



U.S. House of Representatives COMMITTEE ON ETHICS

EMPLOYEE POST-TRAVEL DISCLOSURE FORM Original Amendment

This form is for disclosing the receipt of travel expenses from private sources for travel taken in connection with official duties. This form does not eliminate the need to report privately-funded travel on the annual *Financial Disclosure Statements* of those employees required to file them. In accordance with House Rule 25, clause 5, **you must complete this form and file it with the Clerk of the House, by email at gifttravelreports@mail.house.gov, within 15 days after travel is completed.** Please **do not** file this form with the Committee on Ethics.

NOTE: Willful or knowing misrepresentations on this form may be subject to criminal prosecution pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 1001.

1. Name of Traveler: Jacqueline Schmitz

2. a. Name of Accompanying Relative: _____ **OR** None

b. Relationship to Traveler: Spouse Child Other (specify): _____

3. a. Dates: Departure: October 9, 2022 Return: October 11, 2022

b. Dates at Personal Expense, if any: _____ **OR** None

4. Departure City: Dulles, VA Destination: Seattle, WA Return City: Dulles, VA

5. Sponsor(s), Who Paid for the Trip: American Public Transportation Association

6. Describe Meetings and Events Attended:
General session: heard from transit leaders on industry efforts, trends, and challenges; Session on communicating infrastructure wins: heard from transit industry representatives on ideas and methods for improving public communication and feedback regarding transit projects and investments; Product services and showcase: viewed exhibits on transit technologies and innovations; Congress and the Year Ahead on Infrastructure Investment: served as a panelist and technical committee member for the COVID-19 relief funding for the U.S. and the IRA Federal

7. Attached to this form are **each** of the following, **signify that each item is attached by checking the corresponding box:**

- a. a completed *Sponsor Post-Travel Disclosure Form*;
- b. the *Primary Trip Sponsor Form* completed by the trip sponsor **prior** to the trip, **including all** attachments **and** the *Additional Sponsor Form(s)*;
- c. page 2 of the completed *Traveler Form* submitted by the employee; **and**
- d. the letter from the Committee on Ethics approving my participation on this trip.

8. a. I represent that I participated in each of the activities reflected in the attached sponsor's agenda.

Signify statement is true by checking the box.

b. If not, explain: As noted above, I attended a different breakout session--regarding communicating infrastructure wins--rather than the proposed intercity passenger rail breakout session, since rail falls outside my transit portfolio.

I certify that the information contained on this form is true, complete, and correct to the best of my knowledge.

Signature of Traveler: Jacqueline Schmitz Digitally signed by Jacqueline Schmitz
Date: 2022.10.18 09:54:47 -04'00' Date: 10/18/2022

I authorized this travel in advance. I have determined that all of the expenses listed on the attached *Sponsor Post-Travel Disclosure Form* were necessary and that the travel was in connection with the employee's official duties and would not create the appearance that the employee is using public office for private gain.

Name of Supervising Member: Peter DeFazio Date: 10/25/22

Signature of Supervising Member: _____



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SPONSOR POST-TRAVEL DISCLOSURE FORM

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This form must be completed by an officer of any organization that served as the primary trip sponsor in providing travel expenses or reimbursement for travel expenses to House Members, officers, or employees under House Rule 25, clause 5. **A completed copy of the form must be provided to each House Member, officer, or employee who participated on the trip within ten days of their return.** You must answer all questions, and check all boxes, on this form for your submission to comply with House rules and the Committee's travel regulations. Failure to comply with this requirement may result in the denial of future requests to sponsor trips and/or subject the current traveler to disciplinary action or a requirement to repay the trip expenses.

NOTE: Willful or knowing misrepresentations on this form may be subject to criminal prosecution pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 1001.

1. Sponsor(s) who paid for the trip: American Public Transportation Association

2. Travel Destination(s): Seattle, WA

3. Date of Departure: 10/09/2022 Date of Return: 10/11/2022

4. Name(s) of Traveler(s): Jackie Schmitz

Note: You may list more than one traveler on a form only if *all* information is *identical* for each person listed.

