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### METRANS on the Move: Our Weekly Newsletter for Students



Welcome to this week's issue of METRANS on the Move! This newsletter is a team effort to foster knowledge and opportunities related to transportation. If you have suggestions for content – events, scholarships, jobs, and more – that you'd like to see included, just reach out to our Editor-in-Chief Lauren Mullarkey-Williams at [mullarke@usc.edu](mailto:mullarke@usc.edu) or any of our student staff listed at the end of the newsletter. Enjoy this week's issue, and click the button below to subscribe!

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### In the News

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#### UCLA's Mike Manville Explains How Strategies Used to Win Votes for Transit Funding Can Run Counter to Increasing Ridership

By: Seth Karten, UC Davis



In the past 20 years, citizens around the United States have voted to pass hundreds of local or state measures to increase their own taxes to finance transportation. Fifty such measures in 2016 dedicated their revenue specifically to public transit. Yet, transit ridership has decreased as financing has increased.

[Read more here.](#)

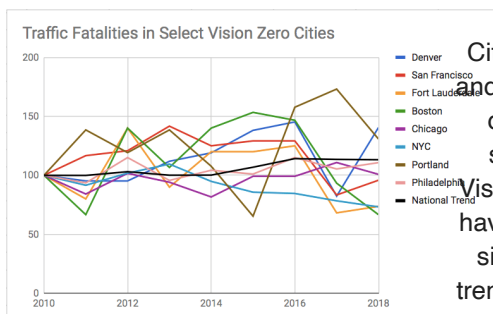
#### U.S. Addiction to Building New Roads Eating Up Money Needed for Maintenance



How can more spending mean worse results? Thanks to American transportation policy, it's a reality painfully understood by millions of drivers, who commute on a deteriorating network of roads right as local and state transit agencies spend increasing sums of money on new highways. It's typically assumed that a lack of funding for basic repairs causes this problem. But according to pair Priorities, its as much about choices than budget shortfalls.

[Read more here.](#)

#### Are We Starting to See Progress Toward Vision Zero?



Cities are struggling to make good on their Vision Zero promises and, just maybe, starting to make progress toward the goal of zero deaths. It's too soon to say definitively for sure. But there are some encouraging signs in the fatality data from a handful of Vision Zero cities since 2010. Seattle, Boston, Portland, New York have seen fairly steady declines over the last few years — a good sign that their programs are starting to have an impact. But the trend is so recent that a single bad year could wipe out any sign of progress.

[Read more here.](#)

#### Transportation Leaders Demand Safer Crossings



ities revamped their intersections to slow down turning vehicles and changed traffic signals to give people more time to cross. es, they could reduce traffic crashes between cars and bikes, transportation experts say. The amount of protected bike lane mileage has expanded 600 percent since 2011, but civic engineers and planners have not fully transformed streets at their most-dangerous spots: Nearly half of urban cycling fatalities in 2017 happened in intersections, according to the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration.

Read more [here](#).

## Get Involved

### **TREC Friday Transportation Seminar: Can Ridehailing Deliver Equity? Lessons for New Mobility Planning** **Friday, May 31, 2019 11:30 am - 1:00 pm Pacific** **Karl Miller Center at PSU, 615 SW Harrison St., Room 465**

Modes including ridehailing, bikeshare, and e-scooters offer the potential to revolutionize how people travel. But as cities and agencies work to integrate these new services into the existing transportation landscape, the equity implications of these modes remain murky.

This talk presents research on ridehail travel and equity from Los Angeles and compares the equity outcomes of ridehailing to the previous status quo embodied by taxis. The research highlights both the promise of new mobility services and the remaining obstacles to delivering equitable access. Findings yields implications for policies that cities and planners can advance to ensure that new travel modes boost mobility for all, not just some, travelers.

#### **Distinguished Speaker:**

Anne Brown, Assistant Professor, University of Oregon

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### **UCLA Institute of Transportation Studies: Transportation Camp Los Angeles 2019** **Saturday, July 13, 2019 9 am - 5 pm Pacific** **UCLA Luskin School of Public Affairs** **337 Charles E Young Drive East, Los Angeles, CA 90095**

TransportationCamp LA is an open venue for sharing and learning about the region's transportation issues and successes, open to advocates, professionals, community members, and everyone passionate about mobility in Los Angeles and Southern California. TransportationCamp LA aims to be an open, forward-thinking event that brings together people of all facets of the transportation world.

