

## Bios of Presenters, APA MN Conference 2017

**Jason Aarsvold** has been with Ehlers since September 2013 assisting Minnesota cities to design and implement financial solutions. Prior to joining Ehlers, he had 16 years of municipal development and finance experience. Jason has analyzed and negotiated some of the most complicated municipal development and redevelopment projects in our region, navigating complex financial issues and creating new, innovative development and legislative strategies. His wide range of project experience includes everything from repositioning multi-family housing projects to working with multi-national corporations.

**Doug Aberle** is a senior project manager and transportation planner at Bolton & Menk. Doug's 30 years of professional experience include planning and project development for proposed highways, bridges, transit facilities, airports, and other infrastructure. Early in 2017, Doug served as the consultant-team project manager on the Principal Arterial Intersection Conversion Study. His range of work has also included studies and guidance for the right-sizing of investments and the completion of environmental documents for many completed Minnesota infrastructure projects.

**Steve Albrecht, PE**, is the public works director in Burnsville. Previously, he served as public works director/city engineer for the City of Prior Lake, and as a consulting engineer. He is a member of the board of directors for MN Chapter of APWA and currently serves as chair of the Technical Advisory Committee for the Transportation Advisory Board. In his spare time he coaches soccer, enjoys boating, cheering on his alma mater, the Wisconsin Badgers, and fishing.

**Becky Alexander** combines performance services with architectural design in her work for the architecture and engineering firm of LHB. Becky plays a key role in several significant state-wide initiatives to reduce energy consumption and greenhouse gas emissions in Minnesota. Her research involves collecting, analyzing, visualizing, and synthesizing data at building, organization, and city-wide scales. She is the primary researcher for the Regional Indicators Initiative (RII), a program that tracks annual performance metrics for Minnesota cities.

**Ryan Allen, PhD**, is an associate professor in Urban and Regional Planning at the Humphrey School of Public Affairs at the University of Minnesota. His research and teaching are focused on the community and economic development processes of immigrants in the U.S. In addition to his work in the Humphrey School, Ryan has an appointment with the University of Minnesota Extension's Leadership and Civic Engagement Team.

**Sara Allen** is a planner with Washington County. She earned her Master of Urban Planning degree from CUNY Hunter College, with an emphasis in transit-oriented development. She is interested in the built and human environments surrounding high quality public transportation. Her background reflects a variety of experiences surrounding transit, public engagement, placemaking, and assistance at an affordable housing corporation. Currently, her work involves transit-oriented development along METRO Gold Line BRT. Sara coordinates the Urban Land Institute's Young Leaders Group.

**Greta Alquist** is a transportation planner at Toole Design Group (TDG) with 8+ years experience in multimodal transportation planning. In addition to managing project, plans, and technical analyses, she is known for her ability to develop and implement creative, authentic engagement strategies in her work whether it's a policy-focused planning effort or a detailed corridor design. Recently, Greta facilitated technical analyses on non-motorized planning projects for the Metropolitan Council, MnDOT, and various municipalities.

**Candace Amberg, RLA**, has been in the profession of site planning and design since 1996, with extensive experience in public speaking. She recently conducted an educational session at the Minnesota Recreation and Park Association conference in 2016 with a topic of making community engagement fun.

**Chris Anderson** has been with the City of Ramsey for fifteen (15) years serving in various capacities, including recycling coordinator, city forester, and city planner. He has a degree in Urban Forestry from the U of MN and is an ISA certified arborist. Chris serves as the staff liaison to the city's Environmental Policy Board, which works closely with environmental standards including tree preservation, landscape standards, energy efficiency, and water resources.

**Mark Anderson** is the transit superintendent for the Greater Mankato Transit System. Mark performs administrative management of the public transit system which is operated through the City of Mankato and includes fixed route and complementary paratransit bus service. He holds a Bachelor of Science degree in Economics.

**Raymond Asomani-Boateng, AICP, Ph.d**, is a professor of urban planning in the Urban and Regional Studies Institute at Minnesota State University Mankato.

**Lisa Austin** is a program coordinator with the Minnesota Department of Transportation in the Office of Transit. Lisa oversees the MnDOT-owned ABC Ramps. She also works on bicycle and pedestrian transportation.

**Matthew Bachler**, AICP, has been with the City of Arden Hills since 2013. As a senior planner, he supported the development and approval process of the Master Plan for TCAAP as well as the TCAAP Redevelopment Code, which will serve as the zoning regulatory document for the development. Matthew has a Master of City Planning degree from the University of Pennsylvania.

**Tara Beard**, AICP, has a Bachelor degree in Architecture and a Master of Regional and Urban Planning, both from the University of Minnesota. She has worked in a variety of planning, community development, and economic development roles at the cities of Hopkins and Minneapolis, and at Hennepin County. Currently, Tara is a housing policy analyst at the Metropolitan Council.

**Jack Becker** is the founder and director of community services at Forecast Public Art, a nonprofit he started in 1978. In 1989, he established a grant program for emerging public artists and *Public Art Review*, an international magazine devoted exclusively to contemporary public art. Forecast's Community Services offers consulting, technical assistance, partnering, and programming support to design professionals, businesses, government agencies, colleges, and neighborhood organizations, among others.

**Meg Beekman**, AICP, is the community development coordinator for the City of Hopkins. In that role she manages projects that forward economic development and livability in Hopkins, particularly around light rail planning and its many related projects and opportunities. This work includes supporting the business community, grant writing, and creative public engagement strategies. Prior to Hopkins, Meg was the city planner in Arden Hills for 6 years. She received her Master degree in Urban and Regional Planning from the Humphrey School of Public Affairs.

**Nadja Berneche** is the healthy comprehensive planning director with Terra Soma, a strategic services firm with a specialty in food systems. As part of her work, she helps build relationships and provides technical assistance to city and county planners, health advocates, and community members working to increase healthy food access. To create long-range visions, Nadja uses local community planning as a tool to strategically identify and implement initiatives to increase access to healthy food and physical activity and to promote health equity.

**Patrick Brama** is the assistant city administrator/ economic development manager for the City of Ramsey, located in the northwest metro of the Twin Cities. Patrick is a graduate of St. Cloud State University, where he received his Master in Public Administration and Bachelor in Community Development with a minor in Business Finance. During his time at Saint Cloud State, Patrick completed four internships at four different municipalities. Internships ranged from city planning to economic development, and from event coordination to city administration. His final internship, at the City of Ramsey, has turned into a six-year career, including four separate positions. Over his eight-year tenure in local government, he has specialized in project management, economic development, and performance measurements.

**Peter Hendee Brown**, AICP, AIA, is an architect, planner, and development consultant based in Minneapolis. He has consulted to the City of Minneapolis on the Commons, Peavey Plaza, and Nicollet Mall. Peter teaches private sector development at the University of Minnesota and is the author of *How Real Estate Developers Think* and *America's Waterfront Revival*. Peter earned his Bachelor of Architecture degree from Cornell University and his Master of Governmental Administration and Ph.D. in City and Regional Planning from the University of Pennsylvania.

