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Public Transportation Industry*



2018 APTA AWARDS



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Welcome to the 2018 APTA Awards Ceremony! Today we come together to recognize and applaud this year's winning individuals and organizations for their significant achievements in our industry. On behalf of the 2018 APTA Awards Committee, I congratulate the 2018 APTA Award recipients.

The prestigious APTA Awards are given to those individuals and organizations that have made outstanding contributions to the public transportation industry. Winning this award means that you are the "best of the best" and a stellar example of excellence in the public transportation industry.

Each winner is a leader who has made extraordinary contributions to the public transit industry. I encourage everyone here today to take the time to learn more about the APTA Award recipients and their achievements, and to personally congratulate them on their valuable work.

Finally, as the chair of the 2018 APTA Awards Committee, I want to thank all committee members for their dedication and hard work over the last year.

Bacarra Sanderson Mauldin

Chair, 2018 APTA Awards Committee

and

Board Member, Birmingham Regional Paratransit Consortium dba ClasTran
Birmingham, AL



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Innovation

For demonstrating innovative concepts in the provision of public transportation services.

“The success of VIA’s GoCodeSA Codeathon proves that cities and communities are made stronger when bright minds work together, toward a common goal and a greater good. With its Codeathon competition, VIA took an innovative approach to finding new ways of thinking about public transportation and integrating technology in transit. I commend VIA leadership and staff for their work and congratulate them for receiving the APTA Innovation Award. We are moving in the right direction, toward a brighter, better-connected future.”

— Mayor Ron Nirenberg
San Antonio, TX



VIA METROPOLITAN TRANSIT

“VIA’s GoCodeSA collaboration and the annual Codeathon event demonstrate our ongoing commitment to invest in innovation for a more mobile future. Codeathon invites the community to imagine smart transit solutions to real-life mobility challenges. It fosters a creative conversation about technology and transportation, working together to connect our region. Our team is proud of the GoCodeSA and Codeathon partnerships and are grateful to APTA for recognizing our efforts with the Innovation Award.”

— Jeffrey C. Arndt, President/CEO



VIA METROPOLITAN TRANSIT

San Antonio, TX

Two years since VIA Metropolitan Transit became the first major public transit agency in the United States to provide free, system-wide, high-speed Wi-Fi, the agency's continued investments in innovation are changing the way the San Antonio region experiences public transportation.

Smart transit solutions that include new fare technology, updated web tools, and integrating existing transit technology are part of VIA's ongoing efforts to improve and modernize passenger amenities.

Collaborating with San Antonio's growing tech sector provides new opportunities for innovation. In 2017, VIA hosted its first GoCodeSA Codeathon—a coding competition for smart transit solutions. GoCodeSA is a partnership with leading tech-based businesses, organizations, and entrepreneurs in the region.

Codeathon, now an annual event, offers talented programmers, coders, and designers the chance to turn bright ideas into practical solutions for mobility challenges. The competition rewards the best applications with cash and prizes, and an opportunity to integrate the winning entry into future VIA initiatives. The first GoCodeSA Codeathon winners produced an Amazon Alexa skill that integrates VIA's real-time bus information with voice-activated commands from any Alexa device.

Applications to compete in the 2nd Annual Codeathon doubled, and VIA welcomed several new, major sponsors including Amazon Web Services, Dell, Geekdom, IBM Bluemix and Watson, Netsync Network Solutions, USAA, and others. The event drew 75 participants who powered through 48 hours of innovative thinking, with fantastic results.

Participants were provided challenge scenarios that reflected real-life transportation issues but were not limited to them. Projects were judged on impact, innovation, and technical achievement. Exclusive VIA data sets were offered to more than 100 registered participants prior to the event. GoCodeSA Codeathon teams worked on projects such as web apps, mobile apps, wearable solutions, data visualizations, algorithms, and visual mockups.

A husband-wife team called the "Rocket Tiers" designed the winning app. It plans a round trip on the bus system based on the user's interests and activities, such as dining, shopping, and exploring. Their creativity and engineering reflect the goal of VIA's smart transit initiatives.

With Codeathon, VIA provides a platform for riders to directly impact and solve challenges that will enhance their own public transportation experience. It incentivizes creative thinking and allows participants to contribute to a more mobile future.



Outstanding Public Transportation System

For public transportation systems that have demonstrated achievement in efficiency and effectiveness.

CATEGORY: Providing 4 million or fewer annual passenger trips.

“San Joaquin Regional Transit District (RTD) has been a leader in innovation and efficiency. I am proud that RTD has accomplished so much, from launching the first all-electric bus line in the nation to pledging to obtain an all-electric bus fleet for the city of Stockton by 2025. I congratulate San Joaquin RTD on its APTA System Achievement Award; it is well-deserved.”

— **Mayor Michael D. Tubbs**
Stockton, CA



SAN JOAQUIN REGIONAL TRANSIT DISTRICT

“From our state-of-the-art Regional Transportation Center, to our first-in-the-nation all-electric BRT route, we are proud to operate the best transit system for the residents and environment of San Joaquin County. Despite serious economic challenges over the last decade in Stockton, RTD employees worked diligently to deliver innovative and high-quality services without incurring any long-term debt. RTD is honored to be recognized nationally as the transit system of the year.”

— **Donna DeMartino, CEO**



SAN JOAQUIN REGIONAL TRANSIT DISTRICT

Stockton, CA

The San Joaquin Regional Transit District (RTD) continues to attract national attention due to its astounding achievements in environmental sustainability, forward-thinking business practices, infrastructure development, and delivery of innovative and high-quality services, despite a severely reduced operating budget and serious, well-known economic challenges over the last decade in Stockton, CA.

During the city's economic crisis, RTD was able to deliver important infrastructure investments including a new Downtown Transit Center, a Regional Transit Center (RTC), a new fleet of environmentally friendly buses, and four Bus Rapid Transit (BRT) Corridors.

With a committed focus on environmental sustainability and state-of-the-art efficiency, RTD opened the doors to its RTC in 2015. Completed ahead of schedule and under budget, this facility consolidates transportation and maintenance operations into a 136,000-square-foot facility at a centralized location that reduces trip times. Not only does the location improve effectiveness in operations, but the structure itself is environmentally friendly and efficient.

Another example of RTD's commitment to the environment can be seen in its fleet. RTD was one of the first U.S. public transit agencies to test hybrid and all-electric buses. In 2017, Stockton made history when RTD's third BRT corridor became the first all-electric BRT corridor in the nation. The RTD Board of Directors recently passed a resolution to convert the entire Stockton area bus fleet to all-electric by 2025.

RTD has introduced a Transit Ambassador Program, unique brand mascots, new fare vending machines and mobile ticketing technology, and improved customer service software and applications, all of which enhance the customer experience and provide exceptional customer service through innovation.

RTD's forward-thinking business approach anticipates and solves potential issues. In response to a national shortage of bus mechanics, the agency established a Bus Mechanic Apprenticeship Program in conjunction with San Joaquin Delta College.

RTD continues to demonstrate its steadfast commitment to the residents it serves with innovations that respond to evolving needs. The FREEdom Pass Program allows ADA customers to ride fixed routes free of charge while RTD GO!, a partnership with Uber, expands public transit access for first-mile, last-mile trips and to residents living outside RTD's service area.

Sustainability includes excellence in financial processes. RTD has continued to innovate while maintaining zero long-term debt.

With the promise of extraordinary customer service, a focus on sustainability, and a commitment to the people of San Joaquin County as its legacy, RTD is honored to be recognized nationally as the Outstanding Public Transit System of the Year.



