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Public transit goes beyond simply providing transportation services . . . It is a lifeline.

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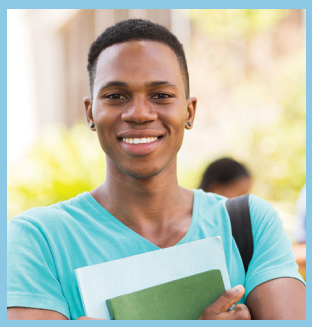
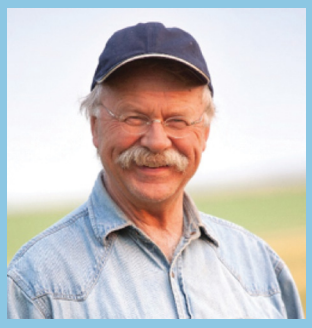
"I just got a promotion, my dream job in a pediatric neo-natal care unit. I depend on transit, and the kids depend on me."



"If I didn't have access to public transit, I wouldn't be able to make it to my college classes, and my future depends on it."



"Without OATS, it would be difficult for my wife to get her regular dialysis treatments. She depends on transit, and I depend on her."

Missouri public transportation provides more than 62 million rides across the state each year. It is the sole means by which many Missourians can get to work, school and doctor appointments, as well as gain access to goods, services and entertainment. Without transit, some simply could not get by.

2018 MPTA GOALS

- Elevate the status of transit in Missouri.
- Build new coalitions to expand advocacy base.
- Promote and support MPTA members.

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The Missouri Public Transit Association (MPTA) was established in 1980 to provide a unified voice for public and specialized transportation providers in Missouri and to work toward elevating the status of public transit as a priority. Thirty-eight years later we continue to work to ensure transit has a voice in this state.

MPTA transit provider members provide more than 62 million rides almost everywhere for everybody every day in Missouri, and they employ thousands in our communities. The MPTA mission values personal mobility as a basic quality of life by promoting access to public transit services.

The facts show investment in transit increases access to jobs, education and healthcare; creates development opportunities and jobs; and provides reinvestment in the disadvantaged areas of our state. According to the American Public Transit Association, for every dollar invested in transit projects there is a $4 return for the state.

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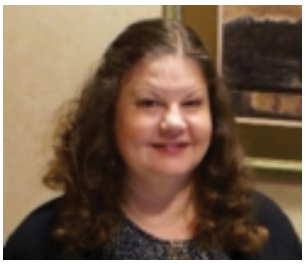

DOROTHY YEAGER - PRESIDENT

Dorothy Yeager is the Executive Director of OATS, Inc. a private, nonprofit transportation provider serving 87 counties in Missouri. Before being appointed Executive Director in 2012, she had worked for the organization in progressively responsible positions since 1987, including Assistant Executive Director for four years. In addition to serving on the MPTA Board, she also serves as a State Delegate for the Community Transportation Association of America. Yeager understands the unique challenges facing rural communities as both a lifelong resident of rural central Missouri and as a leader in the field of community transportation. She holds degrees from State Fair Community College and the University of Missouri-Columbia and is also a Certified Community Transit Manager.

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DREW BROOKS - VICE PRESIDENT

Drew Brooks is the Transit & Parking Manager for the City of Columbia. He has overseen Columbia's public transit system since 2008 and joined the MPTA Board in 2012. Drew is a graduate of the University of Missouri at Columbia. His experience includes 14 years of route, fleet and management experience in the private sector before joining the City of Columbia.

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KELLY TURNER - SECRETARY/TREASURER

Kelly began his role as Director of Transit at City Utilities of Springfield in May 2015. He is a registered Professional Engineer in the State of Missouri, and received his Civil Engineering degree from the Missouri University of Science and Technology. Prior to his role at City Utilities, Kelly spent 11 years in the private sector as a consulting engineer focusing on project management and business development in the transportation industry.

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CINDY BAKER - PAST - PRESIDENT

Cindy Baker is the Chief Strategic Initiatives for the Kansas City Area Transportation Authority (KCATA). Cindy has more than 30 years marketing and communications experience and is a valuable part of the KCATA executive team, bringing to the table vast experiences in virtually all facets of marketing and communications, including branding, public relations, advertising, market research, sales and promotion, website management, event planning and crisis management. Cindy is an active member of the American Public Transportation Association and is a 2008 graduate of the Leadership APTA program. She is a frequent guest speaker at transit conferences across the country on such topics as branding, social media, Bus Rapid Transit, passing tax initiatives, media relations and public engagement.

