

# Minnesota Public Transit Conference

October 14-16, 2024

Mayo Civic Center, Mankato, Minnesota

## Monday, October 14, 2024

8:00 AM	Registration Opens
10:00 AM- 12:00 Noon	Training Session I – <b>Diversity, Equity and Inclusion</b> session led by Seema Pothini of Equity Elephant Consulting.
1:00 PM – 3:00 PM	Training Session II – <b>Mobility Coordination and Dynamic Transportation Options</b>
2:30 PM – 3:30 PM	CEO Summit
4:00 PM – 6:00 PM	MPTA Annual Meeting and Awards Ceremony
6:00 PM – 7:30 PM	Welcome Reception

## Tuesday, October 15, 2024

7:30 AM	Registration Opens
8:00 AM to 10:00 AM	General Session – <b>Marianne Renner</b>

### **From Chaos to Clarity How to be your best when things are at their worst**

In a world of increasing chaos, uncertainty, and constant change, it's hard to feel like you're moving the needle forward. How do you show up and bring your very best even during the most trying times? This presentation will help you gain greater self-awareness and provide tools to lead yourself well so you can, in turn, lead others. You'll be inspired to think differently about how you work, live and lead.

10:00 am to 11:00 AM	Break in Expo Hall
11:00 am to 12:00 Noon	<b><u>Breakout Sessions</u></b> Vehicle Maintenance Leadership: Change the Direction of Your Connection: How to connect and communicate with influence and impact <b>Marianne Renner</b> No and Low Emission Vehicles Working with Boards and Advisory Committees
12:00 Noon to 2:30 PM	<b><u>Lunch In Expo Hall</u></b>
2:30 to 4:30 PM	Tours of Mankato

6:00 PM Industry Celebration Reception

**Wednesday, October 16, 2024**

7:30 AM Registration Opens

8:00 AM to 9:30 AM General Session – **Federal Transit Funding and Latest News**

9:45 AM to 10:45 AM

**Breakout Sessions**

De-escalation Strategies

Idea Café – Transit Apps

Federal Funding Opportunities

Leadership in Transit – **Sunny Hesse**, St. Cloud Metro Bus

11:00 AM to 12:00 Noon

**Breakout Sessions**

Distributing Operating Funds via Formula

Human Resources – What You Need to Know

New Transit Technology – Autonomous Vehicles and More  
**Erik Hansen**, SouthWest Transit

Communicating the Need for Transit in Your Community: Social  
Media Tips and Effective Messages

12:00 PM to 1:30 PM

Lunch with Keynote Speakers –

**OTAT and Met Council Update**