





#### Welcome guests and colleagues to Cleveland!

Let's start with a round of applause for the hardworking AMPO and NOACA staff who organized this stellar conference!

I am delighted that you have joined us for the 2023 AMPO Annual Conference, a gathering where the shining minds of MPOs and our partners assemble to share what they have learned since we last met. If it is your first time attending, then thank you for stepping into our world! If you are a returning guest, thank you for returning! The coordinators responsible for putting this event together have outdone themselves. It's a pleasure to host you all in our city. Our mission is to provide all in attendance with the most informative and entertaining experience possible.

Cleveland is the "best location in the nation," for accessible highways, rails, aviation, and ports to grow our economy, and is within 600 miles of 60% of the country's population. Cleveland and our cities, townships, and villages in Cuyahoga, Geauga, Lake, and Lorain Counties, and our region at large, continue to be at the forefront of dynamic and innovative projects that promise to improve mobility, safety, and livability for the region. Examples of these projects include being the first city to run a rail rapid transit line to its airport; the Healthline Bus Rapid Transit System, which spurred more than \$10 billion in economic development and created 13,000 jobs; and the pursuit of the country's first Hyperloop transportation system.

As an MPO representing five counties, NOACA seeks to strengthen regional cohesion, preserve existing infrastructure, and build a sustainable multimodal transportation system to support economic development and enhance the quality of life in Northeast Ohio. The job that we, and all of you, try to do isn't easy in fiscally challenging times filled with partisan division, international aggression, a daunting national debt, and of course the looming specter of climate change. In a world where we may never have enough funding to fully meet all our needs, it's important that we coordinate our existing resources in the most efficient way possible. It takes being forward-thinking, proactive, and transparent to innovate our way toward the realization of our respective visions. Hopefully, this conference will provide each and every one of you with inspiration and connections to make your organization's vision a reality.



On behalf of over 450 MPO directors, transportation planners, and elected officials from across the country, it's our privilege to host this year's conference. It is our sincere wish that over the next four days, you will learn and be transformed by the sessions, presenters, and your fellow attendees. Our conference will feature MPOs and their wide variety of partners who will analyze and share best practices on regional resilience, integrating health and transportation, maximizing your public engagement, trails, connecting land use and transit through transit-oriented development, and making the most of federal and state funding opportunities.

You are among government representatives, councils, think tanks, nonprofits, consultants, and businesses amongst others. We are confident you will be inspired by the agenda and the networking opportunities. There will also be a concurrent onsite exhibition to allow you to visit with industry partners and learn about new products and services.

A special thanks to our wonderful sponsors, partners, and presenters for without your commitment to AMPO, this event would simply not be possible. To each of you attending, we give our sincerest thanks for your participation. Whether you are attending for the first or fifteenth time, we treasure your trust in what we have to offer. We promise to make it worth your while.

We hope you explore Cleveland and enjoy the conference.

Best wishes.





Grace Gallucci Executive Director Northeast Ohio Areawide Coordinating Agency



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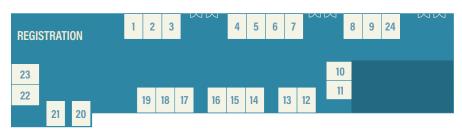


### BUSINESS SOLUTION TABLETOPS

Experience innovation and collaboration at the AMPO Annual Conference with many of our conference sponsors who have a tabletop exhibit to showcase their ideas and dynamic business solutions. Stop by their table to say hello; get your exhibitor passport stamped; and find out how they could help you with your organization's needs.



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# 2023 AMPO WINNERS

Congratulations to the 2023 AMPO Award winners for their dedication, talent, and unwavering commitment to excellence.

National Award for Outstanding Overall Achievement for a TMA MPO

Indianapolis Metropolitan Planning Organization Indianapolis, IN

National Award for Outstanding Overall Achievement for a non-TMA MPO

**Herkimer-Oneida Counties Transportation Council** Utica, NY National Award for Excellence in MPO Coordination and Partnership

Region 1 Planning Council Rockford, IL

#### **Honorable Mention:**

**Miami-Dade Transportation Planning Organization**Miami, FL

National Award for Outstanding Elected Official Leadership

County Executive Anthony J. Picente, Jr. Oneida County, NY



The Ronald F. Kirby Lifetime Achievement Award



Jeff Welch
Director, Knoxville
Regional Transportation
Planning Organization
(Retired, August 2023)



Thomas Mason
Director, Cheyenne
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Ronald F. Kirby will be remembered as a leading expert in transportation planning and a key figure in the MPO community. The Ronald F. Kirby Lifetime Achievement Award honors the contributions and advancements that Ron made to our industry. AMPO honors outstanding efforts in planning and leadership from an individual or individuals who has advanced or promoted the cause of planning in the public arena. We are honored to present this year's Ronald F. Kirby Lifetime Achievement Award to two outstanding industry leaders.