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JAMESON AUTEN, MBA

Jameson Auten is the Chief of Regional Service Delivery and Innovations at the Kansas City Area Transportation Authority (KCATA). He is responsible for introducing and implementing new, innovative, customer-focused transportation delivery models that increase the public transportation footprint in the KC Region. The KCATA strives to provide a safe, reliable and innovative system that grows to meet the changing transit needs of metropolitan Kansas City.

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KAREN CLAWSON, AICP

Karen Clawson is a Senior Transportation Planner for the Mid-America Regional Council (MARC) in Kansas City, Mo. She manages long-range transit planning, including the Smart Moves Regional Transit and Mobility Plan, in partnership with the Kansas City area's five transit providers. Additionally, Karen oversees public participation activities for various programs and initiatives within MARC's Transportation and Environment Department.

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CHANCE LONG

Chance is a Transportation Planner for the city of St. Joseph. She has been with the city since 2016 and has started to take over St. Joseph Transit grant management and procurement. Chance is a graduate of Northwest Missouri with double bachelors in Political Science and Emergency Disaster Management. She is currently working on a Double Masters in Business Administration and Public Administration. Transportation Planning has become a great passion of hers over the last few years.

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JANINE CLAMPITT

Janine Clampitt serves as Director of Ray County Transportation, Inc., dba Direct Transit. Janine was promoted to Director January 2014; previously serving as Operation Manager since joining Direct Transit in September 2009. Janine has an extensive background in operations and management, primarily in the banking industry. She is very active in the county serving on the Ray County System of Care Team, Re-Entry Team, Human Resources Committee and serves on the Richmond Rotary Club Board of Directors. Direct Transit is a private, not for profit, rural transit provider serving Ray County residents.

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SARA FIELDS

Sara Fields is the Executive Director for the Ozarks Transportation Organization. She has been employed with OTO for over ten years and has served as the Executive Director since 2011. She attended Southwest Missouri State University and received a Bachelor of Science in Community and Regional Planning and Master of Organizational Leadership from Evangel University. She formerly worked as a planner for the City of Fayetteville, Arkansas involved with new development. Mrs. Fields is a member of the American Planning Association and a Certified Planner with the American Institute of Certified Planners. She served on the Policy Committee of the Association of Metropolitan Organizations from 2012 to 2016 and the MPTA Board of Directors since 2011.

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COURTNEY HARRISON

Courtney is the Transportation Director for SERVE, Inc.'s transportation program. SERVE Tran is a rural, public transportation provider that serves all of Callaway County and is part of a not-for-profit social service agency that offers a variety of other direct services. Courtney is a graduate of University of Missouri and has been a member of the MPTA since 2013.

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JAKE JACOBS

Jake Jacobs currently serves as the executive director of Developmental Disability Services of Jackson County - eitas. That organization is a local government board that provides funding grants and direct services for over 3,500 people in Jackson County with developmental disabilities such as Down syndrome, cerebral palsy, and autism. Jake has served in the not-for-profit field and local government entities for over 35 years. As a major part of his current position, he directs the largest county-based transportation system for people with developmental disabilities in the state of Missouri transporting over 500 people a day from home to work, and back again. Transportation is always listed as the number one need for persons with disabilities and eitas tries to meet that need with a variety of fixed route, charter, and advance call services seven days a week.

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MATTHEW KAUFFMAN

Matt Kauffman is a Senior Project Manager with Garcia Architecture (GA), based in Kansas City, Missouri. Matt joined GA in 2017 and is principally responsible for overall coordination of project staffing, and oversight of project management. Matt graduated with a degree in Architecture from the University of Nebraska in 1987 and began his Architectural career in Kansas City. In 1995 Matt was elected to the AIA Missouri Board of Directors, a professional organization advocating for Architects, the design professions, and the built environment. Through active involvement AIA Missouri works with State Agencies and Departments to shape policy and with lawmakers to promote critical legislation. After decades of experiencing how transportation impacts our communities and development decisions, Matt has grown passionate about building a better public transit system in the Kansas City region and across Missouri and has focused his advocacy work to this end. He currently serves on the Kansas City Regional Transit Alliance Board of Directors and is a past Chair of that organization.

