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Indiana MPO Conference

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2018 INDIANA MPO CONFERENCE

Roads, rails, trails and bus lines rarely stop at city, county or state lines. That leaves us all in need of a transportation system that connects people to local amenities - jobs, shopping, necessities, and recreation opportunities - while also providing access to regional and national markets. As regional agencies, MPOs recognize the collaboration needed to advance transportation priorities between multiple jurisdictions while being responsive to community interests and relationships to state departments of transportation and other regional agencies.

During the 2018 Indiana MPO Conference, we will not only hear from our Indiana MPOs that are approaching planning and programming responsibilities in the 3-C process with fresh perspectives, but we'll hear new strategies to old challenges that are being implemented by other states and their agencies. Innovative thinking and practices are what will help us move our regions forward as we all continue *Planning Without Boundaries*.

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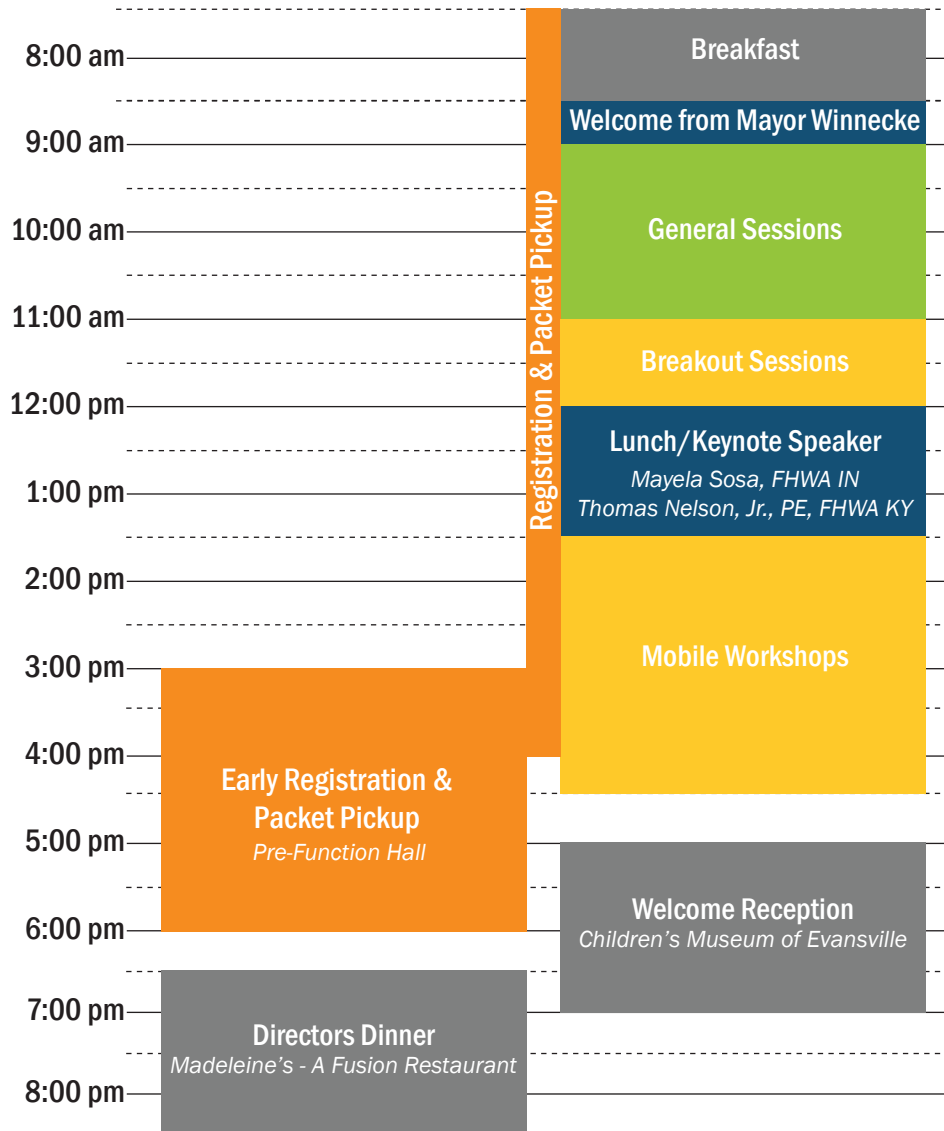
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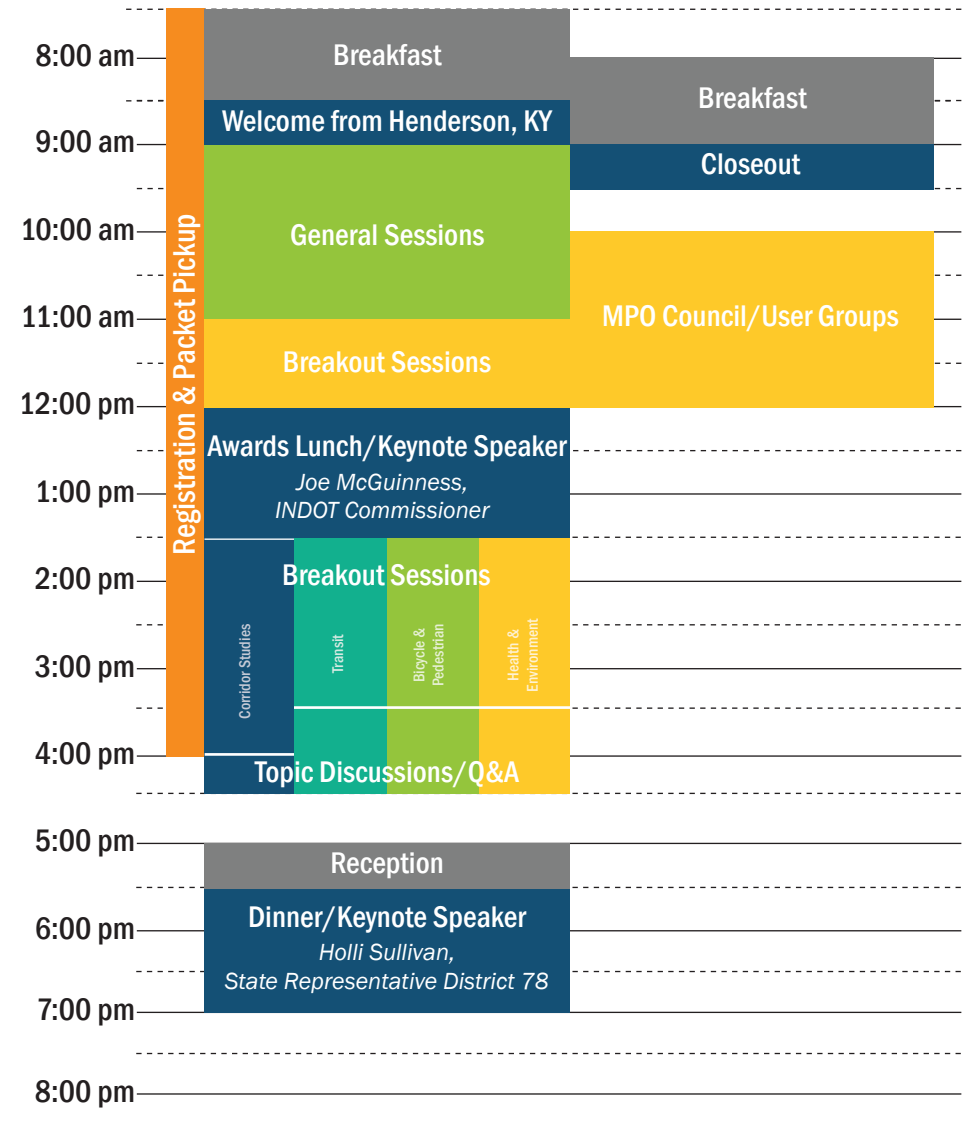


2018 ATA GLANCE

Monday September 24



Wednesday September 26



Thursday September 27





MOBILE WORKSHOPS



A special thanks to METS for providing transportation for today's mobile workshops.

