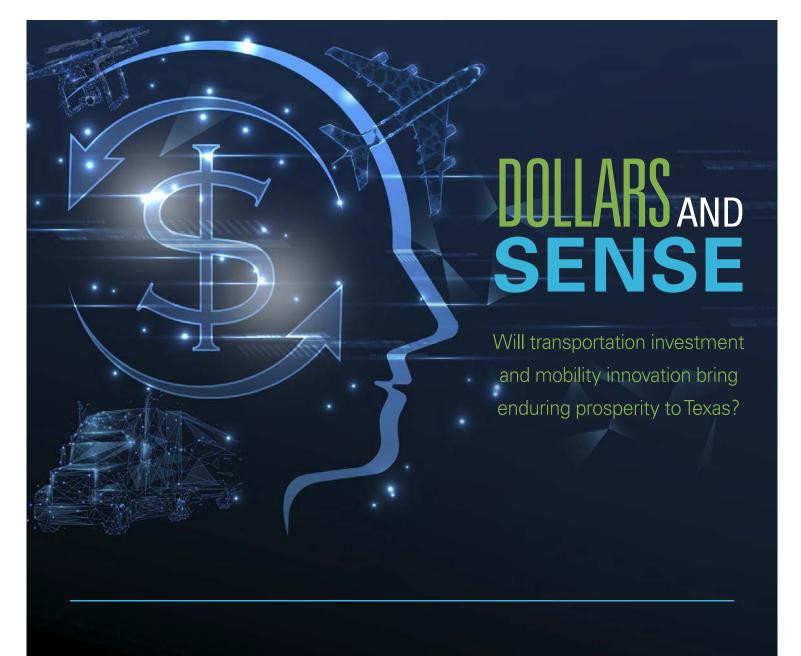


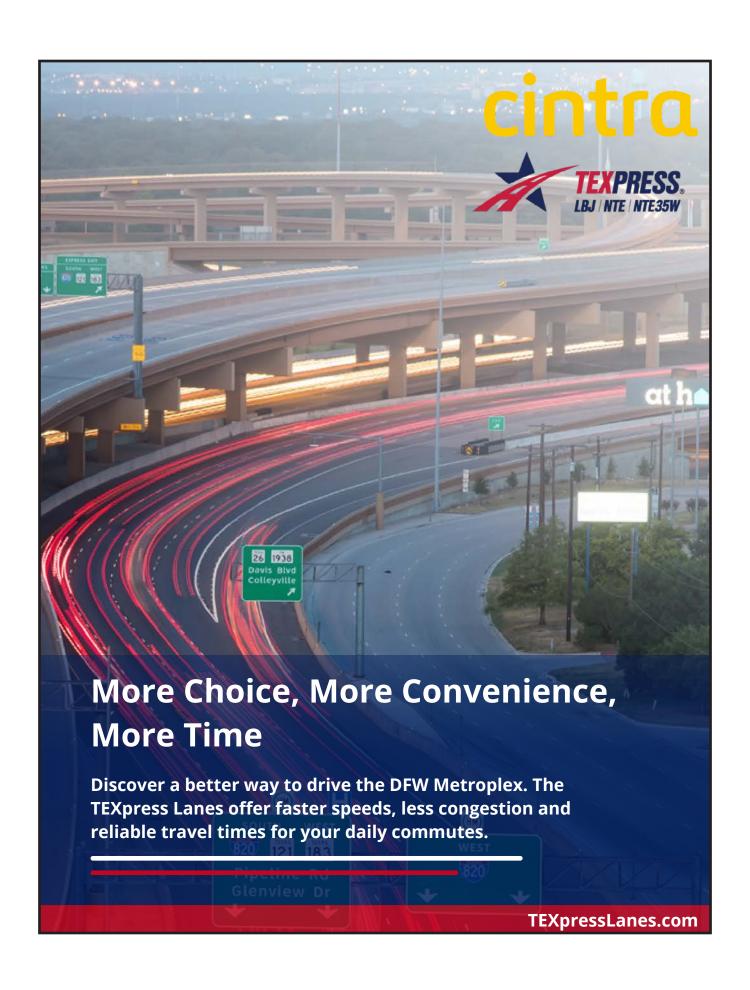
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COMMISSIONER'S NOTE



Commissioner Gary Fickes
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Welcome! Thank you for attending our 12th annual Tarrant Transportation Summit. This is another exciting year for the Summit. A little less than two years ago, 600 people gathered at the Hurst Conference Center for an annual event, which we had hosted for 11 consecutive years, to discuss the evolving trends in mobility and where transportation in our region was headed. That day, February 14, 2020, turned out to be one of the last large public gatherings many of us would attend for nearly two years. With that, we are so glad to be back, and I've never been happier to see all of you!