Since 1991, **Peter Bruce** has served as a consultant measuring and projecting pedestrian traffic, identifying factors affecting foot traffic, implementing traffic-shaping projects, and analyzing storefront visibility. Studies have been conducted in more than 100 properties, transit routes, and retail districts around the U.S. and Canada for small and large retail owners, property owners, public agencies, airport interests, and developers. National markets served include New York City, Los Angeles, Seattle, Pittsburgh, Memphis, and Chicago.

**Leila Bunge** is a planner at Kimley-Horn with a focus on environmental documentation of transportation projects, small area redevelopment plans, and community engagement. Her passion is in finding opportunities for the public to participate throughout the project in meaningful ways that are accessible from both in-person and online methods.

**Fernando Burga** is an assistant professor for the Master of Urban and Regional Planning (MURP) degree program. His research deals with equity in urban planning particularly in relation to the incorporation of immigrants and food systems planning.

**Tim Burkhardt**, AICP, a senior planner at HDR, is a project manager and multimodal planner with 25 years of experience, including more than a decade in Portland, Oregon. He has experience planning transit, roadway, bicycle, and pedestrian facilities and has developed numerous plans that integrate transportation, land use, economic development, and community issues. He is currently deputy project manager for the Rochester DMC Downtown Transit Study. He holds a BA from Carleton College and a master degree from the University of Minnesota.

**Bill Coleman**, of Community Technology Advisors and the Blandin Foundation, helps communities make the connection between telecommunications and economic development, and to develop and implement programs of broadband infrastructure investment and technology promotion and training. Bill has a Bachelor's degree in Urban Studies and Political Science from Mankato State University, studied telecommunications management at Saint Mary's University, completed non-profit management, facilitation and training programs at the University of St. Thomas, and is certified as an economic development finance professional.

**Kari Collins** is the community development director for the City of Roseville. Kari holds a Master of Science in Urban Studies from the University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee and a Bachelor of Arts in Political Science from Augsburg College. Prior to joining Roseville in 2012, she worked as the zoning administrator for the City of Milwaukee. As the assistant to the city manager, Kari led Roseville's Karen Interagency Group in identifying gaps in services for the growing Karen population located along the Rice-Larpenteur Corridor.

**Kelly Corbin**, physical activity coordinator for MN Department of Health, assists all 87 counties with active living efforts through the State Health Improvement Partnership. She has seven years of local public health experience working with planners in greater Minnesota

**Heidi Corcoran** joined Dakota County to improve transportation access for people with disabilities and older adults. She believes that quality education is key and has the passion to drive those messages through building partnerships and solid planning. Heidi has a vast skill set from product sales to technical support for transportation planning programs. Her areas of interest are in client services, public outreach, and stakeholder engagement. She holds a BA in Written Communications from the College of St. Catherine.

**David Cowan** has worked for Minnesota State Mankato since 1970, serving in various capacities in academic affairs, finance and administration, budget, systems and planning, and facilities management. One of his departments is Parking & Transportation, which he has championed and managed since 1987. In 2012 he worked with student leaders to create a "Green Transportation" bus fee, creating a revenue stream which helped finance longer hours of bus service and new routes serving 500,000 rides.

For the past decade, **Dave Cowan** has worked in the field of walking and bicycling at the local, regional, state and national level. He has advanced Safe Routes to School projects, implemented programs and took that experience on the road conducting trainings, webinars, and sharing best practices in both policy and program work. Dave currently serves as the Safe Routes to School Coordinator for the Minnesota Department of Transportation and is the proud father of two young budding bicyclists.

**Connor Cox** is a transportation planner in Toole Design Group's Minneapolis office with experience in bicycle, pedestrian, and transit planning projects. Connor has also worked for an international NGO in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil where he worked on sustainable transportation and urban development projects, including bicycle planning and bus rapid transit station planning. He holds a Master degree in Urban Development from the Technical University of Darmstadt (Germany). Connor is currently managing the Minneapolis Pedestrian and Bicycle Winter Maintenance Study.

**Dan Coyle**, PE, has more than 26 years of experience providing engineering consulting services for a variety of state, municipal, agency, and private clients. He is passionate about incorporating environmentally-sensitive design into the redesign of existing parking facilities as well as incorporating state-of-the-practice technology into newly created parking areas.

**Paul Czech** is a planning manager with the Minnesota Department of Transportation Metro District. His employment at MnDOT started in 1998. In addition to being a co-project manager for the Principal Arterial Intersection Conversion Study, he leads the Metro District Planning Section. Before MnDOT, Paul worked approximately three years as a project manager with a public financial advisory firm. In addition, he has more than 10-years experience working as a community planner in Minnesota, Oregon, Colorado, and Wisconsin.

**Jay Demma**, AICP, is a senior planner based out of the Minneapolis office of Perkins+Will, a global planning, design, and architecture firm. Jay has a 20-year background in land use planning and economic analysis and has worked on a wide variety of project types including transit-oriented development (TOD), redevelopment, brownfields, corridor studies, small area plans, campus plans, comprehensive plans, economic development studies, and real estate market studies. Jay regularly speaks about the complex relationships among demographics, economics, and land use change.

**John Dempsey** is a licensed landscape architect with a career spanning over 13 years. He brings a unique blend of professional practice in design and planning, streetscape improvements, and non-motorized transportation projects.

**Eriks Dunens** is a statewide extension educator with a focus on curriculum development. He has experience in process design, participatory engagement, program development, and communications.

**Sara Dunlap** is a transportation planner with a public health twist. She currently works for MnDOT planning for the future of rural transit and convincing co-workers that health and transportation are intertwined. Sara also participates in research at MnDOT, specializing and emphasizing the role and implications of public health in transportation decisions. Sara earned a BA in Community Development from CU-Boulder and a Master of Public Health from UMN-Twin Cities.

**Elise Durbin**, AICP, is a planner with Hennepin County. She was previously the community development supervisor with the City of Minnetonka, where she focused on housing redevelopment, economic development, and transit projects. A recipient of the 2010 Spirit of Minnetonka award, Elise has a history of ino (PDO) for APA Minnesota.

**Aaron Dysart** is a sculptor working as a city artist for Public Art Saint Paul, housed in the City of Saint Paul. Aaron strives to highlight the unseen and underappreciated structures that make modern urban life possible.

**Dan Edgerton**, AICP, is a senior associate with Zan Associates and the consultant team project manager for the Planning for People project. Dan is a community planner and has nearly 10 years of experience in both the public and private sectors. Dan has expertise in Complete Streets and multimodal planning, stakeholder engagement, environmental review, and policy development. He has a bachelor degree from St. Cloud University and a Master degree in Urban and Regional Planning from Mankato State University.

**Jeff Ellerbusch** has more than 40 years of experience in all aspects of urban and rural planning - all with the Rochester/Olmsted Planning Department. He is presently the supervisor of the Analysis, Planning, and Policy Division.

