

DOT Sponsored Conferences Over \$100K

Fiscal Year 2012

Name of Event	Location	Dates	Brief Explanation of How the Conference Enhanced the Agency's Mission	Total Number of Individuals Whose Travel Expenses Were Paid by the Agency	Total Conference Expenses
1 FAA-Air Traffic Organization Supervisor's Committee (SUPCOM) Training Conference	Kansas City, MO	April 30 - May 4, 2012	This annual conference, sponsored in 2012 by FAA, allowed supervisors within the Federal Aviation Administration's Air Traffic Organization to present and share information across their sub-organizations of Terminal, En Route, System Operations, Flight Service and Technical Operations to promote safety and enhance efficiency. This was achieved in part with the introduction of a Professional Standards-like program for field supervisors that was adopted by senior leadership. There is no other setting available that provides the opportunity for systemic benefit to the leaders of the Air Traffic Supervisory community, thus making the conference mission critical to disseminating information. DOT has participated in the conference for over 25 years, and it provides the only opportunity for the group to meet in person.	125	\$169,020
2 FAA-Avionics and Flight Test Standardization Workshop	San Antonio, TX	May 15-17, 2012	This workshop, sponsored by FAA in 2012, improved aviation safety oversight, facilitated the creation of guidance documentation, better enabled implementation of that guidance, and enhanced the performance of both field and policy-writing personnel. The workshop is bi-annual, providing the only opportunity for the group to meet in person. DOT has been participating for over 18 years.	121	\$140,027

3	Federal Aviation Administration Senior Executives Workshop	Shepherdstown, WV	April 25-27, 2012	This annual workshop, sponsored by FAA in 2012, ensures that there was clarity among the Federal Aviation leadership team on 2012 goals, provided a shared understanding of expectations under the recently-enacted reauthorization bill, shared leadership updates, and provided training in targeted areas including diversity.	166	\$129,478
4	FAA-Pilot's Bill of Rights Technical and Legal Training	Boulder, CO	Sept. 10-17 2012	This training, sponsored by FAA in 2012, ensured that FAA enforcement practitioners were properly trained in and prepared for the new Pilot's Bill of Rights (Public Law 112-153), including changes in the nature of the National Transportation Safety Board's rules practice and other legal ramifications of this new law.	80	\$305,435
5	FHWA-State Safe Routes to School (SRTS) Coordinators' Annual Meeting	Long Beach, CA	Sept. 9-13, 2012	The SRTS program, sponsored by FHWA, focuses on safety improvements near elementary and middle schools. The purpose of this meeting is to discuss ideas, resources, projects, and noteworthy practices to promote active kids and safer communities. This meeting has occurred annually since 2006 and is the only group meeting for all of the State SRTS coordinators.	1	\$127,604
6	FHWA-2012 Planning, Environment, Air Quality, Realty, and Civil Rights (PEAR+CR) Discipline Seminar	Loudon County, VA	May 14-17, 2012	The Discipline Seminar, currently held every 3 years, provides core technical training for FHWA discipline members who have responsibilities for delivering the Nation's Federal Aid/Federal Lands Highway programs. The purpose of the PEAR+CR National Discipline Seminar is to provide critical learning and development opportunities to FHWA employees in three core technical program areas: 1) to advance shorter project delivery, 2) to provide enhanced program stewardship and oversight of our programs in working with our State and local partners, and 3) to better utilize transportation resources through improved program performance management resulting in a better decision making process.	375	\$478,942

