Goal — is quite simply to leave you informed, enlightened, fulfilled, tired but still wanting more by the time it's all over. We hope you leave Tampa knowing more people than whence you came, having made more connections, created more pathways and hopefully discovered many more opportunities to grow. Our hope is that you're completely motivated to take on your world back home and for us to know that in some small way, we hopefully played a part in that!



Carla M. Williams
Carla Williams,
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19th District



Greetings,

On behalf of the constituents of Senate District 19 – Hillsborough and Pinellas County, we welcome the 48th National Conference of Minority Transportation Officials (COMTO) and guests to the Tampa Bay area. This annual meeting and training opportunity provides a robust series of days focusing on education, networking, and leadership experiences. The City of Tampa is honored to have been chosen as the host city.

The theme of *“Intelligent Mobility – Transforming the Future of Transportation”* is appropriate for the times we are living in. It is through COMTO’s forward thinking philosophy that members and guests will have an opportunity to explore, embrace, and roundtable the challenging, yet exciting cross-road of technology and transportation.

There is no doubt that this conference will renew passions. Attendees will leave here with a commitment and willingness to support COMTO’s mission of enhancing opportunities and avenues by which minority professionals in the transportation industry can and will participate.

The health and reliability of our local, regional, and statewide infrastructure is extremely important. It is through COMTO’s advocacy efforts that professionals in public transportation, aviation, ports, and rails will have a place at the decision-making table when it comes to employment, funding, and developing innovations which will enable our Florida economy to grow and thrive. Again, thank you for choosing Tampa for this important conference.

Sincerely,

Darryl E. Rouson
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Greetings,

It is a pleasure to welcome you to the **Conference of Minority Transportation Officials National Meeting and Training Conference** on July 12-16, 2019. Held at the Tampa Marriott Water Street Hotel in Tampa, Florida, this important event features the theme ***Intelligent Mobility – Transforming the Future of Transportation***, and includes learning, training, and networking opportunities.



With the motto ***Moving The Nation***, the Conference of Minority Transportation Officials' (COMTO) mission includes ensuring opportunities and maximum participation in the transportation industry for minority individuals, businesses, and communities of color. Founded in 1971, COMTO was established to provide a forum for the transportation industry's minority professionals, and the organization achieves its goals through its dedication to advocacy, information sharing, training, education, and professional development. Tampa is appreciative of the dedication transportation professionals demonstrate and their commitment to ensuring safe travel.

Tampa offers a unique, exciting experience for all its visitors, and our rich history, entertainment venues, museums, parks and restaurants ensure a memorable visit. For those of you who are visiting for the first time, I hope you will have the opportunity to experience the many cultural and historical venues our city has to offer. Whether you visit one of our landmark attractions, ride the streetcar from downtown to Sparkman Wharf and Historic Ybor City, stroll along Tampa's Riverwalk or Bayshore Boulevard, enjoy a meal at one of our fine restaurants, or visit our many first-class parks and shopping areas, we are sure you will find your stay to be an unforgettable experience.

Again, welcome and best wishes for an informative and enjoyable time.

Sincerely,

Jane Castor



Dear Friends:

On behalf of the citizens of the City of St. Petersburg, welcome to Conference of Minority Transportation Officials' National Meeting and Training Conference. We are honored to host this conference in Tampa Bay and welcome attendees from around the United States who are joining us this year.

St. Petersburg has been welcoming visitors to our city and our region for more than a century. While you are here, please explore all we have to offer. In St. Pete you'll find a diverse dining scene, unique craft breweries and a rich cultural arts, including world-class museums and vibrant outdoor murals. Our waterfront park system is unmatched in the United States.

Once again, welcome to Tampa Bay. Enjoy the National Meeting and Training Conference!

Sincerely,


Mayor Rick Kriseman



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July 12, 2019

2019 National Conference
Conference of Minority Transportation Officials



Welcome to the 2019 National Conference of Minority Transportation
Officials (COMTO) –

On behalf of the Pinellas Board of County Commissioners, I extend warm greetings and I'm thrilled that you have selected the Tampa Bay area for your 48th National Meeting and Training Conference.

Your diligent efforts to foster opportunity and full participation of minority individuals and businesses in the transportation industry is appreciated. Thank you as well for supporting the development of forward thinking transportation policies for our communities.

Your leadership is valued and appreciated.

Sincerely,

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June 17, 2019

Dear Peers,

On behalf of the men and women of the Hillsborough Area Regional Transit Authority (HART), it is a pleasure to welcome the Conference of Minority Transportation Officials (COMTO) National Meeting and Training Conference to Tampa.

For nearly 50 years, COMTO has championed the cause of employment diversity, inclusion and contracting opportunities, bringing lasting change throughout the transportation sector.

After decades of service, COMTO continues to transform the industry and so it is fitting this year's conference theme is **Intelligent Mobility** - Transforming the Future of Transportation. Intelligent Mobility embraces the rise of technology and smart innovations, which is paramount to moving transportation forward.

Locally, HART is on the cusp of a substantial transformation, following an overwhelming commitment to transportation from Hillsborough County voters in November 2018.

As HART expands, incorporating Intelligent Mobility and developing a culture of excellence will be central in driving that growth.

HART will remain a champion of diversity and inclusion.

Again, I welcome you all to Tampa, and as a proud COMTO member, I look forward to an enriching program and successful conference.

Respectfully,

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Benjamin T. Limmer, AICP
Chief Executive Officer

July 15, 2019



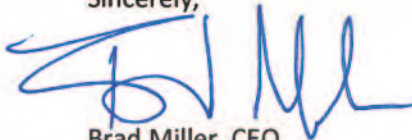
Dear Friends:

I want to welcome everyone attending this year's Conference of Minority Transportation Officials (COMTO) National Annual Meeting. This long running event was created to provide a forum for minority professionals in the transportation industry. COMTO's mission is to ensure opportunities and maximum participation in the transportation industry for minority individuals, businesses, and communities of color, through advocacy, information sharing, training, education, and professional development.

I have been privileged to work with so many outstanding professionals in transportation and I extend my gratitude for COMTO's leadership in building and improving all aspects of transportation. This year's theme ***Intelligent Mobility – Transforming the Future of Transportation*** will embrace the rise of technology and smart innovations and its use for powering the progression of transportation solutions between the decision makers and end-users.

Again, welcome and best wishes for a successful conference.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Brad Miller". The signature is stylized with large, flowing letters.

Brad Miller, CEO
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BAKARI BROCK



Bakari Brock is the Senior Director of City Partnerships at Lyft.

Mr. Brock leads a team of professionals that work cross-functionally to develop, execute, and support public and private partnerships for Lyft and is dedicated to delivering a seamless multimodal transportation experience.

Bakari joined Lyft as Director of Business Development in 2014. He also currently invests and advises in several startups, including Scal.io, Metamason, Rocklive, and the PlumpJack Group.

Prior to joining Lyft, he worked at Twitter as Legal Counsel and later went on to serve as Product and Business Counsel, supporting various areas including media, entertainment and developer partnerships, API platform and engineering, and intellectual property.

Bakari began his career in Silicon Valley at Google where he was corporate counsel for YouTube after practicing as an associate in the intellectual property group of Kilpatrick Stockton — now Kilpatrick Townsend — with a focus on copyright litigation.

He has a degree in banking and finance from the University of Georgia, has dabbled in the music industry as both a performer and artist manager, and is a proud graduate of Harvard Law.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

Thank you to the members of the 2019 COMTO National Conference Program Planning Committee for their hard work and contribution in developing this year's programs including the keynote speaker, plenaries, spotlight sessions, workshops and educational programming.

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2019 YOUTH SYMPOSIUM LUNCHEON FEATURING **DONALD DOWRIDGE JR**



After serving five and one half years in the US Army as a Sergeant, he became the first African-American Manager of the OCR/BCS department within the Tampa, Florida U.S. Post Office. Dowridge retired after eleven and half years.

Donald L. Dowridge, Jr., founder and CEO of DLD (Determined to Learn and Develop) Enterprises (established in 1992). Celebrating twenty-seven years as the ultimate Motivational Guru, DLD is ambitious in creating new dimensions of motivation for those seeking the positive advantages of their life. "Dreams to Reality," that's DLD's Motto! His inspiring messages deliver feasible avenues to the pinnacle of success.

Appearing on Radio & T. V. Talk Shows since 1992, DLD is currently heard on local radio station WMNF 88.5 FM Community Radio (Sundays on "The Urban Café") and N-Touch News Radio daily, hosting the "DLD Motivational Moment."

DLD presents the curriculum, "Altitude of Greatness," that caters to motivating youth and adults to their road of completion as an independent vendor with Hillsborough County Public Schools. DLD continues as an innovative leader with mind-blowing orations throughout America delivering a meaningful message. Two Presidents of the United States have recognized DLD for his commitment to motivating our communities of youth and adults to conquer their best. As Motivational Liaison to Hillsborough & Pinellas County Head Start, WORKNET and Children & Families, DLD optimistically elevates clients, employees and management. DLD has teamed with non-profit organizations, universities, business, prisons and religious groups alike.

This talented entrepreneur has written motivational columns for several local and has been featured in many newspapers and magazines. "The Power of Being a Winner" was his thirteenth book and appeared at Number #1. 2010 saw the inception of the "Dr. MLK, Jr. Tribute Museum." The Museum has been gleefully loaned to several libraries in the Tampa Bay Region. In 2015 Dowridge was the Keynote Speaker for The St. Petersburg Urban League's MLK, Jr. Day of Service Event at PTEC. In 2016 Dowridge reigned as Master of Ceremony for Celebration of KING. DLD has facilitated seminars on Dr. King at Hillsborough County Public Libraries throughout Florida.