**Beth Elliott**, AICP, is a senior urban planner with Stantec Consulting. Her role includes coordinating the day-to-day work of the planning team and to plan and design livable communities throughout the Upper Midwest. Prior to her current position, she spent 13 years as a planner for the City of Minneapolis, including 11 years as the principal planner for Downtown Minneapolis. Beth has a Master in Urban and Regional Planning from the Humphrey School of Public Affairs at the University of Minnesota.

**Mark Erickson** is the director of the Economic Development Authority for the City of Winthrop, Minnesota, and has been helping organize and promote the RS Fiber project in West Central Minnesota since 2009. Prior to Winthrop, he was employed by Hiawatha Broadband Communications in Winona working with communities interested in building advanced telecommunication networks. Mark currently serves on the board of the Minnesota Municipal Utilities Association and is a past member of the Blandin Foundation's Telecommunications Strategy Board.

**Tannie Eshenaur**, MPH, is planning director for Drinking Water Protection at the Minnesota Department of Health. She works with private, local, and state agency partners to develop and implement strategies that will ensure safe, sufficient, and affordable drinking water everywhere in Minnesota, now and in the future.

**Stephanie Falkers**, AICP, is an associate planner with SRF Consulting Group, Inc. She has spent the last seven years contributing to many comprehensive and transportation plans, zoning ordinances, and environmental documents with the SRF and the City of Fargo Planning Department. Stephanie's professional experience includes land use and comprehensive planning, zoning/land development codes, agency coordination, public involvement, traffic incident management, and various transportation planning projects.

**Anthony Filipovitch** serves on the City of Mankato's Heritage Preservation Commission and Planning Commission.

**Dusty Finke**, AICP, has served as city planner at the City of Medina for eight years after working in various roles in Medina for the previous four years. Dusty attended the Humphrey Institute (now School) of Public Affairs and Winona State University.

**Shann Finwall**, AICP, is the environmental planner for the City of Maplewood. Shann has worked with the city for over 16 years, starting her career as an urban planner spearheading redevelopment projects in the city such as the Gladstone Neighborhood, then as the environmental planner leading the city's sustainability initiatives. Shann holds a Master of Public Administration from Hamline University and a Bachelor of Arts in Fisheries and Wildlife Management from the University of Minnesota.

**Tom Fisher** is a graduate of Cornell University in architecture and Case Western Reserve University in intellectual history and was previously the editorial director of Progressive Architecture magazine. Recognized in 2005 as the fifth most published writer about architecture in the United States, he has written more than 400 articles in professional journals and major publications. Named a top-25 design educator four times by Design Intelligence, he has lectured at 36 universities and over 150 professional and public meetings.

**Megan Flanagan** joined Greater Mankato Growth as the City Center Partnership director in September 2015. She focuses on implementation of the Renaissance Plan and other downtown vitality efforts through effective partnerships, advocacy, events drawing trade and traffic, aesthetic initiatives, and public art. Megan has significant experience working in nonprofit and municipal settings. Prior to coming to Mankato, she was the first managing director of the Coralville Center for the performing arts in Coralville, Iowa, and was fortunate to work in marketing for Chicago's Landmark Auditorium Theatre and the iconic Chicago Theatre.

**Dr. Russell Fricano**, is an assistant professor of urban planning at the Urban and Regional Studies Institute at Minnesota State University Mankato. Russell has nine years of teaching experience at the collegiate level and has served 20 years as a practicing planner with Los Angeles County. He has a Ph.D. in Planning from the University of Southern California and is a member of the American Institute of Certified Planners."

**Leif Garnass** has 13 years of experience in traffic and transportation engineering. His responsibilities include leading intersection, corridor, roundabout, and freeway alternatives analysis and studies. Leif is known for his innovative design experience and ability to find solutions to unique and new design challenges. He is a graduate of Iowa State University.

**Hannah Gary** is a program assistant with the Resilient Communities Project at the University of Minnesota. She has dual Master degrees in Urban and Regional Planning and Public Health and has experience working with the University of Minnesota Health Disparities Workgroup, Nice Ride Minnesota, and public health agencies in Georgia.

**Sarah Ghandour** has over ten years of experience working in transit design, urban design, planning, and architecture. She holds a Master degree in Architecture from Pratt Institute and a Bachelor of Science degree in Architecture from the University of Minnesota.

**Andy Gitzlaff**, AICP, with over 13 years' experience in planning, is currently a senior transportation planner for Ramsey County Regional Railroad Authority (RCRRA) managing the Rush Line Corridor. Prior to joining RCRRA, Andy worked for Washington County, as a planning consultant for Landform and for the Cities of Maplewood and Hugo. Andy's experiences give him a keen understanding of the issues facing local government. Andy has an undergraduate degree from the University of Minnesota and a master degree from Hamline University.

**Tim Gladhill** is the current community development director for the City of Ramsey as well as the current president of APA Minnesota. Tim joined the City of Ramsey as a public works maintenance worker in 2000, and joined the Community Development Department in 2006, focusing on land use planning. In his role as community development director, Tim provides leadership to long-range planning, zoning administration, and building safety inspections. As part of his volunteer role with APA MN, Tim has focused on improving communication with the chapter's membership through enhancements to the chapter's website and social media sources. Tim holds a Bachelor of Science in Urban and Regional Studies and a Bachelor of Science in Geography from Minnesota State University, Mankato (2006). Tim also holds a Master of Geographic Information Science (GIS) with a minor in public policy from the University of Minnesota (2011).

**Emily Goellner**, AICP, LEED Green Associate, is the associate planner/grant writer for the City of Golden Valley. She has a Master of Urban and Regional Planning degree from the University of Minnesota, and she studied anthropology and political science in Duluth. She has served as co-chair of the Young Leaders Group and UrbanPlan for ULI-MN, co-chair of the Young Planners Group for APA-MN, and member of the Community Advisory Committee for the Snelling-Midway Redevelopment Site.

**Tina Goodroad**, AICP, is the current city administrator/development director for the City of Dayton as well as secretary for APA Minnesota. Her experience includes 19 years in community planning in multiple sectors including serving as a city planner, as a developer, and as a consultant at Stantec.

**Loren Gordon AICP**, has served as the city planner for the City of Minnetonka since 2008. Prior to joining Minnetonka, Loren served as city planner and consulting planner for a number of communities around the Twin Cities and the nation.

**Todd Graham** is a principal forecaster for Metropolitan Council's Regional Policy and Research team where he provides project leadership in land use economics, demography, and economic analysis. His work has included the renovation of the Council's socioeconomic forecasting practice and preparation of forecasts adopted with the Thrive MSP 2040 regional plan. Todd is a board member of the national Census State Data Centers Network and also Minnesotans for the ACS (MACS 2020).

**Mike Greco**, AICP, is co-founder and director of the Resilient Communities Project (RCP) at the University of Minnesota, which helps Minnesota communities advance local sustainability and resilience initiatives. Mike has a Master of Urban and Regional Planning degree from the U of MN's Humphrey School of Public Affairs, and a Master of Arts degree in Communication Studies from the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill. He is chair of the Dakota County Planning Commission.