7	FHWA Major Project Oversight Managers Workshop	St. Louis, MO	June 12-14, 2012	The 2012 conference, sponsored by FHWA, provides training and conducts peer exchanges for Division, Resource Center, and HQ staff in the area of major project oversight and related innovative program delivery. Internal training is focused on major project oversight and stewardship. This is the only time the group meets in person.	90	\$161,227
8	FHWA EDC - CM/GC Peer Exchange Workshop	Boston, MA	May 23-24, 2012	To advance the Every Day Counts initiative on Construction Manager / General Contractor in an effort to promote Accelerated Project Delivery. CMGC Peer Exchange is the only time that FHWA brings together multiple public owners experienced with CMGC and those who are interested in implementing this innovative contracting method.	30	\$100,251
9	FHWA-North American Travel Monitoring Exposition and Conference (NATMEC): Improving Traffic Data Collection, Analysis, and Use	Dallas, TX	June 4-7, 2012	The conference, sponsored in 2012 by FHWA, is held bi-annually to share traffic monitoring best practices to improve traffic data collection, processing, reporting and modeling with the goal of enhancing FHWA national travel data. US DOT/FHWA started the conference in 1974 and sponsors it on behalf of State highway agency employees, business organizations and other attendees. The conference is the only event where practitioners meet to share information on travel monitoring technology and practices.	4	\$110,727
10	FRA-2012 Right-of-Way Fatality and Trespass Prevention Workshop	St. Louis, MO	August 14-16, 2012	The goal of the workshop, sponsored in 2012 by FRA, was to identify and share existing industry leading practices and explore new strategies that the rail industry could pursue to reduce the number of right-of-way and trespasser incidents and fatalities. The workshop presented a varied program presented by rail, transit and safety experts. They shared their ideas on key issues, best practices, technical developments, human behavior, suicide prevention, law enforcement, and education methods and techniques related to right-of-way fatality and trespass reduction. The six working groups developed over 80 ideas ranging from new or expanded initiatives, strategies, and programs, to new research projects. As a direct result of the workshop, FRA has developed working groups which will vet these new initiatives. The conference cost also included the post-conference report development and production, which	15	\$148,859

			includes information and ideas developed at the conference to share with rail stakeholders nationwide.			
11	FTA State Safety Oversight Program Mandatory Training Exercise	TTCI Training Center, Pueblo, CO	May 21-25, 2012	This annual meeting provides hands-on training to the State Safety Oversight program managers and staff from each SSO agency in the nation, as well as representatives from FTA and other key safety agencies, including the National Transportation Safety Board and the Federal Railroad Administration. This training, provided by FTA program managers, supports compliance with statutorily required regulations regarding public transportation system safety. This meeting supports compliance with statutorily required regulations regarding public transportation project oversight and system safety and is the only time this group meets in person annually.	7	\$150,000
12	FTA 28th Annual Public Transit Engineers' Meeting	Washington, DC	June 25-28, 2012	FTA has sponsored this event since 1984 for the purpose of training FTA engineers, transportation specialists, and FTA project management oversight contractors on the regulations and guidance governing FTA's major capital investments. This training, led by FTA program managers, supports employee and contractor compliance with FTA's project management and fiduciary responsibilities, and also provides an opportunity to share best practices on transit-related project engineering activities. The meeting the only time this group meets in person annually.	11	\$178,076
13	NHTSA- MADD Ignition Interlock Training	Arlington, VA	September 28-29, 2012	During Mothers Against Drunk Driving's annual national conference, this NHTSA sponsored training class for law enforcement on ignition interlock systems delivers up to date information and materials to law enforcement leaders and administrators, instructors and practitioners from across the country. This effort supports impaired driving enforcement, thus providing increased safety for the driving American public. Only on limited occasions has NHTSA provided funding to support delivery of a training class. The funding provided by NHTSA was used to support instructors and law enforcement officers' travel and per diem.	3	\$192,100

14	NHTSA-NASS/SCI Update Training	Clark County, Las Vegas, NV	Dec 4 - 9, 2011	This training provides National Automotive Sampling System and Special Crash Investigations investigators hands-on training to address changes to data collection protocols and focus on new hardware and software for event data recorders collection from crashed vehicles. This training is held on an as-needed basis for NHTSA Field Crash Investigators. The training is necessary to implement new field investigation techniques, procedures and protocols. NHTSA has conducted periodic trainings for Field Crash Investigators since the late 1970's.	9	\$168,500
15	NHTSA-FARS/NASS GES Annual System-wide Training	Atlanta, GA	Dec 6 - 8, 2011	This training is held on an as-needed basis for FARS and GES coding staff to provide the standardized data coding guidelines. The training is necessary to implement and correct coding techniques, procedures and protocols and is required to ensure consistent and accurate data for the over 50 remote coding locations. There have been changes and quality control issues requiring annual trainings since the late 1970's. If there are no changes, a training is not held	9	\$250,000