

Agenda
31st Annual Rural Transit Assistance Center (RTAC) Spring Conference
Northfield Center, 3280 Northfield Drive, Springfield, IL

Tuesday, March 3, 2020

- 8:00-9:00 a.m. Registration
- 9:00-9:30 a.m. Opening Remarks
Dave Patton, RTAC, IIRA, WIU, Macomb
Jean Jumper, Chair, Rural Transit Assistance Program Advisory Council
IPTA Updates – Laura Calderon, Springfield
- 9:30-10:30 a.m. IDOT FY21 Section 5311 and DOAP application information
Carrie Cooper and IDOT Office of Intermodal Project Implementation Staff
- 10:30-10:45 a.m. Break
- 10:45-11:45 a.m. Social Isolation and Rural Transportation
Phyllis Roate, IL Department on Aging, Springfield, IL
- 11:45-1:00 p.m. Lunch (On your own)
- 1:00-2:30 p.m. Driver Recruitment and Retention
Mark Szyperski, On Your Mark Transportation, Nashville, TN
- 2:30-3:00 p.m. Break
- 3:00-4:30 p.m. Transit Asset Management Requirements for 2020
Emily Grenzke, Kimley-Horn, Reston, VA



Wednesday, March 4, 2020

- 9:10-9:40 a.m. How to Evaluate and Understand your Rural Public Transit Operation – For New and Experienced Managers.
Jean Jumper, Executive Director, West Central Mass Transit District, Jacksonville, IL
- 9:45-10:15 a.m. Interacting with, and Maintaining a Presence with Boards, Public Officials, and the Press.
Adam Lach, CEO, Rides Mass Transit District, Harrisburg, IL
- 10:15-10:45 a.m. Break and Check Out
- 10:50-11:20 a.m. “Right-Sizing” Vehicle Fleets in Rural Systems when Considering Ridership, Drivers, Maintenance, Insurance, etc.
Randy Barrow, Director of Operations, South Central Mass Transit District, Centralia, IL
- 11:30-12:00 p.m. Break-Out with each of the Morning’s Presenters