



**FLORIDA
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ASSOCIATION



**CARRIER MEMBER
INFORMATION**



Dear Prospective Member Carrier:

Thank you for considering membership in Florida Trucking Association. You will make your decision based on the level of value you believe will come to you and your company.

The enclosed materials describe a dozen reasons we think you'll benefit, but let me boil it down to three.

- First, you will gain a unified voice in legislative and regulatory concerns—there really is strength in numbers. We'll also help be your voice in improving the public image of trucking.
- Second, you will gain a dynamic network. FTA offers opportunities to interact and combine forces with people in your business. You will benefit from viewpoints and knowledge that are both similar to and different from your own.
- Third, you will gain a valuable toolbox. Most of those tools are about learning...a steady flow of condensed information will reach you, as well as your choice of quality training programs. The toolbox also contains a variety of member benefits.

FTA is the **one place** that spends 100% of its time thinking and working to make your company and the whole industry thrive. We are a resource of real value when you encounter a problem or simply want to give your staff the opportunity to get better.

You may have heard that there are major changes happening at FTA. That's true. We are more focused on relationships and delivering tangible value, both statewide and in every region.

Your membership will definitely make us better. We hope you reach the same conclusion for you and your company.

Cordially,

Alix P. Miller

Alix P. Miller, Ph.D.
President and CEO

Enclosures

SHARE IN THE REWARDS

FTA Membership Benefits



When you become a member of Florida Trucking Association, you gain a unified voice, a dynamic network, and a valuable toolbox. Here's what that looks like in detail.



- > **A powerful advocacy group** that continually works with lawmakers, agencies and interest groups to make sure your business competes on a level playing field.
- > **Florida Truck News magazine**, which is a publication dedicated to trucking in Florida. This publication is filled with hot topic articles, best practice information and regulatory updates.
- > **FTA Online Membership Database** which puts your name at the fingertips of the industry statewide. This invaluable resource contains all carriers, shipper members, supplier members, specialized councils, and more.
- > **Periodic e-mails** that synthesize the emerging news in the trucking industry, so you don't have to spend time culling through the news pile for important details.
- > **Networking opportunities** at the many FTA events held throughout the year. These meetings give you time to meet others in your industry—to make crucial business contacts or to find a mentor who's been through it all.
- > **Specialized training opportunities** in varied locations statewide. Your technical staff and safety crew will have multiple opportunities to get top-notch training from industry leaders, both in-person and online.
- > **Peer support and career-building opportunities** through our specialized professional groups: FTA Safety Management Council and FTA Technology & Maintenance Council. These groups meet quarterly to learn best practices and train on the latest equipment and products.
- > **Public image campaigns** telling Floridians the value and professionalism of trucking.
- > **Important updates on industry trends** and information from national and state-level sources.
- > **Regulatory updates** and information synthesis in plain language—so you can easily understand how proposed laws and regulations will affect you.
- > **Mentoring opportunities** from trucking leaders: find a mentor to help you grow your business or lend a hand to an up-and-coming manager. Both gain valuable insight and professional development from our mentoring program.
- > **A direct connection to the information you need.** FTA offers technical assistance on regulatory issues, from state agencies such as the Florida Department of Transportation and Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles to the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration.
- > **Unique member savings programs** for the products you already use, including software, educational materials, drug testing, and more.
- > **Leadership opportunities** are available through the FTA Board of Directors, Council of Delegates, or one of the major councils or committees that oversee and guide the Association.

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FTA IS THE ONE PLACE *That Is Focused on You!*



When you belong to Florida Trucking Association, you gain more than membership:



You gain a Unified Voice in regulatory/legislative affairs and in building the image of trucking in Florida. Because trucking is the largest transportation sector in this state, our combined voices can be one very powerful tool to further our interests. With the collective horsepower of our members, we are a force to be heard in government, regulatory and business arenas. FTA also makes the public image of trucking a high priority.

REGULATORY LIAISON : LEGISLATIVE ADVOCATE : IMAGE BUILDER



You gain a Dynamic Network by which you connect yourself to your peers and to potential customer or suppliers. FTA events and committees help you not only expand your professional knowledge, but they also give you introductions to new business relationships. Whether you're a supplier member looking to make new account connections or a carrier company wanting a colleague's point of view, our events bring people together, and possibilities abound.

BUSINESS CONNECTOR : LEAD GENERATOR : PEER INTERSECTION



You gain a Valuable Toolbox where you receive a variety of member benefits to improve your business and a constant flow of education and information. All of our educational sessions and communication tools are designed with busy professionals in mind. That means targeted content in convenient locations—in formats that you can easily use. FTA is also your go-to place for specialized member discount programs on goods and services you need.

