

**Study on Data, Metrics, and Analytic Tools for Transportation Investments that Support Family Quality of Life and Communities**

**PUBLIC AGENDA**  
**Committee Meeting 4 (Virtual)**  
**March 27, 2026**  
(All times shown are U.S. Daylight Savings Time)

**Zoom Link to Join:**

<https://nasem.zoom.us/j/93204708578?pwd=r8pVyPY0zPytkhxBzh0EktZSJ9vjO.1>

**PURPOSE**

To gather information from researchers and practitioners on methods for measuring and assessing transportation's role in quality of life for families and communities, and quality of life considerations in public transportation services.

**OPEN SESSION**

**1:30 Welcome**

Joseph Schofer, Committee Chair

**1:35 Panel: Methods for Understanding People's Mobility and Transportation's Role in the Ability of Families and Communities to Access Products, Services, and Experiences for Quality of Life**

*Moderator: Steven Polzin, Committee Member*

- 1:35 Eric Lind, Director, and Andrew Owen, Lead Researcher, Accessibility Observatory, University of Minnesota
- 2:00 Keith Cooke, Director of Community Development, ESRI
- 2:25 Alison Conway, Professor of Civil Engineering, City College of New York
- 2:50 Marta Gonzalez, Professor of City & Regional Planning and Civil and Environmental Engineering, University of California, Berkeley
- 3:15 General discussion

Each speaker will provide a 15-minute presentation or remarks. Each presentation will be followed by up to 10 minutes of Q&A, followed by up to 30 minutes of general discussion with the committee and other panelists.

**3:45 Panel: Consideration of Quality of Life in Public Transportation Services**

*Moderator: Joseph Schofer, Committee Chair*

Panelists will address: What is the relation between planning and service delivery and quality of life? What are insights into this transportation market, and how operations interact with travel needs of people?

3:45 Peter Cafiero, Vice President of Service Planning & Scheduling, Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority

4:00 Bob Bourne, Bourne Transit Consulting, LLC, Ames, Iowa

4:15 Q&A and Discussion

Each speaker will provide a 15-minute presentation or remarks, followed by 30 minutes of Q&A and discussion with the committee.

**4:30 Adjourn Open Session**

**4:30 CLOSED SESSION** (Committee members and staff only)

**5:00 Adjourn Closed Session**