5. Actual amount of expenses paid on behalf of, or reimbursed to, each individual named in Question 4:

	Total Transportation Expenses	Total Lodging Expenses	Total Meal Expenses	Total Other Expenses (dollar amount per item and description)
Traveler	\$1116.68	\$665.18	\$11.50	
Accompanying Family Member				

6. All expenses connected to the trip were for actual costs incurred and not a *per diem* or lump sum payment. Signify statement is true by checking box.

I certify that the information contained in this form is true, complete, and correct to the best of my knowledge.

Signature: Paul P. Skoutelas Date: 10/20/2022

Name: Paul Skoutelas Title: President and CEO

Organization: American Public Transportation Association

I am an officer of the above-named organization. Signify statement is true by checking box.

Address: 1300 I Street, NW, Suite 1200 East, Washington, DC 20005

Email: pskoutelas@apta.com Telephone: 202-496-4889

Committee staff may contact the above-named individual if additional information is required.

If you have questions regarding your completion of this form, please contact the Committee on Ethics at 202-225-7103.



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TRAVELER FORM

This form should be completed by House Members, officers, or employees seeking Committee approval of privately-sponsored travel or reimbursement for travel under House Rule 25, clause 5. The completed form should be submitted directly to the Committee by each invited House Member, officer, or employee, together with the completed and signed trip sponsor form(s) and any attachments. A copy of this form, minus this initial page, will be made available for public inspection. **This form and any attachments may be delivered to the Committee at 1015 Longworth or e-mailed to travel.requests@mail.house.gov.**

Your completed request must be submitted to the Committee no less than 30 days before your proposed departure date. Absent exceptional circumstances, permission will not be granted for requests received less than 30 days before the trip commences. **You must receive explicit approval from the Committee before you depart on this trip.**

Name of Traveler: Jacqueline Schmitz

NOTE: Willful or knowing misrepresentations on this form may be subject to criminal prosecution pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 1001.

I certify that the information contained on both pages of this form is true, complete, and correct to the best of my knowledge.

Signature: Jacqueline Schmitz

Digitally signed by Jacqueline Schmitz
Date: 2022.09.01 10:05:30 -04'00'

Name of Signatory (if other than traveler): _____

For Staff (name of employing Member or Committee): Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure

Office Address: 2253 Rayburn House Office Building

Telephone Number: (202) 225-9989

Email Address of Contact Person: jackie.schmitz@mail.house.gov

Check this box if the sponsoring entity is a media outlet, the purpose of the trip is to make a media appearance sponsored by that entity, *and* these forms are being submitted to the Committee less than 30 days before the trip departure date.

NOTE: You must complete all of the contact information fields above, as Committee staff may need to contact you if additional information is required.

KEEP A COPY OF THIS FORM. Page 2 (but not this page) must be submitted to the Clerk as part of the post-travel disclosure required by House Rule 25. Travel Regulation § 404(d) also requires you to keep a copy of all request forms and supporting paperwork for three subsequent Congresses from the date of travel.

If there are any questions regarding this form, please contact the Committee on Ethics at 202-225-7103 or via e-mail: travel.requests@mail.house.gov.



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1. Name of Traveler: Jacqueline Schmitz
2. Sponsor(s) who will be paying or providing in-kind support for the trip:
American Public Transportation Association
3. City and State **OR** Foreign Country of Travel : Seattle, WA
4. a. Date of Departure: October 9, 2022 Date of Return: October 11, 2022
b. Yes No Will you be extending the trip at your personal expense?
If yes, list dates at personal expense: _____
5. a. Yes No Will you be accompanied by a family member at the sponsor's expense? **If yes:**
(1) Name of Accompanying Family Member: _____
(2) Relationship to Traveler: Spouse Child Other (specify): _____
(3) Yes No Accompanying Family Member is at least 18 years of age:
6. a. Yes No Did the trip sponsor answer "Yes" to Question 8(c) on the *Primary Trip Sponsor Form* (i.e., travel is sponsored by an entity that employs a registered federal lobbyist or a foreign agent)?
b. **If yes**, and you are requesting lodging for two nights, explain why the second night is warranted:
Distance of destination and time zone difference require a second night.
7. Yes No *Primary Trip Sponsor Form* is attached, including agenda, invitee list, and any other attachments and Additional Sponsor Forms.
NOTE: The agenda should show the traveler's individual schedule, including departure and arrival times and identify the specific events in which the traveler will be participating.
8. Explain why participation in the trip is connected to the traveler's individual official or representational duties.
Staff should include their job title and how the activities on the itinerary relate to their duties.
I serve as Senior Professional Staff member responsible for public transportation issues for the Subcommittee on Highways and Transit. The conference will serve as an opportunity to discuss legislative issues of importance to public transportation agencies and stakeholders, including implementation and oversight of the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act, the Inflation Reduction Act, and ongoing COVID-19 relief efforts.
9. Yes No **Is the traveler aware of any registered federal lobbyists or foreign agents involved planning, organizing, requesting, or arranging the trip?**
10. For staff travelers, to be completed by your employing Member:

