

2017 Honorees

Lifetime Achievement Award

DR. BEVERLY SCOTT

CEO • Beverly Scott Associates LLC



Beverly Scott Associates, LLC, is an infrastructure-focused executive management consultant practice which specializes in workforce development at all levels; practical solutions and results that advance equity and inclusion, improve safety, reliability, overall system performance; and advance sustainable outcomes for people and communities.

In December 2016, she was appointed to the newly established Federal Advisory Committee on Transportation Equity (ACTE) by USDOT Secretary Anthony Foxx.

Dr. Scott serves in an Advisory capacity to the Charles Hamilton Houston Institute for Race and Justice at Harvard University Law School in the areas of transportation, infrastructure, and equity (www.charleshamiltonhouston.org). She is a Senior Advisor to Parker Infrastructure Partners, LLC, a developer of essential infrastructure that focuses on opportunities to develop projects that create value for both the public and private sector (<http://parkerinfrastructure.com>). She is also a Senior Fellow at the Transportation Learning Center, a unique transportation labor-management partnership focused on skills training, research, safety and health for the sector's frontline workforce (www.transportcenter.org); and a Research Associate and Adjunct Professor at the Mineta Transportation Institute at San Jose State University (www.transweb.sjsu.edu).

Dr. Scott's career in the public transportation industry spans more than three decades. Throughout her career, she has received numerous awards and recognitions, i.e., the 2015 Hubert Humphrey Award for Distinguished Public Service from the American Political Science Association (APSA), 2015 Government Sector Pinnacle Award from the Greater Boston Chamber of Commerce for Outstanding Service, the prestigious Sharon A. Banks Humanitarian Service Award from the Transportation Research Board, National Academies of Science, named Woman of the Year by the Women's Transportation Seminar. In 2012, she was named a "Transportation Innovator of Change" by President Barack Obama and the U.S. Department of Transportation for her long record of exemplary leadership and service in the transportation industry.

In 2011, she was appointed by President Obama to the National Infrastructure Advisory Council (NIAC), a panel of experts including top business executives, leading academics and local government officials who report to the White House through the U.S. Department of Homeland Security with responsibility for making policy recommendations to protect and preserve the physical assets that are critical to the U.S. economy and national security. In 2012, she was appointed NIAC Vice-Chair (www.dhs.gov/national-infrastructure).

A past Chairperson of the American Public Transportation Association (APTA), Dr. Scott currently serves on the national Boards of the American Public Transportation Association (www.apta.com), Women's Transportation Seminar Foundation, (www.wtsinternational.org), Rail-Volution (past Chairperson) (railvolution.org), and Americans for Transit (www.americansfortransit.org).

Dr. Scott holds a doctorate in political science, with a specialization in public administration from Howard University; and a Bachelor of Arts in Political Science from Fisk University (magna cum laude and Phi Beta Kappa).

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Private Agency of the Year



SCHATZIE JEFFERSON

President • The Allen Group LLC

Schatzie Allen-Jefferson continues a family entrepreneurial legacy as President of The Allen Group, LLC, a project and construction management firm founded by her mother, LaVerda Allen. Schatzie got her tenacity, sense of fairness, drive for excellence, and business acumen from her mother.

Schatzie's personal and business philosophies are founded on integrity, collaboration, and equity and inclusion. She is a passionate champion for her clients, employees, women, youth, and the communities where she lives and works. Her tireless work ethic has led to The Allen Group achieving significant growth over the past five years. This business success has only further fueled her desire to give back. She is very active in supporting non-profit and community organizations, as well as promoting educational and mentoring opportunities to build a diverse workforce and future industry leaders.

The Allen Group provides services to help public and private sector customers deliver prominent infrastructure projects successfully — clients have included the Bay Area Rapid Transit District, Federal Transit Administration, Caltrain, San Francisco Metropolitan Transportation Agency, San Francisco International Airport, San Francisco Public Utilities Commission, Miami-Dade Transit, and Miami-Dade Expressway Authority, among many others.

Schatzie received a B.A. from the University of Southern California, Annenberg School of Communications. Prior to The Allen Group she is an emmy-award winning producer, and spent the first 10 years in television production for ABC News programs such as 20/20 and Good Morning America, and for Metromedia (Fox Network) programs, including Maude, The Jeffersons, and Diff'rent Strokes. She has one daughter Bianca Mallory who continues the entrepreneurial legacy.

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Public Agency of the Year



ED REISKIN

Director of Transportation
San Francisco Municipal Transportation Agency

In July 2011, Edward D. Reiskin was named Director of Transportation of the San Francisco Municipal Transportation Agency (SFMTA).

Mr. Reiskin oversees the Municipal Railway (Muni), parking, traffic engineering, bicycle and pedestrian safety, accessibility, and taxi regulation. Muni is one of the oldest public transit agencies in America and the largest in the Bay Area, currently carrying more than 200 million riders per year and 700,000 boardings on an average weekday.

Mr. Reiskin is responsible for more than 5,000 employees, a \$1 billion annual operating budget, and a \$3 billion capital budget. Mr. Reiskin sits on numerous citywide bodies, such as the Capital Planning Committee, the Disaster Council, and the Committee on Information Technology. He is a member of the Board of Directors of the Transbay Joint Powers Authority, and is past President of the National Association of City Transportation Officials, NACTO.

He lives in the San Francisco with his wife and three children and rides Muni every day, bringing the perspective as a customer to his role as leader of the agency.

Program

6:00 p.m. - Reception - No Host Cocktails
7:00 p.m. - Dinner and Program

Welcome & Introductions	Beverly Greene AC Transit President, COMTO NorCal
Acknowledgement of Sponsors	
Overview of Scholarship Awards	Sheila Evans-Peguese SFMTA, Vice President, COMTO NorCal
Chapter Awards	Presenter: Ray Raburn, V.P. BART Board of Directors
Sharon Banks Scholarships	Presenter: Mark Williams, AC Transit Board
Curtis Green Scholarships	Presenter: Candace A. Sue Director of Communications and Marketing, SFMTA
Rosa Parks Scholarship	Presenter: Linda Crayton Vice President, Airport Commission, SFO
Leadership Excellence Award Accepting Award: David Crotty, brother of Melanie Crotty	Presenter: Raymond Odunlami, MTC
Private Agency of the Year Award Awardee: The Allen Group, Schatzie Jefferson	Presenter: Dana Lang, SFO
Public Agency of the Year Award Awardee: SFMTA, Ed Reiskin	Presenter: Jesus Vargas, VSCE, Inc.
Lifetime Achievement Award Awardee: Dr. Beverly Scott	Presenter: Leslie Rogers FTA Regional Administrator
Closing Remarks	Beverly Greene