Outstanding Public Transportation System

For public transportation systems that have demonstrated achievement in efficiency and effectiveness.

CATEGORY: Providing more than 4 million but fewer than 20 million annual passenger trips.

“The Central Ohio Transit Authority is a tremendous partner to Columbus. It is a nimble, innovative organization that implemented a seamless transit system redesign and cutting-edge technology to riders. Mobility is a great equalizer, offering residents access to job centers, schools and health care. COTA is crucial to our neighborhoods, our economic vitality and our future.”

— **Mayor Andrew J. Ginther**
Columbus, OH



CENTRAL OHIO TRANSIT AUTHORITY

“This national recognition validates our message—we are committed to innovation and accelerating solutions to support Central Ohio. I am so proud of the entire COTA team for being leaders in the industry, and especially for bringing forward best-in-class technology and building collaborations to better serve our community. We are honored to be named among our top-performing peers. We look forward to the work ahead, leading advancements into the next era of mobility.”

— **Joanna M. Pinkerton, President/CEO**



CENTRAL OHIO TRANSIT AUTHORITY

Columbus, OH

The Central Ohio Transit Authority (COTA) is moving the Columbus region's growing population into the next era of mobility through collaboration in the community, a redesigned bus network, and technological innovation.

COTA is among a select group of agencies that have implemented a comprehensive system redesign. The May 2017 network overhaul made service more efficient and direct, and the easier-to-navigate route system has twice as many high-frequency lines along major corridors. Post-redesign, 100,000 more central Ohio residents live within a quarter-mile of high-frequency bus service, and 110,000 more jobs are located within a quarter-mile of high-frequency service.

In 2017, COTA became one of just a few U.S. public transit systems to offer riders free Wi-Fi on its entire fleet. COTA's real-time GPS technology became available in 2016, showing users of the Transit app and other mobile mapping apps exactly where the bus is.

The authority is committed to being a strong community partner. To build a pipeline of future workers and give high school students an opportunity to develop desirable skills, COTA introduced an automotive technology internship program with Columbus City Schools in 2017.

To improve access to jobs at the Rickenbacker Inland Port, COTA launched a partnership with two local municipalities in 2015, assisting the municipalities with route planning for a new last-mile shuttle service funded by the municipalities and businesses in the area.

Cleaner-burning compressed natural gas (CNG) is at the core of COTA's sustainability initiatives. Use of CNG saved COTA \$9.3 million in fuel costs from 2015 to 2017, and more than 100 additional CNG buses are scheduled for purchase in the coming five years.

COTA partnered with the Mid-Ohio Regional Planning Commission and Capital Crossroads Special Improvement District in 2015 and 2016 to pilot a program giving 800 employees in downtown Columbus unlimited bus access funded by downtown property owners. The pilot was so successful that the program was expanded to 45,000 downtown employees and extended two additional years. Participants are testing mobile payment on fareboxes COTA installed in 2017.

In 2016, the city of Columbus won the U.S. Department of Transportation's Smart City Challenge grant aimed at transforming mobility in Columbus. COTA is a key Smart Columbus partner and, in 2017, it helped plan projects that will put the region at the forefront of the transportation revolution. Initiatives include developing a common transportation payment system, multimodal trip planning, smart mobility hubs, and mobility assistance for people with cognitive disabilities.

COTA's many accomplishments from 2015 to 2017 were given a major nod of appreciation by Central Ohio voters, who in 2016 approved the authority's 0.25 percent sales tax levy with more than 70 percent of the vote.

In addition to that solid support, community collaboration and a spirit of innovation position the authority to be Central Ohio's mobility leader during a time of rapid advancement and change in the transportation industry.



Outstanding Public Transportation System

For public transportation systems that have demonstrated achievement in efficiency and effectiveness.

CATEGORY: Providing 20 million or more annual passenger trips.

“We’ve known it for years, and now it’s official: King County has the best transit agency in all of North America. I thank our talented employees and partners for setting a new standard of excellence.”

– **Dow Constantine**
King County Executive
King County, WA



KING COUNTY METRO

“**B**eing named best in North America is a truly humbling and gratifying moment. This award goes to each one of the 4,700 employees at King County Metro, in honor of the hard work and amazing customer service they provide every day. Thanks to them, we keep our region growing, economy thriving, and connect people with opportunity. Thanks to continued public support, ridership is stronger than ever and leading the nation.”

– **Rob Gannon, General Manager**



KING COUNTY METRO

Seattle, WA

The past three years were pivotal for King County Metro (Metro) as the agency took comprehensive action to meet the challenges it faced—and to take advantage of the opportunities. The results: record-high ridership, growing public investment in transit, and a system that is expanding and innovating to meet rising demand.

The Seattle and King County region is experiencing unprecedented population and job growth. Major world-class employers headquartered in the two jurisdictions, including Amazon, Starbucks and Microsoft, provide free or reduced-cost passes so its employees can ride Metro. That's 2,000 employers and institutions overall, accounting for 63 million rides in 2017, up 23 percent since 2015.

Demand keeps rising, and the region's growth management plan is counting on Metro to double its service to improve mobility and provide alternatives to driving alone.

Ridership on Metro is the best proof of its success. Metro carried a record 122 million passenger trips in 2017—a majority of the record-high 155 million trips overall in King County. That's 4.7 million more passenger trips than 2016, due to integration between Metro bus and Sound Transit light rail services.

Metro also continues to expand the country's largest public vanpool service and to add innovative service in communities where buses aren't the best fit.

Just 25 percent of downtown Seattle morning commuters now drive alone—the lowest ever, despite intense job and population growth. Customers gave Metro a 93 percent satisfaction rating, the highest ever.

Metro riders are experiencing more frequent, more reliable, and less crowded service. In 2015–2017, Metro operations grew by 15 percent, investing in 98 routes to improve reliability, in 38 routes to cut crowding, and in numerous routes to increase frequency—including 17 that now operate every 15 minutes or better most of the day.

Thanks to a partnership with the city of Seattle, where voters approved public transit funding in 2014, along with Metro's work to contain costs and boost revenue, the service was expanded in Seattle and throughout King County.

Even as Metro grows, it's doing so responsibly. While many people in the region are prospering, equitable access to transportation can be elusive for our 500,000 residents who live in poverty. Metro's ORCA LIFT low-income fare program logged 5.2 million rides last year and today has more than 70,000 subscribers, becoming a national model in providing equitable access to transportation.

Metro is also building on its long record of green operations, making a commitment to build a zero-emission fleet by 2040.

While Metro is proud of its hard work and innovation, its success stems in large part from partnerships with county and regional governments, cities, businesses and universities, other public transit agencies, and the people it serves. Metro also invests in its most valuable asset—its employees.

By working together to meet challenges and opportunities and deliver the best possible mobility services to its customers, Metro is leading the way toward a promising new future for public transportation.

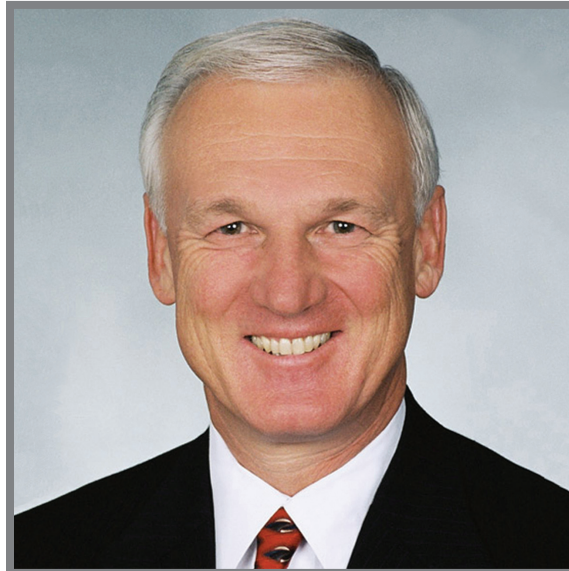


Local Distinguished Service

For significant contributions at the local level to public transportation through policy, legislative initiative, and leadership.

