



NATIONAL RURAL TRANSIT ASSISTANCE PROGRAM *START* (SAFETY TRAINING AND RURAL TRANSIT) WORKSHOP

February 8-9, 2012—Panama City, Florida

Registration Deadline: Monday, January 30, 2012

The Florida Department of Transportation's Florida Rural Transit Assistance Program (RTAP), administered by the Center for Urban Transportation Research (CUTR) will be presenting the National Rural Transit Assistance Program's **START (Safety Training and Rural Transit)** Workshop, February 8-9, 2012 at Bay Town Trolley, Panama City, Florida.

An email confirmation with complete course logistics will be sent to registrants upon receipt of completed registration form.

Course Overview:

Providing transit services in a safe, secure, and customer-oriented manner demands that bus and van operators (drivers) are well trained and knowledgeable about the equipment they operate, the conditions under which they drive, and the passengers they serve. The National Rural Transit Assistance Program has developed START (Safety Training and Rural Transit) as a training tool to help guide operators in these three very important areas of knowledge and skill. This course will provide a guide for trainers on how to effectively use the START materials when training transit drivers.

The START program has been designed to train new and veteran trainers and drivers in community transit safety and security. The three units modules that will be taught include:

- Vehicle Safety
- Driver Safety
- Passenger Safety

By the end of this course learners should be able to:

- conduct a pre-trip inspection to ensure that their vehicle does not have an obvious safety deficiency
- operate the vehicle using industry best-practices in safety and security
- safely load and unload ambulatory and non-ambulatory passengers
- utilize industry best-practices for managing on-board incidents

REGISTRATION INFORMATION

Registration is limited to **two participants per public transportation agency**. A registration form for each participant must be completed. Please register early to ensure participation. A confirmation email with lodging information, training class agenda (if available) and training logistics will be forwarded to each registrant. If you would like to attend this training course, please fax, email or mail the attached registration form no later than **Monday, January 30, 2012** to:

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****Fees are waived for current federal, state and local government employees who work in transportation or related areas.****

To review the transit training registration policies and procedures, please click here: [Transit Training Policy & Procedures](#)

For additional registration forms, information about the Florida Rural Transit Assistance Program including upcoming training and events, technical assistance information, resource library, and the RTAP Bulletin or to join the RTAP listserv, visit www.floridartap.org

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START WORKSHOP

FEBRUARY 8-9, 2012

8:00 AM– 5:00 PM

BAY TOWN TROLLEY, PANAMA CITY, FLORIDA

REGISTRANT'S NAME & JOB TITLE _____

PRIMARY DUTIES & RESPONSIBILITIES _____

EMPLOYER _____

ADDRESS _____

CITY _____ STATE _____ ZIP _____

PHONE _____ FAX _____

REGISTRANT'S EMAIL _____

SUPERVISOR'S NAME & TITLE _____

SUPERVISOR'S EMAIL _____

SUPERVISOR'S SIGNATURE _____

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An email confirmation with hotel info and training logistics will be forwarded to you. If you need to cancel your registration, please notify Yolanda Moore within 72 hours of the course. This will allow others an opportunity to attend.

Please follow the [link](#) to new and updated transit training policies and procedures that are currently in effect for all Transit Training courses: [Transit Training Policy & Procedures](#)

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