DLD has appeared in numerous professional plays, primetime television, the HBO Original Series, "The Wire," and "Abolitionist Frederick Douglass."

Dowridge received his degree from Tampa College in Marketing Management. He is a proud father and grandfather. He is a member of Bible Based Fellowship Church in Tampa, Florida and is an active member of The 100 Black Men of Tampa Bay, Hillsborough County Public School Black History Committee, and The Hillsborough County Chapter of ASALH.

GENERAL INFORMATION

ABOUT COMTO

Founded in 1971, the Conference of Minority Transportation Officials (COMTO) was created to provide a forum for minority professionals in the transportation industry.

COMTO's mission is to ensure opportunities and maximum participation in the transportation industry for minority individuals, businesses, and communities of color, through advocacy, information sharing, training, education, and professional development.

The organization membership includes individuals, groups, transportation agencies, private sector corporations, non-profit organizations, and Historically Underutilized Businesses (HUBs).



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**LOCATION: Second Floor,
Grand Ballroom Foyer**

SUNDAY, JULY 14

9:05 AM - 10:45 AM

Ribbon Cutting/ Continental Breakfast

11:45 AM - 1:00 PM

Exhibit Gallery Lunch

2:00 PM - 2:45 PM

Exhibit Gallery Networking Break

3:45 PM - 4:15 PM

Exhibit Gallery Networking Break

6:00 PM - 8:00 PM

Exhibit Gallery Networking Reception

MONDAY, JULY 15

8:00 AM - 6:00 PM

Exhibit Gallery Open

8:00 AM - 8:45 AM

Continental Networking Breakfast

10:30 AM - 12:00 PM

Exhibit Gallery Networking Break

1:30 PM - 2:15 PM

Exhibit Gallery Networking Break

4:30 PM - 6:00 PM

Exhibit Gallery Networking Break /
Closing Prize Drawings

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REGISTRATION HOURS

Location: Second Floor
Convention Registration

Friday, July 12: 5:00 PM – 8:00 PM
Saturday, July 13: 7:00 AM – 6:00 PM
Sunday, July 14: 7:00 AM – 6:00 PM
Monday, July 15: 8:00 AM – 6:00 PM
Tuesday, July 16: 7:00 AM – 6:00 PM

TICKET SALES

If you elected to receive tickets for the Welcome Reception Cruise, Scholarship Luncheon, and Industry Awards events, these will be printed with your registration badge. Additional Tickets can be purchased at the registration desk.

EVALUATION FORMS & SURVEYS

Please let us know how we are doing and the value of this conference. Evaluation forms and surveys will be

emailed to all attendees after the Conference, as well as via the mobile app.

ELECTRONIC DEVICES

While we encourage you to download the 2019 Conference mobile app, as a courtesy to speakers and meeting attendees, **please silence or turn off all electronic devices during sessions.** For important calls and for your own privacy, please step out of the room and away from meeting room doors so you do not disturb fellow members.



The business mission of the
Southeastern Pennsylvania
Transportation Authority (SEPTA)
is to create a diverse and inclusive
organization by attracting and retaining
a highly skilled and versatile workforce
and creating a work environment that
encourages all employees to realize
their full potential.

SYMPOSIUM & WORKSHOPS

COMTO's **Garrett A. Morgan Youth Symposium** honors the legacy of famed African American inventor and entrepreneur Garrett A. Morgan, who revolutionized the transportation industry with the development of the traffic signal. His invention made traveling on roads and highways safe for automobile travelers around the world. Held in coordination with COMTO's annual National Meeting and Training Conference, the Garrett A. Morgan Youth Symposium provides an opportunity for high school and college students to explore the many avenues of transportation and its impact on shaping the global community. Participants will begin their day with a customized SunTrax Tour followed by a day on the campus of Florida Polytechnic University to participate in lively discussions and activities that explore the multi-modal world of transportation—transit, rail, roads and highways, logistics, and railroads—and also learn about the various opportunities and careers in the industry from executives, expert personnel, entrepreneurs, companies that do business in the industry, and college students pursuing careers in transportation.

EMERGING LEADERS WORKSHOP

Emerging Leaders are professionals in one of four tiers of professional development who aspire to produce at the executive levels of either a public or private enterprise within the transportation industry and have demonstrated a commitment to do so in their current role.

The tiers are:

- Entry Level
- Middle Management
- Senior Management
- New Executive

During this workshop, Emerging Leaders will get in-depth answers regarding establishing mentoring relationships, lessons learned from career matriculation, and building a brand within the industry. The workshop will support the first three of four tiers and culminate in a networking reception.

CAREERS IN TRANSPORTATION FOR YOUTH (CITY) INTERNSHIP PROGRAM

COMTO's Careers In Transportation for Youth (CITY) Internship Program is a 10-week paid internship designed for college juniors and seniors with career interests in the transportation industry. Working with their local COMTO Chapter, students are placed in a variety of exciting internship locations, from public transportation agencies to national companies that do business in the industry. The 2019 CITY Intern class features 21 exceptional students represented across eight locations. CITY Interns are invited to participate at COMTO's National Meeting and Training Conference, where they have the opportunity to learn, increase professional development skills, and network with transportation industry professionals. Learn more at <https://comtonational.org/youth-city-internship-program>.

GANNON CONSULT WORKSHOP — LEADING WITH OUR VALUES

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HISTORICALLY UNDERUTILIZED BUSINESS (HUB) FORUM

This session is focused on the Federal Rail Administration (FRA) and the many potential contractual opportunities that a federally-mandated Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) could present for small, minority-owned businesses. We will also view this session as an educational program for our COMTO membership contingent. With the advent of high-speed rail, increased freight and a pending federal infrastructure bill, the FRA can conceivably produce thousands of jobs and contracts with the oversight of a DBE program. Currently, the FRA has the largest budget of all of the multimodal agencies and COMTO views this session as a “call to action” to continue the process that COMTO has legislatively approached for the better part of four years.

RAIL~VOLUTION

Maximizing Transit Investments: Connecting Transit and Land-use for Community Benefit

Transit is a critical component of thriving regions and livable communities. As Americans continue to flock to cities, cities are faced with interrelated issues of density, affordable housing, and access. Making the most of transit infrastructure investments is possible when community benefits are part of the equation. Emerging best practices support using transit investments to catalyze positive community impacts by incorporating land-use considerations that drive community development.

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- *What kinds of public/private partnerships are succeeding?*

Join us to hear from leading edge practitioners and interdisciplinary voices about the connection between transit and land use. This session is brought to you by Rail~Volution, the leading network at the intersection of transit, land-use, and development.

COMTO/APTA ASSEMBLY

The public transportation industry is rapidly transforming from traditional modal systems of the past to one that is focused on an overall integrated mobility approach for the future. As the industry evolves, we must rethink how we approach and assess our workforce needs and prepare differently as our workforce adapts to this new reality. Join APTA, COMTO and industry leaders as we consider how advancing technology, culture change, and a focus on overall mobility management will impact how we recruit, train, and develop public transit's future workforce.

ANNUAL SCHOLARSHIP GOLF TOURNAMENT

Join us at Saddlebrook Resort Golf Course as the COMTO Central Florida hosts the annual scholarship golf tournament, where proceeds raised will be used to support the COMTO Central Florida Scholarship Fund. Golfers will enjoy 18 holes of one of Florida's most picturesque and playable golf courses. One of two Arnold Palmer Signature Golf Courses, the course incorporates rolling fairways and well-maintained greens along with wilderness areas full of cypress, pine and palm trees. Add in their state-of-the-art training facility, Pro Shop and professional instruction, and it's easy to see why Saddlebrook is an unrivaled Florida golf resort.

TECHNICAL TOURS

Tampa International Airport Sky Connect Tour Saturday, July 13, 2019 | 11:00 AM – 2:00 PM

Explore Tampa International Airport's new 2.6 million square foot state-of-the-art Rental Car Center and take a ride on the 1.5 mile automated people mover system, "SkyConnect," which opened February 14, 2018.

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Selmon Extension Project

Saturday, July 13, 2019 | 1:30 AM - 3:00 PM

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Pier 60 at Clearwater Beach

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Spend a day at the beach ranked #1 in the US and named 'Best Beach in America' for the second year in a row! Take in one of the area's most fun filled shopping, dining, and live entertainment destinations at the famous Pier 60 Boardwalk located right on the Gulf!

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Anniversary Networking Reception

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Rail™Volution

3:45 PM – 4:15 PM
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Accessibility Committee

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Legislative Advisory Committee

4:00 PM – 5:00 PM
Treasurer's Training

4:00 PM – 5:45 PM
Historically Underutilized Businesses
Forum

5:00 PM – 6:00 PM
Membership Committee

6:00 PM – 8:00 PM
Exhibit Gallery Welcome Reception

8:00 PM – 11:00 PM
Central Florida Chapter Hospitality
Suite Reception, Sponsored by MV
Transportation

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MONDAY, JULY 15

8:00 AM – 6:00 PM
Registration Open

8:00 AM – 6:00 PM
Exhibit Gallery Open

8:00 AM – 8:45 AM
Continental Networking Breakfast

8:45 AM – 10:30 AM
Opening Plenary Session

10:30 AM – 12:00 PM
Exhibit Gallery Networking Break

12:00 PM – 1:30 PM
Plenary Luncheon

1:30 PM – 2:15 PM
Exhibit Gallery Networking Break

1:30 PM – 2:15 PM
Future COMTO Members Ice Cream Social

2:15 PM – 3:15 PM
WORKSHOP SESSIONS
TRACK 1 - Aviation Panel
TRACK 2 - Driving Business Excellence
TRACK 3 - Nurturing Transit's Pipeline Through Workforce Development
TRACK 4 - Design-Build, Public Involvement & DBE Programs: Proven Formula for Executing a Successful Mega Heavy Highway Project
TRACK 5 - Connected Vehicles in a Connected World

2:30 PM – 4:45 PM
Emerging Leaders Workshop

3:30 PM - 4:30 PM
Scholarship Committee Meeting
Industry Awards Committee Meeting

3:30 PM – 4:30 PM
WORKSHOP SESSIONS
TRACK 1 - Providing Accessibility to Underserved Populations
TRACK 3 - Think and Act Like a Leader!