“Ron Roberts has the rare combination of talents that allows him to build consensus even when tough decisions have to be made. It all comes from his passion for the industry and the role it plays to provide clean and efficient transportation alternatives to the millions of people in our region.”

— **Mayor Kevin L. Faulconer**
San Diego, CA



RON ROBERTS

“*I* am deeply honored and humbled to receive this prestigious award from APTA. For three decades it has been my pleasure to work alongside some of the greatest minds in public transit, leaders who understand both the short and the long game, the dollars and common sense required, and who deeply believe that a robust mobility system requires choices, broad partnerships and an infusion of creativity. Most importantly, I’m proud that San Diego County’s transit future looks bright.”



RON ROBERTS

Supervisor, County of San Diego
San Diego, CA

Transit board members have momentous years. Ron Roberts has had more than 30 of them, becoming the San Diego region's most influential transit advocate.

In his service as a member of the San Diego Metropolitan Transit System (MTS) Board of Directors and many other influential boards, Ron may have done more than any other person in San Diego to turn a car-centric region into the multimodal thriving metropolitan region that now serves 100 million transit passengers per year.

Ron doesn't command from the back of the fleet; he's in the driver's seat, anticipating every twist and turn to keep public transit growing in San Diego.

Hundreds of his decisions have helped create a network of clean and efficient transportation choices. Ron's vision of tying together his work with various organizations and better connecting the San Diego region with greater transportation choices is the legacy of his leadership.

It can be stated unequivocally that the Mid-Coast Trolley, an 11-mile, \$2.1 billion MTS light rail extension now under construction, would not have happened without Ron's persistence and persuasion. The expansion will connect the region's second-largest employment center to the entirety of the San Diego region. It is on schedule to begin operations in 2021, increasing system ridership by 20,000 passenger trips per day.

Ron played an important role to ensure that funding was prioritized for MTS' first Bus Rapid Transit lines, called Rapid. He worked to secure stakeholder support in key areas where NIMBYism challenged the viability of dedicated bus lanes through Rapid's core segments. Rapid has been widely popular with riders and reports some of the highest ridership in the MTS system.

Ron was a leader in efforts to secure voter approval for two separate half-cent sales tax measures in San Diego that have helped generate billions of dollars for MTS-related projects. The first measure was approved in 1988 and voters approved a 40-year extension in 2004. His efforts to get these tax measures passed gave MTS the capital to elevate its service and change the transit landscape in San Diego forever.

Ron's passion for public transit is equal to his passion to reduce air pollution in San Diego. As a 23-year member of both the California Air Resources Board and the San Diego County Air Pollution Control District, he has been able to marry his vigor for public transit solutions and a clean environment to help MTS develop one of the cleanest fleets in the country.

Ron has been a leading advocate for MTS on many projects. He has also walked the talk by taking a proactive approach to better position MTS for success. His service as an MTS board member has gifted San Diego with a rich transit endowment that will be enjoyed for generations to come.



State Distinguished Service

For significant contributions at the state level to public transportation through policy, legislative initiative, and leadership.

“Act 89 is widely recognized as landmark transportation legislation, and never has the famous quote ‘success has many fathers’ been more relevant. However, one legislator clearly led the charge with enthusiasm, tenacity and vision—my good friend and colleague Senator John Rafferty. Through his vocal leadership and determination, Pennsylvania now has a true multimodal funding plan that is transforming the future of public transportation in the Commonwealth.”

— **Barry Schoch, P.E.**
**Pennsylvania Secretary of
Transportation, 2011-2015**



JOHN C. RAFFERTY, JR.

“*I* humbly accept this award on behalf of my fellow lawmakers who courageously voted for Act 89. This landmark legislation is providing new, recurring investments for Pennsylvania’s public transportation system that are enhancing safety, mobility and economic prosperity. Securing sustainable funding for transit capital and operational priorities is a key civic duty for a modern, interconnected society. This honorable recognition reaffirms Act 89 is delivering on its promises for the Commonwealth.”



JOHN C. RAFFERTY, JR.

Pennsylvania State Senator (44th District)

Statewide champion for public transportation

As chairman of the Pennsylvania Senate Transportation Committee for nearly a decade, Senator John Rafferty has been a champion in reaching successful bipartisan agreement to improve transportation in Pennsylvania—one of the largest and most complex transportation networks in the nation.

He understands that investing in our transportation infrastructure is a core function of government, which provides the foundation for enhancing public safety, improving mobility and creating jobs in the Keystone State.

During his tenure, Senator Rafferty has been involved in all areas of transportation policy, including but not limited to strengthening public transit systems across the state, protecting highway workers and combatting drunk driving. To that end, he has worked with governors and legislators in a bipartisan, bicameral fashion to find innovative solutions to difficult challenges and to develop strong mobility initiatives that benefit Pennsylvania.

The most lauded accomplishment during Senator Rafferty's legislative career was his spearheading of the passage of Act 89 of 2013, which created a multi-billion-dollar, multimodal transportation funding plan for Pennsylvania.

Following decades of underinvestment throughout Pennsylvania's transportation system, Senator Rafferty garnered bipartisan support for one of the most robust transportation funding solutions in the country through increasing investment by an additional \$2.4 billion annually. This critical level of investment is helping to ensure the safe, efficient movement of people and products throughout Pennsylvania.

For public transportation, Act 89 provides a critical and sustainable solution by increasing public transit funding by nearly \$500 million a year. These funds are allowing transit agencies to make vital, long-needed improvements such as replacing infrastructure, vehicles and equipment. Prior to the enactment of Act 89, transit agencies were facing the possibility of service cuts that would have significantly affected millions of commuters. This historic, landmark legislation is providing public transit agencies the opportunity to plan and to finance significant improvements that had previously been deferred.

Senator Rafferty continues to lead efforts to protect Act 89 investments and to preserve dedicated funds that promote public transportation. Public transportation is a critical component of a modern, interconnected transportation network that provides mobility and economic vitality throughout Pennsylvania. Senator Rafferty is committed to ensuring that these hard-won investments in Pennsylvania's future remain intact for their intended purposes—to address the commonwealth's transportation needs.

Act 89 has been recognized as a model by transportation leaders from across the nation. The plan's innovative financing mechanisms are being evaluated by other state DOTs and the U.S. Congress as they review options to bridge their funding gaps.

Thanks to Senator Rafferty's vision, determination and ability to gain consensus, Pennsylvania's transportation funding plan is providing vital investments that are enhancing public safety, improving mobility, and creating jobs for generations to come.



Outstanding Public Transportation Business Member

An APTA public transportation business member who has made outstanding contributions to the public transportation industry.

“Our industry is fortunate to have Natalie’s leadership and her balanced and analytical approach in addressing the complex issues of procurement. If the task is challenging, Natalie’s the person you can count on to lead divergent parties to see the issues from multiple sides, develop consensus, and shape a resolution. It’s an honor to write this endorsement and to congratulate Natalie for this well-deserved award.”

— **Sharon Greene**
Managing Principal
InfraStrategies LLC



NATALIE CORNELL

“*T*here is nothing that means more than being singled out by your peers for an award like this. And there’s nothing more humbling, either. For APTA to work correctly, we all have to work together to come to common ground and to do what’s best for the industry as a whole. Thank you for this award, and thank you to the APTA staff who make it easier, and to all the other active APTA members who keep us all moving forward.”