# SAVE THE DATE! AMPO ANNUAL CONFERENCE



September 24-27, 2024 Salt Lake City, UT









# CONFERENCE HIGHLIGHTS

#### **MONDAY | 12 - 5:00 PM**

### Pre-Conference Mobile Tour | Lake Erie Coastal Ohio Trail Scenic Byway and Local Projects

Participants will learn about the byway and Lake Erie Coastal Ohio Trail mobile application, a tool developed in partnership by NOACA, Erie Regional Planning Commission, US DOT, and the Ohio Department of Transportation, that provides residents and tourists with a map of the byway and descriptions of the sites along it. Advance registration required. **Transportation departs from the Ontario Street-Group Entrance of the Hilton Cleveland.** 

#### TUESDAY | 5:30 - 7:30 PM

### **Transportation Pub Trivia Night**Sponsored by Social Pinpoint | MetroQuest

Back by popular demand! Join us for a fun, informal evening where teams battle it out to see who has the greatest knowledge of transportation trivia. Special thanks to Chris Evilia of the Lexington Area MPO for organizing this exciting and interactive event! Location: Superior Ballroom C & D, 5th Floor, Hilton Cleveland.

#### **WEDNESDAY** | 12 - 1:30PM

#### **AMPO General Membership Meeting & Awards**

The AMPO General Membership Meeting will provide an update on AMPO events, welcome new members, announce the results of the 2024 Board of Directors election, and present the 2023 AMPO award winners! Led by AMPO Executive Director, Bill Keyrouze, and AMPO Board President, Ashby Johnson.

Location: Superior Ballroom C & D, Hilton Cleveland.



#### WEDNESDAY | 6 - 9 PM

#### **Evening Event at The Rock and Roll Hall of Fame**

Get ready to rock on and enjoy an evening of food and drink set in the iconic Rock and Roll Hall of Fame. Jam to the museum's vibe that echoes of legendary voices, the rhythm of groundbreaking beats, and the electric energy that defines rock and roll. Explore the new interactive Garage exhibit on Level 2 with its guitars, drum booths and synthesizers all equipped with instructional prompts and staff that help you learn the instruments, regardless of skill level! Don't forget to stop by the museum store and pick up a little merch for yourself and or those back home. The Rock and Roll Hall of Fame is located at 1100 E 9th Street. It is a 10-minute walk

from the Hilton Cleveland Downtown; a 12- to 14-minute commute via public transportation; or a short 2- to 4-minute ride by taxi or ridesharing service. Conference badge needed for admission.



Learn more about the evening event at the Rock and Roll Hall of Fame.

#### **THURSDAY | 5 - 6:30 PM**

#### **Closing Reception with Sponsors** Sponsored by Carma Technology

Join us at this informal closing reception to unwind, share some laughs, and raise a toast to friends new and old, and to the sponsor partnerships that help make it all happen. In addition, *The Frans*, a Cleveland-based public transit rock band, will be on hand to delight you with their captivating melodies. **Location: Veterans ABC Meeting Rooms & Superior Ballroom Foyer**, 5th Floor, Hilton Cleveland.

#### FRIDAY | 10 AM - 2:30 PM

#### Post-Conference Mobile Tour: Cuyahoga Valley Scenic Railroad Tour with Local Project Highlights

Discover the Cuyahoga Valley Scenic Railroad, a tourist and recreational excursion railway that also serves as an alternative transportation service to and within Cuyahoga Valley National Park and the Ohio and Erie Canalway. During the tour, learn about NOACA's efforts to connect the railway with downtown Cleveland. Advance registration required. Transportation departs from the Ontario Street-Group Entrance of the Hilton Cleveland. Note: The bus will stop at CLE Airport following the tour for anyone flying out at 4:15 PM or later.

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# AMPO PLANNING TOOLS & TRAINING

**SYMPOSIUM** 

Hotel Albuquerque at Old Town Albuquerque, New Mexico



### Conference Information



FEATURED SPEAKER
THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 28
LUNCHEON KEYNOTE SPEAKER
Angie Schmitt

Angie Schmitt is a Cleveland-based writer and urban planner. She is the author of Right of Way: Race, Class

and the Silent Epidemic of Pedestrian Deaths in America, which was published in 2020 by Island Press and named one of the top urban planning books of 2020. She is the founder of 3MPH Planning and Consulting, which works with leading change makers around the country advancing safer policies and infrastructure. Her writing has appeared in Slate, Vox, The New York Times, CNN Business and other publications. She is a mother of two and hasn't owned her own car in nearly a decade.



### CONFERENCE SPEAKER BIOS

Scan the QR code to learn more about our conference speakers.



#### **AMPO JOB BOARD**

Are you in search of a fresh career opportunity? Simply scan the QR code to discover which organizations are actively recruiting for various positions.

### CONFERENCE RESOURCES

The 2023 AMPO Annual Conference presentations will be posted in the member portal, My AMPO, in late October 2023.

### CONFERENCE AGENDA

All events at the Hilton Cleveland Downtown unless otherwise noted.

