



Upcoming Events

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date

WTS SC Signature Program September 28, 2021*

WTS SC Signature Program will be held in Columbia, SC in the evening at the Columbia Museum of Art featuring SC Secretary of Transportation, Christy Hall, and FHWA SC Division Administrator, Emily Lawton. Join us for speakers, heavy hors d'oeuvres, & drinks. Non-members and members are welcome to attend!

Lunch Bunch September 14, 2021*

Our Chapter will resume Lunch Bunch this fall. We look forward to your participation.

2021 Leadership Breakfast November 4, 2021*

WTS SC is hosting a Leadership Breakfast featuring Ted Creech, Director of Governmental Affairs at SCDOT, to provide a legislative update for the transportation industry. Non-members and members are welcome to attend. Event will take place at the BCD Council of Governments Office.

*Check your email and WTS social pages for more information

President's Pen

I hope you have taken time this summer to recharge and spend time with those closest to you!

As I think over the last few months, spending time in person with fellow WTS SC members has been especially

meaningful. During a virtual program earlier this year, I met a WTS SC member in a small group break-out session. We have since had to opportunity to talk in person. I was in awe of her love for her family and her career. She is certainly one that will further women in the transportation industry. Also, I was able to attend the WTS SC Greenlink Transit Tour in July and connected with talented and fun men and women in our profession.

WTS SC will have many opportunities to connect with others in the fall. We are so excited about an evening, in-person program with SC Secretary of Transportation Christy Hall and FHWA SC Division Administrator, Emily Lawton in late September. We will also be re-starting our virtual, monthly members Lunch Bunch meetings including a professional development component. Please take advantage of these opportunities and many more to learn more about our industry and gain valuable connections.

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WTS SC President

Congratulations
WTS South Carolina Chapter has been awarded a Silver Circle of Excellence status!



Raven & her family in Moah, Utah



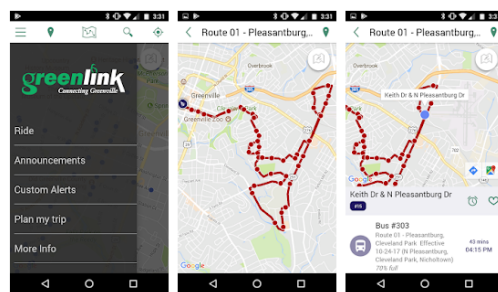
Events Recap

What has WTS SC been up to?

Greenlink Transit Tour

On July 22, 2021, a group met for the Greenlink Transit Tour lead by Nicole McAden and Kayleigh Sullivan from Greenlink. Greenlink is Greenville's public transit system, operated by the City of Greenville, under contract to Greenville Transit Authority. Learn more: www.GreenvilleSC.gov/152/About

The tour started at the Greenlink Transit Center where we learned about their new extended service, funding sources, exciting plans for the transit service and additional programs. We were excited to learn about their FindGreenlink app and Touchpass SmartCard program, two innovative programs to make access to public transit easier. After touring the Greenlink Transit Center, the group took the bus to West Greenville, where we enjoyed appetizers, drinks, and networking at the Carolina Bauernhaus. When the networking ended, the group caught the bus back to the Aloft Greenville hotel. We would like to extend a big thank you to Greenlink for hosting our group on this fun and insightful tour!



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2021 WTS Annual Conference: Our Future in Transportation

The 2021 WTS Annual Conference took place virtually May 10-14, 2021. The conference brought together transportation professionals from across North America to discuss topics under the 2021 theme of: Our Future in Transportation. We are so proud of our five members who presented. Congratulations to Amy Livingston, Deb Matherly, Erin Slayton, Joy Riley, and Pamela Bynoe-Reed on successful presentations. Thank you for representing our chapter so well!



2022 WTS Annual Conference

The dates and location for the 2022 WTS Annual Conference have been announced. Join us in Seattle, Washington May 17-20, 2022! [Learn More.](#)

Regional Happy Hours

WTS SC hosted three regional happy hours on Thursday, June 17, 2021. Charleston, Columbia, and Greenville each had happy hours with great turn-outs! These events were for members and non-members to network, enjoy some appetizers and drinks, and learn more about WTS. Thank you to those who participated in these events.



Charleston

Baker and Brewer

94 Stuart Street
Charleston, SC 29403

Columbia

Hunter-Gatherer Brewery @ The Hangar

1402 Jim Hamilton Boulevard
Columbia, SC 29205

Greenville

Local Cue

30 Orchard Park Drive, Suite 7
Greenville, SC 29615

Transportation in the News

South Carolina Transportation News Highlight

The Lowcountry Rapid Transit (LCRT) project is a bus rapid transit system designed to connect North Charleston to Downtown Charleston sponsored by the Berkeley-Charleston-Dorchester Council of Governments. The LCRT would be the state's first bus rapid transit system. Buses would arrive at stops approximately every 10 minutes throughout most of the day, operate primarily in dedicated lanes, and offer a high-quality, reliable transit system. Frequent service, faster trips, and fewer stops are just a few of the key benefits of the LCRT project. [Find out more.](#)



2022-2023 Board Voting

It is hard to believe that WTS SC is almost two years old and is approaching the time to elect our new board! Voting for the new WTS SC Board of Directors for the two-year, 2022-2023 term will occur in August. WTS SC members, please be on the lookout for the electronic ballot later this month.



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We look forward to hearing from you!



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