Regional Cities

Join us as we tour improvements that are complete or underway in downtown Evansville thanks to the \$42,000,000 received in Regional Cities funding in 2015. We will visit the new IU Stone Family Center for Health Sciences, stop by the state-of-the-art WNIN Public Media Center for an overview of projects benefiting from this funding, see what major changes are coming to the YMCA, and get a sneak peek at the planned mixed-use Post House Urban Living Research Center that will incorporate smart technologies in coordination with Vectren, headquartered in Evansville. The last stop will be Evansville Regional Airport to see how Regional Cities funding provided major facility updates. **CM | 3**

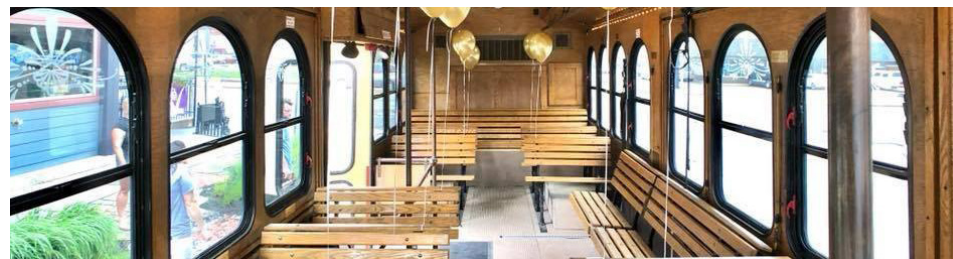


Evansville's Cultural Districts

ALL ABOARD! Take a ride around Evansville on TED, the Trolley of Evansville Districts. Paid for by crowdsourcing and a match by IHCD, TED made its debut this spring to provide residents and visitors connections between Evansville's Cultural Districts. We'll make stops at historic Franklin Street and Haynie's Corner Arts District, see revitalization efforts in downtown Evansville and in the Jacobsville neighborhood along North Main Street, and hear from those that made TED and the Cultural Districts happen. **CM | 3**

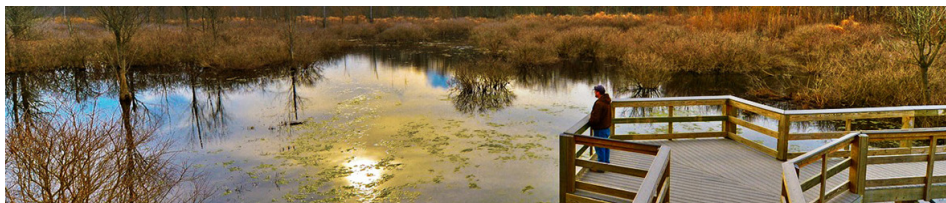


A special thanks to the Franklin Street Events Association for providing the TED Trolley.



Henderson, KY & Audubon State Park

Cross the Ohio River and head south to Henderson, Kentucky. Henderson was home to W.C. Handy, known as the Father of the Blues, and John James Audubon, one of America's greatest ornithologists. Downtown Henderson has undergone a surge of revitalization over the past decade, including new retail shops and restaurants, the construction of the Henderson Riverwalk, and a growing calendar of community events hosted year-round. We will first visit some of the areas that make downtown Henderson unique, including Audubon Mill Park, home of the annual W.C. Handy Blues and Barbecue Festival, riverfront renovations, a new pocket park, and take part in the Audubon Sculpture Walking Tour Scavenger Hunt Challenge, a public arts project that features 16 life-sized bird sculptures depicting Audubon's paintings. We will then stop by John James Audubon State Park to explore the 649-acre Audubon Wetlands and Boardwalk. The Boardwalk is one of the only places in the entire Midwest where visitors with limited mobility can get out on a trail and discover nature. **CM | 3**



Newburgh & Warrick County Trails

Join us in Warrick County to see how bike and pedestrian trails are being developed and used in innovative ways. We will see the Warrick Wellness Trail, a new regional healthcare destination including hospitals, medical clinics, a hotel, and single and multi-family housing with a connecting bike and pedestrian trail network. We will explore projects that the non-profit organization, Warrick Trails, has implemented through their fundraising efforts and strong partnerships with local government agencies on the way to Friedman Park, a \$5.5 million park funded by Regional Cities and Warrick County located adjacent to Victoria National Golf Club. Our final stop will be in the quaint town of Newburgh. Located on the banks of the Ohio River and rich with history, Newburgh has been busy constructing the Rivertown Trail, providing residents with a picturesque view of the Ohio River that connects the town to the historic and current Ohio River Locks and Dam. **CM | 3**



WELCOME RECEPTION

Follow me to cMoe!