**Jasna Hadzic-Stanek** has been with Bicycle and Pedestrian section in MNDOT for 4 years and holds a Master in Urban Planning.

**Lea Hargett** is a conceptual, creative, and analytical professional with diverse business experience and a track record of solid results. She is a former manufacturing CEO and executive manager with proven leadership in business development, consulting, board development, human resource management, strategic planning, fundraising, communication, operations and financial management, training and development. Her undergraduate work was completed at University of Illinois at Chicago. Lea's educational background includes completion of the Mini MBA Program at the University of St. Thomas and the Human Resource Executive Program at the University of Minnesota, Carlson School of Management.

**Colin Harris** is a civil engineer and project manager at Alta Planning + Design. Colin has experience developing recommendations for safety improvements in a variety of contexts including school zones, urban arterials, and roadways in small towns. Colin has technical knowledge of design best practice as a professional engineer and has also worked to support innovation for bicycling and walking in the region as a local advocate, including leading the development of Open Streets Minneapolis with the Minneapolis Bicycle Coalition.

**Forrest Hasty**, PE, is a project manager and senior engineer with MnDOT District 7.

**Chelsey Hendrickson**, AICP, is a planner with Kimley-Horn who specializes in transit service planning, mapmaking, data analysis and management, report writing, and public engagement. Chelsey values creativity, ingenuity, and working to make more voices heard in the planning process.

**Alan Hermann** began in school transportation 22 years ago; then he changed to public transportation with Carver County. He currently works for Scott County under a joint powers agreement that has Carver and Scott Counties as partners in their transit systems. He's been involved with Americans with Disabilities Act, paratransit, circulator, volunteer, and shared vehicle concepts for Smartlink, the mobility leader for Scott and Carver Counties. Smartlink facilitates dial-a-ride service, medical assistance transportation brokering, volunteer driver program, shared vehicle, and travel trainer.

**Andy Hingeveld**, AICP, is a senior transportation planner with over twelve years of experience covering land use, parks and trails, and transportation planning in both the public and private sector. Andy has been involved in studies and system plans at the regional, county, and city level. Experience includes preparing transportation system plans, corridor studies, policy and guiding documents, capital improvement programs, and project implementation.

**Kimberly Holien** is a principal city planner with the City of Minneapolis in the Department of Community Planning and Economic Development (CPED). Kimberly has been with the city for nine years, working with developers, architects, homeowners, and business owners on a wide variety of projects in addition to preparing zoning code text amendments. She has a Master of Urban Studies degree from Minnesota State University in Mankato.

**Damaris Hollingsworth** is an award-winning architect with international experience in social justice through design and equitable design principles. Born in Brazil, Damaris got her start with RSP Architects, later moving on to DLR Group before

becoming vice president of THOR Design Plus. Her international journey is a testament to the importance of a global talent pool.

With over 30 years in private practice, **Bruce Jacobsen** has extensive planning and design experience ranging from urban parks, public spaces, and private gardens to master planning for campuses, neighborhoods, and district redevelopment. Bruce has completed projects across the country including the Twin Cities/Upper Midwest, Denver, and Baltimore/Washington. With overlapping interests in teaching, research, and professional practice, Bruce also serves as adjunct professor and senior research fellow in the College of Design at the University of Minnesota.

**Tom Jensen**, AICP, longtime member of APA, is the Minnesota Chapter's legislative education coordinator. Now in his 7th year in this role, Tom provides information and perspectives about what's happening at the Minnesota Legislature, the state's executive branch, and the Minnesota Judicial Branch. Tom also monitors events within the halls of the U.S. Congress, the federal executive branch, and the federal courts.

Over a 35-year career that includes design leadership at large international firms and teaching positions at several universities, **Mic Johnson** has focused on creating buildings and places that are vibrant contributors to the communities they serve. In early 2013, Mic established Architecture Field Office, a diverse consultancy that merges his interests: architectural design, transformative urban planning and placemaking, and artistic pursuits. Concurrent with this practice, he held an 18-month appointment as interim director of the Metropolitan Design Center at the University of Minnesota.

**Robert Jones works** in the traffic engineering department at the Department of Transportation out of Mankato-D7.

**Emily Jorgenson** is a planner with Washington County. She earned her Master of Urban and Regional Planning degree from the University of Minnesota in 2016, with an emphasis in land use. Her experience working in the public and private sector on economic development and transit has led her to develop interests in planning for sustainable and active living in the suburban environment. Emily's work focuses on planning transit and active living projects.

**Jen Kader**, program manager with Freshwater Society, has nearly ten years of experience engaging public and private stakeholders in environmental resources work. Jen's work has involved strategic and collaborative planning efforts with 33 Soil and Water Conservation Districts, partnership building between community groups and local authorities, as well as developing surface water management and climate resiliency plans with cities and community groups. She has a Master of Urban and Regional Planning with a concentration in climate change planning.

**Jane Kansier**, AICP, is a senior urban planner with Bolton & Menk, Inc. Jane has over 30 years of planning experience including 17 years with the City of Prior Lake and 3 years with Minnesota Valley Transit Authority. She is currently one of the co-professional development officers for the APA Minnesota Chapter. Jane received her Master of Arts in Public Administration from Hamline University and received her BA in Urban Studies from the University of Minnesota – Duluth.

**Julie Klima**, AICP, has served as the city planner for the City of Eden Prairie since 2014. Prior to Eden Prairie, Julie worked in several planning roles for the City of Shakopee for approximately 20 years.

**Lindsey Knutson** is the planning director in District 8 at MnDOT. Lindsey earned her Master degree in Urban and Regional Planning from the University of Minnesota's Humphrey School of Public Affairs. She is also a graduate of UW Madison and a native of Hudson, Wisconsin. Go Badgers!

**Stacie Kvilvang** has been with Ehlers since 2002. Prior to Ehlers, she had 10 years of local government experience working for a major community in the Twin Cities. Stacie has extensive background in all aspects of the public process for development and redevelopment and deep understanding of development financing and costs from the private side of transactions. Notable projects include the Medtronic CRM campus in Mounds View, redevelopment of Apache Plaza in St. Anthony, and numerous redevelopment projects in St. Louis Park.

**Peter Langworthy**, AICP, has over 25 years' experience performing planning work for public infrastructure projects in Minnesota. His expertise includes federal and state environmental documentation and transportation planning. Peter has performed extensive stormwater management/environmental control planning for the MSP International Airport and has prepared many environmental documents for highway and airport improvement projects, as well as comprehensive plans for municipal clients.

**Matt Lassonde** is a transportation planner who began his career in 2014. He has facilitated various public meetings to gather input on public improvement projects including corridor studies and area redevelopment plans, among others. He has a demonstrated ability to listen to and understand stakeholders' perspectives to build trust and allow for communication that informs project initiatives. Matt holds an MA degree in Urban and Regional Studies and a BA degree in Geography, both from Minnesota State University, Mankato.