TransportationCamp is not a formal conference - rather, as an unconference, it is driven entirely by attendees' interests and experiences. At TransportationCamp, there is no set agenda prior to the event. Sessions are determined at the beginning of the day and are drawn from proposals and ideas that attendees submit. A session can be any format: a presentation, an open discussion, a demonstration, a panel, or even a group exercise or game.

TransportationCamp covers urban transportation issues in all their forms, including economic, social, public health, and environmental impacts. Session topics in the previous TransportationCamp LA ranged from "Measuring Great Streets," to "Beyond Cars: Suburban Mobility," to "Equity & Inclusion in the Innovation Economy" and change every year to reflect the latest research and questions of the moment. Have thoughts on the proliferation of scooters and shared mobility devices across LA, or the Metro's Twenty-Eight by '28 transportation projects? Get your own session started just with an oversized Post-It note.

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### **FuturePorts 2019 Annual Conference Strong Ports = Strong California: Making Waves: California's Role in Innovation and the Global Economy** **Wednesday, July 31, 2019 8 am - 2 pm Pacific** **Hotel Maya | Long Beach, CA**

Our signature annual event, Strong Ports=Strong California will focus on the drivers of port development in southern California as well as explore the challenges facing our industry. Topics could include upcoming capital projects throughout the SoCal supply chain, the impacts of new regulations, balancing the costs of implementing elements of green port plans with improving air quality, how tariffs are impacting port operations and what the future of terminals looks like.

This event attracts hundreds for an informative day filled with networking, presentations, and exhibit hall. Attendees include port leadership, elected officials, transportation agency project managers and executives, environmental consultants, warehousing and logistics companies, labor, terminal operators, beneficial cargo owners, shippers, community leaders, contractors, and more.

#### More Info

# Scholarships & Academic Opportunities

## Conference of Minority Transportation Officials (COMTO) Scholarship Application 2019

**Friday, May 31, 2019**

COMTO-SoCal has assumed an active role in the minority community establishing numerous programs that energize and strengthen the communities we serve. COMTO-SoCal has established many programs, including annual scholarship awards. COMTO-SoCal believes education is a core foundation for excellence in the transportation and any other field of study. Our scholarship program is committed to providing financial support to minority students to help them maximize their educational potential. We invite you to apply for our scholarship.

COMTO-SoCal offers a variety of scholarships ranging from \$1,000 to \$3,500 to deserving students in the region. The number of scholarships and the amounts for the 2018-2019 academic year will be determined following a review of the applications and donations received. Selections are made by a team of industry professionals and/or representatives from the academic community.

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## UITP Global Public Transportation Summit

**June 9-12, 2019**

**Stockholm, Sweden**

With almost 130 years of history behind it, the UITP Global Public Transport Summit proudly remains the world's biggest event dedicated to sustainable mobility. Covering all urban and regional transport modes across the globe, the Summit combines a diverse program of leading Congress sessions and an outstanding Exhibition full of the latest innovations, solutions and products. The theme for the 2019 Global Public Transport Summit is 'The Art of Public Transport'.

This event takes place every two years, with the congress showcasing innovative developments and good practices, whilst the exhibition provides an overview of the latest trends in products related to public transport. The Poster session is the main format used to include in our program areas related to innovation in research, R&I and pilot projects within the public Transport Sector. Also, as a participant you will be considered as speaker and benefit from the discounted rates and access to all events (conditions apply).

**For more information, contact Hilia Boris Iglesia at [hilia.boris.iglesia@uitp.org](mailto:hilia.boris.iglesia@uitp.org).**

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**A limited number of Student Scholarships for Ph.D. students, and Volunteer Positions for Graduate Students are available. Both positions waive the student registration fee.**

## 56th IMCL Conference on A Healthy City for All

**June 17-21, 2019**

**Sentinel Hotel, Portland, OR**

We are delighted to welcome delegates to the 56<sup>th</sup> International Making Cities Livable Conference to Portland, and thrilled by the conference theme, "A Healthy City for ALL." This is an effort close to the heart of all Portlanders as we introduce strategies to make our neighborhoods healthier places to live, as we expand our programming to continue to produce housing units and to compassionately address homelessness.