NATALIE CORNELL

Director of Business Development, LTK Engineering Services
Ambler, PA

In 1986, while working for the Canadian Consulate General of Chicago, Natalie Cornell's first foray into public transit came when she led a delegation of public transit officials from Chicago and St. Louis to the APTA EXPO in Vancouver, British Columbia, to see the new SkyTrain system. She became hooked on public transit, and subsequently has spent 27 years helping to advance public transportation.

After her visit to Vancouver, Natalie developed an expertise in Buy America rules and their application to rolling stock and conducted training sessions on compliance to Canadian suppliers. That experience turned out to be very helpful for two future activities: helping a Japanese manufacturer enter the U.S. market in 2010 and joining the APTA Business Member Procurement Committee. She eventually led that committee and co-chaired the APTA Board-designated Procurement Steering Committee. In that role, Natalie represented the interests of the business community while also endeavoring to make sure all sides of an issue were discussed. Also, she has helped ensure that procurement topics are covered at all the major APTA conferences.

After providing consulting services to Canadian manufacturers wanting to sell their products in the U.S., Natalie worked for a Japanese manufacturing firm, running the lighting division. She is currently director of business development for LTK Engineering Services, a specialty engineering firm focused on rail vehicle and rail system engineering. In that position she manages all the external facing activities of the firm, from proposal creation to website development.

Part of Natalie's involvement in public transportation has included being an active member of APTA, where she has moved into leadership positions and pitched in whenever and wherever she was asked. Her current APTA leadership roles include serving as co-chair Procurement Steering Committee; chair, Business Member Procurement Committee; and vice chair, Rolling Stock Equipment Technical Forum. She is also a member of the APTA Board of Directors, Business Member Board of Governors (BMBG), BMBG Nominating Committee, and the Conference Planning Task Force. Previously, she has served as a member of the Bylaws Task Force, the 2015-2019 Strategic Plan Committee, and the APTA Nominating Committee in 2017.

Natalie is also very active in Women's Transportation Seminar, where she has served as chapter president, national conference chair, national committee chair, national board member, a member of the local Chapter Advisory Board, and is currently a member of the Philadelphia Executive Women's Roundtable. She was voted member of the year by the Chicago Chapter.

One of Natalie's proudest accomplishments was to help lead industry discussions with the Federal Transit Administration (FTA) about how to implement the increased percentage of U.S. content for rolling stock required under the FAST Act. Those discussions—and the concrete proposals developed by the Business Member Procurement Committee under her leadership—led the FTA to select the first delivery of revenue vehicles as the firm date for determining the percentage of U.S. content requirements.



Outstanding Public Transportation Board Member

An individual serving on the governing board of a public transportation system who has made outstanding contributions to the public transportation industry.

“Fred Daniels is the quintessential board member extraordinaire. He has been involved in APTA at every rung as well as championing many causes and initiatives for the benefit of the entire membership. Most of all, he’s a strong, tireless advocate for public transportation. I can think of no one more deserving than Fred for this prestigious honor.”

— **Nathaniel P. Ford, Sr.**
Chief Executive Officer
Jacksonville Transportation
Authority



FREDERICK L. DANIELS, JR.

“I’m very thankful for this honor and I’ve always leaned on my faith, my family and my belief in serving my community. Over the years in my work at MARTA and with APTA, it has been an inspiration and a blessing to have the opportunity to play an active role in an industry that affects so many people’s lives in such a positive way.”



FREDERICK L. DANIELS, JR.

Treasurer, Board of Directors, Metropolitan Atlanta Rapid Transit Authority
Atlanta, GA

When people mention the remarkable financial turnaround of the Metropolitan Atlanta Rapid Transit Authority (MARTA), they should acknowledge Fred Daniels, the board member whose critical contributions took the public transit system from \$30 million in annual operating deficits to surpluses of approximately \$35 million. Consequently, Daniels—nicknamed the “Dean of Transit Board Members”—has had an indelible impact on his agency and the industry.

Fred was first named to the MARTA Board of Directors in 2010 to represent DeKalb County. Upon joining the board, he soon learned the agency was facing a \$120 million loss for the fiscal year. Determined to solve the seemingly insurmountable challenge, Fred spent many nights reading everything he could to help MARTA’s management navigate the impending fiscal crisis. On the strength of his clear-eyed, no-nonsense leadership, Fred was elected board chairman two years later.

He presided over the hiring of Keith Parker as MARTA’s GM/CEO, a decision that propelled the agency into a period of historic expansion and widespread acclaim.

Steeped in his experience as chief credit officer at Citizens Trust Bank, Fred is recognized for his work in improving MARTA’s bond and credit ratings, lowering its interest on bond indebtedness, and restoring the agency’s cash reserves. By achieving fiscal solvency, MARTA avoided more restrictive financial controls that had been threatened by state legislators and also improved its public image.

During Fred’s board tenure, MARTA celebrated major milestones. The agency restarted its transit-oriented development program, spawning a raft of work-live-play spaces that are transforming the Atlanta skyline and making MARTA a highly sought-after partner for real estate developers.

Under Fred’s board leadership, MARTA also broke ground on two game-changing public-private projects: the Atlanta Streetcar and the pedestrian bridge at the Buckhead rail station. The streetcar has helped energize Atlanta’s downtown, resulting in \$2.5 billion in new investments surrounding the 2.7-mile route that connects the Martin Luther King Jr. historic district to hotels, tourist attractions and the convention center. The Buckhead bridge, overarching one of Georgia’s busiest state roadways, provides convenient and safe access to rail service and nearby businesses for 3,000 area residents.

Over the last eight years, Fred has remained extremely active in APTA’s Transit Board Members Committee, serving as secretary, vice chair and chair. He currently chairs the Audit Committee and is a member of APTA’s Executive Committee, Board of Directors, Nominating Committee and Finance Committee, as well as previous stints on its Strategic Planning, Revenue and Enterprise Risk Management task forces. In 2017, while chairing both the MARTA board and the APTA board member committee, Fred proudly hosted thousands of his peers from public transit systems around the country who convened in Atlanta for the APTA Annual Meeting and EXPO.

Daniels has built a strong reputation as a servant leader, friend and mentor to his fellow transit board members and to the Atlanta community he is honored to serve.



Outstanding Public Transportation Manager

An APTA public transportation manager who has made outstanding contributions to the public transportation industry.

“Tom Lambert is an outstanding CEO and true champion of transit. He created a diverse executive leadership team and serves as a mentor to the next generation of leaders. Whether it’s an emergency like Hurricane Harvey, big sporting events or everyday trips to work and school, Tom is always focused on public transit’s role in improving the quality of life in the nation’s fourth largest city.”

— **Carrin F. Patman**
Board Chair
Metropolitan Transit Authority
of Harris County



THOMAS C. LAMBERT

“It is a surprise and tremendous honor to receive this award from my peers. This award reflects the dedicated and diligent efforts of our Board and my 4,000 colleagues who provide safe, clean, reliable, accessible and friendly public transportation services to our community every day. Through innovation and collaboration, our team works each day to improve and expand multimodal services to the public. I accept this award on their behalf and feel grateful to be recognized in this way.”



THOMAS C. LAMBERT

President & CEO, Metropolitan Transit Authority of Harris County
Houston, TX

Thomas C. Lambert joined Houston's Metropolitan Transit Authority of Harris County (METRO) in 1979, the same year it was created. He started as a security investigator because the transit authority was so new, it didn't have a police department.

