

2013 Louisiana Public Transit Conference

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Wednesday, November 20, 2013

9:00 a.m. – 4:30 p.m. **Conference Registration/Information**

Elite Foyer

9:00 a.m. – 10:00 a.m. **Vendor Setup**

Elite Hall A

10:00 a.m. – 4:30 p.m. **Vendor Exhibits**

Elite Hall A

Exhibitors will be on hand to showcase their products and equipment. Don't miss the opportunity to see the exclusive items of the year! Please visit our 2013 Vendors in Elite Hall II.

11:30 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. **Opening Luncheon**

Elite Hall A

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Invocation:

National Anthem:

Introduction of Guest:

Welcome to the City Address:

LADOTD Welcome:

Conference Keynote Address:

Donna Lavigne, LADOTD Public Transportation Administrator

Mayor Mitch Landrieu, Mayor of New Orleans

Sec. Sherri H. LeBas, Louisiana DOTD's Secretary

Charles R. Carr, Director of Intermodal Planning, MDOT

Moderator:

Donna Lavigne, LADOTD Public Transportation Administrator

1:05 p.m. – 2:00 p.m. **General Session: Transit Update**

Elite Hall B

Get the latest from transit officials on what's happening at the State level and how it will affect Louisiana.

Panelist:

Dennis Decker, LADOTD Office of Planning & Programming Assistant Secretary, Baton Rouge, LA

Phil Jones, LADOTD Deputy Assistant Secretary Intermodal Transportation, Baton Rouge, LA

Moderator:

JD Allen, Vice President Alliance Transportation Group, Inc.

2:00 p.m. – 2:25 p.m. **Refreshment Break/Vendor Room**

Elite Hall A-B

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2:30 p.m. – 4:00 p.m. **General Session**

Elite Hall B

Training / Safety and Security

Session will discuss RTAP trainings that are offered throughout the year and the required safety regulations.

Presenters:

R Ream Lazaro, FTA Bus Safety Program - Contractor Technical Lead Boyd, Caton and Grant Transportation Group

Moderator:

Bennie Nobles, LADOTD Safety & Security Program Manager

4:05 p.m. – 4:45p.m. **Concurrent Sessions:**

Foster 1	Foster 2	Strand 11A
<p>Rural Transit Application Review Join Casey and Jamie as they provide updates/changes to the Rural Transit applications and host their first Rural Roundtable.</p> <p>Presenters: Casey Lewis, LADOTD Rural Program Manager</p> <p>Jamie Ainsworth, LADOTD Rural Program Assistant Manager</p> <p>Moderator: Harold Beck, LADOTD Assistant Public Transportation Administrator</p>	<p>Elderly & Disabled (5310 Application Review) Learn updated program information as Mike and Karen go over the 5310 application process and host the E&D Roundtable</p> <p>Presenter: Mike Watts, LADOTD E&D Program Manager</p> <p>Moderator: Karen Harris, LADOTD E&D Program Assistant Manager</p>	<p>Dispatching Tips Learn helpful tips to make dispatching run a lot smoother at the office</p> <p>Presenter: Montra Gardner, Dispatching Supervisor, SporTran</p> <p>Moderator: Colin Mulloy, Safety Director, SporTran</p>

5:30 p.m. – 8:30p.m. **Big Night Reception**

Elite Hall Lobby

Enjoy the eclectic sounds of the MoJEAUX Band while catching up with old acquaintances, meet the DOTD Public Transportation staff, LPTA Board Members, vendors, members of FTA, and welcome new transportation friends and providers.

Co-Sponsored by:

Thursday, November 21, 2013

8:00 a.m. – 4:30 p.m. **Conference Registration/Information**

Elite Hall Foyer

8:00 a.m. – 4:30 p.m. **Vendor Exhibits**

Elite Hall A

8:00 a.m. – 8:55 a.m. **Continental Breakfast**

Elite Hall A-B

Enjoy the sweet flavors of Sliced and Whole Fresh Fruit and Mixed Berries Assorted Breakfast Pastries and Coffee Cakes Assorted Sliced Breads with Sweet Butter, Assortment of Jams Selection of Organic Yogurts and Chef's Selection of Toppings

9:00 a.m. – 10:30 a.m. <u>Concurrent Sessions:</u>		
Foster 1	Foster 2	Strand 11A
<p>Use of Alternative Fuels & Hybrid Vehicles by Small Urban & Rural Transit Systems</p> <p><i>Please join Jeremy and other Urban representatives as they discuss alternative fuels.</i></p> <p>Presenters: Jeremy Mattson Associate Research Fellow / Small Urban & Rural Transit Center Upper Great Plains Transportation Institute</p> <p>Mike Hollier, Planning Manager for the Lafayette MPO</p> <p>Moderator: Matt Johns, LADOTD Program Specialist 5</p>	<p>Powerful Public Speaking Tips for Transit Professionals</p> <p><i>Learn the specific methods and strategies that will make you look and feel like a natural, one-on-one or in a large group. Through this session, be empowered to stand up and speak with confidence and skill.</i></p> <p>Presenter: Kristen Joyner Executive Director South West Transit Association</p> <p>Moderator: Jamie Ainsworth, LADOTD Rural Program Assistant Manager</p>	<p>New Freedom & Job Access/Reverse Commute Programs</p> <p><i>Learn updated program information</i></p> <p>Presenter: Kay Ryall, LADOTD JARC/NF Program Manager</p> <p>Moderator: Laura Wallace, Community Planner for the Office of Planning & Program Development FTA - Region VI</p>