ADVANCED AUTHORIZATION OF EMPLOYEE TRAVEL

I hereby authorize the individual named above, an employee of the U.S. House of Representatives who works under my direct supervision, to accept expenses for the trip described in this request. I have determined that the above-described travel is in connection with my employee's official duties and that acceptance of these expenses will not create the appearance that the employee is using public office for private gain.

Signature of Employing Member _____

Date _____

9/1/22



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PRIMARY TRIP SPONSOR FORM

This form should be completed by private entities offering to provide travel or reimbursement for travel to House Members, officers, or employees under House Rule 25, clause 5. A completed copy of the form (and any attachments) should be provided to each invited House Member, officer, or employee, who will then forward it to the Committee together with a *Traveler Form* **at least 30 days before the start date of the trip**. The trip sponsor should *NOT* submit the form directly to the Committee. The Committee website (ethics.house.gov) provides detailed instructions for filling out the form.

NOTE: Willful or knowing misrepresentations on this form may be subject to criminal prosecution pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 1001. Failure to comply with the Committee's Travel Regulations may also lead to the denial of permission to sponsor future trips.

1. Sponsor who will be paying for the trip:
American Public Transportation Association (APTA)
2. I represent that the trip will not be financed, in whole or in part, by a registered federal lobbyist or foreign agent. Signify that the statement is true by checking box.
3. **Check only one.** I represent that:
 - a. The primary trip sponsor has not accepted from any other source, funds intended directly or indirectly to finance any aspect of the trip: **OR**
 - b. The trip is arranged without regard to congressional participation and the primary trip sponsor has accepted funds only from entities that will receive a tangible benefit in exchange for those funds: **OR**
 - c. The primary trip sponsor has accepted funds from other source(s) intended directly or indirectly to finance all or part of this trip and has enclosed disclosure forms from each of those entities.
If "c" is checked, list the names of the additional sponsors:
4. Provide names and titles of **ALL** House Members *and* employees you are inviting. **For each House invitee, provide an explanation of why the individual was invited** (include additional pages if necessary):

See addendum for list of invitees.
5. Yes No Is travel being offered to an accompanying family member of the House invitee(s)?
6. Date of departure: 10/09/2022 Date of return: 10/11/2022
7. a. City of departure: Washington, DC or Dulles, VA
b. Destination(s): Seattle, WA
c. City of return: Washington, DC or Dulles, VA
8. **Check only one.** I represent that:
 - a. The sponsor of the trip is an institution of higher education within the meaning of section 101 of the Higher Education Act of 1965: **OR**
 - b. The sponsor of the trip does not retain or employ a registered federal lobbyist or foreign agent: **OR**
 - c. The sponsor employs or retains a registered federal lobbyist or foreign agent, but the trip is for attendance at a one-day event *and* lobbyist / foreign agent involvement in planning, organizing, requesting, or arranging the trip was *de minimis* under the Committee's travel regulations.
9. **Check only one of the following:**
 - a. I checked 8(a) or (b) above; **OR**
 - b. I checked 8(c) above but am not offering any lodging; **OR**
 - c. I checked 8(c) above and am offering lodging and meals for one night; **OR**
 - d. I checked 8(c) above and am offering lodging and meals for two nights. If you checked this box, explain why the second night of lodging is warranted:

Distance of destination and time zone difference require a second night.