Once the METRO Department of Public Safety was established, Tom became the agency's first chief of police, serving in that position for many years before moving on to other leadership roles including chief administrative officer, executive vice president, and acting president and CEO in 2013. He became the permanent CEO in 2014.

It is an impressive career trajectory, and Tom's kindly, straight-forward, listen-to-all-sides approach to management and problem solving has served him well throughout his career.

Today, as the leader of a team of 4,000 people, Tom has made taking care of METRO customers and "delivering a quality product every day" his personal priority, as well as the priority of every single department and employee. He often rides a METRO bus or railcar to chat with riders and find out how the agency is doing.

Tom has been a proactive executive, presiding over the region's expansion of light rail, commuter and local bus service, HOV lanes, park-and-ride service and a variety of neighborhood pilot and shuttle programs. He oversaw the complete overhaul of the local fixed-route bus system in 2015. METRO's successful bus redesign served as a model for more than two dozen transit agencies across the country and as far away as Auckland, New Zealand.

Under Tom's leadership, METRO also demonstrated the importance of the public transit agency during a crisis. In August 2017, Hurricane Harvey dumped up to 50 inches of rain on the region over four days. During this disaster, METRO moved 15,500 people into shelters—on its buses and using its highwater vehicles. The agency also helped the Red Cross get supplies to their destinations.

METRO was an important part of the Houston region's recovery, moving folks to temporary housing or back home, transporting many students back to school, and resuming regular service quickly to get Houstonians back to a semblance of ordinary life. The agency's decision to move 120 buses out of a flood-prone facility to an elevated HOV lane before Harvey made landfall minimized damage to vehicles and helped mobilize vehicles sooner to get riders back on the road.

The challenges for METRO and Tom extend far beyond daily service and emergency response. By 2040, the region's population is expected to reach 10 million, a 50 percent increase. Public transit is going to play an extremely important role in moving our growing region.

In 2017, Tom established the METRO Office of Innovation to actively search out and pilot innovative transit solutions. Under the METRO board's direction, he also launched METRONext. It's an initiative to develop a new public transit plan that will take riders safely and rapidly into the future. Lambert and his agency are clearly focused on how to improve the transit experience today and tomorrow.



Hall of Fame

This special honor is reserved for individuals who have long and distinguished careers in the industry; who have made extraordinary contributions to public transportation; and who have actively participated in APTA activities.

“COMTO stands on the shoulders of giants. We are honored that our founders had the foresight to create this strong organization, giving us the blueprint to continue to do the important work of maximizing transportation opportunities for minorities throughout our nation.”

— **Freddie C. Fuller II**
Chair
COMTO National Board



REVEREND JERRY A. MOORE AND HAROLD B. WILLIAMS

“**R**eceiving the APTA Hall of Fame Award speaks volumes about the tremendous impact that these two dedicated men had on the public transportation industry. The impact of their collective vision has not only made a significant difference today, but will continue to do so for many years in the future. We owe them a very large debt of gratitude.”

— **A. Bradley Mims, COMTO President and CEO**



REVEREND JERRY A. MOORE AND HAROLD B. WILLIAMS

COMTO co-founders and visionary “drum majors” for industry diversity and inclusion

Reverend Jerry Moore and Harold B. Williams founded the Conference of Minority Transportation Officials (COMTO) to provide a forum for minority professionals in the transportation industry.

Rev. Moore was concerned about the lack of minority voices at the 1970 American Transit Association (APTA's predecessor) conference in Mexico City. At that conference, he had a chance encounter with Urban Mass Transportation Administration Administrator Carlos Villarreal, which led to further discussions and a commitment from UMTA (predecessor to FTA) to sponsor the first “Minority Mobility in the 1970s” conference at Howard University in 1971. Villarreal charged Williams, director of the UMTA Office of Civil Rights at the time, to work with Moore. Immediately following the conference, the first meeting of COMTO took place.

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. Today, COMTO has more than 30 local chapters, thousands of members including individual members that represent transportation agencies, private sector corporations, nonprofit organizations and Historically Underutilized Businesses (HUBs) from across our country. The organization partners with APTA and other transportation industry groups to ensure that minorities are represented and prepared to excel.

Rev. Moore was the pastor of Washington, DC's Nineteenth Street Baptist Church from 1946 until he retired in 1996.

In 1974, he was elected an at-large member of the Council of the District of Columbia, a position he held until 1985. Additionally, he chaired the Council Committee on Transportation and served on the board of the Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority. He served on the WMATA board during the planning and creation of the Metrorail system.

Williams was a former FTA associate administrator and long-time director of civil rights for FTA's predecessor organization, UMTA. He was also deputy commissioner of equal educational opportunity in the U.S. Department of Education. At U.S. DOT, under both Democratic and Republican presidents, Williams helped develop far-reaching regulations for equal opportunity in public transportation, including Title VI, and equal access to service. He also created diversity and inclusion regulations regarding workforce and the use of small, minority, and woman-owned businesses in all federally funded or assisted public transportation. Following his retirement from DOT, he was a consultant to public transit agencies and DOT on issues of equal opportunity.

Both Rev. Moore and Harold Williams have been true “drum majors”—helping to usher in a new day in transportation leadership, management, and policy—always with a laser focus on leveling the playing field for people of color, women, people with disabilities, and others who have been historically underutilized and all too often marginalized. Although they were both very accomplished individually, the legacy of their collaborative effort has transformed the practices and composition of the transportation industry across the nation.



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“Fred is a giant in the public transportation industry. For half a century, he served as a talented, effective, compassionate, and inspirational leader making countless, significant contributions to the business he loves and knows so well. Fred is arguably the very best mentor our industry will ever know. He is more than deserving of induction into the APTA Hall of Fame.”

— **Mike Scanlon**
Retired CEO
SamTrans



FRED M. GILLIAM

“Induction into the American Public Transportation Association Hall of Fame is one of the most humbling and gratifying experiences in my life. I owe many people I have worked with during my career a big heartfelt thanks for their support and for making this possible. I have been blessed to work with so many talented people from around the country who shared a common desire to make a difference in everything we did. I am pleased to accept and share this honor with them.”



FRED M. GILLIAM

Nearly 50 years of advancing public transit systems and mentoring industry leaders

In the span of a nearly five-decade career managing and operating public and private transit systems, the legacy of Fred Gilliam's leadership and integrity is visible from his growth from a traffic checker to CEO. Within his various leadership roles, Fred continually increased ridership, expanded fleet operations and maintenance, and improved service despite challenging funding. Several examples of his leadership and vision can be seen in Memphis, TN; Denver, CO; New Orleans, LA; Houston, TX; Tulsa, OK; and Austin, TX.

Fred started his public transit career at the Memphis Transit Management Company as a traffic checker. During his tenure, he rose through the ranks from street supervisor to becoming the agency's CEO. Under his leadership, a new operating facility was planned and constructed, the fleet was modernized, and frequent bus service was initiated in a high-density corridor. Fred also led the development and implementation of the Main Street Trolley.

As general manager of the New Orleans Regional Transit Authority (RTA), Fred led the effort for RTA to successfully negotiate the acquisition of the transit system assets from New Orleans Public Service Inc. After RTA entered revenue service, Fred immediately began the process of replacing and upgrading the fleet and facilities being operated past their useful life. During his tenure, RTA also developed a successful plan to provide service during the World's Fair.

In 1994, Fred was deputy general manager of operations at Houston's Metropolitan Transit Authority of Harris County

(METRO), at the time the largest all-bus system in the country. He went on to become executive vice president and chief operations officer of METRO. Under his leadership, METRO reversed a three-year ridership decline.