At this year's Summit, we're focused on the "Dollars and Sense" of it all and where we're headed in the wake of the pandemic. This year's lineup is one of the best we have ever put together, highlighted by our keynote speaker, Texas Comptroller Glenn Hegar. He'll be providing an updated financial outlook for our state and region, bringing some clarity on the available resources we will be able to commit to transportation and infrastructure investment in the near future. We'll also hear from Lloyd Potter, our state's demographer, who will break down our population growth numbers and where we'll likely need to focus that investment.

TRTC Executive Director (and former Texas Transportation Commissioner) Victor Vandergriff will lead a conversation with Hillwood's Russell Laughlin, North Central Texas Council of Governments (NCTCOG) Director of Transportation Michael Morris and Tarrant Regional Transportation Coalition (TRTC) Chairman (and former Arlington Mayor) Jeff Williams covering the status of our regional priority projects and what must be done to ensure their advancement.

We are also hosting transit leaders from Dallas Area Rapid Transit (DART), METRO Transit Authority of Harris County and (our own) Trinity Metro, who will discuss the changing landscape of public transportation and how their agencies are leveraging technology to create more efficient systems of getting people from one point to another. We will hear from several of Tarrant County's most important private sector companies working in the areas of mobility innovation. And finally, Tarrant County Judge Glen Whitley and Cintra's U.S. Region President Alberto González will discuss the start, the success and the potential future of managed lanes. You'll be surprised to hear the incredible strides they've made during the past couple of years — much of it centered right here in Tarrant County!

I hope everyone learns something today about all the up-and-coming technologies in transportation and where the state's headed in the coming days. Enjoy the presentations, and thank you for spending your day with us and your continued support!

Gary FickesCounty Commissioner

AGENDA

8 a.m. WELCOME

Speaker:

Gary Fickes – Commissioner Precinct 3, Tarrant County

8:10 a.m. **SESSION #1**

TRANSPORTATION AND MOBILITY OUTLOOK FOR NORTH TEXAS

Moderator: Victor Vandergriff – Executive Director, Tarrant Regional Transportation Coalition (TRTC), & Former Commissioner, Texas Transportation Commission

Speakers:

- Russell Laughlin Executive Vice President, Hillwood
- Michael Morris Transportation Director, North Central Texas Council of Governments (NCTCOG)
- Jeff Williams Chairman, Tarrant Regional Transportation Coalition (TRTC), Former Mayor, City of Arlington, & President, Graham & Associates, Inc.

9 a.m. SESSION #2

TRANSFORMATION OF TEXAS' TRANSIT SYSTEM

Moderator: Johan C. Petterson – Principal, DEC

Speakers:

- Paul J. Ballard President & Chief Executive Officer, Trinity Metro
- Thomas C. Lambert President & Chief Executive Officer, METRO Transit Authority of Harris County
- Nadine Lee President & Chief Executive Officer, Dallas Area Rapid Transit (DART)

9:50 a.m. **BREAK**

10 a.m. SESSION #3

TECHNOLOGY IN TRANSPORTATION

Moderator: Jason Meyer – President, Cooksey Communications

Speakers:

- Brant Ring Chief Executive Officer, ITS ConGlobal (ITSC)
- Chad Sparks Director of Strategic Campaigns and Business Development, Bell
- Tom G. Williams Group Vice President, Consumer Products, BNSF









10:50 a.m. **BREAK**

11 a.m. **SESSION #4**

UPDATE FROM THE TEXAS DEMOGRAPHIC CENTER

Speaker:

• Lloyd B. Potter, Ph.D. – State Demographer, State of Texas

11:30 a.m. **SESSION #5**

A CASE STUDY IN MANAGED LANES

Speakers:

• Alberto González – President, Cintra's U.S. Region

• B. Glen Whitley – Tarrant County Judge

12 - 12:30 p.m. **LUNCHEON**

Announcements & Presentations

12:30 p.m. TRANSPORTATION FINANCES AND FUNDING

Keynote Speaker:

• Glenn Hegar – Texas Comptroller, State of Texas

1:25 p.m. **CLOSING REMARKS**

Speaker:

• Gary Fickes – Commissioner Precinct 3, Tarrant County

KEYNOTE SPEAKER



Glenn Hegar, Keynote Speaker

Comptroller, State of Texas Austin

Glenn Hegar was elected as Texas Comptroller of Public Accounts in November 2014. He's a sixth-generation Texan who grew up farming land that has been in his family since the mid-1800s. He's a 1993 graduate of Texas A&M University and earned his law degree at St. Mary's University. Hegar has served in the Texas Legislature, where he worked on issues including public education, transportation, tax reform, government transparency, Second Amendment rights, water issues and tort reform. As Comptroller, he's Chief Finance Officer for the world's ninth-largest economy. He has emerged as a passionate advocate for conservative financial management and government transparency who has focused on creating a more efficient and customer-oriented agency. He founded the state's Transparency Stars program, pushed for smarter ways of investing our rainy-day fund to protect it for future generations and guided the formation of the nation's first-ever state-administered precious metals depository.

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TODAY'S GUESTS



Victor Vandergriff

Executive Director, Tarrant Regional Transportation Coalition (TRTC), & Former Commissioner, Texas Transportation Commission
Arlington

Victor Vandergriff has been engaged in the transportation industry and innovative public policy at various levels of government in Texas since 1982. He has worked in the automotive industry as an attorney, executive, investor, car dealer and owner for more than 35 years. He served consecutively and for a time concurrently, from 2007 into 2018, on the board of directors of the North Texas Tollway Authority (NTTA) and the Texas Department of Motor Vehicles (TxDMV). In both agencies, Vandergriff served as Chair. His leadership within Texas' transportation industry led to his appointment by Texas Governor Rick Perry to the Texas Transportation Commission, where he served from 2013-2018. Vandergriff currently is the Executive Director of the Tarrant Regional Transportation Coalition (TRTC), where he has been engaged since April 2020. TRTC is a public-private partnership that collaboratively leads in identifying, supporting, developing, funding and constructing innovative mobility and infrastructure solutions for the area.



Russell Laughlin

Executive Vice President, Strategic Development & Innovation, Hillwood Fort Worth

Serving as the Executive Vice President of Strategic Development and Innovation for Hillwood, Russell Laughlin is largely responsible for maintaining the forward-thinking vision for transportation, mobility and supply chain logistics. His core job is focusing on the future and redefining infrastructure needs as technology and innovation drive the next phase at AllianceTexas. He championed the planning initiatives that established AllianceTexas as a global logistics hub — the nation's first inland port complete with multimodal transportation for ground, rail and air needs. Laughlin's success in building public-private partnerships to accomplish significant projects combined with diverse expertise, including long-term infrastructure development, mobility innovation, external/governmental affairs and economic development, has been instrumental in the development's growth. Laughlin is actively involved with several professional affiliations, including the leadership boards for the 35W Coalition, Tarrant Regional Transportation Coalition (TRTC), Texas A&M Transportation Institute (TTI), Fort Worth Chamber of Commerce, Region C Water Planning Board and Northern Trinity Groundwater Conservation District.











Michael Morris, P.E.

Director of Transportation, North Central Texas Council of Governments (NCTCOG) Arlington

Michael Morris has been on staff in the Transportation Department of the North Central Texas Council of Governments (NCTCOG), the metropolitan planning organization for the Dallas-Fort Worth area, since 1979. NTCOG serves the region by developing transportation plans and programs that address the transportation needs of a rapidly growing metropolitan area. Morris became the Director in 1990. As Director of Transportation, he is also responsible for coordinating plans, programs and projects to improve mobility and reduce vehicle emissions. Morris received his master's in civil engineering from State University of New York at Buffalo in 1979 and is a registered Professional Engineer in the State of Texas. He previously served as the Chairman of the Transportation Research Board Executive Committee and is a National Associate of the National Academies of Science.



Jeff Williams

Jeff Williams, Chairman, Tarrant Regional Transportation Coalition (TRTC), Former Mayor, City of Arlington, & President, Graham & Associates, Inc. Arlington

Jeff Williams served as Mayor of Arlington for six years after decades of public service and currently is the Chairman of the Tarrant Regional Transportation Coalition (TRTC). He's President of Arlington-based Graham & Associates, Inc., an award-winning engineering and planning firm. He has worked on a host of Arlington-based projects, including AT&T Stadium, the I-30 Three Bridges Project, Globe Life Park, River Legacy Living Science Center, the Parks Mall, the Viridian development and the Richard Greene Linear Park. In 2009, Williams was presented with the State of Texas Outstanding Civil Engineering Achievement Award. During his 30 years in Arlington, Williams has been heavily involved in the community. A graduate of Texas Tech University with a degree in civil engineering, he was inducted into the University's Civil Engineering Academy for Engineering Excellence.