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10. Attached is a detailed agenda of the activities House invitees will be participating in during the travel (i.e., an hourly description of planned activities for trip invitees). *Indicate agenda is attached by checking box.*
11. **Check only one of the following:**
- a. I represent that a registered federal lobbyist or foreign agent will not accompany House Members or employees on any segment of the trip. *Signify that the statement is true by checking box; OR*
- b. *Not Applicable.* Trip sponsor is a U.S. institution of higher education.
12. For **each** sponsor required to submit a sponsor form, describe the sponsor's interest in the subject matter of the trip **and** its role in organizing and/or conducting the trip:
- APTA is the sole sponsor and organized and conducted the event. APTA's mission is to strengthen and advance public transportation. The trip provides education and information sharing opportunities between the staffer and a broad spectrum of the public transportation industry.
13. **Answer parts a and b. Answer part c if necessary:**
- a. Mode of travel: Air Rail Bus Car Other (specify: _____)
- b. Class of travel: Coach Business First Charter Other (specify: _____)
- c. If travel will be first class, or by chartered or private aircraft, explain why such travel is warranted:
14. I represent that the expenditures related to local area travel during the trip will be unrelated to personal or recreational activities of the invitee(s). *Signify that the statement is true by checking the box.*
15. **Check only one.** I represent that either:
- a. The trip involves an event that is arranged or organized *without regard* to congressional participation and that meals provided to congressional participants are similar to those provided to or purchased by other event attendees; **OR**
- b. The trip involves events that are arranged specifically *with regard* to congressional participation.
- If "b" is checked:
- 1) Detail the cost *per day* of meals (approximate cost may be provided):
- 2) Provide the reason for selecting the location of the event or trip:
16. Name, nightly cost, and reasons for selecting each hotel or other lodging facility:
- Hotel Name: Sheraton Grand Seattle City: Seattle Cost Per Night: \$284
- Reason(s) for Selecting: The location was pre-selected by APTA's members through a committee process.
- Hotel Name: _____ City: _____ Cost Per Night: _____
- Reason(s) for Selecting: _____
- Hotel Name: _____ City: _____ Cost Per Night: _____
- Reason(s) for Selecting: _____
17. I represent that all expenses connected to the trip will be for actual costs incurred and not a per diem or lump sum payment. *Signify that the statement is true by checking the box.*



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18. Total Expenses for each Participant:

<input type="checkbox"/> Actual Amounts <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Good Faith Estimates	Total Transportation Expenses per Participant	Total Lodging Expenses per Participant	Total Meal Expenses per Participant
For each Member, Officer, or Employee	\$575.20 - Airfare	\$568/2 nights-tax not included	\$118.50
For each Accompanying Family Member			

	Other Expenses (dollar amount per item)	Identify Specific Nature of "Other" Expenses (e.g., taxi, parking, registration fee, etc.)
For each Member, Officer, or Employee		\$ 92.40 - Taxi Fare
For each Accompanying Family Member		

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19. Check only one:

- a. I certify that I am an officer of the organization listed below; **OR**
- b. *Not Applicable*. Trip sponsor is an individual or a U.S. institution of higher education.

20. I certify by my signature that

- a. I read and understand the Committee's Travel Regulations;
- b. I am not a registered federal lobbyist or registered foreign agent; and
- c. The information on this form is true, complete, and correct to the best of my knowledge.

Signature: Paul P. Skoutelas Date: 8/30/2022
 Name: Paul P. Skoutelas Title: President and CEO
 Organization: American Public Transportation Association (APTA)
 Address: 1300 I Street, NW Suite 1200 East, Washington, DC 20005
 Email: pskoutelas@apta.com Telephone: (202) 496-4889

INSTRUCTIONS

Complete the *Primary Trip Sponsor Form* and submit the agenda, invitation list, any attachments, and any *Additional Trip Sponsor Forms* directly to the Travelers.

Written approval from the Committee on Ethics is required before traveling on this trip. The Committee on Ethics will notify the House invitees directly and will not notify the trip sponsors.

Willful or knowing misrepresentation on this form may be subject to criminal prosecution under 18 U.S.C. § 1001. Signatures must comply with section 104(bb) of the Travel Regulations.