Tuesday, September 25
5:00 pm – 7:00 pm

Join everyone at the Children's Museum of Evansville (cMoe) for a chance to be a kid again! The cMoe offers three stories of hands-on galleries and exhibits to explore, including splashing in the Wet Deck, climbing through Moe the two-story duck in the Quack Factory, creating artistic masterpieces through music, drama, and visual arts, and planning your perfect city and transportation system in the Kid's World exhibit.

And of course, there will be plenty of drinks and appetizers to enjoy!



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WELCOME KEYNOTES

TUESDAY KEYNOTES

Welcome

Lunch

Tuesday, September 25

8:30 am – 9:00 am

Conference Welcome



Mayor Lloyd Winnecke

City of Evansville

The honorable Lloyd Winnecke is proud to serve his second term as Evansville's 34th mayor and to lead the charge to improve opportunities and enhance the quality of life for local residents. He pressed forward on transformative projects like the new Downtown Hilton DoubleTree convention hotel while simultaneously securing initial funding for the new Stone Family Center for Health Sciences. Today, Mayor Winnecke is pushing to modernize the city's infrastructure with road improvement projects on Walnut Street and Weinbach Avenue, Renew and Refresh Evansville water and sewer line upgrades and the \$40 million Post House, a Southwest Indiana Regional Cities Initiative that integrates smart energy technologies into a high-tech housing, retail and office complex.

Wednesday, September 26

8:30 am – 9:00 am

2nd Day Welcome



Donna Stinnett

City of Henderson

Donna Stinnett is the Community Relations Manager & Public Information Officer for the City of Henderson, working in the office of City Manager William L. "Buzzy" Newman. She joined the City to take on a newly created position in February 2016 after working as a writer and editor for 36 years for The Gleaner, the daily newspaper in Henderson.

Wearing her community relations hat, Donna works with the Henderson Vision Group and its subcommittees as well as the Downtown Henderson Partnership, Henderson Tourist Commission, Henderson Area Arts Alliance, Healthy Henderson Coalition and Kyndle, among other community groups. As Public Information Officer she handles internal/employee communications, press releases, social media, TV and radio interviews and civic presentations on behalf of the City.

Tuesday, September 25

12:00 pm – 1:15 pm

Lunch



Mayela Sosa

Division Administrator, FHWA Indiana

Mayela Sosa is the Division Administrator for the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) Indiana Division. Mayela is responsible for directing the delivery of the annual \$900M+ federal-aid program in Indiana and advancing national goals, strategic initiatives and transportation innovations. She leads a multidisciplinary professional staff responsible for civil rights, safety, planning, finance, environment, engineering, and operations. Prior to coming to Indiana, Mayela held various positions in FHWA's Arizona, California and Texas Division Offices.

Mayela holds a Bachelor's degree in Latin American Studies & Economics from The University of Texas and a Master's degree from The University of Texas LBJ School of Public Affairs. She is also a military veteran, having served four years on active duty in the U.S. Army and ten years of reserve duty in the U.S. Army Reserve.



Thomas Nelson, Jr., PE

Division Administrator, FHWA Kentucky

Thomas Nelson, Jr. has served as the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) Kentucky Division Administrator since May 2015. Prior to this position, Thomas served as the Special Assistant to the Administrator. In this capacity, he provided direct support to the Administrator and served as a key adviser. Thomas also served as a Major Projects Engineer in the Office of Innovative Program Delivery where he was responsible for providing technical and policy assistance to FHWA field offices, partners and stakeholders in implementing risk-based project management.

Before joining FHWA, Thomas served for 8 ½ years as a Vice President and Area Manager for CH2M Hill. Thomas also gained 10 years of valuable design and project management experience with the Michigan Department of Transportation.

Thomas holds a Bachelor's Degree in Civil Engineering from Michigan State University and is a licensed Professional Engineer.

AWARDS LUNCHEON

MPO Awards

Wednesday, September 26
12:00 pm – 1:15 pm

Each year, the Indiana MPO Council presents four awards to individuals, organizations, or projects that merit distinction. These awards are:

The **Outstanding Transportation Project** award recognizes a specific, special transportation project that includes design innovations, incorporates significant public input, includes multi-modal accommodations, and demonstrates context-sensitive solutions.

The **Outstanding Planning Project** award recognizes a specific Indiana MPO planning project that exemplifies the principals of good, sound transportation planning.