Fred joined Capital Metro in Austin in 2001. Thanks to his leadership, the agency significantly improved operations, on-time performance, ridership its fleet, reduced accidents and increased service. He also led the effort for a successful public referendum for the development and implementation of Capital MetroRail, the region's first urban passenger rail service. Fred retired in late 2009 as the longest-serving CEO in the agency's history.

Throughout his career, Fred has been an active member and passionate advocate for APTA, lending his talents to numerous committees and positions on APTA's Executive Committee, Board of Directors, and the American Public Transportation Foundation. He learned early in his career that to be a successful leader, you must surround yourself with a great team, have trust and respect for each other, effectively delegate and be a good listener.

Not surprisingly, Fred has devoted himself to the development of Leadership APTA, a program through which hundreds of emerging leaders have received transformative professional development and training. The ripple effects of Leadership APTA will be felt for generations to come. Fred will be remembered for mentoring many emerging leaders throughout his career and continuing to do so after his retirement.



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“What makes Tom such a great labor negotiator and labor relations advocate is his ability to understand transit and the issues faced by our industry from the other side of the table. He is a detailed-oriented, competent and tough negotiator, whom I could always trust because I knew his ‘word was his bond.’ In the many times we were involved in collective bargaining, there was never an arbitration nor a strike.”

— **Oscar Owens**
**International Secretary-
Treasurer**
Amalgamated Transit Union



THOMAS P. HOCK

“I am surprised, honored and humbled to be inducted into the APTA Hall of Fame. In my more than 44 years in public transit I have had the privilege to work with many great CEOs, board members and union leaders, many of whom I am honored to call my friends. It would not have been possible without the encouragement and support from ATE Management and Service Company and very especially my wife and children who tolerated me being on the road every week.”



THOMAS P. HOCK

Forging effective management/labor relations and solutions for more than 40 years

No one in the history of public transportation has had more of an impact on management/labor relations than Thomas P. Hock, Esq. Over the course of his distinguished career, Tom's impact in the industry, specifically labor relations, has been indisputable. He has negotiated more than 400 agreements in 38 different states, as well as overseeing the negotiation of countless other agreements.

Tom has developed strong relationships with several different international unions: Amalgamated Transit Union; the International Brotherhood of Teamsters; United Auto Workers; American Federation of State, County and Municipal Employees; United Transportation Union; Transport Workers Union; International Association of Machinists and Aerospace Workers; United Steelworkers; and International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers

What makes Tom such a great labor negotiator and labor relations advocate is his ability to understand public transit and the issues faced by the industry from the other side of the table. He is detail-oriented, competent and a tough negotiator. He earned the respect of the union officials from across the country because of the trust and consistency he always exhibited. Tom has been characterized throughout his career as someone whose "word is his bond."

An active member of APTA, Tom served on the Labor, 13(c) and Legal Affairs Committees. His Management Report on Transit Labor Issues has been a staple of APTA's annual Transit CEOs Seminar for at least the past 30 years. He also provided labor presentations to Leadership APTA members.

Tom began his career in 1970 with the Cincinnati law firm of Kennedy and Moore, which specialized in labor relations. In 1974, he joined ATE Management and Service Company (which later became Ryder/ATE) as labor counsel. From 1987-1993, Tom served as vice president of transit management for Ryder/ATE. From 1993-1999, he was vice president of labor relations for the company. In addition to labor negotiations, he was instrumental in assisting public transit systems in Ohio, Kentucky and Tennessee to change the impasse procedure in their 13(c) agreements from binding interest arbitration to non-binding fact finding.

In 1999, Tom was a founder and chief executive officer (CEO) of Professional Transit Management (PTM). He served as PTM's senior labor counsel and led all labor services activities for management clients. As PTM's CEO, he placed the first African-American or woman CEOs at public transit systems in Richmond, VA; Cincinnati, OH; Knoxville, TN; and Tucson, AZ. During this time, he also served as the principal of Thomas P. Hock and Associates, providing labor services for public transit systems throughout the U.S.

In 2008, PTM was purchased by Veolia Transportation, which later became Transdev North America. Tom served as Transdev's vice president of labor relations until his retirement in 2017. At Transdev, he oversaw labor services activities for more than 100 public transit clients.

A Cincinnati native, Tom holds an undergraduate degree from the University of Notre Dame and a Juris Doctorate from the University of Cincinnati College of Law.



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“Jack Leary is a transit professional under whose leadership light rail was built in St. Louis. It was a pleasure working with Jack and because of his rail transit knowledge and skill working in the public sector, MetroLink has been a transportation and economic development success for the region.”

– **Vince Schoemehl**
Mayor, City of St. Louis, MO
(1981-1993) &
Member of the BSDA Board
of Commissioners



JACK LEARY

“It’s a distinct honor and a unique privilege to be recognized by my transit colleagues and receive this very distinguished award placing me in the APTA Hall of Fame. I have worked with some of the finest transit talent in the industry and together I feel we have made a positive difference in the daily lives of people. It’s a very humbling experience being inducted into the APTA Hall of Fame and a proud moment for me and my family.”



JACK LEARY

A dedicated leader who made a difference in public transit for nearly 50 years

Jack Leary started his 48-year public transit career in 1966 as a Massachusetts Bay Transportation Authority (MBTA) streetcar operator, while pursuing a business degree at Northeastern University. He gradually took on significant new responsibilities, being promoted to management positions in Planning, Construction and Operations. In 1984, Jack was named Director of Operations and then Deputy General Manager of Operations at the MBTA with complete responsibility for all operating, maintenance, engineering and support departments. Major improvements were made to key performance indicators, ridership and customer service.

In 1990, Jack became the Executive Director/Chief Executive Officer of the Bi State Development Agency (BSDA). He led the organization's pursuit of transportation and development projects in both the states of Missouri and Illinois.

Over the next three years, an 18 mile/14 station light rail system was built, extending from Southern Illinois, through downtown St. Louis via a subway, then on dedicated right of way to many employment centers and institutions on its final destination to Lambert St. Louis International Airport.

On July 31, 1993, on schedule and within budget, MetroLink opened its station for service. A huge crowd attended the opening ceremony; 180,000 customers rode MetroLink over the next three days. MetroLink ridership doubled projections. Ridership on the BSDA integrated bus/rail system grew from 37 million to 51 million annual trips.

Tom Shrout, Executive Director of Citizens for Modern Transit 1988-2010 said "Jack Leary was the right person to lead

MetroLink in 1993; he knew and loved transit, understood the expectations of elected leaders, business and advocates to open a light rail line that was a success from day 1. No one expected the historic success."

Under Jack's leadership, the BSDA transit system won the APTA Public Transportation Innovation Award in 1994, the Minority and Women Advancement Award in 1996 and Outstanding Public Transportation System Award in 1997.

Jack was a member of the APTA Board of Directors and served two terms on the Executive Committee as Vice-Chair of Rail.

In 1998, Jack became the General Manager of the Southeastern Pennsylvania Transportation Authority (SEPTA). One of Jack's first initiatives was to engage all levels of the organization in the development of a "Five Year Plan for Strategic Change." Unanimously adopted by the SEPTA Board, this plan was a blueprint for change. The phrase "Serious About Change" became the hallmark of Leary's tenure at SEPTA.

In 2001, SEPTA hosted the APTA Annual Meeting, less than one month after the devastating 9/11 attacks. There were calls to cancel the meeting. However, Jack stood tall and won over APTA leadership. He assured all that SEPTA would host a safe, outstanding national meeting. Thanks to Jack's vision and determination, SEPTA did exactly that!