For questions, please contact the Committee on Ethics at:

1015 Longworth House Office Building
Washington, D.C. 20515

ethicscommittee@mail.house.gov | 202-225-7103
More information and forms available at ethics.house.gov



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COMMITTEE ON ETHICS

Washington, DC 20515

September 29, 2022

Ms. Jacqueline Schmitz
Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure
2253 Rayburn House Office Building
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Ms. Schmitz:

Pursuant to House Rule 25, clause 5(d)(2), the Committee on Ethics hereby approves your proposed trip to Seattle, Washington, scheduled for October 9 to 11, 2022, sponsored by American Public Transportation Association. We remind you that, because the trip sponsor employs a federal lobbyist, you may participate in officially-connected activity on one calendar day only.

You must complete an Employee Post-Travel Disclosure Form (which your employing Member must also sign) and file it, together with a Sponsor Post-Travel Disclosure Form completed by the trip sponsor, with the Clerk of the House within 15 days after your return from travel. As part of that filing, you are also required to attach a copy of this letter and both the Traveler and Primary Trip Sponsor Forms (including attachments) you previously submitted to the Committee in seeking pre-approval for this trip. If you are required to file an annual Financial Disclosure Statement, you must also report all travel expenses totaling more than \$415 from a single source on the "Travel" schedule of your annual Financial Disclosure Statement covering this calendar year. Finally, Travel Regulation § 404(d) also requires you to keep a copy of all request forms and supporting information provided to the Committee for three subsequent Congresses from the date of travel.

If you have any further questions, please contact the Committee's Office of Advice and Education at extension 5-7103.

Sincerely,



Theodore E. Deutch
Chairman



Michael Guest
Acting Ranking Member

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Addendum for House Private Sponsor Travel Certification Form-2022 APTA TRANSform

Addendum to item #4:

Members of Congress

Rep. Rick Larsen (D-WA-2), Member, House Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure

Rep. Larsen's participation in this conference will serve as an opportunity for him to discuss legislative issues of importance to APTA's members. The session "Congress and the Year Ahead on Infrastructure Investment" will provide a forum for the staffer to brief APTA members on the implementation of the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act, and the status of THUD Appropriations Act, and pending infrastructure investment legislation.

Rep. Dan Newhouse (D-WA-4), Member, House Committee on Appropriations

Rep. Newhouse's participation in this conference will serve as an opportunity for him to discuss legislative issues of importance to APTA's members. The session "Congress and the Year Ahead on Infrastructure Investment" will provide a forum for the staffer to brief APTA members on the implementation of the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act, and the status of THUD Appropriations Act, and pending infrastructure investment legislation.

Congressional Staff

Doug Disrud, Republican Professional Staff Member, House Committee on Appropriations

Mr. Disrud's participation in this conference will serve as an opportunity for him to discuss legislative issues of importance to APTA's members. The session "Congress and the Year Ahead on Infrastructure Investment" will provide a forum for the staffer to brief APTA members on the implementation of the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act, and the status of THUD Appropriations Act, and pending infrastructure investment legislation.

Will Dunham, Deputy Chief of Staff for Policy, House Minority Leader

Mr. Dunham's participation in this conference will serve as an opportunity for him to discuss legislative issues of importance to APTA's members. The session "Congress and the Year Ahead on Infrastructure Investment" will provide a forum for the staffer to brief APTA members on the implementation of the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act, and the status of THUD Appropriations Act, and pending infrastructure investment legislation.

Josephine Eckert, Majority Professional Staff Member, House Committee on Appropriations

Ms. Eckert's participation in this conference will serve as an opportunity for him to discuss legislative issues of importance to APTA's members. The session "Congress and the Year Ahead on Infrastructure Investment" will provide a forum for the staffer to brief APTA members on the implementation of the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act, and the status of THUD Appropriations Act, and pending infrastructure investment legislation.

Robert Edmonson, Chief of Staff and Policy Director, Speaker of the House

Mr. Edmonson's participation in this conference will serve as an opportunity for him to discuss legislative issues of importance to APTA's members. The session "Congress and the Year Ahead on Infrastructure Investment" will provide a forum for the staffer to brief APTA members on the implementation of the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act, and the status of THUD Appropriations Act, and pending infrastructure investment legislation.

