

Scott Zadakis

Scott Zadakis is currently the eLearning Project Manager of the USDA National Rural Transit Assistance Program where he maintains an online Learning Management System(LMS) for use by rural and tribal transit providers across the United States. He works with national and local agencies across the country to provide access to not only USDA resources but also to local resources via the website. He conducts research and evaluates opportunities for new training based on current trends and new technologies.

Scott is the former Executive Director of CrossTown Connect Transportation Management Association (TMA) where he facilitated collaboration between municipal and private business partners on mutually beneficial transportation initiatives. He acted as a liaison between TMA partners, regional transit authorities and other regional and state agencies. He coordinated with MassDOT and the Human Services Transportation Office to encourage other regions to adopt similar initiatives to the model of "mobility for all."

"... a large part of my role was to facilitate the identification and elimination of inefficiencies that arose from parochial practices, policies and attitudes. This included the delicate art of working with and not against agencies at the local and state level ..."

Prior experience for Scott included research work at the Dukakis Center for Urban and Regional Policy at Northeastern University where he collaborated with various business, non-profit and government stakeholders to forge a consensus for statewide transportation finance reform that would create long term economic stability for the transportation system.

Scott earned a BA in international affairs with a concentration in political science at the University of Maine, Orono. He earned an MS in urban and regional policy at Northeastern University. One of his projects was to design self-assessment tools for "Alternatives for Community and Environment" to facilitate internal evaluations.