TRACK 4 - Transforming the Transportation Construction Workforce by Cultivating Community Partnerships and Hiring Locally

4:30 PM – 6:00 PM
Exhibit Gallery Closing and Prize Giveaways

7:00 PM – 11:00 PM
Florida Welcome Reception – Yacht Starship Cruise

TUESDAY, JULY 16

7:00 AM – 6:00 PM
Registration Open

7:00 AM – 7:30 AM
Grab-N-Go Breakfast

7:30 AM – 8:50 AM
COMTO General Membership Meeting

9:00 AM – 10:30 AM
Legislative Plenary Session

10:30 AM – 11:00 AM
Refreshment Break

11:00 AM – 12:00 PM
CITY Intern 2019 Group Presentation

11:00 AM – 12:00 PM
WORKSHOP SESSIONS
TRACK 1 - The Ultimate Urban Circulator: Mobility for All; Accessibility of Autonomous Vehicles
TRACK 2 - DBE/ACDBE Program in Florida: Why it Makes Good Sense!
TRACK 3 - What If we Showed You? Innovation, Connectivity and Equity in Regional Transportation Service
TRACK 4 - Municipal Infrastructure Finance
TRACK 5 - Planning Autonomy with the Passenger in Mind
TRACK 5 - Performance-Based Project Delivery Selection for Highway Design and Construction Projects

12:15 PM – 2:15 PM
National Scholarship Luncheon

2:45 PM – 4:15 PM
COMTO/APTA Assembly

2:45 PM – 3:45 PM
WORKSHOP SESSIONS

TRACK 2 - Small Business Prime (Set Aside) 4 Years Later: How the Game has Changed (and a Look into Future Transformations at Metro)
TRACK 2 - Meeting and Exceeding DBE Goals in the Design Build Environment
TRACK 3 - Leadership: Taking Control of Your Organization's Culture
TRACK 3 - "No" Is a Complete Sentence
TRACK 5 - Drone Technology to Enhance the Transit Experience

4:00 PM – 5:00 PM
WORKSHOP SESSIONS
TRACK 1 - How Express Curbside Roadway Systems Will Transform Airport Passenger Mobility
TRACK 1 - Beacons to the Bus: How Intelligent Technology Solutions Can Improve Access to Transit for People with Disabilities and Beyond
TRACK 3 - Leading by Implementing Innovative Employee Engagement Practices
TRACK 4 - Developing a Collaborative Environment for Transportation Workforce Mobility
TRACK 4 - How to Successfully and Strategically Pass a Sales Tax Referendum
TRACK 5 - Early Lessons in Connected Vehicle Deployment

6:00 PM – 7:00 PM
Pre-Awards Cocktail Hour

7:00 PM – 11:00 PM
Industry Awards Banquet

INTELLIGENT MOBILITY

Transforming the Future of Transportation: Automated, Integrated & Data-driven

Design the schedule that meets your interest and professional focus with programs open to all attendees

TRACK 1

Accessibility and Innovative Mobility

The pace of technological innovation is bringing all kinds of solutions to long-standing challenges in the transportation industry. This progress is breaking down barriers in many ways for people with disabilities, particularly in mobility. Yet, it is important that, as technology and innovation power the solutions of the future, they are fully accessible and inclusive from the onset, so that they promote the best in everyone in our communities. This track will explore technology and innovation and their contributions to a more accessible transportation landscape.

TRACK 2

Historically Underutilized Businesses (MWBEs, DBEs, DVBE and Small Businesses)

This track is targeted toward solutions to “leveling the playing field” for minorities in the transportation industry with special emphasis placed on the advent of autonomous vehicles and where small and minority businesses can play a role in supply, infrastructure connectivity and workforce training.

TRACK 3

Leadership

This track is targeted toward middle, senior and executive level management professionals across all modes of transportation and will provide best practices, guidelines, tips and practical solutions for professional and leadership development.

TRACK 4

Transportation Policy

This track is targeted toward discussions and presentations across all modes of transportation of current and emerging issues in the transportation industry that speak to “Intelligent Mobility” and any policy areas that speaks to automation, integration and data-driven concepts that may/will transform the future of transportation.

TRACK 5

Transportation Technical

This track is targeted toward innovative and cutting-edge case studies, and best practices in the transportation industry. Sessions will include technical content, knowledge and relevant skills the participant will learn and are applicable to the industry. Presentations will demonstrate clear and measurable learning outcomes while providing attendees with the tools for professional growth.

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SATURDAY, JULY 13

7:00 AM – 6:00 PM	Registration Open	<i>Second Floor Convention Registration</i>
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SUNDAY, JULY 14

7:00 AM – 6:00 PM	Registration Open	<i>Second Floor Convention Registration</i>
7:30 AM – 9:00 AM	Ecumenical Service Pastor Michael Neely, New Millennium Church	<i>2nd Floor, Salon D</i>
9:05 AM – 10:00 AM	Exhibit Gallery Ribbon Cutting & Continental Breakfast <i>Sponsored by Pinellas Suncoast Transit Authority</i>	<i>2nd Floor, Grand Ballroom Foyer</i>
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9:30 AM – 11:30 AM	Council of Presidents Meeting <i>Sponsored by Florida Public Transportation Authority</i>	<i>2nd Floor, Grand Salon A & B</i>

10:30 AM – 11:30 AM **WORKSHOP SESSIONS**

TRACK 1 - Accessibility and Innovative Mobility

Sponsored by American Seating Company, 2nd Floor, Salon D

RTD has been engaged in this area for a number of years working on various innovative mobility options and yet providing 100% accessibility. This session will present on the RTD work in this area which includes the first autonomous and accessible shuttle in Colorado in service as a first and last mile connector with the University of Colorado A Line commuter rail service. RTD also recently rebranded the Call-n-Ride service to FlexRide micro-transit which includes a technology app allowing patrons to schedule service in less than a 10-minute window. Our FlexRide micro-transit fleet is 100% accessible. Other pilots will also be discussed in this presentation.

Presenter: Michael Ford, Regional Transportation District (RTD)

TRACK 2 - Best Practices Panel: Diversity and Inclusion in Heavy Highway Construction

Sponsored by Metropolitan Washington Airports Authority, 2nd Floor, Salon G

With billions of dollars anticipated for heavy highway construction in the next 10 years, there will a definite need for more construction companies and workforce in this industry. ARE YOU READY??? This panel discussion of Heavy Highway professionals will provide insight from the Agency/Owner perspective, the Contractor perspective and the Consultant perspective who actively work in the Highway industry. The panel will breakdown “Best Practices and Effective Strategies for Diversity and Inclusion Opportunities in Heavy Highway Industry.”

Panelists: Sandra Norman, Virginia Department of Transportation
Michael Bryant, Texas Department of Transportation
Rita Phillip, Zachry Construction Corporation

Moderator: Angela Roberson, Ferrovia Agroman US

TRACK 2 - Creating Sustainable HUB Program Participation

Sponsored by Genfare, 2nd Floor, Salon H

This workshop will be an interactive discussion about best practices in creating sustainable HUB participation from a public agency, HUB firm, prime contractor and community-based organization perspective.

Panelists: Leslie Jones Sound Transit
Gabrielle Mack, Jacobs
Jonnie Thomas, Triunity Engineering & Management Inc.

Moderator: Brenda Nnambi, Sound Transit

TRACK 3 - A New Era of Leadership in Transportation

Sponsored by Metropolitan Washington Airports Authority, 2nd Floor, Salon I

This is an opportunity to hear from four of the best and brightest leaders in transportation discuss the importance of leadership, adapting to change, and how all of us in the transportation industry must prioritize resources and search for new and innovative transportation solutions that can expand mobility for our communities.

Panelists: Nat Ford, Sr., Jacksonville Transportation Authority
Chris Tomlinson, State Road & Tollway Authority, Georgia
Laura Kelley, Central Florida Expressway Authority

Moderator: Joe Waggoner, Tampa Hillsborough Expressway Authority

TRACK 5 - Innovation in Master Planning to Maximize Stakeholder Input and Support a Major Community Investment Decision

Sponsored by Barclays, 2nd Floor, Salon J

Aviation master plans are normally developed over a 2-year effort with updates addressed every 5-7 years thereafter. But with the City of San Antonio facing record growth in their aviation facilities, they saw the need to update their existing master plan to consider an unusually-long 50-year planning horizon. Facing the challenge of rising passenger numbers, we developed a new path for community engagement and expediting decision-making. Gaining consensus quickly would also mean coming to the table with a strong understanding of the community needs. For that, a master plan team was built that combined national expertise in aviation master plans, with a strong local team that reflected San Antonio's diverse community and had existing relationships in the community. The resulting team well exceeded the City's 8.125% DBE goal, achieving 42% participation. Most of the DBE firms had little or no prior experience on aviation projects. Their participation on the team in meaningful roles has taught them unique aspects of working on aviation projects, built their portfolio, and enhanced their credibility for future aviation projects.

Panelists: Gretchen Roufs, Auxiliary Marketing Services
Tina Millan, WSP USA Inc.
John Van Woensel, WSP USA, Inc.
Lena Camarillo, Poznecki-Camarillo, Inc.

