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#TransitMovesVA: Two days of Everything You Want to Know About Public Transportation Innovations featured at Virginia Transit Association Conference
Federal and State transit agency leaders will also join the discussion during this 2-day event.

Portsmouth, VA (May 29-30, 2019) – The Virginia Transit Association (VTA) is hosting its annual conference and expo in Portsmouth on Wednesday, May 29 and Thursday, May 30, 2019. The event will be held at the [Renaissance Portsmouth-Norfolk Waterfront Hotel](#). A program agenda can be found [here](#).

Highlighting the list of speakers is **Nathaniel “Nat” P. Ford**. Mr. Ford is the Chief Executive Officer of the Jacksonville Transportation Authority (JTA) and immediate past Chair of the American Public Transportation Association (APTA). He has built a legacy of organizational leadership, fiscal acumen and innovation throughout his distinguished career. He is a champion of multimodal transportation, walkable neighborhoods, public-private partnerships, and transit-oriented development.

Mr. Ford has received numerous awards for his transformational programs and initiatives, including the White House Champion of Change and the “Ultimate CEO” by the Jacksonville Business Journal.

Other noted conference presenters include Portsmouth Mayor John Rowe and numerous multimodal transportation experts: William Harrell, HRT; Jason El Koubi, Virginia Economic Development Partnership; Bryan Stephens, Hampton Roads Chamber of Commerce; Joshua Saks, Virginia Deputy Secretary of Natural Resources; Waze, Lyft, Jennifer Mitchell, VDRPT Director; Kira Siddall, Siddall Communications, and Terry Garcia Crews, FTA Region III Administrator.

“This year’s conference promises to be two outstanding days for the transit community,” said Lisa Guthrie, Executive Director of the Virginia Transit Association. “Our well-respected industry leaders are here to share their best practices and the latest developments in public transportation. If your interest is in promoting transit as a transportation solution in Virginia, then this conference is where you want to be this week,” said Guthrie.

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