NLTAPA Partnership Member Benefits

NTTD (National Transportation Training Directors) – Donna Shea NLTAPA Liaison

The National Transportation Training Directors (NTTD) organization was formed in 1980 to improve the development and delivery of technical and organizational training, reduce costs, accelerate training delivery, and assess competencies of employees.

This organization shares current technology and materials, information, products, and services among state transportation training directors who are then free to use and modify these materials for their specific department needs.

NTTD offers over 25 years of experience as a formal organization engaging in an open exchange of course curriculum, content, best practices, practical advice, and guidance to all who request it. With this long history of mutual collaboration within the organization, NTTD brings a stable and respected level of expertise to the table on which other organizations can capitalize.

NTTD Offers

- A community of professionals in the transportation and training industries
- Annual conferences that provide unique professional development opportunities

Results from Survey Donna Conducted

- Video trainings for DOT staff
- · Partnerships to bring in NHI trainings for DOT and Local Agency participants
- · Handles much of DOT maintenance training
- Provided conference support during an NTTD conference
- · Partners on an Annual Bridge Conference
- Develops Custom Training Programs for DOT (On Demand Training based on annual needs)
- LTAP puts on an annual conference for the State Highway Administration
- · Handles technical training for DOT maintenance staff and Locals (helps build relationships between state and local agencies)
- Developed and delivered a series of Bridge Trainings for their DOT
- · Erosion and Soils testing classes
- · Construction Inspection Courses
- Development of Online trainings
- NTTD Member participates on the LTAP advisory board to give input to their program
- Work Zone Safety Trainings
- · Heavy Equipment Training
- Developed a Transportation Leadership Program that is attended by both DOT and Local Agencies

AASHTO – American Association of State Highway and Transportation Officials – Tim Collings NLTAP Liaison

AASHTO is a nonprofit, nonpartisan association representing highway and transportation departments in the 50 states, the District of Columbia, and Puerto Rico. It represents all five transportation modes: air, highways, public transportation, rail, and water. Its primary goal is to foster the development, operation, and maintenance of an integrated national transportation system.

AASHTO works to educate the public and key decision makers about the critical role that transportation plays in securing a good quality of life and sound economy for our nation. AASHTO serves as a liaison between state departments of transportation and the Federal government. AASHTO is an international leader in setting technical standards for all phases of highway system development. Standards are issued for design, construction of highways and bridges, materials, and many other technical areas.

AASHTO serves as a catalyst for excellence in transportation by offering:

- Smart solutions and promising practices;
- Critical information, training and data;
- Direct technical assistance to states; and
- Unchallenged expertise.

Technical Leadership and Assistance to States: AASHTO Leads the Way

AASHTO is guided by a Board of Directors made up of the chief transportation officers from the 50 states, the District of Columbia, and Puerto Rico. The 12-member Executive Committee is led by AASHTO's elected officers, and is assisted by its executive director.

AASHTO's policy development, standards setting, and technical activities are the product of volunteer state department of transportation personnel who work through the AASHTO committee structure. The committees collaborate throughout the year and typically meet annually. These committees, which represent the highest standard of transportation expertise in the country, address virtually every element of planning, designing, constructing, and maintaining transportation services.

NLTAPA Members have a discount access code to the AASHTO Book Store.

NACE - National Association of County Engineers - Lisa Harris NLTAPA Liaison

Advocate on Capitol Hill

- Meet with Capitol Hill leaders annually
- Partner with Congress on drafting legislation
 MAP-21 Enact streamlining measures and preservation of off-system bridge program.

Collaborate with FHWA to Enhance Safety on County Roads

- Every Day Counts Assist to establish an LPA initiative to use innovation aimed at shortening project delivery.
- High Risk Rural Road Program Provide data and assist in developing a report to Congress on best practices.
- Toward Zero Deaths Collect processes and data from counties to develop a national, singular highway safety strategy.

Communicate Timely News to Our Members

- Monthly NACE News
- Bi-monthly e-News

Produce Action and Training Guides

18 action and 7 training guides in all technical areas of road and bridge infrastructure.

Partner with State Affiliates

32 Affiliates – Provide 1-3 day annual meetings, advocate to state legislators, award college scholarships.

Assist with Local Technical Training

LTAP/TTAP centers – 58 centers nationwide provide expanded and advanced training.