The **Outstanding Public Involvement** award recognizes an agency that has made a significant contribution involving the public in transportation planning programs or projects.

The **Meritorious Service** award recognizes an individual employed by a state or federal government agency who has made a significant contribution to the transportation planning operations carried out by Indiana MPOs.

WEDNESDAY KEYNOTES

Awards Luncheon/Dinner

Wednesday, September 26
12:00 pm – 1:15 pm
Awards Luncheon

Joe McGuinness

INDOT Commissioner

Joe was appointed Commissioner of the Indiana Department of Transportation in January 2017 by Governor Eric Holcomb. He is a lifelong Johnson County resident and has been actively involved in transportation and infrastructure planning in central Indiana.

Joe was elected Mayor of Franklin in November 2011 and took office in January 2012. As Mayor, Joe implemented innovative concepts in Franklin and oversaw a significant resurgence in the downtown area. Much of this growth and redevelopment occurred because of substantial investment in infrastructure and solid economic development projects.



Wednesday, September 26
5:30 pm – 7:00 pm
Dinner

Holli Sullivan

State Representative District 78

Representative Holli Sullivan has represented House District 78 since 2014 and lives in Evansville.

Before opening her own consulting firm in 2010, Rep. Sullivan worked in management at General Motors Corporation and Toyota Motor Manufacturing Indiana. She was also a consultant for University of Southern Indiana's Center for Applied Research.

In 2017, she co-authored and voted for the largest road funding plan in Indiana's history. The 20-year plan improves the state's vital infrastructure to ensure Indiana continues to be the Crossroads of America.





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8:30 am - 9:00 am	Conference Welcome <i>Grand Ballroom</i> Seyed Shokouhzaideh Evansville MPO Mayor Lloyd Winnecke City of Evansville	
9:00 am - 9:50 am <i>General</i>	The Role of Preventive Maintenance in Managing Assets <i>Grand Ballroom</i> Keith Hoernschemeyer Indiana FHWA	We will discuss why Preventive Maintenance projects should be a part of your roadway and bridge Asset Management programs. We'll also discuss the purpose and benefits of PM projects and describe the various funding opportunities that are available.
10:00 am - 10:50 am <i>General</i>	Delivering Local Projects Utilizing Local, State and Federal Funds <i>Grand Ballroom</i> Nick Jahn, PE VS Engineering	We will explore the differences in scoping and developing projects utilizing local, state and federal funds. We'll look at a case study for how design, bidding and construction of the same project differ depending on the selected funding source.

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11:00 am - 11:50 pm <i>Breakout</i>	Engaging Citizens through Innovative & Tactical Outreach Methods CM 0.75 <i>Ballroom C/D</i> Caitlin Stevens & Donny Ritsema, AICP Michiana Area Council of Governments	Planning is a collaborative process that empowers communities to create solutions that offer better choices for where people live, work, and play, and how they move through their community. Come hear how MACOG excites and engages its communities through active, hands-on activities to create plans that are meaningful and reflective of their needs and aspirations.
11:00 am - 11:50 pm <i>Breakout</i>	Consultant Contract Negotiation <i>Crescent Room</i> Lora Phillippe INDOT, Vincennes District	Learn tools and tips on negotiating contracts to guarantee you are receiving and/or providing the proper amount of technical support and utilizing the tax payers dollars to the best of your ability throughout the project development process.
11:00 am - 11:50 pm <i>Breakout</i>	Transportation Funding: Things We Wish We Could Talk About CM 0.75 <i>Valley Room</i> Michael Hancock, PE HMB Professional Engineers, Inc.	When is knowing "enough" about transportation funding truly enough? "Planning Without Boundaries" is difficult when transportation funding routinely constrains our best efforts. Are there things we wish we could talk about to change that dynamic? Why do we struggle with transportation funding and what will the future hold?
12:00 pm - 1:15 pm	Lunch/Keynote Speaker <i>Grand Ballroom</i> Mayela Sosa Division Administrator, FHWA Indiana Thomas Nelson, Jr., PE Division Administrator, FHWA Kentucky	
1:30 pm - 4:30 pm	Mobile Workshops CM 3	See pages 8-9 for more details.
5:00 pm - 7:00 pm	Welcome Reception <i>Children's Museum of Evansville</i>	See pages 10-11 for more details.