10:30 a.m. – 10:55 a.m. **Refreshment Break/Vendor Room**

Elite Hall A-B

11:00 a.m. – 11:50 a.m. <u>Concurrent Sessions</u>	
Foster 1	Foster 2
<p>STTARS</p> <p><i>Need help with STTARS or have questions/concerns? Come on out and gather with the Alliance Transportation Group.</i></p> <p>Presenter: Amy Allen, Alliance Transportation Group</p> <p>Curtis McBroom, Alliance Transportation Group</p> <p>Moderator: JD Allen, Vice President, Alliance Transportation Group</p>	<p>Drug Free Workplace Programs- Testing Beyond the Regulations</p> <p><i>Join Beverly as she gives more information on testing employees in the workplace.</i></p> <p>Presenter: Beverly Krieger, C-SAPA President, Precision Compliance, Inc.</p> <p>Moderator: Laura Wallace, Community Planner, FTA Region VI</p>

12:00 p.m. – 1:30 p.m. **Lunch/ LPTA Business Meeting**

Elite Hall A

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Presenter:

Carol Carnshaw, LPTA President

1:35 p.m. – 2:35 p.m. Concurrent Sessions

Foster 1	Foster 2	Strand 11A
<p align="center">FTA Title VI</p> <p align="center"><i>Join Aida as she goes over changes and updates to Title IV.</i></p> <p align="center">Presenter: FTA Representative</p> <p align="center">Moderator: FTA Representative</p>	<p align="center">Succession Planning and Mentoring</p> <p align="center"><i>Many of the transit managers currently in the industry are at or near retirement age and most systems have no plan for future managers. Learn how to run your transit system as a business and how to grow your current employees through mentor programs to take on more responsibility and continue to grow.</i></p> <p align="center">Presenter: Keven Anderson Coordinator for Training and Outreach Small Urban & Rural Transit Center</p> <p align="center">Moderator: Jamie Ainsworth, LADOTD Rural Program Assistant Manager</p>	<p align="center">Urban Transit Round Table (Part 1)</p> <p align="center"><i>Discuss what's going on with transit. Bring a topic you would like to discuss or hear about.</i></p> <p align="center">Presenter: Mike Mitchell, LPTA Vice President</p> <p align="center">Moderator: Michelle Horne, LADOTD Urban Program Manager/Planner</p>

2:40 p.m. – 2:55 p.m. **Refreshment Break/Vendor Room**

Elite Hall A-B

3:00 p.m. – 4:30 p.m. General Session

Elite Hall B

Follow Me I'm Right Behind You! - How to Lead and Influence Others

The key to successful leadership today is influence, not authority. With today's rapidly evolving workplace, strong leaders in transportation must work harder than ever to influence and engage others.

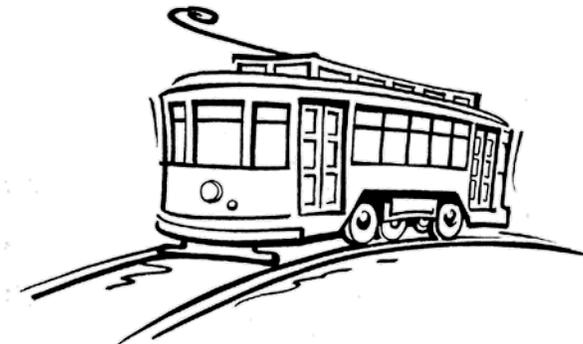
Presenters: **Jody Urquhart,**
Professional Speaker and Author of *All Work & No SAY*

Moderator: **Dinero' Washington, MBA,** SporTran General Manager,
Shreveport Transit Management, Inc.

4:30 p.m. – until **Dinner with friends on your own**

Thanks to Veolia Transportation for supplying transportation for conference attendees while attending this year's conference in the great city of New Orleans.

Their services will run from the Hyatt throughout downtown New Orleans and the French Quarter.



Friday, November 22, 2013

8:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. Conference Registration/Information

Elite Hall Foyer

9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. Vendor Exhibits

Elite Hall A

8:15 a.m. – 9:15 a.m. Breakfast with FTA

Elite Hall A

Sponsored by:

Speakers:

FTA Representative

9:20 a.m. – 10:30 a.m. Concurrent Sessions

Foster 1	Foster 2	Strand 11A
<p>Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) and Small Business Element (SBE)</p> <p><i>FTA will provide an overview of the Disadvantaged Business Enterprise and Small Business Element regulations and required reporting.</i></p> <p style="text-align: center;">Presenter:</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Juanita Linton, DOTD SBE Program Manager</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Moderator: FTA Representative</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Vendor Panel</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>Join in on the lively discussions at this Vendor Panel Session. It's your opportunity to ask the vehicle manufactures as well as the state representatives about your vehicles/vans that you receive through the LADOTD contract. We want to hear what you have to say.....so be ready to express what's on your mind about warranties, maintenance, vehicle design specs, etc.</i></p> <p style="text-align: center;">Panelist: Various Vendors</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Moderators: Harold Beck, LADOTD Assistant Public Transportation Director</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Mike Watts, LADOTD E&D Program Manager</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Urban Round table (Part 2)</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>Continue to discuss what's going on with transit. Bring more topics you want to discuss or hear about.</i></p> <p style="text-align: center;">Presenters: Ryan Brown, Director of Transit Administration for Jefferson Parish Transit</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Moderator: Michelle Horne, LADOTD Urban Program Manager/Planner</p>

9:20 a.m. – 10:00 a.m. Door Prizes

Elite Hall B

Presenter: LADOTD Public Transportation Section

11:05 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. Lunch with Louisiana State Police

Elite Hall A

Defensive Driving and Closing Remarks

Join with us as we listen to Louisiana State Police and present awards, to honor individuals and agencies for their contribution to the success of public transportation. This is also your chance to document your opinions about the conference, make suggestions for next year's conference.

Presenters:

Louisiana State Police
Donna Lavigne, LADOTD Public Transportation Administrator