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SUNDAY, JULY 14 (continued)

12:00 PM – 3:00 PM **National Board of Directors Meeting** *2nd Floor, Salon C*
Sponsored by Tampa Hillsborough County Expressway Authority

1:00 PM – 2:00 PM **WORKSHOP SESSIONS**

TRACK 1 - Implementation of Mobility as a Service at TARC — Results. Lessons. Learned

Sponsored by Cubic Transportation Systems, Inc., 2nd Floor, Salon D

Panelists: Ferdinand Risco, Jr., Transit Authority of River City (TARC)
Cleveland Ferguson, Jacksonville Transportation Authority
Anita Griffith, Birmingham Jefferson County Transit Authority
Michael Ford, Regional Transportation District

Moderator: Sumithra Jagannath, ZED Digital

TRACK 2 - Promising Transit Strategies for Workforce Development

Sponsored by Genfare, 2nd Floor, Salon G

In this session, you will learn strategies on how to support small businesses in succeeding and how to mitigate challenges facing our community. By blending a case study approach, we will discuss the state level involvement and key stakeholder engagement for success to strengthen sector partnerships efforts. We will provide best practices to follow and articulate how we can bridge the gap between businesses and communities. Participants will learn important lessons that they can apply to their work in the communities they serve.

Panelists: Lisa Sargent-Davis, HNTB Corporation
Pamela Simon, Illinois Department of Transportation
Dr. Audrey Andrews, HNTB Corporation

Moderator: Kim Slaughter, HNTB Corporation

TRACK 3 - Navigating to Find Your Voice

Sponsored by Parsons, 2nd Floor, Salon H

Progression in leadership levels can be difficult to navigate. Mentorship and succession planning seem like defined paths, but individually it is important to find your own voice to make aspirations and intentions known as you follow through on these goals. This panel will provide practical education from perspectives on an executive, management, and up-and-coming perspective with public and private sector leaders.

Panelists: Joshua Salazar, HDR
Dee Parker, Michigan Department of Transportation
Jerome Brown, HDR

Moderator: Maggie Walsh, HDR

TRACK 3 - Increase Veterans in the Transportation Workforce

Sponsored by Regional Transportation Authority, 2nd Floor, Salon I

Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority (LACMTA) views service men and women, and military spouses as an exceptional talent pool with skills uniquely suited for many of our mission critical occupations. We intend to make LA-METRO an employer of choice by assisting them in applying their skills to civilian jobs. This session sets forth and outlines our approach for employing retired and transitioning service men and women.

Presenter: Dennis Tucker, Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority (LA-Metro)

1:00 PM – 3:00 PM

Gannon Consult Workshop - Leading with our Values

2nd Floor, Meeting Rooms 5 & 6

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Presenter: Dr. Barbara Gannon, Principal, GannonConsult

2:00 PM – 2:45 PM

Exhibit Gallery Networking Break

2nd Floor, Grand Ballroom Foyer

2:45 PM – 3:45 PM

WORKSHOP SESSIONS

TRACK 1 - Innovations in Non-Emergency Medical Transportation

Sponsored by American Seating Company, 2nd Floor, Salon D

In this session, Transdev aims to share how cities (Nebraska, Hawaii, Detroit, San Francisco, Oakland, Pittsburg and more) have improved the quality of shared Non-Emergency Medical Transportation (NEMT) in a time of increased ridership, higher passenger experience and tighter budgets. With the help NEMT, these cities have delivered access to passengers and is helping reimagine mobility for passengers with special needs safely, reliably and with the highest level of customer care.

Panelists: Jamie Chambers, Transdev

TRACK 2 - Tips to Building a Successful Supplier Diversity Program

Sponsored by Barclays, 2nd Floor, Salon G

This presentation deals with how to mobilize companies in building successful historically underutilized business in their future transportation projects.

Presenter: Tyrone Gorham, WSP, USA, Inc.

TRACK 3 - Mental Wellness - Helping Operators Park Troubling Thoughts; Understand the Interrelationship of Safety, Mental Health Abuse in the Transportation Workplace

Sponsored by Regional Transportation Authority, 2nd Floor, Salon H

Creating a healthy work environment that aids employees in the identification of risks factors, and the maximization of appropriate responses in the workplace.

Given that, currently, 1 in 5 U.S. adults (20%) live with a mental illness and less than half of those are getting treatment for their illness, employers are uniquely positioned to early identify and respond to behavioral health issues. An evidence-based, 5-step action plan can be the difference between good mental health and a mental health crisis; 3 of which DO NOT require a call to Human Resources or the Employee Assistance Program (EAP). In this brief session, learn best practices, guidelines, tips and practical solutions for maintaining a mentally healthy workforce – a critical component of your Employee Wellness vision.

Presenters: Levern McElveen, Corporate Consultant

Dr. Grady Dale, Jr. Ed.D, Urban Psychological Services

Gary White, Gary White Training & Consulting, LLC

SUNDAY, JULY 14 *(continued)*

2:45 PM – 3:45 PM **WORKSHOP SESSIONS** *(continued)*

TRACK 5 - Electrified Mobility and Preparing for Next Gen Charging Stations

Sponsored by Parsons, 2nd Floor, Salon J

Zero Emission (ZE) and Electric Vehicles (EVs) are coming and will begin to overtake the Internal Combustion Engine over the next 30 years as ZE/EVs increase their market share as Autonomous and Connected Vehicles. ZE/EVs will perform in ways similar to the current vehicle fleet but will require a wide range of alternative means to recharge/refuel, with broad impacts to roadways, travel demand, public transit, and community planning. A new infrastructure of recharge/refuel systems will be needed to meet expected demands. Public agencies, Utilities, and the Private sector will need to work collaboratively to assist with planning, design, and program management for charging infrastructure that will support the transition to the next generation of commuter and commercial vehicles. A case study will present a regional implementation plan for power and transportation network analysis supporting charging station development to meet the growing demands of electric vehicles.

Presenters: Joshua Salazar, HDR
Michael Ippoliti, HDR

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- *How are Transit Agencies thinking about this relationship, and how are they engaging to take advantage of the land-use opportunities that emerge? What does it take to plan for and achieve better project outcomes?*
- *What kinds of public/private partnerships are succeeding?*

Join us to hear from leading edge practitioners and interdisciplinary voices about the connection between transit and land use. This session is brought to you by Rail~Volution, the leading network at the intersection of transit, land-use, and development.

Panelists: Cassandra Borchers, AICP Chief Development Officer, Pinellas Suncoast Transit Authority, Pinellas County, Florida
Whit Blanton, FAICP, Executive Director, Forward Pinellas (MPO and County Land Use Planning Agency), Pinellas County, Florida
Liz Abernethy, AICP, Director of Planning and Development, City of St. Petersburg, Florida
David Iloanya, Director of Real Estate Development, Tampa Housing Authority, Tampa Bay, FL

Moderator: Adelee LeGrand, Chief Strategy Officer, Transdev North America

3:45 PM – 4:15 PM	Exhibit Gallery Networking Break	<i>2nd Floor, Grand Ballroom Foyer</i>
4:00 PM – 5:00 PM	Treasurer's Training	<i>2nd Floor, Salon A</i>
4:00 PM – 5:45 PM	Historically Underutilized Businesses Forum Federal Rail Administration: Building the Case for a DBE Program <i>Sponsored by Hillsborough, County Aviation Authority 2nd Floor, Meeting Rooms 5 & 6</i> Panelists: Renee Banks, G. W. Peoples Contracting Co., Inc. Rhonda Dews, Federal Rail Administration Terrence Hicks, Metro Strategies, Inc Angela Roberson, Ferrovial Agroman US Mel Clark, G. W. Peoples Contracting Co., Inc. Moderator: Sandy-Michael McDonald, Broward County Office of Economic and Small Business Development (OESBD)	
4:00 PM - 5:00 PM	Committee Advisory Council Meetings Accessibility Committee Meeting Legislative Advisory Committee Meeting	<i>2nd Floor, Salon G</i> <i>2nd Floors Salon J</i>
5:00 PM – 6:00 PM	Membership Committee Meeting	<i>2nd Floor, Salon H</i>
6:00 PM – 8:00 PM	Exhibit Gallery Welcome Reception	<i>2nd Floor, Grand Ballroom Foyer</i>
8:00 PM – 11:00 PM	Central Florida Chapter Hospitality Suite Reception <i>Sponsored by MV Transportation</i>	<i>1st Floor, Il Terrazzo</i>

MONDAY, JULY 15

8:00 AM – 6:00 PM	Registration Open	<i>Second Floor Convention Registration</i>
8:00 AM – 6:00 PM	Exhibit Gallery Open	<i>2nd Floor, Grand Ballroom Foyer</i>
8:00 AM – 8:45 AM	Continental Networking Breakfast	<i>2nd Floor, Grand Ballroom Foyer</i>
8:45 AM – 10:30 AM	Opening Plenary Session <i>Sponsored by AECOM, 2nd Floor, Grand Ballroom E & F</i> Welcome Remarks from: Katherine Anne Castor, U.S. Representative for Florida's 14th Congressional District Secretary Kevin Thibault, Florida Department of Transportation Mayor Rick Kriseman, St. Petersburg, Florida Councilman Luis Viera, Tampa City Council Chairman Commissioner Les Miller, Jr., Hillsborough County BOCC, District 3 Paul P. Skoutelas, APTA CEO Roundtable Panelists: David Gwynn, Florida Department of Transportation District Seven Ben Limmer, Hillsborough Transit Authority Joe Lopano, Tampa International Airport Brad Miller, Pinellas Suncoast Transit Authority Sandy-Michael McDonald, Broward County Office of Economic and Small Business Development (OESBD) Moderator: Melanie Williams, Frontier Communications	

MONDAY, JULY 15 *(continued)*

10:30 AM – 12:00 PM **Exhibit Gallery Networking Break** *2nd Floor, Grand Ballroom Foyer*

12:00 PM – 1:30 PM **Plenary Luncheon** *Sponsored by Hart, 2nd Floor, Grand Ballroom E & F*
Calvin Gladney, CEO, Smart Growth America
 Welcome Remarks from Neil Pederson, Transportation Research Board

1:30 PM – 2:15 PM **Exhibit Gallery Networking Break** *2nd Floor, Grand Ballroom Foyer*

1:30 PM - 2:15 PM **Future COMTO Members Ice Cream Social** *2nd Floor, Salon A&B Foyer*
Co-Sponsored by COMTO National and WSP USA, Inc.