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DION KNIPP (EX-OFFICIO)

Dion Knipp is the Administrator of Transit for the Missouri Department of Transportation (MoDOT). As Administrator of Transit Dion leads the transit section team administering Federal Transit Administration (FTA) programs, Missouri Elderly and Handicapped Transportation and Assistance Program (MEHTAP), and the State Transit Operating Assistance Program. Dion has worked for MoDOT for over 25 years and in his current position since December, 2014. Prior to his current role he spent 13 years administering federal programs assisting cities and counties in project development, ensuring state and federal compliance. Dion is a graduate of the University of Central Missouri (formerly CMSU) and resides in Tipton, MO.

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ROBERT LOLLEY

Robert Lolley is a 14 year veteran of the City of Joplin. He worked in the Finance Department as Grants Manager for 5 years before assuming the role of Transportation Coordinator in 2004. Under his guidance, the Metropolitan Public Transit System (MAPS) has tripled its annual ridership by implementing a deviated fixed route system, installing GPS/MDC vehicle units, upgrading computer scheduling software, and constructing solar powered passenger waiting shelters through the assistance of ARRA funds. Robert is a lifetime resident of Missouri and earned a BSBA of Accounting and Economics from Missouri Western State University in 1998. In addition to the MPTA, Robert serves on several local boards including the JATSO Metropolitan Planning Organization, Re-entry Program of Southwest Missouri, and the City of Joplin ADA Committee.

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MARK MEHMERT

Mark Mehmert serves as the Transit Director for Jefferson City, Missouri, and is responsible for the operation of JEFFTRAN, Jefferson City's public transportation system. Mark has over 11 years of experience in the transportation field and holds a Master's of Business Administration (MBA) from William Woods University. He has also worked at the Jefferson City Area Chamber of Commerce, the Missouri Department of Transportation (MoDOT), the Missouri Department of Economic Development (DED) and the Missouri Occupational Information Coordinating Committee (MOICC). Mark's work at JEFFTRAN centers on improvements to JEFFTRAN's services and integrating new technologies into the transit system. JEFFTRAN traces its roots to Jefferson City's 1912 streetcar system, and works to fulfill its mission to improve Jefferson City's overall quality of life by providing convenient, reliable and affordable transit services.

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TOM MOGELNICKI

Tom is the Executive Director of the Cape Girardeau County Transit Authority, where he began his second career in 2007. Prior to serving as CGCTA's Executive Director, Tom owned and operated a construction and real estate company for 30 years in the Cape Girardeau area. During that time he served on the City of Cape Girardeau's Planning and Zoning Commission for 14 years. Tom is currently the Past-President of the MPTA and has served on the MPTA Board of Directors for nine years. He is also heavily involved in many other transit related organizations. He is a member of the Board of Directors of the Southeast Missouri Metropolitan Planning Organization, a member of the Regional Planning Commission Advisory Board, and a member of the Cape Girardeau Area Chamber of Commerce Transportation Advisory Board. He earned a Bachelor of Science degree from Southeast Missouri State University in 1973.

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RACHAEL PAWLAK

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THOMAS SEHR

Tom retired from transit management after a twenty-four year career with St. Louis' Metro Transit, a service of the Bi-State Development Agency. Currently he is a member and Vice President-Operations of the Board of Directors of the St. Louis Loop Trolley Company. He is also a member of the Missouri Public Transit Association Board. In addition to board and volunteer work, he selectively works as a consultant in management and labor relations. At the time of his retirement from Metro, Tom was Executive Vice President. Prior to being promoted to Executive Vice President, he was General Manager of Transit Operations for Metro. Tom holds a Bachelor's Degree from Washington University in St. Louis and has completed graduate work in public policy administration at Southern Illinois University – Edwardsville and in business administration at Washington University. He is a lifelong resident of the City of St. Louis – currently living in a 1911 vintage home in the Tower Grove Heights neighborhood with his wife, Margaret Wayne.

