

# YOUNG MEMBERS COUNCIL

Transportation Research Board

https://sites.google.com/site/youngmemberscouncil/

## **WHAT IS YMC?**

Young Members Council (YMC) at the Transportation Research Board (TRB) was created in 2011 to encourage and expand young professional participation in all aspects of the TRB community. YMC aims to serve every transportation professional aged 35 or under in advancing the national transportation research agenda.

#### **HOW DOES YMC WORK?**

- TRB is organized according to the following hierarchy: Executive Committee > Technical Activities Council (TAC) >
  Group > Section > Standing Committee > Subcommittee
- Involvement with YMC activities is open to all transportation professionals in the TRB community; however, our goal is to assist those eligible as "Young Professionals", which is 35 years old or under.
- YMC serves at the TAC level. In addition, there are seven active discipline-specific Subcommittees of YMC, aligned with the respective TRB Groups. We encourage interested young professionals to get involved with their Group-level subcommittee.

Aviation
Design and Construction
Freight Systems/Marine
Operations and Preservation

Planning and Environment Policy and Organization Public Transportation

• We encourage every TRB Standing Committee to fill its four Young Member slots, to work with the Group Chair to assign motivated young professionals to the YMC, and to communicate/coordinate with the Group's YMC Subcommittee.

### WHAT ARE YMC'S GOALS?

- Involvement: Providing opportunities for young professionals to get actively involved with TRB.
- **Resources:** Providing targeted resources geared for young professionals in the form of technical sessions, events, and guides.
- Connections: Providing networking opportunities and connecting young professionals with TRB
  committees and with peers from around the world.
- **Representation:** Serving as young professionals' liaison to and from TRB leadership and the research community to address issues of importance to young members.

#### WHAT ARE YMC'S ACCOMPLISHMENTS AND PLANNED ACTIVITIES?

- January 2020: TRB Annual Meeting (Washington, DC)
  - o YMC business meeting and Group-level YMC subcommittee meetings
  - o YMC-sponsored technical sessions on career development and entrepreneurial skill-building
  - Careers in Motion Networking Fair
  - o New Attendee Orientation TRB Bootcamp
  - o Young Professionals Reception
- Committee website, with resources for young and new members (<a href="https://sites.google.com/site/youngmemberscouncil/">https://sites.google.com/site/youngmemberscouncil/</a>)
- And many more!