### **MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 25**

#### 12:00 - 5:00 PM

#### Pre-Conference Mobile Tour: Lake Erie Coastal Ohio Trail Scenic Byway and Local Projects

A AICP Credits | Registration required

View details in the Conference Highlights section of this program. Advance registration required. Transportation departs from the Ontario Street-Group Entrance of the Hilton Cleveland.

#### 1:00 - 2:00 PM

### Joint Policy & Technical Committee Meeting

(Committee Members Only)

**Superior A** 

#### 2:00 - 3:00 PM

#### **Policy Committee Meeting**

(Policy Committee Members Only)

**Veterans A&B** 

#### 2:00 - 3:00 PM

#### **Technical Committee Meeting**

(Technical Committee Members Only)

Superior A

#### 3:00 - 4:00 PM

### Joint Policy & Technical Committee Coffee & Chat

(Policy and Technical Committee Members Only)

**Superior A** 

#### 4:00 - 6:00 PM

#### **AMPO Board of Directors Meeting**

(Board Members Only)

**Veterans C** 

### **TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 26**

Breakfast on Your Own

#### 7:00 AM - 5:00 PM

#### Registration

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Conference Tote Bags Sponsored by Commute with Enterprise

Lakeside Foyer | 5th Floor

#### 7:00 - 11:00 AM

#### **Exhibitor Set-up**

**Veterans ABC Meeting Rooms & Superior Ballroom Foyer** 



#### 9:00 - 11:30 AM

### PRE-CONFERENCE WORKSHOP: Grant Writing

#### Superior C & D

2.25 AICP Credits | Registration Required

Join us for an informative workshop on federal grant applications. This workshop will equip MPOs with the latest tools and resources to enhance their grant applications and increase their chances of securing funding. Participants will explore successful applications, providing inspiration and practical examples of how to craft a compelling grant application. MPO participants will have the chance to share their experiences, approaches, and tips. Whether you are new to the grant application process or seeking to refine your strategies, this workshop offers a unique opportunity to learn from USDOT experts, and learn from peers in the field.

#### Safe Streets and Roads for All Grant Program Funding for MPOs

- Moderator: Jessica Rich, Federal Highway Administration
- Rebecca Morgan, Boston Region Metropolitan Planning Organization
- Christopher Chop, Greater Portland Council of Governments
- Rich Brierre, Indian Nations Council of Governments

#### Creating a Regional Strategy for Coordinating Funding Opportunities

- Moderator: Grace Gallucci, Northeast Ohio Areawide Coordinating Agency
- Beverly Burtzlaff, Northeast Ohio Areawide Coordinating Agency
- Leah Telepak, Northeast Ohio Areawide Coordinating Agency
- Carl Ringgold, U.S. Department of Transportation, Build America Bureau

#### **USDOT and MPO Grant Opportunities**

- Moderators: Meredith Davis, U.S. Department of Transportation; Alexander Bond, U.S. Department of Transportation
- Harlan Miller. Federal Highway Administration.
- Uryan Nelson, Killeen-Temple MPO
- Greg Stuart, AICP, Broward Metropolitan Planning Organization

#### 9:00 - 11:30 AM

#### PRE-CONFERENCE WORKSHOP: Deploying Technology for a Climate Resilient Future

Presented by AMPO and ITS America

#### **Superior B**

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Climate change will have broad impacts on our communities, including to our transportation system and infrastructure. This event will explore what climate resiliency means in the context of transportation, the MPO role in implementing a climate resilient transportation system, and some of the technologies and tools available to help communities ensure their transportation systems are climate resilient. This session aims to foster better understanding of the types of tools and technologies available to communities that can enhance the resiliency and sustainability of their transportation systems in the face of climate-related challenges.

### Climate Resilience: Technology as a Solution and Available Tools

- Moderator: Laura Chace, ITS America
- Monali Shah, Google; ITS America Board
- Emily Biondi, Federal Highway Administration
- Andrew Duvall, Ph.D., NREL
- Brian Hoeft, Miovision
- Preeti Choudhary, Drive Ohio

### Climate Resilience: Transportation Impacts and The MPO Role

- Moderator: Laurie Matkowski, Gannet Fleming
- Levi Stewart-Figueroa, Broward Metropolitan Planning Organization
- Jonathan Bolen, Rapides Area Planning Commission
- Brian Filiatraut, Mid-Ohio Regional Planning Commission

#### 9:00 - 11:30 AM

#### PRE-CONFERENCE WORKSHOP: Obligation: Missouri Loves Company

(By invite only for AMPO Members)

#### **Superior A**

2.25 AICP Credits | Registration Required

This pre-workshop will explore the ins and outs of federal aid and provide attendees with a clear understanding of the federal aid landscape, address ongoing obligation obstacles many are facing, and highlight two peer MPOs who have been implementing reasonable progress policies to advance projects. Don't miss out on this invite-only workshop, tailored for AMPO Member Executive Directors and MPO Directors.

