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## Hello from the UK!

As I write this, our ACT Delegation is in the midst of an exciting week in the UK, meeting with transportation leaders and exploring best practices in managing mobility for major events. While we still have much to experience, one early takeaway is clear: venues are most successful in achieving their mode shift goals when TDM is prioritized and



integrated into the long-term planning for facilities. From London's Olympic legacy to the sustainable transport strategies at Wembley and Wimbledon, we're seeing firsthand how proactive investment in public transit, active transportation, and prioritization of demand management strategies creates lasting impact. I and others in the delegation look forward to sharing key insights with you all when we return!

We are thrilled to announce that registration is officially open to all for the <u>39th Annual International Conference</u>! This is the premier event for TDM, bringing together over 650 professionals to learn from industry experts and shape the future of mobility. Early bird rates are available, so be sure to register soon to lock in your spot!

Spring is always a season of renewal, and for ACT, it's a time to re-energize our work in advancing TDM nationwide. This year's **Spring Into TDM** campaign will feature <u>five exciting regional events</u> hosted by chapters across the country. These events are not...

Keep reading the Executive Director's Report for details about ACT's Annual Report, board elections, and more...



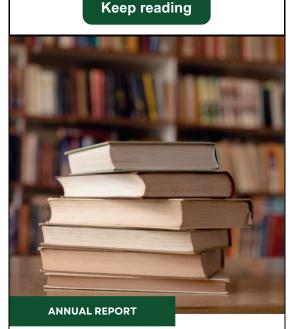




## Intuit Expands Commuter Benefits Program in Toronto

Commuter tax benefits are an essential TDM strategy that improves employee mobility and transportation access. Curious about the challenges and advantages of their provision?

Read the article below by Tom Harrington, TDM-CP for a spotlight on an initiative from Intuit's Eastern Canada office. In this piece, you'll learn about a targeted rollout following the office's relocation.



Key Takeaways From the ACT 2024 Annual Report



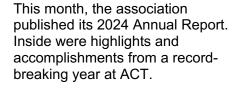
## 2025-2026 Board Spotlight: Jessica Alba, TDM-CP

Jessica Alba, TDM-CP serves as the Director of Policy & TDM at Stanford Transportation, but she has held many roles in transportation throughout her career. From Policy Manager at Stanford to Director of Staff Development at Nelson\Nygaard Consulting Associates, and more, her positions have given her a taste of just about everything the industry has to offer.

Meet Jessica and learn more about her in this March board spotlight!



UN Decade of Sustainable Transport Input Report



In a recent blog post, Rob Antoniak of Hallcon shared a few takeaways and insights included that stood out to him. Check it out at the link below for key findings, highlights about ACT's impact, and projections about what's next for TDM.

If you haven't read it yet, you can review the <u>Annual Report</u> here.

Read the takeaways

ACCREDITATION

## Accredited TDM Organizations in the News

Last month, ACT recognized the first-ever <u>Accredited TDM</u> <u>Organizations</u>. Nine outstanding organizations earned this newly minted distinction, and they've made quite the splash in the news.

We've compiled a list of recent stories so you can catch up with coverage. Check them out below!

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RFP Hub

**RFP: Rideshare Platform** 

In January, <u>ACT submitted input</u> for the United Nations Decade of Sustainable Transport implementation plan. These recommendations focused on policy, collaboration opportunities, and specific initiatives that could aid the advancement of Sustainable Development Goals.

This month, <u>a report</u> was published sharing responses from participating organizations. Global stakeholders submitted **113 responses**, which represent organizations in **45 countries**. Read it below!



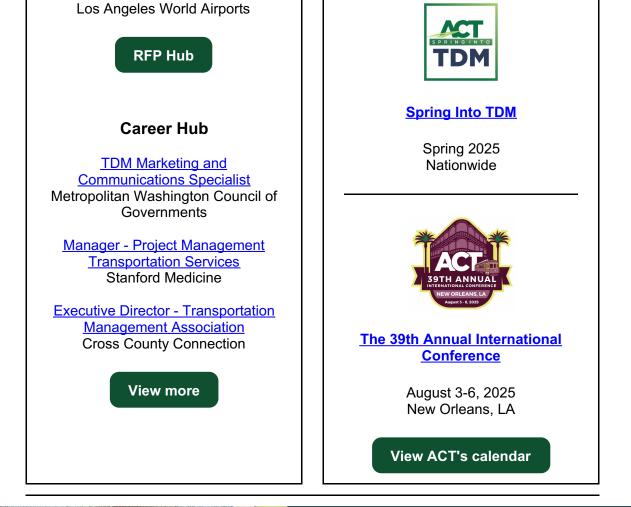


# Update on DEI-Related Executive Orders

While several Executive Orders mention DEI, two in particular\* that reference so-called "illegal DEI" have faced legal challenges. These orders call for (1) the termination of "equity-related grants or contracts", (2) certification from federal funding recipients that do not "operate any programs promoting DEI that violate any applicable Federal antidiscrimination laws," and (3)...

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Upcoming Events and Programs





## IT'S NOT TOO LATE TO REGISTER SPRING INTO TDM EVENTS ARE JUST WEEKS AWAY!

## Members in ACTion: ACT's TDM Delegation to the UK





From venue tours to meetings, networking events, and more, ACT's <u>TDM Delegation to</u> <u>the UK</u> has been busy so far this week! Planned in partnership with <u>Modeshift</u>, this fiveday trip brings powerful insights about mobility solutions for major events and venues.

Following the delegation's return, the association looks forward to sharing key takeaways about large-scale event planning. In the meantime, <u>check out the schedule</u> to see what they've been up to and be sure to follow along on social media for highlights!



Congratulations to **John Andoh** for completing the requirements to become a Transportation Demand Management - Certified Professional (TDM-CP)!

#### Learn about becoming a TDM-CP...

### Welcome, new members!

#### Cascade Chapter

Julie Ho, Seattle Children's Hospital Laura Nauert, University of Washington Christie Perrott, TransWest Elisha Rand, Amazon Global Commuter Benefits Aoibhe Richardson, Commute Options

#### Chesapeake Chapter

Claudia Crenshaw, Old Dominion University Crystal McGill-Belk, Anne Arundel County Office of Transportation

#### Mid-Atlantic Chapter

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#### Valley of the Sun Chapter

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Join today

You'll gain these benefits and more as a member of ACT! Become one today to join

an association that has your back and equips you with the knowledge, tools, and resources you need to advance sustainable transportation options in your community.





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