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Ensuring Transportation Serves All



CORPORATE PARTNERSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

2019 & 2018 Chapter of the Year
2018 & 2016 HUB of the Year
2019, 2020 & 2023 COMTO National Women Leaders in Transportation Honorees
2021 Reverend Jerry Moore Leadership Awardee
2021 Industry Innovation-Safety Awardee



2026 Tentative Calendar of Events

January 11	General Body Meeting 6:00pm - In-person Location:
February	Garrett A. Morgan Day
February 28	COMTO/MORPC Transportation Panel Discussion Location: MORPC Office
March 13	General Body Meeting 6:00pm – In-person Location:
April 10	COMTO National Women Who Move the Nation Location: Washington, DC
May 8	General Body Meeting 6:00pm – In-person Location: TBD
June 12	Annual COMTO Columbus Scholarship Luncheon Location: Columbus Metropolitan Library
June 20	COMTO Annual "Knock the Dust Off" Golf Clinic Location: Golf Depot, Gahanna, OH
June 23	COMTO 10th Annual Golf FORE Education Scholarship Outing Location: TBD
July 12-15	COMTO National Meeting and Training Conference Location: Washington, DC
Aug 14	General Body Meeting 6:00pm – In-Person Location:
Sept 12	COMTO National 's A View from the Hill Location: Washington, DC
Oct 9	General Body Meeting 12:00pm – In-Person Location:
Nov 8	COMTO Columbus Celebration - Location: TBD
Nov 4-8	National COMTO Week



Dear Colleague:

You are invited to explore the Columbus Chapter of the Conference of Minority Transportation Officials (**COMTO**). Founded in 1971, **COMTO** is the premier national advocate for contracting and employment diversity in today's multi-modal, multi-billion-dollar transportation industry. There are currently 37 chapters nationally and internationally promoting scholarships, internships, and contracting opportunities in transportation for minority individuals, veterans, people with disabilities and certified MWDBE businesses, through education, professional development, scholarship and internship funding, leadership training, political advocacy, partnership building and networking opportunities. **COMTO Columbus** supports and embraces this mission at the local level.

Corporate members are able to benefit from the programs and events sponsored by **COMTO Columbus**:

- **Annual COMTO Columbus Scholarship Awards Luncheon** brings together community leaders and prominent national and local speakers to celebrate the achievements of our future civic and business leaders.
- **Annual Company-Named Scholarships** provide financial support to deserving high school seniors & college students majoring in STEAM (**S**cience, **T**echnology, **E**ngineering, **A**rts and **M**athematics) or transportation industry fields.
- **Annual Golf FORE Education Outing** is our #1 fundraiser to raise scholarship funds, bringing together local and national organizations and agencies.
- **COMTO Columbus Internship Partnerships** pairs students and businesses to help prepare students for future transportation sector careers.

When you become a corporate partner, your company receives complimentary and/or reduced-cost access to programs and networking events with transportation agency partners locally and nationally. **COMTO Columbus** is a non-profit 501(c3) organization, most proceeds from **COMTO Columbus** partnership agreements are dedicated to (1) covering the costs of events, and (2) raising funds for college scholarships for Central Ohio students, which over the past nine years has exceeded \$175,000.

Additional information on the membership levels and benefits is included in this packet. It is my hope that you will find value in being a corporate member of the **COMTO Columbus** chapter. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact us at info@comtocolumbus.org. We look forward to working with your company in the future.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Quincy J. Howard". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Quincy J. Howard
President, COMTO Columbus



WHO WE ARE

COMTO National

With 54 years of history, the Conference of Minority Transportation Officials (COMTO) is the leading national advocate for employment diversity, inclusion and contracting opportunities in the multi-modal, multi-billion-dollar transportation industry. The mission is and continues to be to eliminate barriers to maximum participation for minority individuals, veterans, people with disabilities and certified MWDBE businesses through leadership training, professional development, scholarship and internship funding, political advocacy, partnership building and networking opportunities.

Founded in 1971 on Howard University's campus, COMTO's vision is to build upon our 54 years of continuous legacy of ensuring full access, while keeping pace with the rapidly evolving industry and anticipating future goals and accomplishments.

Today COMTO represents the more than three and a half million minorities in the United States who work in all modes of the transportation and mobility industries, including bus and urban transit, railroads, trucking, air transit, water transit, taxi, and shared driving. The organization has grown to more than 3,100 members in over 40 chapters across North America.

