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Resources

Grow Your Public Works Skills

Level up your public works skills this August with UTA EEC's Public Works Institute. Registration is open for upcoming courses across Texas, offering everything from core skills to advanced leadership training.

[Traffic Control Supervisor](#)

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TxLTAP

The Story Behind TxLTAP

What is TxLTAP and how does it help us build a better future for Texas?

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In this new video, learn how the Texas Local Technical Assistance Program (TxLTAP) provides grant-funded training and professional development opportunities to transportation professionals in urban and **rural communities** throughout the state. You'll hear how these resources help **strengthen** local workforces, **improve** transportation systems, and **support** the people who keep Texas moving.

Plus, hear directly from two local agencies about their experiences with TxLTAP and the value these training opportunities have brought to their teams and communities.

Special thanks to the City of Fort Worth's TPW Department and Kendall County Road & Bridge for sharing their experience, and to TxDOT and the Texas A&M Transportation Institute for producing this video and helping showcase the impact of TxLTAP statewide.

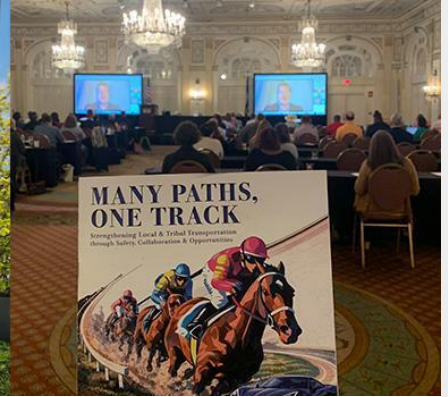


TxLTAP at NLTAPA

In July, the TxLTAP team attended the 2026 National Local Technical Assistance Program Association's (NLTAPA) Annual Conference in Louisville, Kentucky. This annual event brings together LTAP and TTAP centers from across the nation to share ideas, strengthen partnerships, and explore new approaches to supporting local transportation agencies. This year's conference placed a strong emphasis on center sharing sessions, giving attendees the opportunity to learn what other LTAP and TTAP centers are working on, exchange best practices, and discuss innovative programs, tools, and strategies being implemented across the country.

Representing Texas on the national stage, Program Manager Genevieve Toups shared Texas LTAP's accomplishments throughout 2026 and introduced TxLTAP's newly released program video, highlighting the program's impact across the state. Attendees also had the opportunity to participate in a service project benefiting the Ronald McDonald House, supporting the conference's commitment to community engagement. Events like these help strengthen collaboration among LTAP centers and support the continued

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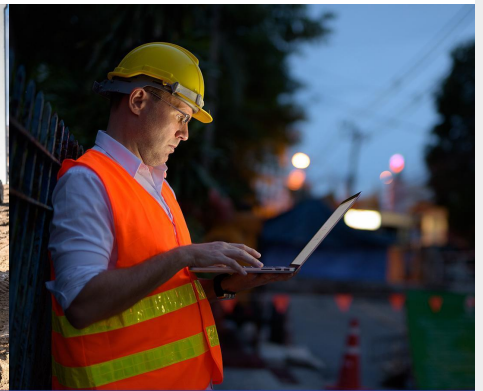
Request Training For your Workforce



**Work Zone Traffic Control
& Qualified Flagger (16Hr)**



**Backhoe/Front End Loader
(32Hr)**



**Traffic Management for
First Responders (6Hr)**

Getting training for your crews is easy with TxLTAP, trainings are at **no-cost for Texas city and county employees**. Our instructors travel directly to your location to deliver high-quality, hands-on training. Request now and earn the certifications that strengthen your workforce.

If your team hasn't scheduled yet, consider this your reminder that **TxLTAP is a dedicated resource for Texas communities**—we're here to support your staff and help you meet your training goals this summer.

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Safety Spotlight

Behind the FIFA World Cup: Keeping Texas Moving

The 2026 FIFA World Cup brought hundreds of thousands of visitors to Dallas-Fort Worth

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spotlight. Dallas-Fort Worth hosted nine matches (FOX 4 Dallas-Fort Worth, 2026), while Houston hosted seven (Community Impact, 2026), drawing fans from around the world. From match days and fan festivals to airports and transit hubs, agencies across the state worked together to keep residents and visitors moving safely and efficiently (The World Data, 2026; TxDOT, 2026).

To support increased travel demand, DART implemented temporary service enhancements (DART, 2026), while TxDOT crews coordinated traffic management, roadway operations, and traveler information efforts throughout the tournament (TxDOT, 2026). These behind-the-scenes efforts helped manage large crowds, maintain mobility, and support a positive experience for travelers across Texas.

The World Cup demonstrated the critical role transportation professionals play in planning, coordination, and real-time operations during major events. Through strong partnerships and proactive preparation, transportation agencies helped showcase Dallas-Fort Worth, Houston, and Texas on the world stage while keeping communities connected every step of the way. (FOX 4 Dallas-Fort Worth, 2026; TxDOT, 2026)

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National Traffic Awareness Month

National Traffic Awareness Month, we encourage agencies across Texas to take part in promoting roadway safety. Whether you're hosting an event, sharing safety messages, or continuing existing initiatives, every effort makes a difference.

Share how your agency is participating online and tag TxLTAP so we can celebrate your efforts to keep Texas roadways safe.



August Safety Campaigns

From school zones to summer celebrations, August is a key month for roadway safety. Take time to promote TxDOT's **Back-to-School Safety** and **Impaired Driving Awareness** initiatives in your community.



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