**Lil Leatham** is a planner with Dakota County, Minnesota. Her work includes improving active living opportunities and healthy food access for county residents. Prior to joining Dakota County, Lil was an associate with Hoisington Koegler Group, a Minneapolis based planning and landscape architecture firm. There, she spent 15 years working with communities across Minnesota on park, trail and bikeway, and greenway planning. Lil has a BA in Political Science from Emory University and a Master of Landscape Architecture from the University of Minnesota. She is a registered landscape architect and a member of the American Society of Landscape Architects and the Association for Pedestrian and Bicycle Professionals.

**Jen Lehmann** is planning manager at the Minnesota Valley Transit Authority (MVTA), the transit provider for seven cities located in the suburbs of the Twin Cities, and has nearly 10 years of experience in transportation planning. At MVTA, Jen works on a variety of projects that are focused on service planning, schedule development, and collaboration with local and regional partners. She began her career leading bicycle and pedestrian initiatives in the Dallas/Fort Worth area for the North Central Texas Council of Governments and as transportation planner in the City of Naperville, IL, where she developed and implemented bus, rail, and bicycle related projects. Jen holds a Master degree in Public Administration from the University of Colorado-Denver and a bachelor degree from the University of Kansas

**James Lehnhoff**, AICP, joined Ehlers in October 2016 with 14 years of local government and real estate development experience, including extensive work in land use planning, economic development, housing development, Pro Forma analysis, community engagement, and project management. James has successfully implemented complex and nationally recognized development projects to advance community goals. Prior to joining Ehlers, James led the real estate development team at Aeon, a non-profit housing developer, and served as the community development director for the City of Arden Hills.

**Jason Lindahl**, AICP, has served as the city planner for the City of Hopkins since 2015. Prior to working for the City of Hopkins, Jason served as the city planner for the communities of Anoka and Rosemount, as well as a consultant planner for a variety of communities throughout Minnesota.

**Amanda Lovelee** is a visual artist working as a city artist for Public Art Saint Paul in partnership with the City of Saint Paul. Working in an office in City Hall, Amanda works across departments, acting as a translator of ideas between the city and Saint Paul residents, with the goal of building a city in which everyone wants to live. Her major projects include Urban Flower Field, Pop Up Meeting, Bee Real Bee Everywhere, and West Side Flats Park.

**Eric Maass** is a planner and designer in the community planning and economic development group at WSB & Associates. In that role he collaborates with communities to design site development concepts and small area land use plans. He uses his Master in Landscape Architecture coupled with experience in land use planning to approach project areas from a multitude of scales and perspectives. Eric currently serves as the president-elect of the University of Minnesota's College of Design Alumni Board and as the conference committee chair for the Economic Development Association of Minnesota.

**Andrew Mack**, AICP, has been co-chair of the APA MN Legislative and Law Committee since 2008 and has worked closely with planning legislative and law topics since the late 80's. He is very familiar with planning related statutory and case laws, the legislative process, and pertinent issues facing the planning profession in Minnesota and surrounding states. Andrew has worked closely with the APA MN chapter Board over the past several years to re-assess and define the legislative role of APA Minnesota. Andrew has 30+ years in the planning profession serving rural and urban communities in Minnesota and Texas. He is the community development director/city planner for Pine City, Minnesota.

**Lydia Major** works with clients and communities to create vibrant public, commercial, and residential places. She uses a collaborative design process to develop solutions that benefit the client, the community, and the environment. Her projects include community, education, park, trail, and transportation system planning projects, where her skills with public engagement help generate support and real solutions, as well as smaller public and private projects, where she focuses on the details that create memorable experiences.



**Nene Matey-Keke**, broker/owner of RNR Realty International in St. Louis Park MN, is an expert in residential and commercial buying and selling. He currently serves on the Board of Directors for the Sensible Land Use Coalition (SLUC), and is a member of the Urban Land Institute. He serves on the Board of Directors for Minnesota REALTORS® and the National Association of REALTORS® (NAR).

**David Mather** is the national register archaeologist in the Minnesota Historic Preservation Office. He has been a professional archaeologist for more than 30 years and specializes in zooarchaeology, the archaeology of animal bones. He is also a writer and gardener and loves canoeing. David has an MS in Environmental Archaeology from the University of Sheffield in England and is currently completing his PhD at the University of Minnesota.

**Kathleen Mayell**, AICP, is a transportation planning manager in the City of Minneapolis' Public Works Department. Originally from Minneapolis, Kathleen spent over a decade on the east coast working as a municipal transportation planner for Somerville, Massachusetts and at Project for Public Spaces in New York City. She spent 4 years at MnDOT and has worked at the City of Minneapolis since spring 2016. Kathleen holds a Master of City Planning degree and an Urban Design Certificate from Massachusetts Institute of Technology.

**Nick Meyers** is a GIS project manager and planner who began his career in 2005. He has experience in web application development, 3D Visualization, municipal planning, and project management. He has successfully developed and employed GIS technologies for large projects related to regional collaboration, transportation studies, and municipal planning. Nick has an MS degree in GIS from Saint Mary's University and a BA degree in Geography/City Planning from the University of Akron.

**Joy Miciano** is a principal with Zan Associates and has over 17 years of experience of working in public engagement. Her experience includes planning, design and construction projects for all modes. She has experience in planning and implementing public meetings and special events, preparing communication materials, managing websites and social media, and engaging stakeholder organizations and the public in a variety of ways. Joy is a skilled facilitator and has interacted with a variety of organizations and individuals. She is also experienced in working with diverse community groups.

**Lisa Middag** is an urban planner who works collaboratively with communities to create sustainable, vibrant, and walkable public spaces through creative placemaking, urban planning, and community/economic development. Lisa was recently hired by downtown Minneapolis DID (MplsDID) as the inaugural director of Nicollet Activation. She previously worked for Hennepin County Community Works, managing an effort to better connect the Midtown Greenway to nearby cultural and commercial destinations through wayfinding and creative placemaking.

**Brian Miller** is a graphic designer at Kimley-Horn working on projects for print and web. He is interested in finding ways to enhance public engagement processes and materials using technology and the internet.

**Shelley Miller**, AICP, has worked for seven years in transit design, urban design, and planning. She holds a Master of Landscape Architecture and a Master of Regional Planning from the University of Minnesota.

**Paul Mogush**, AICP, is a principal project coordinator with the City of Minneapolis, where his current focus is on updating the city's comprehensive plan. In addition to his work at the City of Minneapolis, Paul co-chairs the Legislative and Law Committee for the Minnesota chapter of the American Planning Association and volunteers with the Minnesota Design Team. Paul holds a Master of Urban and Regional Planning degree from the University of Minnesota.

**Mary Montagne** has worked in public health and community health promotion for 25 years. She has worked with county and city planners for over ten years to increase active living, healthy communities, and more recently, healthy food access, community engagement, and health equity in Dakota County.

**Pete Moulton** is public works director for the City of Saint Peter and was formerly the water utilities superintendent.