Jackie Schmitz, Majority Senior Professional Staff Member, House Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure

Ms. Schmitz's participation in this conference will serve as an opportunity for him to discuss legislative issues of importance to APTA's members. The session "Congress and the Year Ahead on Infrastructure Investment" will provide a forum for the staffer to brief APTA members on the implementation of the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act, and the status of THUD Appropriations Act, and pending infrastructure investment legislation.

Cheryle Tucker, Republican Staff Director, House Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure

Ms. Tucker's participation in this conference will serve as an opportunity for him to discuss legislative issues of importance to APTA's members. The session "Congress and the Year Ahead on Infrastructure Investment" will provide a forum for the staffer to brief APTA members on the implementation of the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act, and the status of THUD Appropriations Act, and pending infrastructure investment legislation.

Congressional Staff Itinerary: APTA 2022 TRANSform Conference Seattle, WA

Sunday, October 9, 2022			
8:15 AM	11:05 AM		Arrival at Seattle-Tacoma International Airport (SEA) United 1964
11:05 AM	12:00 PM	55 minutes	Hotel Arrival and Check-in
12:00 PM	1:30 PM	1.5 hours	Lunch
1:30 PM	3:00 PM	1.5 hours	Legislative Committee Meeting
3:00 PM	3:15 PM	15 minutes	Break
3:15 PM	5:00 PM	1.75 hours	Transit Board Members Committee Meeting
5:00 PM	7:00 PM	2 hours	Dinner
Monday, October 10, 2022			
8:00 AM	8:30 AM	30 minutes	Breakfast
8:30 AM	10:30 AM	1.5 hours	OPENING GENERAL SESSION WITH KEYNOTE Featuring Kal Penn Actor, Writer, Producer, and Former Associate Director of the White House Office of Public Engagement
10:30 AM	11:00 AM	30 minutes	Break
11:00 AM	12:15 PM	1.15 hours	High Performance Intercity Passenger Rail Corridors: Identification, Development, and Financing Infrastructure
12:15 PM	1:30 PM	45 minutes	Lunch
1:30 PM	2:15 PM	45 minutes	Product and Services Showcase
2:15 PM	3:30 PM	1.5 hours	Congress and the Year Ahead on Infrastructure Investment This session focuses on the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act, the Build Back Better Act, Transportation Appropriations, and implementation of critical infrastructure investment. Congressional Staff Panel (This discussion is off the record and not for attribution.) Moderators TBD Panelists Homer Carlisle, Majority Senior Advisor on Infrastructure, Transportation and Transit Policy (Invited) Nicole Christus, Republican Professional Staff Member (Invited) Doug Disrud, Republican Professional Staff Member (Invited) Will Dunham, Deputy Chief of Staff for Policy (Invited) Josephine Eckert, Majority Professional Staff Member (Invited) Robert Edmonson, Chief of Staff and Policy Director (Invited) Dabney Hegg, Majority Clerk (Invited) Robert Hickman, Transportation Counsel (Invited) Jackie Schmitz, Majority Senior Professional Staff Member (Invited) Cheryle Tucker, Republican Staff Director (Invited) Terry Van Doren, Senior Advisor (Invited)
3:30 PM	4:00 PM	30 minutes	Break
4:00 PM	5:00 PM	1 hour	General Session: Federal Transit Administration Update Please join us in this General Session to hear from the Honorable Nuria Fernandez, Administrator of the Federal Transit Administration (FTA), and learn more about FTA's public transit priorities and vision.
5:00 PM	7:00 PM	2 hour	Dinner
Tuesday, October 11			
1:25 PM	9:20 PM		Departure from Seattle-Tacoma International Airport (SEA) United 2275

