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Virginia Transit Association (VTA) Conference Set for June 6-8 in Springfield

The Virginia Transit Association (VTA) will hold its annual spring conference at the Springfield Hilton, June 6-8. The Northern Virginia Transportation Commission is the hosting agency.

Highlights of this year's conference include:

- educational sessions on topics such as land use, technology and regional alliances
- off-site workshops on the VRE (Virginia Railway Express) and the Washington Metro
- transit product showcases displaying services of transit business leaders.

Speakers at the June 7 dinner and speakers program, "Successful Transit Systems and Strong Regional Alliances," (7:00 p.m.) include:

- Lawrence Dahms, Metropolitan Transportation Commission, Oakland, CA
- William Millar, APTA President
- Christopher Zimmerman, Arlington County Board

Honorees at the June 6 awards luncheon (11:45 a.m.) include:

- Delegate Marian Van Landingham, (D), *District 45, Alexandria*
- Senator Marty Williams, (R), *District 1, Newport News*
- Mike Connolly, *Former Transit Manager, Blacksburg Transit*
- Medicorp Health System

Scheduled speakers throughout the conference include:

- Hilda Barg, Prince William County Board of Supervisors
- Leo Bevon, VDRPT Director
- Sharon Bulova, Fairfax County Board of Supervisors
- Gerald Connolly, Fairfax County Board of Supervisors
- Kerry Donley, Mayor of Alexandria
- Paul Ferguson, Arlington County Board
- Jay Fissette, Arlington County Board
- Ruth Griggs, Prince William County Board of Supervisors
- Dana Kauffman, Fairfax County Board of Supervisors
- Eva Lerner-Lam, Palisades Consulting Group
- Elaine McConnell, Fairfax County Board of Supervisors
- John Milliken, Esq., Venable, Baetjer & Howard

- Cameron Pitts, VTA Chairman, Portsmouth City Council
- Meredith Richards, Charlottesville City Council
- Susan Schruth, FTA Administrator
- David F. Snyder, Falls Church City Council
- Mary Margaret Whipple, Virginia Senate

To arrange for interviews with any of the invited speakers or to participate in the conference, contact Julie Bourbon at NVTC at (703) 524-3322, ext. 103.

Individuals may still register for the conference. The general public is invited to attend the dinner and speaker's program. Registration for the dinner is \$30. The speaker's program is free. For more information, click on NVTC's website (www.cns.state.va.us/nvtc) or call NVTC at (703) 524-3322.