2:15 PM – 3:15 PM **WORKSHOP SESSIONS**

TRACK 1 – Aviation Panel *Sponsored by Dallas/Fort Worth International Airport*

2nd Floor, Meeting Room 5 & 6

A candid look at the future of airports and meeting long-term airport infrastructure needs

Panelists: Mark Gale, Fort Lauderdale-Hollywood Intl. Airport
 Joe Lopano, Tampa International Airport
 Mark Sprague, C.M., St. Pete/Clearwater Airport
 Ricky Smith, BWI Marshall Airport
 Wande Leintu, Metropolitan Washington Airports Authority

Moderator: A. Bradley Mims, Conference of Minority Transportation Officials

TRACK 2 - Driving Business Excellence: Using Leadership and Metrics to Exceed DBE Goals

Sponsored by Cubic, 2nd Floor, Salon G

Panelists: Ken Middleton, Jacksonville Transportation Authority
 Cantrese Jones, Acuity Design Group, INC (ADG)

Moderator: Cleveland Ferguson, Jacksonville Transportation Authority

TRACK 3 - Nurturing Transit's Pipeline Through Workforce Development

Sponsored by CERM, 2nd Floor, Salon H

The transportation industry will change more in the next 10 years than it has in the last 100. Workforce development strategies need to do more than just prepare the workforce for change, C-Suite leadership and HR executives should empower employees to lead the change. This presentation will provide some practical examples that are scalable to any size transit agency to help managers share ownership of the process of technology transforming the industry and its impacts on the workforce. Insights of agency leaders working together with leadership of labor unions to create a robust workforce development program is a key ingredient to any agency's foundation in tackling the challenges that this technology brings. This presentation also considers the impact of generational attitudes toward careers in transit as well as the impact of those dispositions on customer expectations.

Presenters: Jason Montgomery, Jacksonville Transportation Authority
 Kelli O'Leary, Jacksonville Transportation Authority

TRACK 4 - Design-Build, Public Involvement & DBE Programs: Proven Formula for Executing a Successful Mega Heavy Highway Project

Sponsored by Tripshot, 2nd Floor, Salon I

Nationwide, states are increasingly adopting the design-build alternative delivery method as a preferred approach for delivering mega projects in a timely and economically feasible manner. This method is very different from numerous delivery methods that exist in the industry, including the traditional design-bid-build approach that has dominated the heavy highway industry for many years. Design-build presents an innovative way of constructing heavy highways, while also changing the way we develop and implement a Public Involvement Program (PIP) and a Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE), Historically Utilized Business (HUB) or Small Business Enterprise (SBE) Program for these same design-build projects.

This session will discuss the value of using a design-build delivery method on mega heavy highway projects and use a case study to demonstrate how to ensure a successful PIP and HUB program are developed for such projects.

Panelists: Robert Stevens, Pegasus Link Constructors (PLC)
Adrienne Williams, Pegasus Link Constructors (PLC)

Moderator: Ruben Landa, WSP USA, Inc.

TRACK 5 - Connected Vehicles in a Connected World

Sponsored by USSC Group, 2nd Floor, Salon G

Intelligent Transportation Systems (ITS) are rapidly transforming transportation, including public transit. HART subject matter experts will share how Connected Vehicle (CV) technology, a ground-breaking initiative of “intelligent vehicles” can improve safety, operations, and the environmental impact on transportation, and lessons learned based on testing the potentially life-saving technology on its buses and streetcars.

Presenters: Shannon Haney, Hillsborough Area Regional Transit
Steven Johnson, HNTB Corporation
Robert Frey, Tampa Hillsborough Expressway Authority

2:30 PM – 4:45 PM

Emerging Leaders Workshop

Ready, Set...TECH! Embracing Transportation Innovation Trends

Sponsored by LTK Engineering, 2nd Floor, Salon D

During this workshop, Emerging Leaders will hear a keynote speech about how individuals must anticipate and prepare for the speed of change associated with emerging technologies (artificial intelligence, cognitive analytics, blockchain, etc.) that are rapidly becoming part of an increasingly complex transportation environment.

Attendees will participate in an interactive group exercise on the subjects of establishing mentoring relationships, lessons learned from career matriculation, and building a brand within the industry. The workshop will support the four tiers and culminate in a CEO networking reception.

MONDAY, JULY 15 (continued)

3:30 PM – 4:30 PM WORKSHOP SESSIONS

TRACK 1 - Providing Accessibility to Underserved Populations

Sponsored by Keolis, 2nd Floor, Salon G

The Central Florida region has faced challenges with ensuring all citizens have transportation access to community services beyond the fixed route service programs. This panel discussion will explore the innovative programs that bridge the gap and now provide accessibility to those underserved populations.

Panelists: Amna Parson, Pinellas Suncoast Transit Authority
Christopher Cochran, Hillsborough Area Regional Transit Authority
Tomika Monterville, Central Florida Regional Transportation Authority (d.b.a. LYNX)
Ross Silvers, Pinellas Suncoast Transit Authority

Moderator: ReShawn Fields, Atkins North America

TRACK 3 - Think and Act Like a Leader!

Sponsored by USSC Group, 2nd Floor, Salon H

This workshop will examine the mindset and behaviors of the successful leader.

Presenters: Gregory Bradley, Bradley Consulting & Training
Ken Middleton, Jacksonville Transportation Authority
Pryia Jain, Atkins Global

TRACK 4 - Transforming the Transportation Construction Workforce by Cultivating Community Partnerships and Hiring Locally

Sponsored by Clever Devices, 2nd Floor, Salon I

This session showcases a 3-year, community-based, workforce development pilot program created by the Florida Department of Transportation, District 7 (D7), that connects local community members to jobs in the road and bridge industry created by implementation of the Tampa Bay Next program. The program includes interstate modernization projects on I-275, I-4, and I-75 in Pinellas and Hillsborough counties. The pilot program's foundation is premised on leveraging existing community-based partners' workforce readiness programs/services and meeting heavy civil construction industry employment needs for recruitment of laborers by providing skilled training. The two key participants and collaborators include the community and the road and bridge contractor, with FDOT serving as the conduit between the two. The program provides direct economic benefits to communities where D7 is constructing infrastructure projects to help address the construction labor shortage.

Panelists: Grant Cool, The deMoya Group
Anita Lewis, Pinellas County Urban League
Ed McKinney, Florida Department of Transportation, District 7

Moderator: Torey Alston, Florida Department of Transportation

3:30 PM - 4:30 PM	Scholarship Committee Meeting	<i>2nd Floor, Salon E&F</i>
3:30 PM - 4:30 PM	Industry Awards Committee Meeting	<i>2nd Floor, Salon E&F</i>
4:30 PM – 6:00 PM	Exhibit Gallery Closing and Prize Giveaways	<i>2nd Floor, Grand Ballroom Foyer</i>
7:00 PM – 11:00 PM	Florida Welcome Reception – Yacht Starship Cruise <i>Sponsored by HNTB Corporation</i>	

TUESDAY, JULY 16

7:00 AM – 6:00 PM	Registration Open	<i>Second Floor Convention Registration</i>
7:00 AM – 7:30 AM	Grab-N-Go Breakfast	<i>2nd Floor, Foyer</i>
7:30 AM – 8:50 AM	COMTO General Membership Meeting The COMTO General Membership will be voting on the proposed updates to COMTO's National Bylaws. Please be sure to attend the General Membership Meeting and be prepared to vote. (You must be a current COMTO member to vote at General Membership meetings)	<i>2nd Floor, Salon B & C</i>
9:00 AM – 10:30 AM	Legislative Plenary Session Sponsored by WSP USA, Inc. Welcome Remarks: Darryl Rouson, Florida State Senate, District 19 Les Miller, Hillsborough County Board of County Commissioners, District 3 Ken Welch, Pinellas County, Board of County Commissioners, District 7 Jim Tymon, American Association of State Highway and Transportation Officials Panelists: Paul Ajegba, P.E., Michigan Department of Transportation Omer Osman, P.E., Illinois Department of Transportation Dr. Shawn Wilson, Louisiana Department of Transportation & Development Moderator: Rodney Slater, Former Secretary U.S Department of Transportation	<i>2nd Floor, Salon E & F</i>
10:30AM – 11:00 AM	Networking Break	<i>2nd Floor, Foyer</i>
11:00 AM – 12:00 PM	CITY Intern 2019 Group Presentation	<i>Sponsored by Atkins, 3rd Floor, Meeting Rooms 11 & 12</i>
11:00 AM – 12:00 PM	WORKSHOP SESSIONS TRACK 1 - The Ultimate Urban Circulator: Mobility for All; Accessibility of Autonomous Vehicles <i>Sponsored by Keolis, 2nd Floor, Salon C</i> This presentation will demonstrate how other transit agencies can think about their mobility and accessibility challenges in a way that also embraces first mile/last mile issues from planning to design from budget allocation to public private partnerships and from leveraging existing resources to creating community buy in to the importance of increasing mobility and accessibility for all. Autonomous vehicles are the latest futuristic topic for public transit. But are they ready to accommodate everyone? We have seen examples of the prototypes being tested, but the jury is still out on how autonomous these vehicles really are and whether they can be trusted to serve customers with special needs. We will explore this topic with agencies that are currently pursuing this technology. Panelists: Nat Ford, Sr., Jacksonville Transportation Authority Christian Kent, Christian T. Kent, Transit Management Consulting, LLC Christopher Barker, Keolis North America Moderator: Bernard Schmidt, Jacksonville Transportation Authority	

TUESDAY, JULY 16 (continued)

11:00 AM – 12:00 PM **WORKSHOP SESSIONS** (continued)

TRACK 2 - DBE/ACDBE Program in Florida: Why it Makes Good \$ense!