Congressional Staff Itinerary: APTA 2022 TRANSform Conference Seattle, WA

Sunday, October 9, 2022			
5:17 PM	8:09 PM		Arrival at Seattle-Tacoma International Airport (SEA) Delta 1681
Monday, October 10, 2022			
8:00 AM	8:30 AM	30 minutes	Breakfast
8:30 AM	10:30 AM	1.5 hours	<p>OPENING GENERAL SESSION WITH KEYNOTE Featuring Kal Penn</p> <p>Join your industry peers as we kick-off the 2022 TRANSform Conference. Hear from APTA leadership and our host, King Count Metro, as they share all the exciting and relevant information you will learn and see over the next three days.</p>
10:30 AM	11:00 AM	30 minutes	Break
11:00 AM	12:15 PM	1.15 hours	<p>High Performance Intercity Passenger Rail Corridors: Identification, Development, and Financing Infrastructure</p> <p>The national intercity passenger rail network is expanding and enhancing its level of service. What are the goals for corridor projects and how are they being achieved? How can the current challenges to project delivery be overcome? Practitioners will provide timely and useful information to be both scalable and transformative.</p>
12:15 PM	1:30 PM	45 minutes	Lunch
1:30 PM	2:15 PM	45 minutes	<p>Product and Services Showcase</p> <p>Transportation industry-related businesses and organizations showcase their products and services.</p>
2:15 PM	3:30 PM	1.5 hours	<p>Congress and the Year Ahead on Infrastructure Investment</p> <p>With Congress moving forward on infrastructure investment, this session features a discussion with key Congressional staff representing House and Senate committees responsible for public transportation funding, formulas, and policies.</p> <p>Congressional Staff Panel (This discussion is off the record and not for attribution.)</p> <p>Moderators TBD</p> <p>Panelists Homer Carlisle, Majority Senior Advisor on Infrastructure, Transportation and Transit Policy Nicole Christus, Republican Professional Staff Member Robert Edmonson, Chief of Staff and Policy Director Robert Hickman, Transportation Counsel Jackie Schmitz, Majority Senior Professional Staff Member</p>
3:30 PM	4:00 PM	30 minutes	Break
4:00 PM	5:00 PM	1 hour	<p>General Session: Federal Transit Administration Update</p> <p>This General Session features the Honorable Nuria Fernandez, Administrator of the Federal Transit Administration (FTA). She will discuss the FTA's public transit priorities and vision.</p>
5:00 PM	7:00 PM	2 hour	Dinner
Tuesday, October 11			
1:25 PM	9:20 PM		Departure from Seattle-Tacoma International Airport (SEA) United 2275



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August 12, 2022

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Ms. Jackie Schmitz

Majority Senior Professional Staff Member

House Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure

2165 Rayburn House Office Building

Washington, DC 20515

Dear Ms. Schmitz:

On behalf of the American Public Transportation Association (APTA), which represents an \$80 billion industry that directly employs 450,000 people and supports millions of private-sector jobs, it is my pleasure to invite you to APTA's 2022 TRANSform Conference to be held October 9-12, 2022, in Seattle, Washington.

In particular, we invite you to participate in the Congressional staff session: "Congress and the Year Ahead in Infrastructure Investment". This session is scheduled for Monday, October 10. This session will provide a good opportunity to discuss implementation of the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act, the THUD Appropriations Act, and pending infrastructure investment legislation, as well as your Committee's priorities for the coming year. We also invite you to attend any of the other educational sessions at the Conference.

We expect thousands of public-sector and private industry transit professionals will join us at the Conference. APTA's TRANSform Conference is the flagship event for public transportation professionals to engage in workshops, experience technical tours, and network with colleagues. Keynote speakers and educational sessions explore cutting-edge hot topics, including transformative technology, mental health awareness, community building, innovative funding, and finance, safety and security, workforce development, and worldwide mega projects.

APTA will provide you with hotel accommodations and meals, as well as roundtrip air fare between Washington, DC, and Seattle, WA, in accordance with Congressional ethics rules. We will follow up with additional information as necessary to facilitate approval from the Committee on Ethics.

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Paul P. Skoutelas

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The health and well-being of APTA's members, attendees, and guests are of the utmost importance. As such, APTA has instituted a mandatory vaccination or negative PCR COVID-19 test policy for the 2022 TRANSform Conference. For more information, [visit our Meet Safely page](#). If you have any questions about the Conference, please contact TaNeesha Johnson, Legislative Analyst of APTA's Government Affairs and Advocacy Department, at tjohnson@apta.com or 202.379.8730.

Thank you in advance for considering this opportunity to discuss legislative issues of importance to APTA's members. We know our members would benefit greatly from your insights and the information you can share.

Sincerely,



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