Making a difference didn't end when he left public service. Jack continued to contribute to the industry, as he founded a transportation consulting firm and was a principal in KL Executive Search.

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APTA Award Winners

1983–2017

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S.A. (Syl) Caria	Miriam Gholikely	Anthony R. (Tony) Lucchesi	Carlton Sickles
John B. Catoe, Jr.	Dominic J. Giacoma	William R. (Bill) Lucius	John Duncan Simpson
James A. Caywood	Peter J. Giacoma	William A. Luke	Richard J. Simonetta
Hector Chaput	George Gibbs	James A. Machesney	Robert Sloan
Henry C. Church	John Joseph Gilhooley	Reba Malone	Roger Snoble
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George J. Clark	Kenneth M. Gregor	Robert G. MacLennan	Alan Sterland
Carmack Cochran	David L. Gunn	Walter J. McCarter	Edward R. Stokel
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Leo J. Cusick	Gerald T. Haugh	Peter J. Meinardi	Harley L. Swift
Lawrence D. Dahms	Jesse L. Haugh	James R. Mills	Erland A. Tillman
John A. Dash	Louis L. (Larry) Heil	William W. Millar	Ronald J. Tober
Jan den Oudsten	George W. Heinle	Albert Paul Moniz	Carmen E. Turner
Robert G. Decker	Elonzo (Lonnie) W. Hill	Robert Wayne Nelson	Kenneth S. Voigt
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James W. Donaghy	William B. Hurd	Robert Pollock	Alan C. Wulkan
Georges G. Donato	John F. (Jack) Hutchison	Jerome (Jerry) C. Premo	
Walter S. Douglas	Donald C. Hyde	Robert Prince	

OUTSTANDING PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION MANAGER

(FORMERLY THE JESSE L. HAUGH AWARD)

1983	Warren H. Frank
1984	Louis B. Olsen
1985	Alan F. Kiepper
1986	Harold C. Jenkins
1987	William W. Millar
1988	David L. Gunn
1989	Carmen E. Turner
1990	James E. Cowen
1991	William L. Volk
1992	Chester E. Colby
1993	Kenneth M. Gregor
1994	Allan Leach
1995	Gerald T. Haugh
1996	Shirley A. DeLibero
1997	Richard J. Simonetta
1998	Roger P. Snoble
1999	Paul A. Toliver
2000	Richard F. Davis
2001	John P. Bartosiewicz
2002	Lawrence G. Reuter
2003	Sandra L. Draggoo
2004	Thomas P. Kujawa
2005	Ronald J. Tober
2006	Clarence (Cal) W. Marsella
2007	J. Barry Barker
2008	Joe Calabrese
2009	John B. Catoe, Jr.
2010	Hugh A. Mose
2011	Stephanie Negriff
2012	Laurence W. Jackson
2013	Phillip A. Washington
2014	Paul C. Jablonski
2015	Keith T. Parker
2016	Gary C. Thomas
2017	Art Leahy

LIFETIME ACHIEVEMENT

1997	Rosa Parks
2000	Mortimer Downey
2006	Norman Y. Mineta

LIFETIME OF ACADEMIC DISTINCTION

2014	Dr. George M. Smerk, Jr. Dr. Vukan R. Vuchic
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OUTSTANDING PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION BUSINESS MEMBER

1989	James A. Machesney
1990	Claude G. Robinson
1991	Mark J. Obert
1992	Richard J. Bouchard, Jr.
1993	David L. Turney
1994	Robert Graham
1995	Dan M. Reichard, Jr.
1996	B.J. (Bill) Chaddock
1997	Bernard J. Ford, Sr.
1998	Brian Macleod
1999	Alan C. Wulkan
2000	Del D. Komejan
2001	Stephanie L. Pinson
2002	Frank Di Giacomo
2003	Gary E. Griggs William H. McCloud
2004	Robert Brownstein
2005	William (Bill) Lochte
2007	Kim R. Green
2008	Jerome (Jerry) C. Premo
2009	Delon Hampton
2010	James G. Srygley
2011	Sharon Greene
2012	Clifford (Cliff) Henke

2013 Charles R. Wochele
 2014 Raul V. Bravo
 2015 Angela Iannuzziello
 2016 Michael I. Schneider
 2017 Patrick Scully

OUTSTANDING PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION BOARD MEMBER

2001 George H. Ivey, Jr.
 Jesse Oliver
 2002 H. Welton Flynn
 2003 James S. Barbour
 2004 Mary K. Blue
 Leon L. Williams
 2005 Huelon Harrison
 2006 George F. Dixon, III
 2007 F. Charles Emery
 2008 Al French
 2009 Gregory J. Nickels
 David M. Stackrow
 2010 Flora M. Castillo
 2011 Crystal Fortune Lyons
 2012 Gregory A. (Greg) Evans, M.Ed.
 Lee Kemp
 2013 Randall D. Chrisman
 2014 Pasquale T. Deon, Sr.
 2015 John C. Spychalski
 2016 Shirley Harris
 Thomas Nolan
 2017 Richard J. Ober

DISTINGUISHED SERVICE

1983 Dan Rostenkowski
 1984 Alfonse M. D'Amato
 1985 Ernest N. (Dutch) Morial
 1986 Mark Andrews

1987 Glenn M. Anderson (NATIONAL)
 Thomas H. Kean (STATE)
 1988 Bud Shuster (NATIONAL)
 Gerald Lee Baliles (STATE)
 1989 William Lehman (NATIONAL)
 Isadore E. Lourie (STATE)
 James R. Mills (LOCAL)
 1990 Robert R. Kiley (NATIONAL)
 Anthony W. Hall (STATE)
 George M. Smerk (LOCAL)
 1991 Robert Roe (NATIONAL)
 Gerald H. Johnston (STATE/PROVINCE)
 Joseph Alexander (LOCAL)
 1992 Brian W. Clymer (NATIONAL)
 William Donald Schaefer (STATE)
 Robert E. Ellis (LOCAL)
 1993 Norman Y. Mineta (NATIONAL)
 1994 Frank R. Lautenberg (NATIONAL)
 James J. Kerasiotes (STATE)
 Jacob V. Stuart (LOCAL)
 1995 Mark Hatfield (NATIONAL)
 Henry L. Peyrebrune (STATE/PROVINCE)
 John Dockendorf (STATE)
 Rod Diridon (LOCAL)
 1996 Frank Wolf (NATIONAL)
 Earl Blumenauer (LOCAL)
 Frankee Hellinger (LOCAL)
 1997 Bud Shuster (NATIONAL)
 Tom Green (LOCAL)
 Dr. Carlos I. Pesquera (TERRITORY)
 1998 Alfonse M. D'Amato (NATIONAL)
 Daniel T. Scannell (STATE)
 Richard S. Kelly (LOCAL)
 1999 Paul S. Sarbanes (NATIONAL)
 Roy E. Barnes (STATE)
 Glenda E. Hood (LOCAL)
 2000 James L. Oberstar (NATIONAL)
 Anne P. Canby (STATE)
 2001 Thomas Petri (NATIONAL)
 Parris N. Glendening (STATE)
 Lee P. Brown (LOCAL)