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DENNY WARD

Denny Ward is the Executive Director for SMTS, Inc. Ward, who came to work for the company in 2006 as Controller, and was promoted to Assistant Executive Director in 2010 assumed the responsibilities as of January 1, 2015. Ward brings to the table more than 25 years of grant writing experience, a background in human resources, local government experience, and a lifetime of accomplishments civically. In 2009, Ward was recognized on the local and state level for his community leadership, receiving a proclamation from State Representative Shelly Keeney, the prestigious 110% Award from Regional Radio KTJJ, and the Democrat News Award for Outstanding Community Leader. As a life-long resident of Madison County, Ward believes in the potential our region has for growth and development, and freely volunteers his time on several boards, including the Missouri Public Transportation Association, Madison Medical Center, Missouri Association of Community Arts Agencies (past President), Marquand Development Corporation, Will Mayfield College Foundation, Mary F. Whitener Scholarship, Holmes Brothers Scholarship, and is currently the Mayor of Marquand, which is an elected, non-paying position.

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KIMBERY CELLA - EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

Kimberly Cella is at the helm of the nationally recognized non-profit advocacy organization, Citizens for Modern Transit, whose mission is to establish and expand an integrated, affordable and convenient public transportation system throughout the St. Louis metropolitan area. In 2015, Cella was selected to serve as the new executive director of the Missouri Public Transit Association (MPTA). She and her team at Citizens for Modern Transit have partnered with Michael G. Winter Consultants to lead efforts on behalf of the statewide transit provider association to elevate the status of transit in Missouri, build new coalitions to expand the advocacy base, and promote and support MPTA members.

Cella has been working at Citizens for Modern Transit for more than 23 years, during which time she has successfully secured millions in federal and private funding for transit advocacy and education. She has been nationally recognized for her efforts by the Federal Transit Administration and the Environmental Protection Agency. In 2016, WTS named her Woman of the Year in Transportation. She was appointed to the St. Louis County Public Transportation Commission in 2012, and is on the East-West Gateway Coordinating Council Air Quality Committee and the St. Louis Regional Clean Air Partnership's Advisory Committee.

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MALLORY BOX - PROGRAM DIRECTOR

Mallory Box advocates for improved investment in and commitment to public transportation throughout the State of Missouri in her role as Director of Programs and Membership of Missouri Public Transit Association(MPTA), and for expanded and improved transit in the St. Louis region as the Director of Programs and Membership for Citizens for Modern Transit (CMT). Her work focuses on educating the community on benefits of transit at the individual, regional and state level. Box oversees innovative transit ridership incentive programs, including the Try and Ride program, Ten Toes Express, and the Guaranteed Ride Home program.

Box brings with her more than five years of marketing and public relations experience, most recently serving as marketing director at The Elder & Estate Planning Law Firm. She received a Bachelor of Arts in Communication with a certification in Public Relations from the University of Missouri – St. Louis, where she graduated Magna Cum Laude, and currently serves on the board of directors for Pride St. Charles as the organization's director of public relations and marketing.

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MICHAEL G. WINTER

Michael G. Winter is the founder of Michael G. Winter Consultants, LLC and a principal in the lobbying firm of Scherr Winter, LLC. Winter has over thirty-two (32) years of valuable experience in politics, public service and governmental consulting. A native of Jefferson City, he began his career in the areas of high technology, finance and international business development for the State of Missouri in the Department of Economic Development. Efforts included coordination of international trade missions with Governor Christopher "Kit" Bond to Japan, Korea and Hong Kong. After leaving state government, Winter served over four years as the Director of Government Relations for the Missouri Association of Osteopathic Physicians and Surgeons. He had full time responsibility for the Association's aggressive legislative program and development and administration of the Political Action Committee.

Winter provides a full range of governmental and management consulting services to a broad range of clients. He has extensive experience in the development and analysis of legislative and regulatory policy. His daily presence in the Capitol has earned him a reputation of excellent service to his clients and honesty in dealing with Missouri's elected officials.

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The benefits of public transit extend far beyond getting people to and from destinations. Transit also creates jobs, stimulates local economies, attracts investment, reduces the number of single-occupancy vehicles on the road, is environmentally-friendly and contributes to the financial well-being of the state. So, whether an individual uses transit or not, it's beneficial to every Missourian.

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