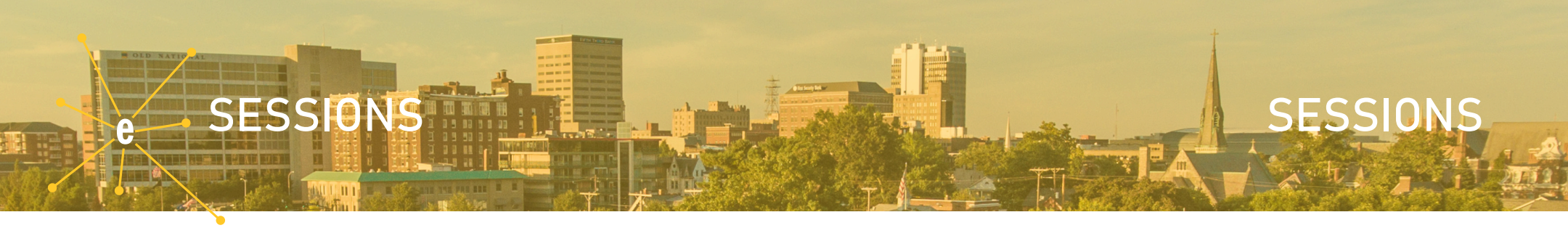


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9:00 am - 9:50 am <i>General</i>	How Planning Products Can Inform the Environmental Review Process CM 0.75 <i>Grand Ballroom</i> Rob Ayers FHWA Resource Center	We will explore how planning analyses and decisions can better inform the environmental review process. The more these two processes are integrated, the greater efficiency we can achieve--delivering our project quicker, cheaper, and with less redundant effort.
10:00 am - 10:50 am <i>General</i>	The Atlanta Regional Commission's Project Evaluation Framework CM 0.75 <i>Grand Ballroom</i> David D'Onofrio Atlanta Regional Commission	In 2016, Atlanta Regional Commission (ARC) staff worked with stakeholders to develop a new approach to TIP project evaluation that pushes ARC towards meeting federal goals outlined in MAP-21 and the FAST Act by improving the relationship between project selection and performance. This session will look at the approach ARC used to redesign their TIP project evaluation methods and share some insights from their most recent project solicitation.

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11:00 am - 11:50 pm <i>Breakout</i>	Transit in Indy: So Much to do After Passing the Referendum! CM 0.75 <i>Ballroom C/D</i> Sean Northup Indianapolis MPO	Since Indianapolis residents overwhelmingly approved a 70% increase in transit service in 2016, IndyGo has hit hyperdrive: they've onboarded drivers, mechanics, and professional staff, procured buses, launched new service, and continued design of the Red, Purple, and Blue BRT lines. Meanwhile, the Indianapolis MPO continues planning for future suburban referenda.
11:00 am - 11:50 pm <i>Breakout</i>	Indiana Bike Trail Report: Moving Indiana Toward an Active State CM 0.75 <i>Crescent Room</i> Kevin Tilbury, AICP & Ryan Klitzsch Cambridge Systematics	INDOT has launched a statewide initiative that will recommend actions, policy, design guidance and innovative funding strategies to advance active transportation as a safe and convenient transportation option. We'll hear an overview of the initiative and an interactive component to identify Indiana's most pressing opportunities and challenges for active transportation.
11:00 am - 11:50 pm <i>Breakout</i>	Ohio DOT Process for MPO/Large City Capital Programs <i>Valley Room</i> Andy Reser, AICP OKI Regional Council of Governments	ODOT provides annual capital budget allocations to each of its seventeen MPOs and to five cities outside of MPO areas. The program allocates federal Surface Transportation Block Grant (STBG), Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality (CMAQ) and Transportation Alternatives (TA) funding. This presentation will provide an overview of the policies, procedures, and management of this program.
12:00 pm - 1:15 pm	Lunch/Keynote Speaker <i>Grand Ballroom</i> Joe McGuinness INDOT Commissioner	