#### 10:15 - 10:30 AM

### Coffee Break for Pre-Conference Workshop Participants

Foyer to Pre-Conference Workshop Meeting Rooms

#### 11:30 AM - 4:30 PM

#### **Exhibits Open**

**Veterans ABC Meeting Rooms & Superior Ballroom Foyer** 

#### 12:00 - 1:30 PM

#### GENERAL SESSION 1 & OPENING LUNCH: Welcome from the Northeast Ohio Areawide Coordinating Agency

Lunch Sponsored by Amazon Web Services

#### Superior C & D

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#### Welcome to Cleveland

Justin Bibb, Mayor of Cleveland

#### Green City on a Blue Lake

Discover how this year's conference host, The Northeast Ohio Areawide Coordinating Agency, is working with partners and stakeholders to advance the region by leveraging major transportation projects in downtown and across the waterfront. From re-connecting communities to connecting them to the lake and river for the first time, transportation is leading the way!

- Grace Gallucci, Northeast Ohio Areawide Coordinating Agency
- John Hamercheck, Northeast Ohio Areawide Coordinating Agency Board of Directors

#### 1:45 - 3:00 PM

### BREAKOUT SESSION 1-A: Planning for Resiliency

**Superior C& D** 

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 Moderator: Jeffrey Neal, North Central Texas Council of Governments

#### Regional Resiliency - Enhancing Transportation and Community Resilience

 Annie Dixon, Indianapolis Metropolitan Planning Organization

### Establishing a Regional Planning Strategy for Transportation Resiliency

- Joseph Bovenzi, Genesee Transportation Council
- Jayme Breschard, Barton & Loguidice

#### 1:45 - 3:00 PM

#### BREAKOUT SESSION 1-B: Complete Streets: Focusing on Stakeholder Coordination

#### **Superior A**

1.25 AICP Credits

 Moderator: Regina Aris, Baltimore Metropolitan Council

### What Happens When Complete Streets Is a Bad Word?

- Dana Crisino, AICP, MBA, Herkimer-Oneida Counties Transportation Council
- Julie Richmond, Herkimer-Oneida Counties Transportation Council

#### Education as a Catalyst to Implementation - Broward MPO Complete Streets Initiative

- Ricardo Gutierrez, Broward Metropolitan Planning Organization
- Kerrie MacNeil, Broward Metropolitan Planning Organization

#### 1:45 - 3:00 PM

#### BREAKOUT SESSION 1-C: Integrating Health and Transportation

#### **Superior B**

1.25 AICP Credits | 1 AICP Equity Credit

Moderator: Reese Brewer. Frontier MPO

### Integrating Health Equity into Pedestrian Safety: Collaborative Approaches in Virginia

- Dr. Melicent Miller, Virginia Department of Health
- Lauren Blackburn, Vanessa Hangegin Brustlin North Carolina

### Integrating Public Health Perspectives into Strategic Transportation Planning

- Alex Trauger, MetroPlan Orlando
- Nick Lepp, HDR
- Adam Yeeles, HDR

#### 3:00 - 3:30 PM

### Coffee Break with Sponsors & Exhibitors

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#### 3:30 - 4:30 PM

#### BREAKOUT SESSION 2-A: Public Engagement: Going Beyond the Basics

#### **Superior C&D**

1 AICP Credit | 1 AICP Equity Credit

Moderator: Uryan Nelson, Killeen-Temple MPO

#### Beyond a Comment Period: Building and Maintaining Relationships with Community Partners

- Ashley Dobson, Avid Core
- Chet Parsons, PlanRVA

### 10 Innovative Ways to Fund Initiatives that Engage Broader, More Diverse Audiences

- Carol Henderson, Broward Metropolitan Planning Organization
- Tasha Cunningham, Broward Metropolitan Planning Organization

#### 3:30 - 4:30 PM

#### BREAKOUT SESSION 2-B: Scenario Planning: How to Plan for the Unknown

#### **Superior A**

1 AICP Credit

• Moderator: Timothy Canan, National Capital Region Transportation Planning Board

Long-Range Transportation Planning for an Uncertain Future: Scenario Planning and Analysis for Northern Virginia's TransAction Plan

 Sree Nampoothiri, PhD, AICP, Northern Virginia Transportation Authority

#### VisionEval for the Metro Atlanta Area

- Jay Kwon, Atlanta Regional Commission
- Kyung-Hwa Kim, Atlanta Regional Commission

#### 3:30 - 4:30 PM

### BREAKOUT SESSION 2-C: Corridor Planning

#### **Superior B**

1 AICP Credit

Moderator: Gary Huttmann, MetroPlan Orlando

#### I-84 Corridor Operations Plan: How to Keep Moving After the Traffic Cones Vanish

 Hunter Mulhall, Community Planning Association of Southwest Idaho

#### Feasibility of a TSMO Planning Entity in the Central Florida Corridor

 Jeff Kramer, Center for Urban Transportation Research

#### 5:30 - 7:30 PM

#### **Transportation Trivia Night**

Sponsored by Social Pinpoint | MetroQuest

#### Superior Ballroom C & D

Back by popular demand! Please join us for a fun evening of Transportation Trivia with host Chris Evilia of the Lexington Area MPO.

