

Donna Brown-Martin

Resume

Qualifications

- Twenty years Public-Sector management and leadership experience
- Strong understanding of State & Federal Policy on Transportation Programming
- Effective communicator, team player and leader

Education

- Masters of Public Administration, Lafollette Institute of Public Affairs/University of Wisconsin-Madison May 1994
- Bachelor of Arts, Political Science Department/University of Wisconsin-Madison May 1990

TRANSPORTATION & PLANNING PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Milwaukee County Department of Transportation

Milwaukee, Wisconsin

- *Executive Director, June 2018 – Present.* Oversees the direction and management of five divisions consisting of the Milwaukee Airport, Milwaukee County Transit, Highway Maintenance, Fleet and Transportation Services. Management and oversight of 2,262 Lane miles of roadway which includes: 1,240 Interstate highway lane miles, 719 State Trunk highway lane miles and 303 County Trunk Lane miles. Direction and management of more than 462 full-time and seasonal staff. Defines, develop and implement strategic planning, performance management, staff development and budgeting.

Responsibilities/impact:

- Oversee planning, design and construction management of capital projects on County Trunk Highways, bridges, and traffic signals and lighting throughout the county.
- County Highway Commissioner for Milwaukee County
- Oversee facility operations and maintenance at three highway facilities, lead maintenance responsibilities for winter plowing/salting/de-icing, mowing, maintenance/replacement of streetlights and signals and pavement repair.
- Develop and implement CTH jurisdictional plans, review and advice County officials on regional and state transportation land-use and transportation plans.
- Chair of the Advisory Committee on Transportation System Planning and Programming for the Milwaukee Urbanized area.
- Awarded Small Starts Grant for East-West Bus Rapid Transit Construction
- Advisor and Liaison to the SEWRPC Environmental Justice Task Force and committee
- Advance Transportation performance management initiatives.
- Guide and mentor Transportation leadership and staff, advancing employee engagement and racial equity and diversity throughout the five agency divisions.
- Recruit, hire, and lead ~ upwards of 300 full-time staff and 160 seasonal staff across the agency.
- Develop and Coordinate staff training, team meetings and workshops with industry professional groups such as NACE, WCHA and the trades unions.
- Collaborate and provide input on communication on Transit initiatives with ATU and Local 9 union on issues and concerns with MTS. Meeting quarterly to discuss issues raised.

- Collaborate and coordinate with Milwaukee Parks on obtaining funding road and bridge improvements on Parkways throughout the County.
- Effectively communicate and collaborate with Elected Officials, County leaders, and Community leaders.
- Collaborate with community Milwaukee County businesses such as Menomonee Valley Partners, Milwaukee Regional Medical Center, and Near West Partners to name just a few.

Wisconsin Department of Transportation

Madison

- Senior Manager and Bureau Director for Statewide Planning and Economic Development, Transit, Local Roads, Railroads and Harbors and Division of Motor Vehicles from May 2018 through November 2011. Define and develop the State's long-range multimodal transportation goals and plans. *(May 2018 – November 2011)*

Responsibilities/impact:

- Guidance on investment decisions on highway, rail and trail projects identified throughout the state.
- Established the Freight and Intermodal Statewide Advisory Committee
- Guide Forecasting and modelling of statewide multimodal plans and corridor projects.
- Coordinate and present information on the availability of federal and state transportation funding.
- Collaborate with the Five State Region Offices on implementation of state projects and programs.
- Develop and administer policies, laws and activities related to motor vehicle driver licensing and vehicle titling in the state.
- Manage 92 field offices that provided services for over 3.6 million Drivers and vehicles in Wisconsin.
- Administer the statutes and laws on the revocation and suspension of operating privileges and the completion and processing of traffic accident reports.

S.E. Region and District Offices

- Senior Manager and Section Chief for Planning and Environmental Analysis across S.E. Wisconsin. Lead the Planning and Environmental analysis for such activities as the Passenger Rail High Speed Rail initiatives and the Midwest Regional Rail Initiative. Directed the Environmental Corridor Study for the Zoo Interchange project and lead the State's regional Environmental Justice planning policies implementation.

Responsibilities/impact:

- Set priorities and distribute funding for various multimodal programs supporting rail, transit, rideshare, bicycle and pedestrian activities.
- Directed and supervised staff in the development and implementation of Environmental Justice analyses and studies.

BOARDS & COMMITTEES

- Southeastern Wisconsin Regional Planning Commission – Board Commissioner and Executive Committee member
- Transportation Development Association – Executive Committee member
- Wisconsin County Highway Association – Board Member
- Social Development Commission – Appointed Member and Executive Board Officer – Secretary
- Near Westside Partners – Board Member
- Transportation Research Board – Freight Planning and Logistics Committee (AT015)

AWARDS

- Wisconsin Policy Forum Salute to Local Government Award for MCDOT as a member of the County team addressing homelessness and reimagining the area under neath Marquette Interchange. (2021).
- Wisconsin Women's Transportation Seminar – Woman of the Year, 2004

REFERENCES AVAILABLE UPON REQUEST

