



Regional

ORGANIZATIONS

[1000 Friends of Wisconsin](http://www.1kfriends.org/)

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- 1000 Friends of Wisconsin educates the citizens and policy makers of Wisconsin about the benefits of sound land use planning
- Advocates for state and local land use policies that protect diverse natural communities, promotes the preservation of productive farmland and livable communities, and provides for the kinds of development and growth that most efficiently use taxpayers' investments

[Midwest High Speed Rail Association](http://www.midwesthsr.org/)

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- The Midwest High Speed Rail Association is a membership-based nonprofit organization advocating the development of fast, frequent and dependable passenger trains linking the entire Midwest
- Goal is to build a broad base of support for major changes in passenger rail policies

[Transportation Development Association of Wisconsin \(TDA\)](http://www.tdawisconsin.org/)

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- TDA is a statewide nonprofit organization working to promote understanding of the crucial role that a safe, efficient and reliable transportation system plays both in providing mobility for the people of Wisconsin and in driving the growth of our state's economy
- Now in its fourth decade, TDA represents the interests of more than 400 member organizations working to ensure the vitality of the state's transportation network

[Wisconsin Rural and Paratransit Providers \(WRAPP\)](http://www.witransportation.com/wrapp/)

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- WRAPP is an organization of specialized transportation providers organized to provide a resource network for all providers in the state of Wisconsin
- The goal is to create greater public awareness and community support of rural and specialized transportation programs

[Wisconsin Urban and Rural Transit Association](http://www.witransportation.com/wurta/index.htm)

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- The Wisconsin Urban and Rural Transit Association represents 28 urban and rural bus systems, 43 shared-ride taxi systems and 24 associate and affiliate members in the state of Wisconsin
- It employs more than 2,900 transit workers statewide, including drivers, mechanics, dispatchers and administrative staff

INITIATIVES/PLANS

[Connections 2030](http://www.dot.wisconsin.gov/projects/state/connections2030.htm)

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- Connections 2030 is a long-range transportation plan developed by the Wisconsin Department of Transportation for the state
- This plan will address all forms of transportation over a 25-year planning horizon: highways, local roads, air, water, rail, bicycle, pedestrian and transit
- The overall goal of the planning process is to identify a series of policies to aid transportation decision-makers when evaluating programs and projects

[Midwest Regional Rail Initiative](#)

<http://www.dot.state.mn.us/passengerrail/onepaggers/midwest.html>

- The Midwest Regional Rail Initiative is a nine-state partnership of Departments of Transportation working to create 3000 miles of passenger rail service, including seven high speed rail spurs extending from a hub in Chicago

PROGRAMS

[Southeast Wisconsin Rideshare Program: Rideshare Etc. Online & State Vanpool](#)

<http://www.dot.wisconsin.gov/travel/commuter/rs-index.htm>

- Rideshare Etc. Online is a service sponsored by the City of Madison Metropolitan Planning Organization and the Wisconsin Department of Transportation's Southeast Wisconsin Rideshare program
- Website matches Rideshare customers with other customers that live and work in the same area
- Service area: southern two-thirds of Wisconsin and the far northern counties of Illinois
- Riders may be state or non-state employees

TRANSIT SYSTEMS

- [AMTRAK](#)
<http://www.amtrak.com/servlet/ContentServer?pagename=Amtrak/HomePage>
- [Badger Coaches, Inc.](#)
<http://www.badgerbus.com/>
- [Greyhound Bus Lines](#)
<http://www.greyhound.com/>
- [Van Galder/Alco Bus Company](#)
<http://www.coachusa.com/vangalder/>
- [Dane County Regional Airport](#) - Gateway to the Capital Region
<http://www.msnairport.com/>
 - *Commercial:* ATA Connection, American Eagle, COMAIR, Continental Express, MESABA, Midwest Express, Northwest, TransWorld Express, United Airlines, United Express, Skyway, US Airways Express
 - *Communities Served Nonstop:* Chicago (2 airports), Cincinnati, Cleveland, Dallas/Fort Worth, Denver, Detroit, La Guardia, New York, Milwaukee, Minneapolis, Pittsburgh, St. Louis
 - *Air Cargo:* Federal Express, Airborne

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