**Kelly Muellman**, AICP, works for the City of Minneapolis City Coordinator's Office of Sustainability. Recent projects include Minneapolis Green Zone initiative, community climate conversations on resiliency, and development of community engagement strategies around energy efficiency. Prior to working for Minneapolis, Kelly spent four years at the Minnesota Department of Health in the Climate & Health Program working on climate change adaptation and health impact assessments. A central focus of Kelly's professional work has been the marriage of climate change and sustainability planning with impacts on vulnerable and disenfranchised communities through engagement and qualitative and quantitative data analysis.

**Max Musicant** is the founder and principal of The Musicant Group, an award winning placemaking firm dedicated to transforming underutilized spaces into great places where people want to be. The firm has pioneered a holistic approach to the creation of place that integrates design, events, and management systems all through the lens of the user experience. He and his firm have demonstrated that community and commercial interests all benefit from more humane, inviting, and lively places for people.

**Dale Neef**, of DNA Data Solutions, advises organizations and communities on Big Data, Smart City technologies, municipal broadband, and other digital economy issues and trends. A frequent contributor to journals and a regular speaker at technology conferences, Dale earned his doctorate from Cambridge University and has written or edited eight books on the role of technology in economic development and society. He is a member of the American Planning Association, the ICMA, and the Connecticut Technology Council.

**Bryan Nemeth** is a traffic engineer with extensive experience in traffic forecasting and analysis, operational analysis, and development of innovative intersection and interchange concepts. He has led multiple research and intersection development projects, as well as plans for multiple urban corridor, roundabout, and highway design projects. Bryan holds an MS degree in Transportation Engineering and Planning from the University of Wisconsin and a BS degree in Civil Engineering from the University of Colorado.

**Katrina Nygaard** is a planner at Stantec in St. Paul where she began working after completing her Master of Urban and Regional Planning at the University of Minnesota. Her undergraduate degree is in geography and environmental studies from the University of Chicago. She brings both planning and urban design experience to her work, with an emphasis on community engagement and environmental justice. In her time at Stantec, Katrina has been involved with numerous brownfield redevelopment planning projects across the Upper Midwest.

**Jo Ann Olsen**, AICP, has 30 years of transit experience in project management, transit oriented development, joint development, project approvals, grant writing, and the federal funding process. Jo Ann provided owner's representation services to the City of Mankato during the Mankato Transit Facility project. Jo Ann received her Master in Urban Planning from the University of Michigan.

**Josh Olson**, AICP, has been with Ramsey County since 2009. As a planning specialist in the Community and Economic Development Department, he manages two high-profile redevelopment projects, Rice Creek Commons and Riverfront Property. Previously, Josh served as a project planner in the county's Regional Railroad Authority on the development of regional transitways. He managed the development and activation strategy for Union Depot. Josh has a Master of Urban and Regional Planning degree from the University of Colorado- Denver.

**Kris Orluck** has been engaged in senior programming and senior centers for 30+ years, working for the City of Maple Grove the past 20. The emphasis in programming has always been to offer a wide variety of options for individuals in many areas of interest (educational, fitness, artistic, social, recreational, health/wellness, and engagement) to allow individuals to participate how it best fits their interests. In 2016 the city joined the Age-Friendly Initiative, and Kris serves as the lead staff person from the city on that work group.

**Sanjay Pandya**, PE, has 30 years of project management and structural engineering experience. For more than 19 years, Sanjay has been involved in the planning and design of new parking facilities, leading teams for a variety of clients including municipalities, private developers, hospitals, and universities. Sanjay also has directed numerous parking consulting projects including parking supply/demand, parking structure site feasibility studies, and parking structure functional design development.

**Molly Patterson-Lundgren**, AICP, has more than 17 years of experience in community development and historic preservation. She serves on the State Board of Review for nominations to the National Register and provides historic preservation services as city planner for Albert Lea and assistance to the City of Waseca. Molly spent 10 years as the city planner for the City of Wabasha where she oversaw rehabilitation and restoration activity in the downtown historic district and the development of the National Eagle Center and riverfront.

**Jennifer Pelletier** is a community evaluation coordinator at the Minnesota Department of Health responsible for leading evaluation efforts on active living. She has expertise in both quantitative and qualitative research methods and evaluation of school and community policies to increase access to healthy foods and opportunities for physical activity. Jennifer has over nine years of experience conducting health research and evaluation studies and is an avid bike commuter.

**Daniel Peña** is a transportation planner with over three years of experience in transit and regional transportation planning. He has worked in both the public and private sector on studies and planning documents at the city, county, and regional level. Experience includes preparing comprehensive system analyses for transit agencies throughout the country and developing multimodal transportation policy and guiding documents at the regional level.

**Steve Peterson**, AICP, is the manager of highway planning at the Metropolitan Council, the MPO for the Minneapolis-St. Paul region. He co-managed the Principal Arterial Intersection Conversion Study. His other duties include helping to program nearly \$100 million per year of federal transportation funds to the region through the Regional Solicitation. Steve has an undergraduate degree from St. Norbert College in De Pere, Wisconsin, and a Master degree in Urban and Regional Planning from the University of Minnesota's Humphrey School of Public Affairs.

With a background in environmental and transportation planning from the University of Minnesota's Humphrey School for Public Policy, **Michael Petesch** has extensive knowledge in managing counting programs utilizing manual tallying and automated equipment. Currently, Michael is working with partners across Minnesota to establish a network of fixed and portable automated people counters. This data will provide insight into non-motorized travel patterns and volumes on different facilities throughout the state, which will be used to shape policy, plans, engineering, and safety measures.

**Will Phillips** is the state director for AARP Minnesota, a non-partisan, non-profit social impact organization with a membership of more than 660,000 Minnesotans.

**Ellen Pillsbury**, AICP, is the active transportation coordinator with the Minnesota Department of Health. Within the Office of Statewide health Improvement Initiatives, Ellen focuses on community active living strategies working with local public health, regional and state partners to build capacity for active transportation and community planning efforts. Ellen has 10 years of experience in planning and has led and participated in a wide variety of healthy community planning projects. Ellen has a Master degree in Urban Planning from Minnesota State Mankato.

**Melissa Poehlman**, AICP, is the city planner for the City of Richfield. Over the past few years, Melissa has volunteered in a variety of capacities for the Minnesota Chapter including as co-chair of the state conference in 2013 and Awards Chair in 2016. She currently serves as a co-professional development officer for the Minnesota Chapter of the American Planning Association.

**Sue Polka**, PE, has more than 30 years of experience in the public sector having served as director of public works and city engineer for communities in Minnesota and Texas as well as development services director for the City of Avondale, AZ, and as director of engineering and capital projects for Pearland, TX, which was ranked the 7<sup>th</sup> fastest growing city in the nation in 2015. Sue is currently contract public works director/city engineer for the City of Arden Hills.

**Anna Potter** is a transportation planner and engineer-in-training with interests in data analysis, graphic visualization, and multimodal planning. She has experience in transitway planning, traffic studies, long range transportation planning, and construction management. Anna received a Bachelor degree in Civil Engineering from Iowa State University in 2011 and a Master of Urban and Regional Planning from the University of Minnesota in 2015. She is currently at Kimley-Horn in the Transportation Planning group.