Advance the County Engineer Profession

Bestow annual awards to recognize urban and rural county engineers and program/project managers for their outstanding public services and meritorious achievements.

APWA – American Public Works Association – James Martin NLTAPA Liaison

Network and Share Expertise

Tap into a network of thousands of public works experts from the U.S. and internationally to share on-the job experiences, to request information on public works issues, discuss local and national topics of concern, to work together to improve processes and to discover new job possibilities. By networking with other public works practitioners, APWA members receive valuable and useful information for their immediate informational needs in every facet of public works including emergency management, right-of-way issues, solid waste disposal, waste water treatment, snow and ice removal, operations issues and more. Get support from your peers. Meet the new faces entering the profession. Get sound professional advice from those who deal with the same challenges as you do. Want more info? Check out infoNOW, chapters and branches, Sustainability blog, and other social networking sites, and the "Learn and Grow" section.

Enhance Your Own Expertise

By advancing your skills through professional training, you improve your performance and your value to your employer. APWA offers a variety of unique educational programs and self-study materials covering the many aspects of public works. You can choose programs by topic or by your preferred educational medium. APWA's <u>educational opportunities</u> include 2-4 day instructor-led workshops, live online programs, pre-recorded programs which can be viewed as fits your schedule, and a selection of publications. Many of these educational programs are available in the <u>APWA Store</u> or are free to members in the online <u>Members' Library</u>. To review the variety of topics covered, visit the <u>"Solutions By Topic"</u> section. Most APWA-sponsored programs provide the opportunity to earn your <u>Continuing Education Units (CEUs) or Professional Development Hours (PDHs)</u> and a record of your personal CEU/PDH history is maintained in the APWA database. <u>Professional certification</u> is also available in a selection of public works aspects. The <u>Donald C. Stone Center for Leadership Excellence in Public Works (DCS Center)</u> brings it all together with a system of career paths with progressive educational experiences that lead to certificates, certifications, CEUs, undergraduate and graduate credits, and degrees.

Be the Voice of Public Works

APWA continues to be a leading advocate promoting the interests of the public works community at all levels of government (local, state and federal). Visit the "Be Involved" section to stay up-to-date on legislative and regulatory changes and get information on key contacts at your local, state, federal and provincial levels. There's also tips and tools to assist with outreach to your customers and developing relationships with your community.

Promote Professional Excellence

Improving the delivery of public works services is a major goal for APWA and its <u>Accreditation Program</u> is an advanced process designed to enhance the effectiveness of agencies and their competencies in the areas of public works. Accreditation and self-assessment demonstrates an agency's commitment to continuous improvement in the delivery of public works operations and services to the community.

Market Your Products and Services

Visibility is key to marketing a company's products and services. With corporate group membership in APWA you have the opportunity to network at the local and national level. Some local chapters hold annual conferences offering opportunities to display and/or discuss your products and services. All three annual national events--<u>PWX</u> (formerly known as the International Public Works Congress & Exposition-"Best Show in Public Works") and the <u>North American Snow Conference</u>--offer opportunities to expose your products and services to a public works professionals from the US, Canada, and abroad. Corporate group members also receive complimentary listing in the printed "Corporate Member Directory of Products and Services" in the April issue of the <u>APWA Reporter</u>

magazine, and complimentary listing in the online "Public Works Buyer's Guide". Both the printed Directory and the online Buyer's Guide offer listings sorted by company name and by product or service provided. Looking for ways to distribute your information to specific groups of public works professionals? Then you may find rentals of the APWA mailing list a helpful tool.

Save Time and Expense

APWA offers professional development opportunities via online, face-to-face, and on-demand programs. As well as Public Works Institutes and graduate studies programs. And APWA offers IACET CEUs for all of its national events, Click, Listen, & Learn webcasts, and for pre-approved chapter events. And, members get reduced pricing on most APWA publications, videos, training manuals, conference registrations, exhibits, and both national and local training courses PLUS free registrations to live Click, Listen and Learn programs and free unlimited access to over 300 pre-recorded educational programs via the Members' Library. Members also save time and money by using our infoNOW communities to share information or instantly get insight on a public works issue.

APWA is your primary resource for public works-related knowledge!