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1:30 pm - 4:30 pm	Corridor Studies <i>Ballroom A/B</i>	
1:30 pm - 1:50 pm	Setting the Stage for the Studies Chris Gentry INDOT, Vincennes District Pam Drach Evansville MPO	Addressing corridor mobility and safety needs in a time of limited resources requires innovative approaches to systems planning. Drawing on the success of previous INDOT and MPO project collaborations, the INDOT Vincennes District and the Evansville MPO partnered on two corridor studies - US 41 and SR 62/SR 66 (Lloyd Expressway). The purpose of the studies is to assess existing and future conditions and develop strategies to improve traffic operations and safety that consider alternative approaches to intersection configurations or controls, changes to the state and local network, and access management techniques. Presenters will discuss the corridor studies from concept to implementation.
1:50 pm - 3:20 pm	US 41 Corridor Study CM 1.5 Doug Shatto, PE, PTOE Lochmueller Group Lloyd Expressway Corridor Study Brian Aldridge, PE Stantec	
3:30 pm - 4:00 pm	INDOT Project Selection CM 0.5 Valerie Cockrum INDOT, Vincennes District	
4:00 pm - 4:30 pm	Corridor Studies Questions & Answers/Discussion	

Wednesday, September 26

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1:30 pm - 4:30 pm	Transit <i>Ballroom C/D</i>	
1:30 pm - 2:00 pm	Remix in Indy CM 0.5 Sean Northup Indianapolis MPO	After 10 years of transit planning, a successful referendum, and the largest public involvement process in Central Indiana's history, the Indianapolis MPO has refined its transit planning process. Learn about the specific planning approach, including how Remix is used to match service with need, within a finite budget.
2:10 pm - 2:40 pm	Looking Beyond Borders: Building Partnerships for Regional Mobility CM 0.5 Chris Zeilinger Community Transportation Association of America	It's a common situation: people live in one place, and the jobs they seek are in another place. In Southwestern Indiana, CTAA has worked with the Evansville MPO and others to tackle this challenge head-on. In an update from a work in progress, you'll hear about partnerships that are being forged between the Evansville MPO, local service providers, local officials, and major employers. Find out what it's like for an MPO to start engaging with partners and stakeholders that aren't within the planning area. Learn how some approaches arose that you may be able to replicate in your own area.
2:50 pm - 3:20 pm	TED: Trolley of Evansville Districts CM 0.5 Amy Word-Smith & Andrea Sinnett Franklin Street Events Association	TED: Trolley of Evansville Districts is a trolley for people to support Evansville's blossoming cultural districts, redevelopment of our urban core, and growing tourism industry. We will discuss how the TED trolley came about and the steps required to get it up and running.
3:30 pm - 4:30 pm	Transit Questions & Answers/Discussion	



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1:30 pm - 4:30 pm	Bicycle and Pedestrian <i>Crescent Room</i>	
1:30 pm - 2:00 pm	Competing for Complete Streets CM 0.5 Caitlin Stevens Michiana Area Council of Governments	Last year, MACOG partnered with the National Complete Streets Coalition to advance a regional Complete Streets strategy and assist communities within the region in developing their own policy. We'll discuss the goals and challenges of communities in Michiana and MACOG's strategy to increase the number of Complete Street policies in the region.
2:10 pm - 2:40 pm	Small Town and Rural Design Guide CM 0.5 Paul Wojciechowski, AICP, PE Alta Planning + Design	Released by FHWA last year, the Small Town and Rural Multimodal Networks (STAR) Guide focuses on design guidelines that aim to improve bicycling and walking in communities seeking solutions more tailored to their small town needs. We will dig into this idea book, with visualizations and guidance for contemporary walking and biking facilities. Based in FHWA and AASHTO guidance, STAR applies a flexible design approach to creating more comfortable places for walking and biking. We will also see examples of projects from small towns.
2:50 pm - 3:20 pm	Warrick Trails: Progress Through Partnerships CM 0.5 Steve Roelle Warrick Trails	Explore how a volunteer non-profit is creating public and private partnerships to build a donor-supported trail network and amenities that are connecting parks, neighborhoods, schools, and businesses. We'll look at the successes and challenges this unique model has encountered while working to improve the health, wellness, and accessibility of our community.
3:30 pm - 4:30 pm	Bicycle & Pedestrian Questions & Answers/Discussion	