### **WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 27**

#### 7:00 AM - 5:00 PM

#### Registration

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Lakeside Foyer | 5th Floor

#### 7:30 AM - 4:30 PM

#### **Exhibits Open**

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#### 8:00 - 9:00 AM

### GENERAL SESSION 2 & BREAKFAST: Federal Roundtable

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Breakfast Sponsored by Viva

#### Federal Roundtable Panelists:

- Harlan Miller, Federal Highway Administration
- Reena Mathews, Federal Transit Administration
- Rvan Long, Federal Transit Administration

#### 9:15 - 10:15 AM

### BREAKOUT SESSION 3-A: Climate & Resiliency

#### Superior C & D

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Moderator: Ryan Collins, Capital Area MPO

#### Transportation Resiliency Planning on the Space Coast

 Sarah Kraum, Space Coast Transportation Planning Organization

#### Making and Communicating the Case for Resilience - Case Studies and Resources

- Roberta Groch, Rhode Island Division of Statewide Planning
- Suseel Indrakanti, Cambridge Systematics

#### 9:15 - 10:15 AM

#### BREAKOUT SESSION 3-B: Performance Based Planning Tools

#### **Superior A**

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 Moderator: Sulabh Aryal, Richmond Regional Transportation Planning Organization/PlanRVA

#### Performance Standards and Tools for Tackling Carbon Neutrality

- Dana Biscan, Burgess & Niple
- David Wessel, MetroPlan of Greater Flagstaff

#### **Performance-Based Benefit Calculator**

- Ben Eskin, Cambridge Systematics
- Andrew Kjellman, Regional Transportation Commission of Southern Nevada

#### 9:15 - 10:15 AM

### BREAKOUT SESSION 3-C: Small Staff? No Problem

#### **Superior B**

1 AICP Credit

 Moderator: Sara Fields, Ozarks Transportation Organization

#### Doing More with Less: ArcGIS Online

Josh Corrigan, Metropolitan Area Planning Agency

### Filling the Planning Gap in Small Regions with Big Needs

Ryan Murray, Tahoe Regional Planning Agency

#### Filling the Transit Gap: How a Small MPO Started and Operates a Rural Transit Program

 Nicolas Blackstone, Rapides Area Planning Commission

#### 10:15 - 10:45 AM

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#### 10:45 - 12:00 PM

### BREAKOUT SESSION 4-A: Connecting Land Use and Transit

#### Superior C & D

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 Moderator: Mark Reichert, Florida Metropolitan Planning Organization Advisory Council

#### Moving a Region from Vision to Implementation: The MPO's Role in Turning Transit & Land Use Dreams into Reality

- Aileen Bouclé, AICP, Miami-Dade Transportation Planning Organization
- Andrew Uhlir, Palm Beach Transportation Planning Agency
- Greg Stuart, AICP, Broward Metropolitan Planning Organization

#### Land Use and Transit Planning and Implementation in Maui

 Pam Eaton, Maui Metropolitan Planning Organization

#### 10:45 - 12:00 PM

### BREAKOUT SESSION 4-B: GHG Planning and Implementation

**Superior A** 

1.25 AICP Credits | 1 AICP Sustainability and Resilience Credit

Moderator: Peter Koeppel, Farmington MPO

#### Implementing Colorado's Innovative Greenhouse Gas Transportation Planning Standard

- Becky Karasko, North Front Range Metropolitan Planning Organization
- Jacob Riger, Denver Regional Council of Governments

### EDC Greenhouse Gas Initiative and GHG Updates

David D'Onofrio, Federal Highway Administration

#### 10:45 - 12:00 PM

### BREAKOUT SESSION 4-C: TDM & Stakeholder Coordination

#### **Superior B**

1.25 AICP Credits

 Moderator: Chad Parasa, Wichita Area Metropolitan Planning Organization

#### **Collaborating to Change Travel Behavior**

- Ted Leybold, Oregon Metro
- Patty Olmsted, Mid-Ohio Regional Planning Commission
- Julia Wean, Steer
- Kathryn Hagerman, RideAmigos

#### Improving Equity and Mobility Via Public-Private Sector Partnerships

 Rosalind "Roz" Tucker, TDM-CP, Atlanta Regional Commission

#### 12:00 - 1:30 PM

#### AMPO General Membership Meeting and Awards Luncheon

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Lunch Sponsored by EcoInteractive

#### 1:45 - 3:00 PM

### BREAKOUT SESSION 5-A: Data Driven Safety

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1.25 AICP Credits

Moderator: Paul Calvaresi, Broward MPO

### Dynamic Data and Tools for Improving Pedestrian Safety

- Lauren Blackburn, Vanessa Hangegin Brustlin North Carolina
- Rebecca Crowe, AICP, Federal Highway Administration

#### Education and Enforcement Aren't Enough – Lessons Learned with Big Data

Chelsea Favero, AICP, Forward Pinellas

Speed Limits, Roadway Design, and Traffic Safety: A Regional and Statewide Collaboration Toward Reducing Speed-Related Injuries and Deaths