Johan C. Petterson, PE, CFMPrincipal, Corporate Development, DEC
Dallas

Johan Petterson is Principal-Corporate Development of DEC, one of the state's premier civil engineering firms for the planning and designing of all types of infrastructure. He holds a Bachelor of Science in civil engineering from Tecnologico de Monterrey, Mexico, and is a registered Professional Engineer and Certified Floodplain Manager in the State of Texas. Petterson has been actively involved in multiple organizations, such as the Houston/Galveston Chapter of the Society of American Military Engineers (SAME) in 2010, serving on the Board as Vice President of Programs, Young Member Director and Secretary. He received SAME's Young Engineer of the Year in 2013. Petterson is an active member of multiple engineering societies, chambers and planning groups and is an infrastructure advocate for the North Texas region.



Paul J. BallardPresident & Chief Executive Officer, Trinity Metro
Fort Worth

Paul J. Ballard began serving as President and Chief Executive Officer of Trinity Metro in November 2021. Ballard previously served as the Interim General Manager and CEO for the Regional Transportation District in Denver. Ballard was President and Chief Executive Officer of Trinity Metro from 2014 to 2019. He joined Trinity Metro, then known as the Fort Worth Transportation Authority, after serving 12 years as CEO of Nashville Metropolitan Transit Authority and the Regional Transportation Authority in Middle Tennessee. He holds a Bachelor of Science in business, transportation and public utilities management from the Indiana University School of Business and an MPA degree from Webster University in St. Louis.











Thomas C. LambertPresident & Chief Executive Officer, METRO Transit Authority of Harris County Houston

Tom Lambert became METRO's President and CEO in 2014 after serving as acting President and CEO for two years. He leads a team of more than 4,000 people. Since becoming President and CEO, Lambert has made taking care of his customers and "delivering a quality product every day" his priority, as well as the priority of every single department and employee. Lambert joined METRO as a security investigator in 1979, its first full year of operation. Following the creation of the METRO Police Department in 1982, Lambert became its first Chief of Police. He held that position for many years before moving on to other leadership roles, including Chief Administrative Officer, Executive Vice President and Acting President and CEO. His professional associations and activities include the Intelligent Transportation Society of America, American Public Transportation Association (APTA), Texas Technology Task Force, Texas A&M Transportation Institute Advisory Council and Houston Area Chiefs of Police Association.



Nadine S. Lee President & Chief Executive Officer, Dallas Area Rapid Transit (DART) Dallas

Nadine Lee is the President and Chief Executive Officer of Dallas Area Rapid Transit (DART), a 13-city transit system covering a 700-square-mile service area with bus, light rail, commuter rail and paratransit services, where she leverages the talents and expertise of 3,700 employees to deliver the People's Transit system. Previously, Lee was the Chief of Staff for the Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority (Metro). In this role, she drove coordination and delivery of projects, programs and services across the organization to provide a world-class transportation system for the citizens of Los Angeles County. Before arriving in Los Angeles, she led the development and implementation of the Flatiron Flyer Bus Rapid Transit for Denver's Regional Transportation District (RTD), a project that produced a 40% increase in corridor ridership in its first few months of service. A registered Professional Engineer in Colorado and Kansas, Lee received her Bachelor of Science in civil engineering from the University of Missouri-Columbia.











Jason MeyerPresident, Cooksey Communications
Irving

Jason Meyer serves as President and Co-owner of DFW-based strategic communications firm Cooksey Communications. He has developed integrated communications efforts for some of the Southwest region's most recognizable companies, professional services firms, start-ups and large-scale events throughout his career. Meyer has particular expertise in transportation-related marketing and communications. Chiefly, he has provided public relations counsel on the launch of the North Tarrant and LBJ Express highway projects, has led the marketing efforts of the Tarrant Regional Transportation Coalition (TRTC) and 35W Coalition for many years and manages the ongoing communication efforts for Hillwood's Mobility Innovation Zone (MIZ). For the past decade, he has worked with Tarrant County Commissioner Gary Fickes to develop the program, secure speakers and oversee the annual marketing for the Tarrant Transportation Summit. Meyer's early career was spent honing his political skills as an aide to U.S. Senator Phil Gramm and as Campaign Manager for U.S. Representative Michael Burgess' first (and successful) campaign for the U.S. House of Representatives. He is a graduate of the University of North Texas.