EDUCATION SOLUTION : INFORMATION SOURCE : RESOURCE HUB

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SHARE IN THE REWARDS *FTA Delivers for You*



Need more examples of what you get from FTA membership? Take a look:



LEGISLATIVELY SPEAKING

- > We passed the **400-lb exemption with regard to truck weights** to accommodate Auxiliary Power Units (APUs), making it feasible for truckers to be more efficient and maintain payload profitability.
- > We successfully passed a permit program allowing a **10% increase in scale tolerance, authorizing up to 88,000 pounds** on certain roads, making it easier for you to get trucks from point A to point Z.
- > We successfully passed **anti-indemnification legislation that voids any motor carrier contract language** that seeks to hold harmless the shipper for intentional acts or negligence that result in damage or loss. Now that's a breath of fresh air for your insurance rates.
- > We **reduced the across-the-board increase in tag/title fees** from a proposed 100% increase (a \$100 million impact on the heavy trucking industry) to just 35%. That's money in your back pocket every single year.
- > We **realigned and protected intrastate hours of service**, assuring maximum effectiveness and efficiency for Florida's intrastate haulers. We've got our eye on upcoming federal hours of service changes, as well.
- > We **defeated proposals that would have imposed a sales tax on interstate freight bills** that also included equipment and repair parts. The last thing you need is another tax on the trucking industry.



FOR THE MANAGEMENT

- > Our extensive calendar of events allows **managers and top-level officials** to meet industry peers, get face time with industry decision-makers, and learn best practices from some of the most savvy businesspeople in the state.
- > FTA's **annual competitions**, such as SuperTech and Truck Driving Championships, are a powerful tool for employee motivation, training, and morale.
- > Through the power of numbers, FTA **negotiates special "members-only" purchasing agreements** with Affinity partners, affording you special discounts on services you probably already use.
- > **Timely news updates and industry hot topics** hit your in-box on a regular basis—condensed with the cream of the story on top—so you don't have to waste precious daylight.



AT THE EMPLOYEE LEVEL

- > FTA's **Safety Management Council** and **Technology & Maintenance Council** offer tremendous opportunities for leadership, professional education and performance-boosting best practice training.
- > The annual **SuperTech** and **Florida Trucking Driving Championships** competitions are the first step to competing nationally at these prestigious events.
- > **Online training opportunities and face-to-face workshops** bring the classroom to the terminal for many of our companies. Industry updates from leading-edge suppliers give your techs and safety people a leg up on the competition.



We bring training to your own back yard.

FTA maintains a robust menu of regional activities that means you will frequently be able to take advantage of opportunities within a hour's drive of your office.

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SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS

How You Connect with FTA



Finding your niche in an industry organization shouldn't be hard. We have many opportunities for professional development and peer connection through our special interest councils. You can make an impact and get the most out of your FTA membership!



FTA Safety Management Council

Florida Trucking Association's Safety Management Council (SMC) is made up of safety professionals from its member companies. Their primary goal is simple—make trucking in Florida as safe as possible. With this goal in mind the SMC operates year-round. With wide-ranging programs and public relations campaigns, the SMC has increased both public and industry awareness of the importance of highway safety in Florida. The SMC has been recognized by the Federal Highway Administration for its efforts. The many programs supported by the FTA's safety professionals include:

- > **Florida Truck Driving Championships** (Qualifier for ATA's National Truck Driving Championship)
- > **Annual Safety Management Awards** (awards for fleets, drivers, safety professionals)
- > **Florida Vehicle Inspections** (in cooperation with FHP and AgLaw enforcement)
- > **Herman Fauss Scholarship** program (for graduating high school seniors)
- > **Florida Driver Appreciation** events



FTA Technology and Maintenance Council

Our Technology Maintenance Council focuses primarily on professional development of service technicians and managers through various in-depth training opportunities and skills competitions. This tight-knit group meets at locations around the state to participate in innovative educational sessions from cutting-edge OEMs and technology/parts manufacturers. These programs include:

- > **Florida SuperTech** skills competition (and qualifier for ATA's National SuperTech Competition)
- > **Florida Vehicle Inspections** (joint effort with FTA-SMCC)
- > **Hands-on professional training** from sponsors such as Cummins, Thermo King, Omnitrac, and more



FTA 2.0

If you are a rising executive in your company and want to provide leadership for FTA and the trucking industry, 2.0 might be perfect for you. This corps of next-generation (thus the name "2.0") leaders has a mission to help us as we adapt to a rapidly changing future. The group adopted several areas of focus

- > **Provide feedback** to FTA on new initiatives
- > **Champion** public image campaigns for FTA and the industry at large
- > **Serve** as FTA's hospitality ambassadors
- > **Implement** community service programs
- > **Help organize** FTA membership recruitment efforts

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OPPORTUNITIES TO DEVELOP *Participation Equals Success*



Participation makes your company and your people better, and it builds momentum for FTA



Educational Opportunities

Specialized training opportunities in varied locations statewide. Your technical staff and safety crew will have multiple opportunities to get top-notch training from industry leaders, both in-person and online.

