



South West Transit Association ● PO Box 153157 ● Austin, TX 78715

SWTA is a regional transit association representing Arizona, Arkansas, Colorado, Kansas, Louisiana, New Mexico, Oklahoma, and Texas.

South West Transit Association Update from the SWTA Board

Dear Friend of SWTA,

As the SWTA board president I wanted to take a moment to personally update you about our executive director, Kristen Joyner.

Many of you now know that both Kristen and the SWTA office were impacted by the recent fires in Bastrop, Texas. The board had the opportunity to meet with Kristen and confirm with her that it was indeed a total loss. Thankfully Kristen, her family and her dogs are all safe.

The SWTA board elected to grant Kristen a short term leave of absence as she works to reconstruct 31 years of both professional and personal memories, records, and plans. She has been provided a home and office space in the Smithville area that will allow her to manage SWTA business without the additional burden of being far removed from the clean-up and recovery activities.

From the calls, emails and conversations I know that many of you have been personally impacted by Kristen's graciousness and that you have a strong desire to help her family as they determine next steps. The SWTA Board would like to let you know if you want to help that the best way to support the family at this time is through donations to:

***Friends of Kristen and Jonathan Joyner
First Community Bank in Corpus Christi, Texas.
5406 Everhart Road, Corpus Christi, TX 78411
For wiring instructions contact Maggie, (361) 993-9310***

We will keep you posted regarding mailing addresses, progress updates, etc. as we learn more. Even in the midst of everything Kristen is actively involved in planning for the 2012 SWTA Annual Conference and EXPO. For those who know her, this will come as no surprise!

Charla Sloan

SWTA Board Chair
Transit Director, KIBOIS Area Transit System

The SWTA Mission

To provide a community of education, communication, and advocacy in which members can strengthen their ability to provide public transportation services and products.

Our Core Values

While the South West Transit Association certainly embraces such standard values as integrity, excellence, honesty, accountability, diversity, innovation, our planning process identified some values which make SWTA unique.

SWTA also values:

Our regional nature and strength

Our culture of friendliness, approachability, and enthusiastic idea sharing

Our ability to provide more personal and customized services to members

Our no-frills, economical and efficient member services

Our ability to have fun and not always take ourselves seriously