Brant RingChief Executive Officer, ITS ConGobal (ITSC)
Fort Worth

Brant Ring has dedicated his professional career to the transportation, logistics and supply chain sector. He was named CEO of ITS ConGlobal in 2020 after serving BNSF Railway for nearly 25 years. ITS ConGlobal is the world's largest operator of container yards, intermodal and finished vehicle terminals, with an operational footprint spanning the United States, Mexico and Costa Rica. Ring began his career in 1995 in various line and staff roles with progressive leadership responsibility in operations, finance, network strategy and marketing. Throughout his time at BNSF, he was responsible for leading enterprise-wide efforts to drive improvement in overall cost structure, finding new and more efficient ways of doing business and deploying technology to increase overall operational productivity and efficiency. Ring dedicated over a decade of his tenure to leading teams responsible for intermodal and automotive terminal operations, freight car management, customer support and emerging technology. He is now putting his industry-wide reputation for driving innovation, employee engagement, customer service and continuous improvement in industrial terminal operations to work for the employees and customers of ITS ConGlobal and the communities it serves.











Chad SparksDirector of Strategic Campaigns and Business Development, Bell Fort Worth

Chad Sparks currently serves as the Director of Strategy and Business Development at Bell Textron, Inc. His focus is building markets, technology partnerships and customer relationships that strategically align and enable commercialization of the emerging innovation products and services from Bell's Innovation team. With more than 25 years at Bell, Sparks brings a breadth of knowledge and enterprise leadership experience to bear, spanning engineering, supply chain, flight test, program management, business development and strategy across Bell's commercial and defense business. He holds B.S. and M.S. degrees in aerospace engineering from Texas A&M University and the University of Texas at Arlington, respectively. He is also currently pursuing a Master of Management from Penn State in corporate innovation and entrepreneurship.



Thomas G. WilliamsGroup Vice President, Consumer Products, BNSF
Fort Worth

Thomas G. Williams was named Group Vice President-Consumer Products in July 2017 for BNSF. In this role, he's responsible for BNSF's domestic and international intermodal marketing and sales, as well as the automotive business. Williams previously served as Vice President-Industrial Products. He was responsible for marketing and sales for chemicals, plastics and petroleum products in this role. Williams joined the former Santa Fe Railway Company in 1993 in Schaumburg, Ill. He held various positions in Intermodal Marketing, Automotive Marketing and Industrial Products Marketing before assuming the role of Assistant Vice President, Intermodal/Automotive Operations in the Service Design and Performance group at BNSF. In February 2014, Williams was promoted to Vice President, Industrial Products Sales. He has a Bachelor of Science in business finance from Indiana University at Bloomington and a Master of Business Administration from the University of Chicago.











Lloyd B. Potter, Ph.D.State Demographer, State of Texas Austin

Lloyd B. Potter was appointed State Demographer on May 5, 2010. Dr. Potter holds a Ph.D. in demography and sociology from The University of Texas at Austin, a Master of Public Health degree from Emory University, a Master of Science in Education from the University of Houston at Clear Lake and a Bachelor of Science from Texas A&M University. He is a professor in the Department of Demography at The University of Texas at San Antonio, where he also serves as the Director of the Institute for Demographic and Socioeconomic Research (IDSER). He has extensive experience working as an applied demographer in several settings. His current research focuses on public policy and other demographic topics, and training applied demographers. Dr. Potter also serves as the Director of the Texas Demographic Center, housed at The University of Texas at San Antonio. The Texas Demographic Center program produces population estimates and projections for the State of Texas, serves as a demographic data archive for Texas and offers technical expertise in demographic and socioeconomic-related topics.



Alberto González President, Cintra's U.S. Region Austin

Alberto González is the United States President of Cintra, a Ferrovial company and the world's leading transportation infrastructure firm. Working from the company's U.S. corporate headquarters in Austin, González is responsible for leading Cintra's management of nearly \$11 billion of infrastructure assets in the United States. He previously served as CEO of the LBJ Express, North Tarrant Express and North Tarrant Express 35W in North Texas. He joined Cintra in 2004 and has worked in various business development and asset management roles. Notably, González served as Project Director for Europe and new markets within Cintra's Business Development team based in Madrid (Spain) and led the company's expansion into LATAM and Eastern Europe. He has over 15 years of experience in the infrastructure sector and holds a MSc in civil engineering from Universidad Politecnica de Madrid.











