

TRANSIT FINANCE LEARNING EXCHANGE



Developing Finance Professionals in Transit

MISSION STATEMENT

TFLEx exists as a strategic alliance of transit agencies formed to leverage mutual strengths and continuously improve transit finance leadership, development, training practices and information sharing. The purpose of TFLEx is to evolve the finance function into a value-added business partner within each transit authority.

HISTORY

TFLEx began with an inaugural workshop in 1999. This conference shaped the ideas of a few leading finance professionals into an active nationwide working group of transit finance professionals. Since then, TFLEx agencies have hosted workshops twice a year & held frequent conference (now video) calls to dive into topics of interest and share scopes of work, policies & procedures & best practices.

GREAT VALUE!

Created and run by your transit colleagues:

- Semi-annual Workshops
- TFLEx Forum Calls
- Training and Professional Development
- Comparative Metrics

Membership is limited to maximize the ability to share information in informal settings. Annual dues are a low \$1200 (FY 2023).

“These are my people!”

Invaluable networking ---
from great discussions at the workshops to being able to shoot a quick email to your newly made transit friends.

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A LITTLE ABOUT TFLEX MEMBERSHIP

CONTINUING EDUCATION CREDITS

T-FLEx is registered with the National Association of State Boards of Accountancy (NASBA) as a sponsor of continuing professional education on the National Registry of CPE Sponsors. CPE credits are given for attendance at TFLEx workshops

Interested in joining us?
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SEMI-ANNUAL WORKSHOPS

TFLEx members meet twice annually to explore topics of mutual interest, share relevant experiences, and develop best practices. These are facilitated workshops where all attendees participate in the discussions. The workshops provide continuing education credits. As TFLEx is run by your transit finance colleagues, the workshops offer an opportunity for further follow up at the next workshop and Forum call, or through an ad hoc "special interest group" of member agencies. The workshops are the heart of TFLEx's mission to share best practices.

TFLEX FORUM CALLS

Between the workshops we hold calls via Zoom to keep our members engaged and offer a timely forum to address their issues. The calls cover topics put forward by members, provide an update to matters discussed at the previous workshop, and offer an opportunity for further follow up.

TRAINING AND PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

In addition to the transit information shared during workshops and Forum calls, TFLEx has developed a body of reference material to educate finance staff in the field of transit without extensive costs. Topics include Federal, State, and Local Funding; Procurement; Paratransit Operations; Fare Policy; and Regulatory Framework.

COMPARATIVE METRICS

Sharing insight on comparative metrics has been an ongoing activity of members attending the workshops. The story behind the key performance indicators has generated lively discussion, and afforded transit systems with positive trends to share their successes with their fellow members. Further, agencies frequently share scopes of work, finance policies & procedures, and best practices, on request or during the "Needs & Leads" session at the workshops.