2002 Robert F. Bennett (NATIONAL)
 Robert A. Borski (NATIONAL)
 Jeff Morales (STATE)

2003 Richard C. Shelby (NATIONAL)
 Don Young (NATIONAL)
 Robert J. Grow (LOCAL)

2004 Earl Blumenauer (NATIONAL)
 Doug Stoner (LOCAL)

2005 Bob Huff (LOCAL)

2006 Gerald E. (Gerry) Connolly (LOCAL)

2007 Lane Beattie (LOCAL)

2008 Julie Hamos (LOCAL)

2010 Mufi F. Hannemann (LOCAL)

2011 Cameron Beach (LOCAL)

2012 Anthony R. Villaraigosa (LOCAL)

2013 Daniel K. Inouye (STATE)

2014 Barbara Boxer (NATIONAL)
 Tom Petri (NATIONAL)
 Ed Pastor (LOCAL)

2015 Jeff Morales (STATE)

2016 Peter DeFazio (NATIONAL)
 Daniel Lipinski (NATIONAL)
 Bill Shuster (NATIONAL)

2017 Kirk W. Dillard (LOCAL)
 Kasim Reed (LOCAL)

OUTSTANDING PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION SYSTEMS

1983 Winston-Salem Transit Authority
 Central New York Regional Transportation Authority
 Municipality of Metropolitan Seattle
 New Jersey Transit Corporation

1984 Regional Transportation Commission/CITIFARE
 Pierce Transit
 Metropolitan Transit Authority of Harris County

1985 Blacksburg Transit
 Ann Arbor Transportation Authority
 Southwest Ohio Regional Transit Authority/Queen City
 Metro
 Toronto Transit Commission

1986 Champaign-Urbana Mass Transit District
 Capital Metropolitan Transportation Authority
 Utah Transit Authority
 Ottawa-Carleton Regional Transit Commission

1987 Alexandria Transit Company
 Santa Monica Municipal Bus Lines
 Milwaukee County Transit System
 Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority

1988 Beaver County Transit Authority
 Sun Tran
 San Mateo County Transit District
 Tri-County Metropolitan Transportation District of Oregon

1989 Chatham Area Transit Authority
 Fresno Area Express/FAX
 Long Beach Public Transit Corporation

1990 St. Cloud Metropolitan Transit Commission
 Duluth Transit Authority
 VIA Metropolitan Transit
 Greater Cleveland Regional Transit Authority

1991 Athens Transit System
Capital Area Transportation Authority
San Diego Trolley, Inc.
Westchester County Department of Transportation/
The Bee-line System
Municipality of Metropolitan Seattle

1992 City Transit Company, Inc.
Santa Monica Municipal Bus Lines
Sacramento Regional Transit District
Metro-North Commuter Railroad
Regional Transportation District

1993 East Volusia Transportation Authority
Peninsula Transportation District Commission
Foothill Transit
New Jersey Transit Corporation

1994 Laredo Municipal Transit System
Champaign-Urbana Mass Transit District
Oahu Transit Services
Bi-State Development Agency

1995 Durham Area Transit Authority
OMNITRANS
Foothill Transit
British Columbia Transit

1996 Boise Urban Stages
LYNX-Central Florida Regional Transportation Authority
Utah Transit Authority
Dallas Area Rapid Transit
New Jersey Transit Corporation
Southeastern Pennsylvania Transportation Authority

1997 Sarasota County Area Transit
Santa Monica Municipal Bus Lines
Citizens Area Transit
New Jersey Transit Corporation
Metra
Bi-State Development Agency
Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority
City of Charleston

1998 CityLink-Abilene Transit System
Metropolitan Transit Development Board Contract Services
LYNX-Central Florida Regional Transportation Authority
MTA Metro-North Railroad
Port Authority Trans-Hudson Corporation
Broward County Division of Mass Transit

1999 Montebello Bus Lines
OMNITRANS
Milwaukee County Transit System
MTA Metro-North Railroad
Bi-State Development Agency

2000 Laketran
Access Services
Santa Monica's Big Blue Bus
Oahu Transit Services, Inc.

2001 Redding Area Bus Authority
CityBus of Greater Lafayette
Centre Area Transportation Authority
MTA New York City Transit

2002 River Valley Metro
Santa Clarita Transit
Utah Transit Authority
Port Authority Trans-Hudson Corporation

2003 ART-Arlington Transit
Space Coast Area Transit
Delaware Transit Corporation
Regional Transportation District

2004 SouthWest Metro Transit
Knoxville Area Transit
Interurban Transit Partnership
San Francisco Bay Area Rapid Transit District

2005 Laketrans
Muncie Indiana Transit System
Sun Tran
Orange County Transportation Authority

2006 Beaver County Transit Authority
Stark Area Regional Transit Authority
Central New York Regional Transportation Authority
Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority

2007 City of Elk Grove, Transit Services
St. Cloud Metropolitan Transit Commission
Capital Area Transportation Authority
Greater Cleveland Regional Transit Authority

2008 Muncie Indiana Transit System
GRTC Transit System
Regional Transportation District

2009 Greater Lynchburg Transit Authority
Intercity Transit
San Diego Metropolitan Transit System

2010 Bloomington Public Transportation Corporation
Hillsborough Area Regional Transit Authority
Société de transport de Montréal

2011 Tompkins Consolidated Area Transit, Inc.
Sun Metro
Santa Monica's Big Blue Bus

2012 Rock Island County Metropolitan Mass Transit District
Metro Transit
Southeastern Pennsylvania Transportation Authority

2013 Northern Arizona Intergovernmental Public Transportation
Authority
Interurban Transit Partnership
GO Transit

2014 Eastern Contra Costa Transit Authority
Lane Transit District
Utah Transit Authority

2015 Connect Transit
Metropolitan Transit Authority of Harris County (METRO)

2016 EMBARK
Jacksonville Transportation Authority
Metro Transit

2017 Knoxville Area Transit
Capital District Transportation Authority
Toronto Transit Commission

PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION SYSTEM INNOVATION

1983	Metropolitan Atlanta Rapid Transit Authority
1984	Toronto Transit Commission
1985	Municipality of Metropolitan Seattle
1986	Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority
1987	Bi-State Development Agency
1988	Chittenden County Transportation Authority
1989	Los Angeles County Transportation Commission
1990	Southern California Rapid Transit District
1991	VIA Metropolitan Transit
1992	New York City Transit Authority
1993	Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority
1994	Bi-State Development Agency
1995	Metropolitan Transit Authority of Harris County
1996	MTA New York City Transit
1997	New Jersey Transit Corporation
1998	Ann Arbor Transportation Authority
2000	New Jersey Transit Corporation
2001	Bi-State Development Agency
2002	Chicago Transit Authority Illinois Department of Transportation
2003	Metropolitan Transportation Commission
2004	Tri-County Metropolitan Transportation District of Oregon Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority
2005	Massachusetts Bay Transportation Authority
2006	York Region Rapid Transit Corporation
2007	Greater Bridgeport Transit Authority Utah Transit Authority
2008	Southwest Ohio Regional Transit Authority
2009	Utah Transit Authority

2011	Massachusetts Bay Transportation Authority
2012	Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority
2014	Capital Metropolitan Transportation Authority Regional Transportation District
2016	Chicago Transit Authority Regional Transportation Commission of Southern Nevada
2017	State Road & Tollway Authority (Atlanta, GA)

SPECIAL AWARD FOR EXTRAORDINARY LEADERSHIP

2006	Dwight D. Brashear
2016	Joni Earl

SPECIAL RECOGNITION FOR EXTRAORDINARY RECOVERY

2011	Regional Transit Authority, LA
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OUTSTANDING BUSINESS EXECUTIVE OF THE YEAR

2004	G. Richard Wagoner, Jr.
2006	Carl Guardino
2007	William F. Valentine
2009	Tim Solso

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Leadership

Integrity

Excellence

Diversity

Inclusiveness

Fairness and Equity

Teamwork

Professionalism

Accountability

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