B. Glen WhitleyTarrant County Judge
Fort Worth

Glen Whitley has served as the Tarrant County Judge since 2007, having previously served as a Tarrant County Commissioner since 1997. In his role, Judge Whitley presides over the Tarrant County Commissioners Court and provides leadership on policy and county services for the 15th most populous county in the country and the third-largest in Texas. He also serves as the head of emergency management for the county, a role that proved critical in light of the COVID-19 pandemic. Judge Whitley has been lauded for his collaborative approach to crisis management, as he has worked closely with regional partners, including cities, school districts, hospitals, service providers, nonprofit organizations and many others throughout the pandemic response. Judge Whitley is a past president of the National Association of Counties and the North Central Texas Council of Governments. Additionally, he is a past chairman of the Regional Transportation Council and the Texas Conference of Urban Counties.



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CARS provides service for senior citizens and disabled adults in Southlake for medical purposes within a 25-mile radius of Southlake and a 7-mile radius for medical, dental, social, business and personal needs. Services are provided by volunteers who supply their own vehicle, time and gas.



CARS was established in 2000. | 817-798-4022 | callaridesouthlake.org



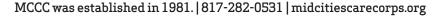
HEB Transit

HEB Transit provides transportation for disadvantaged people in Hurst, Euless and Bedford and access to employment destinations within those cities and the Hurst/Bell and CentrePort/DFW Airport Trinity Railway Express (TRE) stations. Services are provided by Catholic Charities.

HEB Transit was established in 2006. | 817-336-8714 | catholiccharitiesfortworth.org

Mid-Cities Care Corps (MCCC)

MCCC's mission is to preserve the independence of senior neighbors in Northeast Tarrant County by providing transportation (for routine medical), Helping Hands projects and social outreach to break isolation for senior citizens age 65+.







Northeast Transportation Service (NETS)

NETS provides transportation services to older adults (55 years of age or older) and individuals with disabilities in Northeast Tarrant County for medical, work, social services, senior centers, education and shopping. Services are provided by both the Fort Worth Transportation Authority and Catholic Charities.

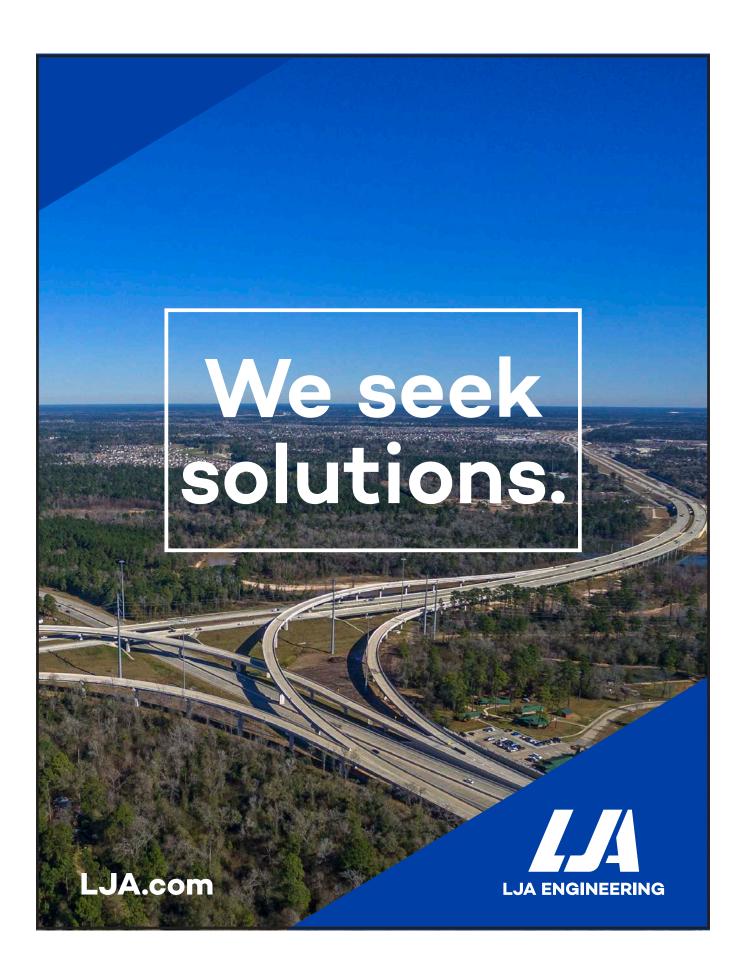
NETS was established in 2002. | 817-336-8714 | ridenets.com

Social Transportation for Seniors (STS)

STS provides non-emergency round trip transportation for seniors 62 years and older in North Richland Hills for leisure and social activities with the purpose of re-engaging isolated seniors back into the community. Services are provided within a 7-mile radius by volunteers.