Sponsored by Lynx, 2nd Floor, Salon D

Florida is forecast to reach a \$1 trillion economy in 2019. Over 898 residents per day are moving to Florida which is generating new income. If Florida were a country, it would rank 16th in the world. If you are a small business owner — Florida is the place for you! Florida Unified Certification Program (UCP) offers “one-stop shopping” for all businesses seeking DBE certification in Florida. Florida’s UCP is second to none in the country, with over 3,800 certified DBE firms. Florida has nine (9) certifying members strategically placed throughout the State to make certification decisions on behalf of all recipients in the state, with respect to participation in the U.S. Department of Transportation DBE Program. Florida’s multimodal transportation system includes roadway, air, rail, sea, spaceports, bus transit, and bicycle and pedestrian facilities. This presentation will take an in-depth look into the DBE programs of three Florida agencies representing Federal Highway, Federal Aviation and Federal Transit.

Presenters: Cheryl Hawkins, Tampa International Airport

Ken Middleton, Jacksonville Transportation Authority

Victoria Smith, Florida Department of Transportation

TRACK 3 - What If We Showed You? Innovation, Connectivity and Equity in Regional Transportation Service

Sponsored by CERM, 2nd Floor, Salon G

The world of transport is evolving rapidly, and it is not your Mother’s trains, ports and automobiles anymore. Join this panel to learn more about the best practices and emerging trends in transportation innovation, connectivity and equity. Hear about specific accomplishments and challenges from transportation executives who are leading transformation in the industry’s approaches to infrastructure development, real-time customer service, and economic equity and access. Contribute to a dynamic conversation on the innovation movement in transportation service.

Panelists: Aisha Eccleston, Jacksonville Port Authority (JAXPORT)

Chris Tomlinson, State Road and Tollway Authority

Barbara Davis, Florida’s Turnpike Enterprise

Moderator: Daveitta Knight, Jacobs

TRACK 4 – Municipal Infrastructure Finance

Sponsored by Dallas/Fort Worth International Airport, 2nd Floor, Salon H

Panelists: Warren (Bo) Danels, Jr., Loop Capital

Nadine Mentor, Mentor Holdings & Investments

Natasha Holiday, RBC Capital Markets

Derek, McNeil, Siebert Cisceros Shank & Co., LLC.

Guy Logan, Citi

TRACK 5 - Planning Autonomy with the Passenger in Mind

Sponsored by Tripshot, 2nd Floor, Salon I

In our session, Transdev aims to share the lessons we have learned from our four Autonomous Vehicle deployments in the US (Fort Meyers – FL, Gainesville – FL, Jacksonville – FL, Denver – CO). It has been insightful to learn about how cities envision using Autonomous Vehicles to provide personalized and accessible services to unique passenger communities.

Presenter: Sheena Koshy, Trans Dev

TRACK 5 - Performance-Based Project Delivery Selection for Highway Design and Construction Projects

Sponsored by TransPro Consulting, 2nd Floor, Salon J

This presentation illustrates how project performance compares among the project delivery methods of design-bid-build (D-B-B) and the two alternative methods of design-build (D-B) and construction manager/general contractor (CM/GC) for US highway construction projects. The propensity of use of each delivery method is revealed based on empirical data from over 290 projects completed between 2004-2015. Additionally, this presentation highlights the use and benefits of the Project Delivery Selection Matrix (PDSM) developed for the objective selection of an appropriate delivery method by evaluation of fundamental project characteristics.

Presenters: Arthur Antoine, Shrewsberry
Doug Alleman, University of Colorado, Boulder

12:15 PM – 2:15 PM	National Scholarship Luncheon <i>Sponsored by HNTB Corporation</i> Keynote Speaker: Bakari Brock, Lyft	<i>2nd Floor, Salon E & F</i>
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2:45 PM – 4:15 PM	COMTO/APTA Assembly: Envisioning the Future Workforce in the Mobility Landscape – Strategies for Attracting, Recruiting and Developing the Next Generation of Public Transportation’s Workforce <i>2nd Floor, Salon B</i> <p>The public transportation industry is rapidly transforming from traditional modal systems of the past to one that is focused on an overall integrated mobility approach for the future. As the industry evolves, we must rethink how we approach and assess our workforce needs and prepare differently as our workforce adapts to this new reality. Join APTA, COMTO and industry leaders as we consider how advancing technology, culture change, and a focus on overall mobility management will impact how we recruit, train, and develop public transit’s future workforce.</p>
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2:45 PM – 3:45PM	WORKSHOP SESSIONS TRACK 2 - Small Business Prime (Set Aside) 4 Years Later: How the Game has Changed (and a Look into Future Transformations at Metro) <i>Sponsored by Keolis, 2nd Floor, Salon D</i> <p>Fostering Small Business Participation continues to be a key mandate for recipients of DOT funds in transportation agencies across the country. The SB Prime (Set-Aside) Program has been vital toward increasing small business participation and competition in Metro’s contracting policy, and four years after the agency presented Small Business Prime at COMTO’s 2015 National Meeting and Training Conference, this session will explore the best practices of implementing an agency-wide Set-Aside Program, and will focus on the latest lessons learned, internal/external rollout strategies (culture change, training program, communications) race-neutral program benefits to DBE firms and the dramatic impact on small businesses as they obtain first time contracts as primes in transportation contracting (including Commercially Useful Function and small businesses now in the prime position).</p> <p>Presenter: Tashai Smith, Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority</p>
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TUESDAY, JULY 16 (continued)

2:45 PM – 3:45PM

WORKSHOP SESSIONS (continued)

TRACK 2 - Meeting and Exceeding DBE Goals in the Design Build Environment

Sponsored by TransPro Consulting, 2nd Floor, Salon G

Industry Experts Best Practices and Innovative DBE Outreach

Presenters: Tyra Redus, District Department of Transportation
Kimberly Manning, TB&A

TRACK 3 - Leadership: Taking Control of Your Organization's Culture

Sponsored by Metropolitan Washington Airports Authority, 2nd Floor, Salon H

Using performance management to lead, incentivize and transform

Presenter: Cleveland Ferguson, Jacksonville Transportation Authority
Beverly Watts, Department of Transportation Wayne County Michigan

TRACK 3 - "No" Is a Complete Sentence

Sponsored by Lynx, 2nd Floor, Salon I

"Half of the problems in life can be traced back to saying 'yes' too quickly and not saying 'no' soon enough". — J. Billings. Participants will examine and evaluate their priorities and determine what items in their life are true priorities and those that are "nice to have" if there is enough time. Far too many times, people stress themselves out by having an overloaded plate and competing priorities. The facilitator will provide a humorous look into our lives so that we can have a better, more balanced life by saying "No" more often and not feeling guilty about it.

Presenter: Kris Cannon-Jackson, InnerGi Consulting

TRACK 5 - Drone Technology to Enhance the Transit Experience

Sponsored by Metroplan, 2nd Floor, Salon J

LA Metro is using technology to assist in enhancing the Transit Experience. The Agency has traditionally used drones on a limited basis for recording data during field observations, but LA Metro is now exploring drone use on a more permanent basis to provide a broader range of services. With an area of 4,751 square miles, Los Angeles County is larger than the states of Rhode Island and Delaware combined. LA Metro is the largest transit provider in the County and with our expansive system of bus, rail, freeway, bike and pedestrian routes, a complex transit network requires multiple surveillance techniques to provide efficient, safe and accurate reports of field observation. Drone Technology provides a new surveillance resource to LA Metro. Drones are heavily regulated through the FAA so approval of use of technology is subject to certain conditions. Regulations are ever-changing so it is important to establish a working relationship with the local FAA office and comply with safety requirements for drone operations. LA Metro will prioritize safety as top priority, with the intent of using data from drone surveillance to advance our Agency's understanding of the built environment. This will include using drones for property management, forecasting and forward planning, rail safety and incident reporting. The session will be presented by LA Metro staff responsible for implementing the Drone policy.

Presenter: Derek Hull, L.A. Metro

4:00 PM – 5:00 PM

WORKSHOP SESSIONS

TRACK 1 - How Express Curbside Roadway Systems Will Transform Airport Passenger Mobility

Sponsored by Clever Devices, 2nd Floor, Salon C

This session will highlight how the Tampa International Airport will use innovative express curbside roadway systems to transform airport passenger mobility, while enhancing operations, safety and customer experience.

Presenters: Jeff Siddle, Tampa International Airport
Thomas Rossbach, HNTB Corporation
Allison Hawk, HNTB Corporation

TRACK 1 - Beacons to the Bus: How Intelligent Technology Solutions Can Improve Access to Transit for People with Disabilities and Beyond

Sponsored by HDR, 2nd Floor, Salon D

This presentation will explore a case study of a Bluetooth beacon project at Capital Metro in Austin, TX and how beacons can improve wayfinding for persons with disabilities. This session will also discuss innovative and intelligent technology solutions to empower persons with disabilities, and through universal design, improve access to transit for all users.