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1:30 pm - 4:30 pm	Health & Environment <i>Valley Room</i>	
1:30 pm - 2:00 pm	Healthy Places for Healthy People CM 0.5 Ryan Phelps, AICP Madison County Council of Governments	The tie between planning and public health has been highlighted in conversations by professionals in both fields. In 2017, the EPA launched a program focused on using health care partners as anchors to reinvigorate local economies. The Anderson MPO will discuss their experience with Healthy Places for Healthy People.
2:10 pm - 2:40 pm	Alternative Stormwater Solutions John Lavine Madison County Council of Governments	Highway runoff containing oils and chemicals is a large non-point source pollutant contributor to available water sources. Learn about alternative roadway design that decentralizes storm water management creating a natural filtration network that slows water down, allows it to infiltrate, and recharges underground aquifers while water is filtered from contaminants.
2:50 pm - 3:20 pm	Understanding Energy CM 0.5 Andy Meyer, AICP OKI Regional Council of Governments	We'll highlight an ongoing project where OKI is working with energy industry partners to produce Community Strategic Energy Plans for interested local governments. Learn why it's important for communities to understand how energy impacts them and ties into traditional planning topics like transportation, housing, and economic development.
3:30 pm - 4:30 pm	Health & Environment Questions & Answers/Discussion	

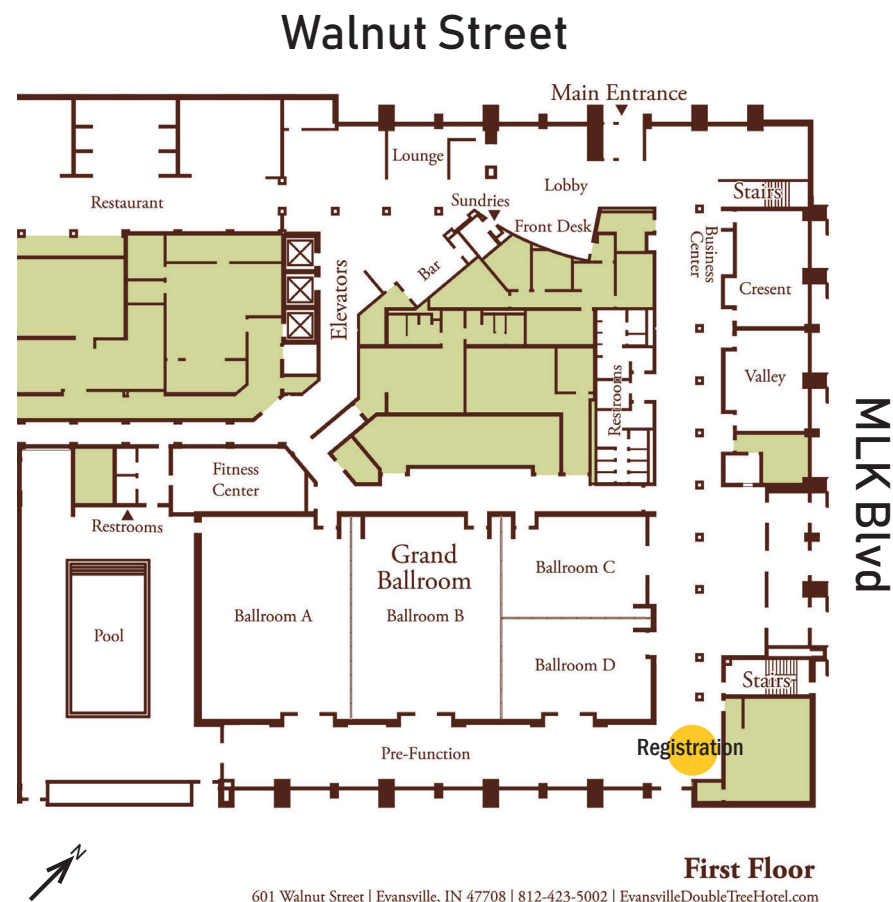


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DoubleTree

Thursday, September 27

Time	Session
8:00 am - 9:00 am	Breakfast Grand Ballroom
9:00 am - 9:30 am	Conference Closeout Grand Ballroom
10:00 am - 12:00 pm	Joint MPO Council/IARC Meeting Ballroom A
10:00 am - 12:00 pm	TIP/STIP Working Group Meeting Crescent Room
10:00 am - 12:00 pm	Modeling User Group Meeting (iMug) Ballroom C/D
10:00 am - 12:00 pm	Regional Pavement Management Training - TransMap Valley Room



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