

Tech Topic

Technology Transfer (T²) Centers

National LTAP Program. The T² Program, known in many states as LTAP (Local Technical Assistance Program), has existed for over 25 years and is comprised of 58 Centers nationwide. Each of the states has a Center, in addition to Puerto Rico and seven regional tribal Centers. The mission of the program is to “foster a safe, efficient, and environmentally sound surface transportation system by improving skills and increasing knowledge of the transportation workforce and decision makers.” The Centers assist local counties, parishes, townships, cities, and towns improve their roads, bridges, sidewalks, and signage through information resources, training, technology updates, newsletters, and one-on-one consultations with local government agencies. The Centers are truly partnerships between the Federal Highway Administration, state departments of transportation, universities, and the local agencies that we seek to serve.

Delaware T² Center. Delaware’s Center is located at the University of Delaware within the Delaware Center for Transportation (DCT) and the College of Engineering’s Department of Civil and Environmental Engineering. The DCT acts as the research and education arm of the Delaware Department of Transportation (DelDOT), providing the T² Center a meaningful linkage between the academic and research elements of the University, DelDOT’s innovative and emerging practices, and the training needs expressed by DelDOT and other local agencies, including Delaware’s 57 municipalities. Workshops and other training opportunities sponsored by the T² Center are often excellent venues for engineers, planners, scientist, and contractors to share their experiences, including both their successes and failures, for the benefit of others facing similar challenges. Delaware’s public transportation agencies of all sizes are encouraged to call on the resources of the T² Center whenever and however they think we might be helpful.

Suggested Further Reading and References:

- National LTAP/TTAP website: <http://www.ltapt2.org/about/>
- Delaware T² Center website: <http://www.ce.udel.edu/dct/t2/t2.htm>
- Delaware Center for Transportation: <http://www.ce.udel.edu/dct/>



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