Presenter: Martin Kareithi, Capital Metropolitan Transportation Authority

TRACK 3 - Leading by Implementing Innovative Employee Engagement Practices

2nd Floor, Salon G

HART and PSTA Share Strategies for Engaging and Retaining Talent

Presenter: Tamika White, Pinellas Suncoast Transit Authority

TRACK 4 - Developing a Collaborative Environment for Transportation Workforce Mobility

Sponsored by Metroplan, 2nd Floor, Salon H

The workshop will provide participants with the methodology to engage community partners, employers and workforce development resources to create a seamless transition for OJT to move to full-time employment in the transportation industry.

Presenter: Andrea Jackson, District Department of Transportation

TRACK 4 - How to Successfully and Strategically Pass a Sales Tax Referendum

2nd Floor, Salon I

Representatives from the All For Transportation community-led citizens group, will share their successful campaign strategy responsible for Hillsborough County voters approving the transportation surtax.

Presenters: Christina Barker, All for Transportation
Rena Upshaw-Frazier, Rena Frazer Law PLLC

TUESDAY, JULY 16 *(continued)*

4:00 PM – 5:00 PM **WORKSHOP SESSIONS** *(continued)*

TRACK 5 - Early Lessons in Connected Vehicle Deployment

Sponsored by HDR, 2nd Floor, Salon J

Have you wondered about connected vehicles? What are they? What are their implications for urban mobility? This session will explore the practical deployment of Connected Vehicle (CV) technology as well as early lessons learned from Tampa Hillsborough Expressway Authority's (THEA) USDOT Connected Vehicle Pilot Deployment Program.

Panelists: Bob Frey, Tampa Hillsborough Expressway Authority
Dave Miller, Siemens Industry
Jeff Varick, Brand Motion
Judith Villegas, Tampa Hillsborough Expressway Authority

Moderator: Christina Kopp, Tampa Hillsborough Expressway Authority

6:00 PM – 7:00 PM **Pre-Awards Cocktail Hour**

2nd Floor, Foyer

7:00 PM – 11:00 PM **Industry Awards Banquet**

2nd Floor Salon E & F

Sponsored by Jacobs

Join us for this for an evening of awards at this signature closing event of the Conference. For more than 30 years, the Industry Awards Banquet has recognized individuals, organizations, and COMTO Chapters who have made outstanding contributions to the transportation industry throughout the year. Industry Awards honorees come from all sectors and modes of the industry. Don't forget your dancing shoes!





TECHNICAL & GUEST TOURS

Tampa International Airport Sky Connect Tour

Saturday, July 13, 2019 | 11:00 AM – 2:00 PM

Explore Tampa International Airport's new 2.6 million square foot state-of-the-art Rental Car Center and take a ride on the 1.5 mile automated people mover system, "SkyConnect," which opened February 14, 2018.

**Bus departs at 10:30 AM and returns at 2:30 PM*

Selmon Extension Project

Saturday, July 13, 2019 | 1:30 PM - 3:00 PM

Get an in depth look at what it takes to strategically plan and design construction of an express highway toll lane project intended to transform existing congested roadways into raised central artery pass-throughs.

**Bus departs at 1:00 PM and returns at 3:30 PM*

Pier 60 at Clearwater Beach

Sunday, July 14, 2019 | 11:00 AM - 3:00 PM

Spend a day at the beach ranked #1 in the US and named 'Best Beach in America' for the second year in a row! Take in one of the area's most fun filled shopping, dining, and live entertainment destinations at the famous Pier 60 Boardwalk located right on the Gulf!

**Bus departs at 10:15 AM and returns at 4:00 PM*

HART's TECO Streetcar Tour

Sunday, July 14, 2019 | 12:00 PM – 2:00 PM

See what it takes to maintain and operate Tampa's historic streetcar which provides free, convenient, fun, safe travel to locals and tourists alike through some of Tampa's most coveted destinations like Ybor City and Channelside Drive!

**Bus departs at 11:30 AM and returns at 2:30 PM*

MEMBER MEETINGS

Must be a member in "Good Standing" to attend.

Council of Presidents Meeting

Sunday, July 14 | 9:30 AM – 11:30 AM

2nd Floor, Grand Salon A & B

**Chapter Leadership must attend*

Board of Directors

Sunday, July 14 | 12:00 PM - 3:00 PM

2nd Floor, Salon C

**Lunch provided for Board Members only, non-Board attendees should have had their lunch*

Chapter Officer Training

Sunday, July 14 | 3:00 PM - 4:00 PM

**New Chapter Leaders must attend*

New Member Orientation

Sunday, July 14 | 3:00 PM - 4:00 PM

Open to all new members and first-time Conference attendees. COMTO National leadership will provide an organizational overview. This is a great opportunity to connect with other new members and first-time attendees.

2nd Floor, Salon B

Treasurer's Training

Sunday, July 14 | 4:00 PM - 5:00 PM

2nd Floor, Salon A

Committee & Advisory Councils

**Check detailed program and mobile app for committee times and locations.*

General Membership

Tuesday, July 16 | 7:30 AM - 8:50 AM

The COMTO General Membership will be voting on the proposed updates to COMTO's National Bylaws. Please be sure to attend the General Membership Meeting and be prepared to vote. (You must be a current COMTO member to vote at General Membership meetings.)