- Lauren Cardoni, Mid-Ohio Regional Planning Commission
- Danny Yoder, StreetLight Data

#### 1:45 - 3:00 PM

### BREAKOUT SESSION 5-B: Trail Development

#### **Superior A**

1.25 AICP Credits

Moderator: Chet Parsons. PlanRVA

#### Regional Trail Development: Refining and Implementing the Vision

Wenonah Venter, Sarasota/Manatee MPO

### The Role of MPOs in Active Transportation: Applicants, Funders, and Planners

- Mary Ellen Koontz, Rails-to-Trails Conservancy
- Kelly Pack, Rails-to-Trails Conservancy
- Elle Segal, Rails-to-Trails Conservancy
- Melinda Vonstein, Mid-Ohio Regional Planning Commission

#### 1:45 - 3:00 PM

### BREAKOUT SESSION 5-C: Freight Planning

#### **Superior B**

1.25 AICP Credits

 Moderator: Ron Chicka, Duluth-Superior Metropolitan Interstate Council

#### COVID-19 Travel Behavior Trend and Freight Impact Analysis

- Josenie Bermudez, Miami-Dade Transportation Planning Organization
- Kevin Walford, Miami-Dade Transportation

Planning Organization

#### Hosting a Freight Summit to Match Data with Lived Experiences of Freight Operators

 Ian Ollis, Fredericksburg Area Metropolitan Planning Organization

### Regional and Community Freight Profiles: An Evaluation of Data Sources and Applications

 Ashley Moran, AICP, Acadiana Planning Commission

#### 3:00 - 3:30 PM

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#### 3:30 - 4:30 PM

### BREAKOUT SESSION 6-A: Unlikely MPO Partnerships

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 Moderator: David Wessel, MetroPlan Greater Flagstaff

### Collaborating Across Metropolitan Agencies to Improve Transportation with Emerging Technologies

- Gabriel Morey, Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority
- Renee Autumn Ray, Hayden Al

#### MPO Leadership in Economic Development

- Anna Gremling, Indianapolis Metropolitan Planning Organization
- Rich Overmoyer, Fourth Economy Consulting, A Steer Company

#### 3:30 - 4:30 PM

### BREAKOUT SESSION 6-B: Equity Tools

#### **Superior A**

1 AICP Credit | 1 AICP Equity Credit

Moderator: To Be Announced

#### Localizing Social Vulnerability Indices: A Case Study in Portland, Oregon

Joe Gordon, Oregon Metro

#### Miami-Dade TPO's Equity Analysis Tool for LRTP Implementation

 Jeannine Gaslonde, Miami-Dade Transportation Planning Organization

#### 3:30 - 4:30 PM

## BREAKOUT SESSION 6-C: Flooding & Stormwater Management

#### **Superior B**

1 AICP Credit | 1 AICP Sustainability and Resilience Credit

 Moderator: Jim Stack, Genesee Transportation Council

#### North Central Texas Regional Transportation and Stormwater Management Integration (TSI) Study

 Jeff Neal, North Central Texas Council of Governments

### Put Up the Pirogues Sooner (Stormwater Resilient Roadways)

Matt Johns, Rapides Area Planning Commission

#### 3:30 - 5:00 PM

#### Mid-Conference Mobile Tour 1: Towpath Trail / Wendy Bridge

Join local host NOACA, Bike Cleveland, and Rails-to-Trails Conservancy to see the impact of trail networks in action! Bring your walking shoes-- this short tour will include a stop at the Wendy Park Bridge, a key connection in the regional Cuyahoga Greenways network and the multi-state Industrial Heartland Trails network. Advance tour sign-up required (included in registration fee). Inquire at the registration desk. Limited spots available. Tour requires moderate physical activity. Comfortable walking shoes recommended. Tour departs from the main lobby of the Hilton Cleveland. Tour will not operate in inclement weather.

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### Moving Ohio Forward: Insights and Lessons from the Ohio DOT Revenue Alternatives Study

- Grace Gallucci, Northeast Ohio Areawide Coordinating Agency
- Andrew McLean, Northeast Ohio Areawide Coordinating Agency

#### 9:15 - 10:15 AM

### **BREAKOUT SESSION 7-A: Equity Indices and Regional Priorities**

Superior C & D

1 AICP Credit | 1 AICP Equity Credit

 Moderator: Jacob Riger, Denver Regional Council of Governments

### Improving Equity: Developing an Equity Index and Analysis for the Denver Region

 Alvan-Bidal Sanchez, AICP, Denver Regional Council of Governments Addressing Regional Inequities Through Transportation Investments: The Utility of East-West Gateway's Recent Equity Assessment

 Saranya Konala, East-West Gateway Council of Governments

#### 9:15 - 10:15 AM

### BREAKOUT SESSION 7-B: Core Products Pushing the Norm

**Superior A** 

1 AICP Credit

Moderator: Kate Horton, Memphis MPO

Bringing the Transportation Plan to Life -How You Illustrate Your Past, Present, and Vision