This Conference will be a landmark event, with an unprecedented gathering of world-renowned experts in planning, urban design, public health, architecture, social sciences, civic government, and allied fields.

**Interested students should send their resume, a short statement (250 words) why the conference is of interest to them, and to which program they are applying (Scholarship or Volunteer) before March 1 to [suzanne.lennard@livablecities.org](mailto:suzanne.lennard@livablecities.org).**

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## Antwerp Summer University 2019: Antwerp Summer School on Urban Logistics

**September 19-23, 2019**

**University of Antwerp, Belgium**

Summer school on planning and managing the urban transport in urban areas under a dynamic context as today logistics: key for city sustainable development. An intensive immersion into the world of urban logistics, based on an introductory module covering all aspects of urban logistics (week 1) and an optional assignment preparation week (week 2) focusing on innovation and sustainability in the Industry in all its facets.

**For more information, click the link below or apply [here](#).**

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## 6th International Conference on Women's Issues in Transportation

**September 10-13, 2019**

**The Beckman Center, Irvine, CA**

TRB is sponsoring the 6th International Conference on Women's Issues in Transportation (WIIT 2019) on September 10-13, 2019 in Irvine, California. This conference explores women's perspectives, challenges, achievements, and opportunities with respect to travel and transportation.

This conference also provides an update on the progress and challenges in relation to women and mobility; explores how gender equality practices in transportation are increasing business and economics development; exchanges ideas on how public agencies can incorporate good gender equality policies and practices with approaches to oversee efforts and measure performance; and examines methods to address safety and security of women who are employed with or using transportation systems.

For more information, click the link below or register [here](#).

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**2019 Mobility 21 Southern California Transportation Summit: Beyond the Limits**  
**Friday, September 27, 2019 7:30 am - 4:30 pm Pacific**  
**Disneyland Hotel**  
**1150 Magic Way, Anaheim, CA 92802**

Save the date for Mobility 21's 2019 Summit! Mobility 21, Southern California's premier transportation coalition, is currently seeking sponsorships for their upcoming annual conference. Registration information is coming soon.

For more information, visit [Mobility 21's website here](#).

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**Massive Open Online Course (MOOC) on Sustainable Urban Freight**  
**Open through September 2019**

We are happy to announce the re-run of the successful Sustainable Urban Freight Transport MOOC on edX as of 4th December 2018. This time the MOOC is presented as a self-paced course, students and professionals can access the free course till September 2019.

The MOOC is the result of a collaboration between 8 partners of the global COE-SUFS network. It provides a unique cross-cultural introduction to city logistics, as experienced around the world (Netherlands, Japan, India, UK, Australia, South-Africa and Sweden).

For more information, contact [Tharsis Teoh](mailto:Tharsis.Teoh@tudelft.nl) at [t.g.h.teoh@tudelft.nl](mailto:t.g.h.teoh@tudelft.nl) or click the link below.

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## Internships & Jobs

### This Week's Featured Opportunities

**Part-Time Student Professional Workers**  
**Los Angeles Department of Transportation**



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Job Title	Agency/Firm	Deadline
<a href="#">Maintenance Engineering T.E. (# JC-156603)</a>	Caltrans	28-May-19
	Fresno, CA	
<a href="#">Traffic Safety Investigator (# JC-156964)</a>	Caltrans	30-May-19
	San Joaquin, CA	
<a href="#">College Intern - Engineering &amp; Transportation (# 2019-31)</a>	City of San Leandro	31-May-19
	San Leandro, CA	
<a href="#">Associate Transportation Planner (# JC-157505)</a>	Caltrans	3-Jun-19
	San Luis Obispo, CA	



<a href="#">Associate Engineer- Traffic (# 19-33)</a>	City of Walnut Creek	3-Jun-19
	Walnut Creek, CA	
<a href="#">Maintenance Assistant - Transportation (# 1900712)</a>	City of San Jose	3-Jun-19
	San Jose, CA	
<a href="#">Associate Transportation Planner/Engineer - New Mobility (# 1710)</a>	Metropolitan Transportation Commission	4-Jun-19
	San Francisco, CA	

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