**Hannah Pritchard** is a senior traffic engineer at Toole Design Group with over a decade of experience in transportation planning and traffic engineering. Hannah leads the TDG traffic engineering group and is constantly exploring new ways to measure operations for all modes. She is adept at communicating with engineers, planners, and the public. Hannah has extensive bicycle analysis experience and has played an instrumental role in the development of TDG's cutting edge pedestrian and bicycle transit access methodology.

Social media ninja. Problem unraveler. Creative thinker. Public Engagement Specialist. **Jennifer Quayle** comes highly recommended by nine out of 10 people who recommend things. Nothing makes her happier than hatching a plan to engage a community and executing it so well that even the non-joiners want to join in. Except puppies - puppies make her happier.

**Jamie Radel** is a senior planner with the City of St. Paul. Her work has focused on housing- and park-related policy, neighborhood planning, and brownfields redevelopment fundraising. Prior to joining St. Paul's planning team in 2013, Jamie worked as a financial analyst for Northland Securities, as the economic development coordinator for the City of Roseville, Minnesota, and an assistant planner with Vandewalle & Associates in Madison, Wisconsin. Jamie holds a Master of Science in Urban and Regional Planning from the University of Wisconsin-Madison.

**Suzanne Rhees**, AICP, is conservation projects coordinator at the Minnesota Board of Water and Soil Resources, where she is managing the Working Lands Watershed Restoration Program and updates to state rules to prevent excessive soil erosion. At BWSR and previously at the DNR, she has focused on water supply policies and on the relationship between water resources and related land use plans. Suzanne is a district director on the APA-MN Board and also serves on the Legislative and Law Committee.

**Mark Riverblood** is the current assistant public works superintendent/parks superintendent for the City of Ramsey, providing over 30 years of dedicated service to the city. Mark not only oversees the maintenance operations of parks, trails, and open space, he is also heavily involved in planning efforts for the city, providing perspectives of parks and beyond.

**Sam Rockwell** holds a JD from Vermont Law School, where he focused on land use and environmental law. He serves as the director of community development and innovation for the University of MN Foundation Real Estate Advisors and as a commissioner on the City of Minneapolis Planning Commission.

**Mike Rogers** has 16 years of experience as a transportation planner and is currently a transit project manager with the Ramsey County Regional Railroad Authority. His responsibilities include project management, advising on policy and legislative issues, managing studies that incorporate the Federal Transit Administration and Federal Railroad Administration process, coordination with stakeholders on transitway corridor and other transit and rail studies, and advising transitway corridor policy boards. Prior to joining RCRRA, Mike worked for Washington County as a senior transportation planner.

**Brian Ross**, AICP, LEED GA, is senior program director at the Great Plains Institute. He has 25 years of experience working with local, regional, and state governments on sustainability efforts, including energy planning. He helped develop Minnesota's award-winning GreenStep Cities program, developed solar best practice toolkits for local government in four Midwestern states, helped form the Department of Energy's "SolSmart" certification program, and provided direct assistance to dozens of local governments across the Midwest on clean energy, resiliency, and sustainability.

**Stephanie Rouse**, AICP, graduated from the University of Nebraska with a Master's degree in Community and Regional Planning. She has worked in Nebraska, Texas, and Minnesota all within city planning agencies. She also worked in a private preservation firm in Minneapolis briefly and is currently employed as an associate planner with the City of Anoka.

As the port authority administrator for the City of Bloomington, **Schane Rudlang** plans infrastructure and helps finance sustainable, mixed-use, transit-oriented development primarily in Bloomington's South Loop District. His recent projects in South Loop include ongoing Mall of America expansions and hotel and residential projects at Bloomington Central Station, along the Blue LRT line. He also works on the city's legislative agenda.

**Rose Ryan**, AICP, is a planner with specialties in multimodal transportation and community engagement. She is a senior planner with Alta Planning + Design, where she works on bicycle and pedestrian planning and concept design, Safe Routes to School, and community engagement.

**Connor Schaefer**, a planner with Washington County, primarily works on regional park and trail projects. After an introduction to planning in high school, he has held positions in the public and private sector where he worked with urban, suburban, and rural communities. Each of these experiences continues to inform his work on parks and trails today. He earned his Bachelor of Arts in Geography and Master of Urban and Regional Planning from the University of Minnesota.

**Philip Schaffner**, policy planning director, MnDOT, leads a team of planners coordinating state and regional planning efforts. His current work focuses on climate change, Complete Streets, economic analysis, and automated vehicles. Prior to joining MnDOT in 2009, he held positions with the Volpe National Transportation Systems Center in Cambridge, MA and the affordable housing developer Aeon in Minneapolis. He holds a BA from Grinnell College and a Master in Public Policy from the Harvard Kennedy School of Government.

**Ciara Schlichting**, AICP, is director of Toole Design Group's Minneapolis office where she leads a multidisciplinary team of engineers, planners, and landscape architects who work on multimodal transportation projects in the Midwest and across the country. She has nearly 20 years of experience working on projects ranging from planning routes in the United States Bicycle Route System and the Twin Cities emerging transit system to active transportation plans and Complete Streets.

**Jason Schmidt** has over 10 years of project management experience, with a focus on comprehensive planning, public policy, and regulations. His recent projects include an update to Bloomington's residential and commercial zoning districts, the adoption of a Master Sign Plan ordinance for Bloomington's South Loop District, and the completion and zoning implementation of the Penn American District Plan. He is currently on a project team updating the city's Comprehensive Plan.

**Rattana Sengsoulichahn** is a city planner with the City of Minneapolis focusing currently on engagement for the comprehensive plan. He graduated from the University of Minnesota with a Bachelor degree in Urban Studies in 2015.

**Colleen Sheehy** is executive director of Public Art Saint Paul, an organization that places artists in leading roles to shape urban spaces, improve city systems, and deepen civic engagement. Her work is concerned with ways in which art and artists play vital roles in civic life. Celebrating its 30th Anniversary in 2017, Public Art Saint Paul has reached every part of the city with its innovative public art projects.

**Monica Sheets** is an artist who creates platforms for communication as a form of civic engagement for herself and other participants. She has an MFA in Public Art and New Artistic Strategies from the Bauhaus University in Weimar, Germany, and her work has been recognized through grants and exhibitions regionally and abroad.

**Jimmy Shoemaker** is a transportation planner who works on projects that make biking and walking safer and more enjoyable for people of all ages. Before Alta, Jimmy worked for the City of San Francisco tackling issues related to curb space, bicycle wayfinding, and the pedestrian realm. Jimmy holds a Master in Urban Planning from the University of Minnesota and a BS in Environmental Science and Geology from the University of Iowa.

**Carissa Slotterback**, PhD, AICP, is an associate professor in Urban and Regional Planning in the Humphrey School of Public Affairs at the University of Minnesota. She has expertise related to stakeholder engagement and decision making related to environmental, land use, and transportation planning. She is especially interested in sustainability and collaborative planning approaches.