COMTO COLUMBUS

The COMTO Columbus chapter relaunched on July 18, 2014 to provide a local networking forum for minority professionals and business owners focused around the transportation industry. **COMTO Columbus** serves a multitude of stakeholders, by providing the value of research, organization, advocacy of local/state policies, information sharing, educational & professional development, training, and collaboration for members' constituencies—public sector, private sector, and academia.

COMTO Columbus' core values are embodied in how we conduct business and how we interact with our stakeholders, members, customers, partners and supporters. We affirm, and are committed to:

- Advocate
- Collaborate
- Educate
- Communicate
- Innovate



WHO WE ARE

Our Mission

The mission of **COMTO Columbus** to ensure transportation serves all by connecting stakeholders, developing leaders, and fostering an efficient multi-modal transportation ecosystem through training, advocacy, and partnerships.

Our Vision

To be the leading voice shaping a transportation network that is people centered, safe, resilient, innovative and a driver of economic prosperity.

Our Strategic Plan Goals

- Become a Key Resource Center for Small Businesses
- Chapter Growth and Development to affect policy change within Central Ohio
- Membership Growth and Retention
- Professional Development and Training

Membership

Today, COMTO has more than 3,000 members in 41 chapters across the United States and Canada. We represent more than 3 million people in the United States and Canada who work in all modes of the transportation industry. From highways and roads to mass transit systems, from subways to rail systems and from port authorities to airports, COMTO members represent every facet of the transportation industry. This includes trucking, taxi and limousine services.

Our members are transportation agencies, corporations, small businesses, industry non-profits, academic institutions, individuals, and students. We are the presidents and chief executive officers who determine the direction of major transportation systems and the mechanics and operators who ensure the safe passage of millions of transportation riders every day.

COMTO Columbus is truly diverse and the only thing missing is **Y-O-U!**





Partnership Levels & Benefits

Partnership Levels that are available for your company are listed below. In addition, detailed elements of contribution and general benefits accompanying the Partnership with COMTO Columbus are provided.

Five Partnership Opportunities:

Gray Level \$2,500	Scarlet Level \$5,000	Brutus Level \$7,500	Buckeye Level \$10,000	Friends of COMTO Columbus \$500/\$1500
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General Benefits

- Company name, logo, and website access on the chapter website
- Recognition of strategic partnership level at all official COMTO Columbus Meetings, events and publications, and social media
- Access to local and national resources of our organization

**COMTO
BUCKEYE
Level
\$10,000**

General Benefits plus:

- * Scholarship Named in Your Company’s Honor at Awards Luncheon
- * Named Sponsor at the Annual Golf Fore Education Outing
- * One (1) Foursome at the Golf FORE Education Outing
- * One (1) Table at the Annual Scholarship Awards Luncheon
- * Four (4) Individual COMTO Columbus Memberships





Partnership Levels & Benefits

**COMTO
BRUTUS
Level
\$7,500**

General Benefits plus:

- * Scholarship Named in Your Company's Honor at Awards Luncheon
- * One (1) Foursome Sponsorship at the Annual Golf Fore Education Outing
- * One (1) Table at the Annual Scholarship Awards Luncheon
- * Two (2) Tickets to any COMTO Columbus networking event
- * Two (2) Individual COMTO Columbus Memberships

**COMTO
SCARLET
Level
\$5,000**

General Benefits plus:

- * Scholarship Named in Your Company's Honor at Awards Luncheon
- * One (1) Golf Hole Sponsorship at the Annual Golf Fore Education Outing
- * Two (2) Tickets at the Annual Scholarship Awards Luncheon
- * One (1) Individual COMTO Columbus Memberships

**GRAY
Level
\$2,500**

General Benefits plus:

- * Scholarship Named in Your Company's Honor at Awards Luncheon
- * One (1) Golf Registration at the Annual Golf Fore Education Outing
- * One (1) Ticket to the Annual Scholarship Awards Luncheon
- * One (1) Individual COMTO Columbus Memberships



Partnership Levels & Benefits

Friends of COMTO
Columbus
Level
\$500 (DBE)
\$1,500 (Corporate)

General Benefits plus:

- One (1) Individual COMTO Columbus Membership
- One (1) ticket to the Annual Scholarship Awards Luncheon