- > **Spring Rendezvous** with educational sessions and sporting activities to benefit the Florida Teacher Tour
- > **Annual Conference**, chock full of timely information on regulations and governance issues at both federal and state level
- > **Technology/Maintenance and Safety Management workshops** scattered statewide that focus on a single, concentrated topic
- > **Fall Round-Up/Educational Institute**, which is a full day of buffet-style training. Choose your track, choose your session.



Competition Opportunities

- > **Florida SuperTech** skills competition and qualifier for ATA's National SuperTech Competition)
- > **Florida Truck Driving Championships** (qualifier for ATA's National Truck Driving Championship)
- > **Annual Safety Management Awards** (awards for fleets, drivers, safety professionals)



Leadership Opportunities

- > **FTA Board of Directors** elected from the larger Council of Delegates
- > **FTA Council of Delegates** represented by members of special councils and at-large appointments
- > **Various volunteer** committee leadership opportunities

Volunteer Opportunities

- > **Safety Management Council (SMC)** focuses on driver recognition and advancing safety industry-wide
- > **Technology and Maintenance Council (TMC)** develops innovative training maintenance staff
- > **2.0 Group** brings together the best and brightest of next-generation company leadership
- > **Florida Road Team** is a group of professional drivers who act as spokespersons and safety educators
- > **Membership Recruitment Committee (MRC)** identifies and develops FTA membership growth opportunities



Recognition Opportunities

- > **Herman Fauss Scholarship** providing college funds for children/grandchildren of CDL drivers
- > **Drivers of the Month/Year** as part of our Safety Management Awards
- > **Fleet Safety Awards** by carrier type and mileage as part of the annual Safety Management Awards
- > **Safety Professional of the Year** recognizes the top Safety Director in Florida's trucking industry



Networking Opportunities are included in everything we do, plus ...

- > Annual Conference, Regional Meetings, Herman Fauss Golf Tournament, and more

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INVESTING IN YOURSELF

Joining FTA Is Easy!



We aren't complicated. Membership happens fast!

1 DUES ARE REASONABLE 

Carrier members are \$595 + \$20/ Florida-based truck
Shipper and Supplier members are \$595 + \$100/additional location option
Discounts offered for partial-year memberships.
Dues are calculated by calendar year.

APPLICATION FORM 

 Fill out the brief **membership application** in this packet. Use the long-form application (just ask us for it) to enroll key employees for councils either now or any time.

3 QUESTIONS? 

Use our website at www.floridatrucking.org
Call our office at (850) 222-9900 **Fax:** (850) 222-9363
Email us: info@floridatrucking.org
Calendar of events, recent news, staff and board listings, etc., are available online anytime.

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FTA Membership = Strength in Numbers! *Enrollment Form*

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Company Name: _____ US DOT #: _____

Billing Address: _____

City/State/Zip: _____

Primary Representative: _____

Job Title: _____

Mailing Address: _____

City/State/Zip: _____

Office Phone: _____ Mobile Phone: _____

Email: _____ Web: _____

Number of trucks dispatched in Florida (includes company-owned and dedicated contractors): _____

MEMBERSHIP CATEGORIES:

- Carrier Membership** - \$595 annually + \$20 per FL-based truck (*maximum \$5,995 annually*) = \$ _____
- Supplier Membership** - \$595 annually + \$100 per additional location in directory = \$ _____
(Wholesaler, manufacturer, components, distributors, consultants, schools, dealers, agencies, truck stops)
- Shipper Membership** - \$595 annually + \$100 per additional location in directory TOTAL = \$ _____

***An FTA staff member will call you to confirm receipt of your enrollment form and to answer any questions.**

Your company dues above entitle you to a total of five (5) individual members (executive, safety, fleet maintenance, operations, etc.). We will contact you immediately to help identify your members and obtain their contact information.

Payment Information: Check enclosed (*payable to Florida Trucking Assoc.*) Visa MasterCard American Express

Credit card number: _____ Security Code: _____

Name as appears on card: _____ Expiration: _____

Statement Mailing address: _____

City/State/Zip: _____ Phone: _____

Email of person making payment (for receipt): _____

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Email: info@floridatrucking.org **Fax:** (850) 222-9363

Mailing address: Florida Trucking Association, 350 E. College Ave., Tallahassee, FL 32301