For 20 years, **Todd Streeter** has devoted his community service career to engaging diverse stakeholders for the purpose of creating a better future. Todd has held many community leadership roles, including mayor, Chamber of Commerce president / executive director and community foundation co-founder, to name a few. As a community leader, Todd has assisted in the development of a wide range of community improvement projects involving cities, counties, multi-governmental agencies, businesses, property owners, nonprofit organizations, residents, and civic interest groups.

**Claire Stoscheck** is a community engagement professional, educator, researcher, policy analyst, program evaluator, and community organizer who is deeply committed to and passionate about equity, social justice, community health, and environmental sustainability. She is a research analyst for The Improve Group. Claire has experience as a farm worker, food justice organizer, and food systems researcher. Claire holds a Master of Public Policy with a concentration in Sustainable Community Food Systems, a minor in Sustainable Agriculture, and a certificate in Equity and Diversity.

**Aaron Stubbs** is a land use planner with Blue Earth County; he is a graduate of the University of Arizona's College of Architecture, Planning, and Landscape Architecture with a Master of Science in Planning. Aaron's professional experience includes issuing building permits, reviewing residential and commercial development proposals, and applying the applicable zoning and environmental regulations. In addition to his current position, Aaron has also worked with the Pima County Development Services Department in Arizona and has been employed as a private consultant.

**D'Angelos Svenkeson**, vice president of THOR Development and Construction, is a seasoned commercial real estate professional with substantial experience in all facets of the development and acquisition process.

**Scott Tempel** is the city planner for Northfield, MN. His previous planning experience includes the City of St. Paul and 18 years as a planner for various Colorado communities.

**Lucy Thompson** has worked for 29 years as a planner for the City of Saint Paul, during which time she has worked on neighborhood planning, heritage preservation, riverfront redevelopment, infill mixed-use development, zoning for traditional neighborhood design, transit-oriented development, and urban design. Currently, her emphasis is on planning and urban design for downtown and the central Mississippi riverfront, as well as transit-oriented development along the Green Line light rail line.

**Hally Turner** is a planner with Washington County. She graduated with a Master of Public Health (MPH) and each position Hally has held focused on incorporating public health into policy making. Hally's current work focuses on planning transit projects and assessing the transportation needs for individuals with disabilities and older adults living in Washington County. Hally is a mentor through the School of Public Health and is co-leading efforts to develop a mentor program from the Women's Transportation Seminar.

**Craig Vaughn**, PE, PTOE, has 18 years of experience in traffic and transportation engineering and planning. Craig's strong technical background is coupled with his ability to be an effective facilitator and lead successful stakeholder processes. Craig is a graduate of the University of Minnesota.

**Kjensmo Walker** incorporates her own experience with disability into her leadership in the transportation and policy arenas. She received her Bachelor degree in Urban Studies from the University of Minnesota. Upon graduation, Kjensmo worked on the Central Corridor Transit Service Study as a trusted advocate, serving as a liaison between transit planners and the disability community. She became a member of the Metropolitan Council's Transportation Accessibility Advisory Committee in 2012 and was appointed chair in 2015.

**Maria Wardoku** was the research assistant and primary report author for the Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Minnesota Center for Prevention's Healthy and Equitable Development project. She holds a Master in Urban and Regional Planning from the Hubert H. Humphrey School of Public Affairs, where she focused on active living. Maria serves as board vice-president of the Minneapolis Bicycle Coalition and works in transportation planning.

**Kurt Wayne**, AICP, has a background in transportation planning with a degree from the University of Minnesota's Humphrey School for Public Policy. Prior to working in Minneapolis, Kurt was a transportation planner in Bemidji, MN, which included activities such as managing bike and pedestrian count data for the community. At Minneapolis' Public Works, Kurt works on improving the bicyclist and pedestrian count program (currently in its 10th year). He also works on projects and studies that aim to improve conditions for people walking and biking in Minneapolis.

**Eric Weiss**, AICP, is a long-range planner for the City of Shakopee. He serves as co-chair for the Planning for People initiative and vice president of APA-MN. His ten years of experience in the field includes nonprofit, public, and private experiences with a focus on strategic planning, health and equity, transportation, and community development. He holds a Master in Urban Planning from Mankato State University.

**Corrin Hoegen Wendell**, AICP, is a practicing planner with over ten years of local government experience. Corrin is a senior planner/sector representative at the Metropolitan Council. She holds a Bachelor of Science in Architecture and a Master of City and Regional Planning from the Ohio State University. She also serves on the executive board of the Women and Planning Division of APA as the director of programs and is conference programs chair for MN APA.

**Natalie Westberg** is an associate planner at Metro Transit, where she works on planning and project development for future bus rapid transit projects in the Twin Cities. She studied geography, urban studies, and political science at Macalester College. Prior to her position at Metro Transit, Natalie worked at transit advocacy organizations, a commercial real estate development firm, and conducted research with the Westside Atlanta Land Trust. Her work is grounded in building more equitable transportation networks and sustainable urban communities.

**Kevin White**, AICP, is a transportation planner and project manager at Kimley-Horn, specializing in multimodal transportation and master planning. Earlier in 2017, Kevin helped the Minnesota Department of Transportation complete a carpool count study at the ABC Ramps in Minneapolis.

**Heather Worthington** has 20 years of public sector experience. In 2010, she was hired as the first deputy county manager of Ramsey County, the second most populous county in Minnesota with 520,000 residents, a \$600 million annual budget, and 4,300 employees. She leads economic development for the county and is the project manager for the redevelopment of the former Twin Cities Army Ammunition Plant, a \$30 million project to fully remediate the 427-acre site and return the land to productive use.

**Eric Wojchik** is senior planner in Local Planning Assistance with the Metropolitan Council. He provides technical assistance in comprehensive planning and performs resiliency project work. Eric is from Minnesota but worked in Scotland as a planner for many years. Much of his overseas work focused on EIA, sustainability, and renewables. Eric has a Master in Urban and Regional Planning and a Master in Sustainable Development. He is a chartered planner of the Royal Town Planning Institute (UK).

**Julia Weinstein Wolfe** brings experience in a variety of fields to her current position as a public health planner focusing on aging. Past positions include providing services to homeless youth, people living with HIV, and battered women. Her experience also includes working as a substance abuse and mental health counselor in school settings. She has served as a corporate communications and organizational change management consultant to a Fortune 500 company and is an award-winning multimedia designer. She holds two master degrees; the most recent is a Master of Science degree in Applied Anthropology.

**Lynda Woulfe** is the city administrator for the City of Cambridge, Minnesota. She has served in that capacity since April 2007. Lynda previously worked for the cities of Pine City and Red Wing as well as Goodhue County and the League of Minnesota Cities. Lynda is passionate about creating communities that serve all generations and developing a variety of housing, business, entertainment, and recreation.

**Leslie Yetka** is program director with the Freshwater Society, a Minnesota non-profit organization that works with organizations and communities to protect our surface and groundwater resources for future generations. She has experience in the areas of community engagement, environmental education, and public planning, with a specific focus on water resources, sustainable landscape practices, and community resilience. Leslie has a Bachelor degree in Biology and a Master degree in Horticulture with a minor in Water Resources Science.