2nd Floor, Salon B & C

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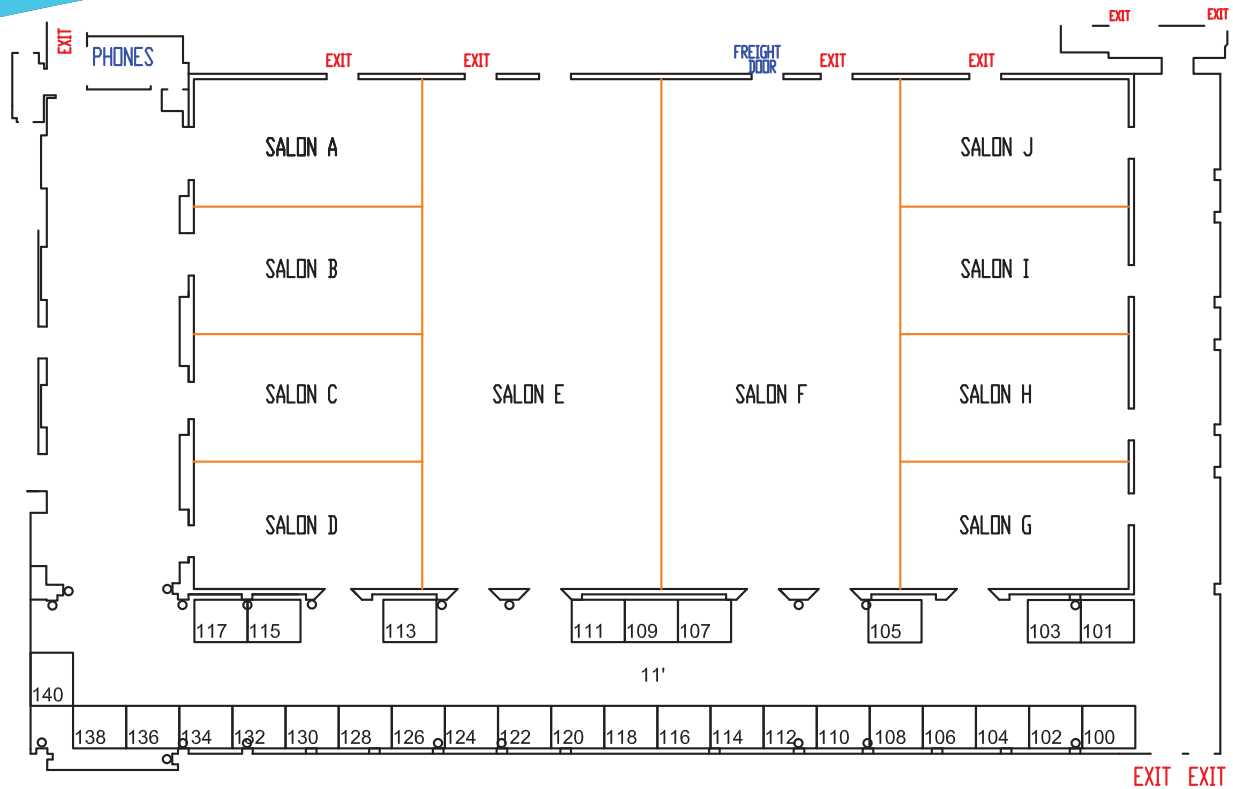
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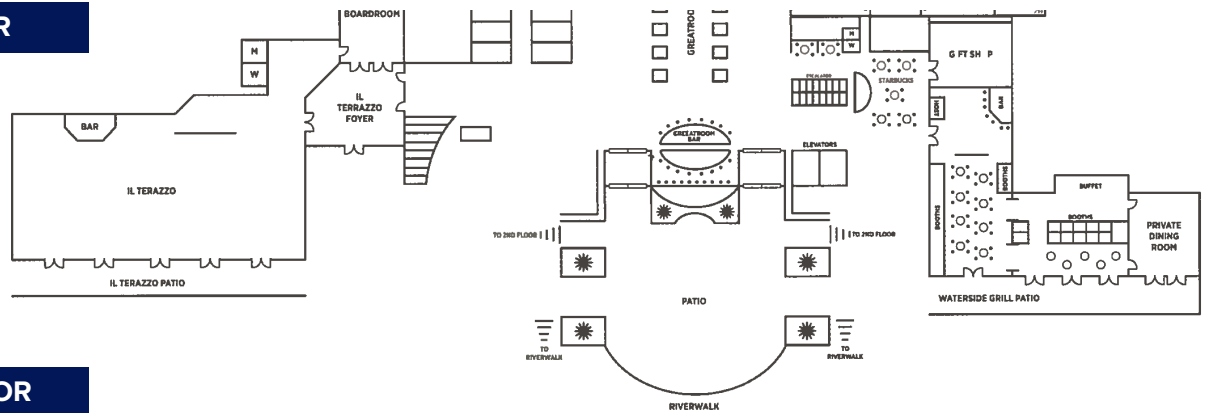
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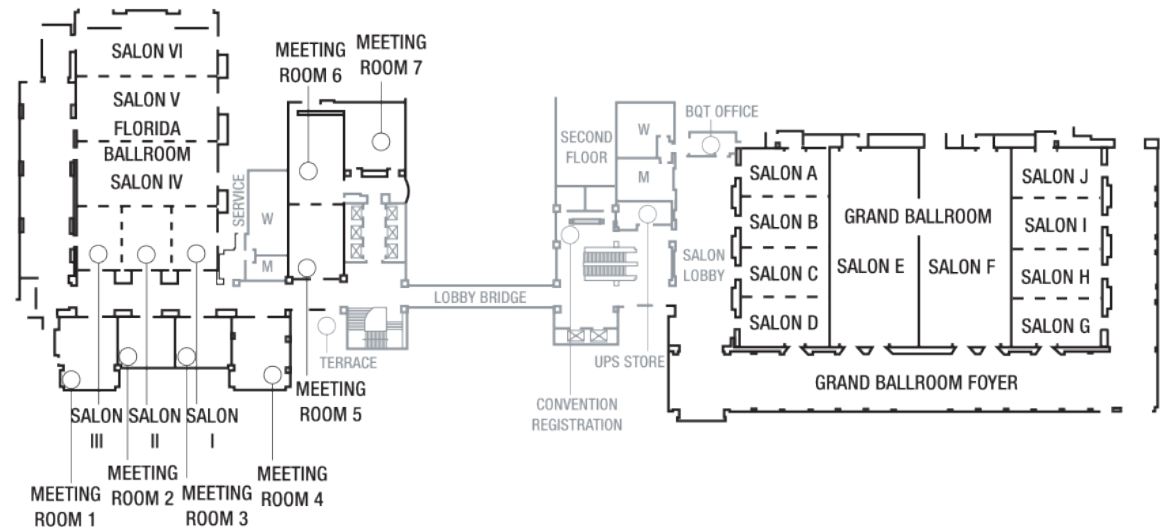
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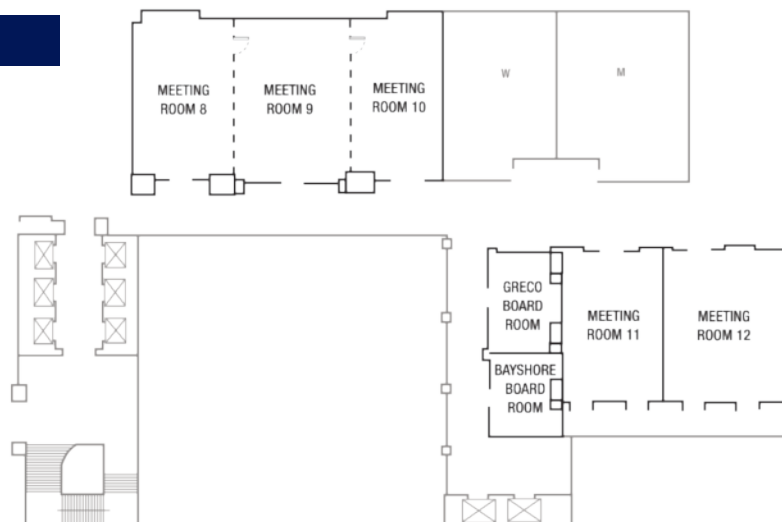
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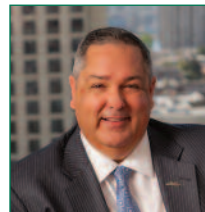
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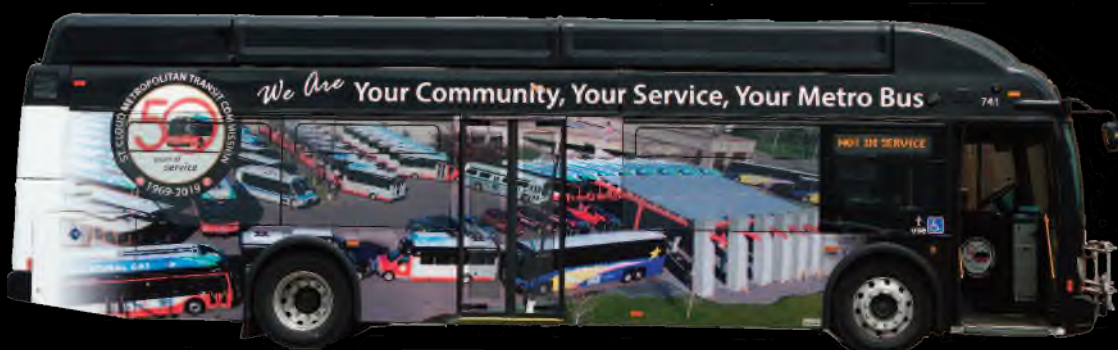
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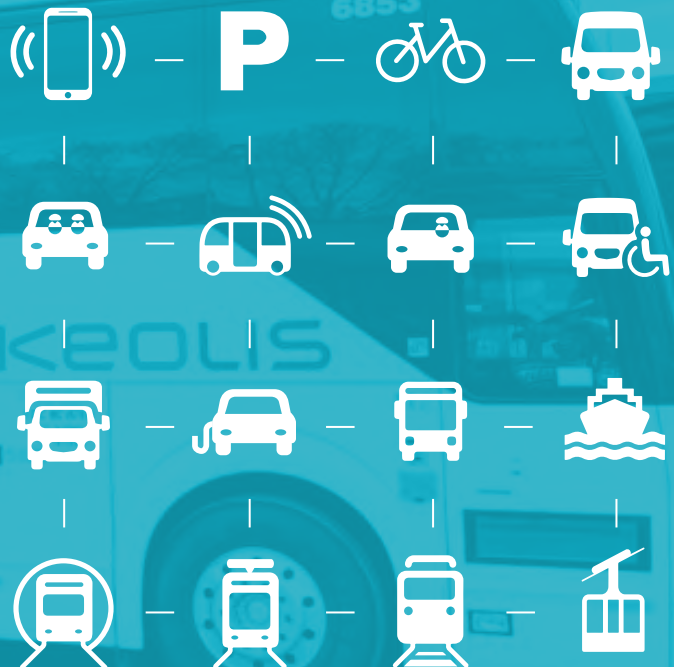
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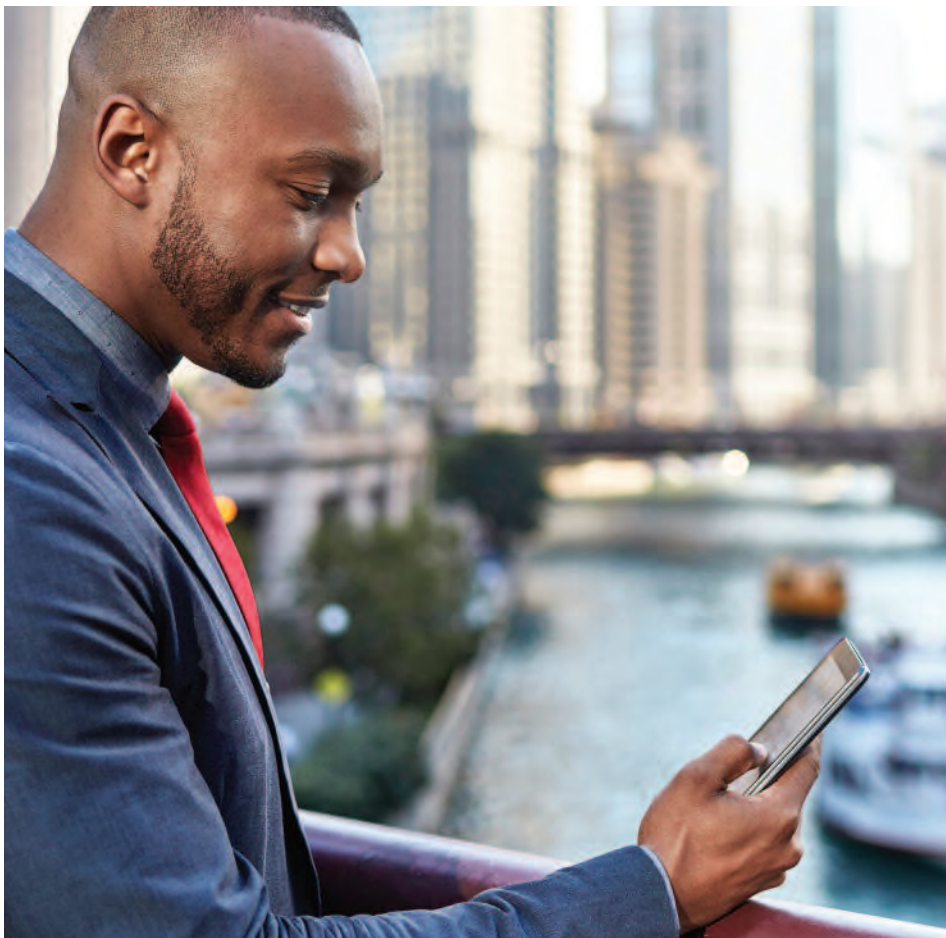
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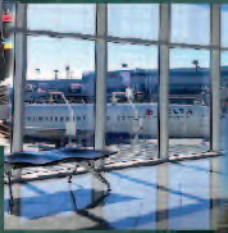


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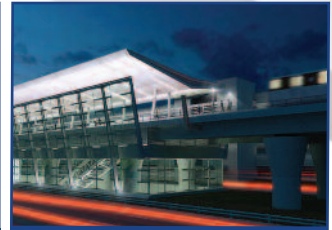
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