STS was established in 2009. | 817-427-6696 | stsrides.org



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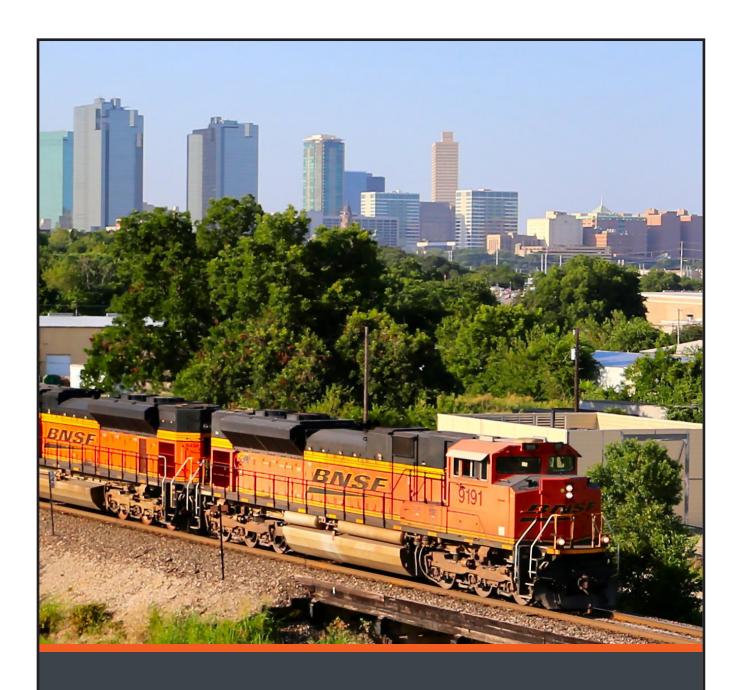
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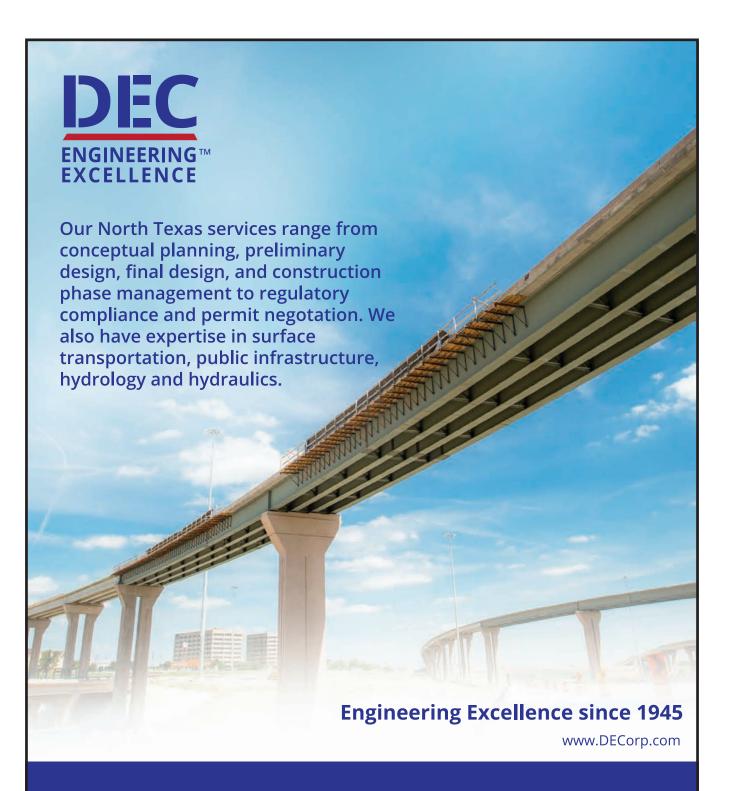
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