- Dana Crisino, AICP, MBA, Herkimer-Oneida Counties Transportation Council
- Jane Jessen, Transpo Group

#### **Keeping Your TIP Relevant and Accessible**

- Myles Busching, PlanRVA
- Chet Parsons, PlanRVA

#### Long Range Planning: Transitioning from Discrete Modal Choices to Integrated Mobility Spaces

- Mukesh Kumar, Waco Metropolitan Planning Organization
- Annette Polk, Waco Metropolitan Planning Organization
- Nora Ray, Waco Metropolitan Planning Organization

#### 9:15 - 10:15 AM

### **BREAKOUT SESSION 7-C: EV Readiness and Best Practices**

#### **Superior B**

1 AICP Credit | 1 AICP Sustainability and Resilience Credit

 Moderator: Lethal Coe, Whatcom Council of Governments

### Electric Vehicle Zoning Guidance and Best Practices

 Jacob Beeman, Capital Region Transportation Council

#### From EV Readiness Planning to Implementation

Sydney Turner, Region 1 Planning Council

#### 10:15 - 10:45 AM

### Coffee Break with Sponsors & Exhibitors

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#### 10:45 - 11:45 AM

### BREAKOUT SESSION 8-A: Transit and Mobility

Superior C & D

1 AICP Credit

Moderator: Mark Garrity, Oahu MPO

#### Building a Regional Transit Lane and Priority Treatment Network to Reach Mobility, Equity, and Climate Goals

- Herbert Higginbotham, Cambridge Systematics
- Priscilla Freduah-Agyemang, Southern California
   Association of Governments

#### Southern Nevada HOPE Grant Study

 Daniel Fazekas, Regional Transportation Commission of Southern Nevada

#### 10:45 - 11:45 AM

### BREAKOUT SESSION 8-B: GIS & Visualization Tools

#### **Superior A**

1 AICP Credit

 Moderator: Rea Donna Jones, Texarkana Metropolitan Planning Organization

### A Tool Fostering the Use of MPO and Partner Planning Studies

- Brian Fineman, PhD, North Jersey Transportation Planning Authority
- Jeffrey Vernick, AICP, PP, North Jersey Transportation Planning Authority
- David Fekete, Michael Baker International

#### Maxim-izing Value from MPO GIS

Bert Granberg, Wasatch Front Regional Council

#### 10:45 - 11:45 AM

#### BREAKOUT SESSION 8-C: Engaging with Elected Officials Superior B

1 AICP Credit

 Moderator: Francis Pickering, Western Connecticut Council of Governments

#### Informing Elected Officials of Localized Public Sentiment on Transportation Issues Using Geolocated or GIS Mapped Survey Responses

 lan Ollis, Fredericksburg Area Metropolitan Planning Organization

#### MPO Board Member Training on Congestion Reductions

 Jeff Kramer, AICP, Center for Urban Transportation Research at the University of South Florida

#### 12:00 - 1:30 PM

#### GENERAL SESSION 4 & LUNCHEON: Keynote Speaker Angie Schmitt - Cleveland-based Writer and Urban Planner

Lunch sponsored by Cambridge Systematics

Superior C & D

#### 1:45 - 3:00 PM

#### BREAKOUT SESSION 9-A: Complete Streets and Data

#### Superior C & D

1.25 AICP Credits

 Moderator: Melissa Taylor, Chattanooga-Hamilton County Regional Planning Agency

### Building a Non-Motorized Data Collection and Monitoring Program

- Lauren Cardoni, Mid-Ohio Regional Planning Commission
- Quentin Freixo, Eco-Counter
- Jordan Petrov, Mid-Ohio Regional Planning Commission

#### Making a Complete Streets Network Assessment

Patrick Trouba, Mid-America Regional Council

#### 1:45 - 3:00 PM

### BREAKOUT SESSION 9-B: Innovative Public Engagement

#### **Superior A**

1.25 AICP Credits

 Moderator: Lyn Erickson, National Capital Region Transportation Planning Board

#### Centering Engagement in Transportation Equity Studies

 Stella Jordan, Boston Region Metropolitan Planning Organization

#### From Data to Action: Effective Strategies for Communicating Performance to Your Community

- Brandon Orr, MCIP, RPP, Urban SDK
- Tom Sills, Cartersville-Bartow Metropolitan Planning Organization

### Using Traditional News Media, Social Media and A Redesigned Website to Engage the Public

 Melissa Murray, Palm Beach Transportation Planning Agency

#### 1:45 - 3:00 PM

### BREAKOUT SESSION 9-C: Travel Demand Modeling & Forecasting Superior B

1.25 AICP Credits

 Moderator: Becky Karasko, North Front Range MPO

### From Commutes to Couches: The Evolution of Telework and Trip Replacement Behaviors

- Dennis Farmer, MetCouncil
- Caroline Wood, Resource System Groups

### Improving Short-Term Travel Forecasts Using Cellphone Trip-Ends Data

 Gopindra Sivakumar Nair, North Central Texas Council of Governments

### Travel Demand Model Forecasting at WAMPO - An Update

- Michael Malone, JEO Consulting
- Chad Parasa, Wichita Area Metropolitan Planning Organization
- Paul Ricotta, Caliper Corporation

