

LOUISIANA TRANSPORTATION RESEARCH CENTER

The Louisiana Transportation Research Center (LTRC) is a nationally recognized research, technology transfer, and education center administered jointly by the Louisiana Department of Transportation and Development (DOTD) and Louisiana State University (LSU).

Created by the Louisiana Legislature in 1986, LTRC has gained prominence through its efforts to improve the state's transportation systems. The center conducts short-term and long-term research and provides technical assistance, engineering training and education, technology transfer, and problem-solving services to DOTD, local government, and the transportation community at large.

THE LTRC FOUNDATION

The foundation was chartered as a non-profit corporation instituted solely for the purpose of enhancing and supporting LTRC. A primary purpose of LTRC is to establish cooperation among the groups who work to improve Louisiana's transportation systems. The LTRC Foundation represents a unique opportunity for government, industry, and academia to partner in meeting that expectation.

TTEC

The LTRC Foundation exists to enhance and support LTRC as the focus for transportation research, education, and training in Louisiana. The first goal of the foundation was to plan, develop, and construct the Transportation Training and Education Center (TTEC) for the entire transportation community. This goal was realized when TTEC became operational in January 2006.

TTEC is dedicated to the delivery of transportation training, professional development opportunities, continuing education, and technology transfer to engineers, technicians, and other professionals from Louisiana's public and private sectors. Through this new facility, LTRC is expanding the scope and availability of training, thereby serving a larger population.

TTEC is located next to the current LTRC building on LSU's campus, near the College of Engineering. The 14,000-square-foot facility houses a lecture hall with a capacity of 100, a computer-based classroom for 30, and two general classrooms for 40. These classrooms are equipped with state-of-the-art education and training equipment, including video conferencing capabilities designed to receive nationally available broadcasts and to transmit training courses and demonstration projects throughout the state.

FUTURE GOALS

While the foundation is proud of its first landmark accomplishment, much work remains in the quest to lead LTRC to national prominence. Future goals for the LTRC Foundation include:

- Enhancing the research/equipment capabilities of LTRC
- Endowing LTRC Research Professorships
- Promoting TTEC as a regional center for transportation workforce development

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

The LTRC Foundation is governed by a board of directors whose composition reflects the nature of the transportation community (public, private, and academic). Included in this group are three representatives of DOTD, two LTRC administrative positions, four private industry representatives, and representatives of the seven Louisiana universities with engineering programs (University of New Orleans, Southern University, University of Louisiana at Lafayette, Louisiana Tech University, McNeese State University, Tulane University, and Louisiana State University).



SUPPORTING THE LTRC FOUNDATION

The LTRC Foundation seeks to effect a true public/private partnership for improving transportation in Louisiana. In that regard, parties interested in supporting the foundation are encouraged to contact the LTRC Director or any member of the LTRC Foundation Board of Directors for further information.

TAX EXEMPT STATUS OF FOUNDATION

The LTRC Foundation was incorporated as a non-profit corporation under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code and has been assigned an Employer Identification Number, 72-1350383. Tax exempt status was approved by the IRS on April 10, 1998. Accordingly, donors may deduct contributions to the foundation as provided in Section 170 of the Code.

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