#### 1:45 - 3:00 PM

### Mid-Conference Mobile Tour 2: TLCI / Major Project

Explore how converting a portion of the Shoreway into a boulevard and constructing a land bridge may be the answer to an isolated lakefront, People will be able to view the current Shoreway Bridge and envision a possible land bridge from Mall C, on top of the convention center. People will then walk to Voinovich Park, where along the way, Cleveland Browns Stadium, Rock & Roll Hall of Fame, and the Great Lakes Science Center can be observed along the lakefront. Advance tour sign-up required (included in registration fee). Inquire at the registration desk. Limited spots available. Tour requires moderate physical activity with a little under two miles of walking, Comfortable walking shoes recommended. Tour departs from the main lobby of the Hilton Cleveland. Tour will not operate in inclement weather.

#### 3:00 - 3:30 PM

### Coffee Break with Sponsors & Exhibitors

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#### 3:45 - 5:00 PM

### BREAKOUT SESSION 10-A: Linking Land Use and Transportation

Superior C & D

1.25 AICP Credits

 Moderator: Andrew Gruber, Wasatch Front Regional Council

#### Connecting the Dots: Linking Local Land Use Decisions to Long-Range Transportation Planning

- Lila Klopfenstein, Community Planning Association of Southwest Idaho
- Austin Miller, Community Planning Association of Southwest Idaho

#### **Great Streets for Great Communities**

Bert Granberg, Wasatch Front Regional Council

#### US 1 Council of Planning - A Regional Commitment to Land Use and Transportation Integration

 Shelby Powell, AICP, NC Capital Area Metropolitan Planning Organization

#### 3:45 - 5:00 PM

#### BREAKOUT SESSION 10-B: Project Applications, Tracking and Management

#### **Superior A**

1.25 AICP Credits

 Moderator: Saleem Salameh, KYOVA Interstate Planning Commission

#### KYOVA Saves Time and Cost with Modern eTip Tool for Project Management Database

- Nadia Bhatti, EcoInteractive
- Terri Sicking, KYOVA Interstate Planning Commission

### Using Online Databases to Streamline Project Applications

- Bryan Caletka, Broward Metropolitan Planning Organization
- Todd Brauer, Whitehouse Group

#### 3:45 - 5:00 PM

### BREAKOUT SESSION 10-C: Global Galactic Fusion

#### **Superior B**

1.25 AICP Credits

 Moderator: Amanda Wilson, North Central Texas Council of Governments

#### **Dutch Transportation Innovations**

 Dana Crisino, AICP, MBA, Herkimer-Oneida Counties Transportation Council

#### Planning for the 2024 Total Solar Eclipse

- Jonathan Avner, Whitman, Requardt & Associates, IIP
- James Stack, Genesee Transportation Council

#### 3:45 - 5:00 PM

#### Mid-Conference Mobile Tour 3: Bus Rapid Transit Services

The Healthline tour will provide participants the opportunity to ride and experience one of the best examples of BRT lines in the World. Participants will ride on a new Healthline vehicle, stop at stations,

and see the over \$9.5B in investment sparked by its construction. Many regions around the country are planning BRT,'s. The tour will give opportunities to see design elements and functioning of a successful BRT that they can bring back to their community. Advance tour sign-up required (included in registration fee). Inquire at the registration desk. Space is limited. Tour requires moderate physical activity. Comfortable walking shoes recommended. Tour departs from the main lobby of the Hilton Cleveland Tour will not operate in inclement weather.

#### 5:00 - 6:30 PM

### Closing Reception with Sponsors & Exhibitors

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### Veterans ABC Meeting Rooms & Superior Ballroom Foyer

Celebrate the closing of AMPO 2023 with friends new and old while enjoying music by Cleveland based public transit rock band, *The Frans*, courtesy of conference host NOACA.

### FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 29

Breakfast on Your Own

#### 10:00 AM - 2:30 PM

#### Post-Conference Mobile Tour: Cuyahoga Valley Scenic Railroad Tour with Local Project Highlights.

View details in the Conference Highlights section of this program. Advance registration required. Transportation departs from the Ontario Street-Group Entrance of the Hilton Cleveland.

### **LET'S WORK TOGETHER**

#### TO STAY HEALTHY...

Keep the ideas flowing, the networking robust, and the germs away by following these best practices for a healthy conference environment:

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- Stay Away if Unwell: If you experience any symptoms such as fever, cough, sore throat, or difficulty breathing, we urge you to prioritize your health and the health of others by staying in your hotel room.
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Your cooperation in following these best practices is crucial to creating a safe and enjoyable conference experience for all attendees. Let's work together to prioritize health and well-being. Thank you for your understanding and support.

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