

### **About NACTO**

The mission of the National Association of City Transportation Officials (NACTO) is to build cities as places for people, with safe, sustainable, accessible, and equitable transportation choices that support a strong economy and vibrant quality of life. NACTO does this by:

### Communicating a bold

**vision** for 21st century urban mobility and building strong leadership capacity among city transportation officials.

## Empowering a coalition of cities

to lead the way on transportation policy at the local, state, and national levels.

#### Raising the state of the practice

for street design that prioritizes people walking, biking, and taking transit.

NACTO is a 501(c)(3) non-profit association. Since its founding in 1996, NACTO has provided a forum for the exchange of ideas and best transportation practices among North American cities and helped ensure that cities are leading the way with forward-thinking transportation policy. NACTO is committed to empowering cities to realize their goals for stronger, safer, fairer transportation and communities, and looks forward to working with others who share this commitment. Your membership in NACTO is an investment in these ideals.

#### **EXECUTIVE BOARD**

NACTO's Executive Board comprises a Chair, four Full Member representatives, and an Affiliate Member representative.



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# **Membership**

The core of NACTO's mission is to build a strong network of peers and foster open communication and collaboration between cities. NACTO provides its members with valuable technical assistance, peer-to-peer learning opportunities, and forums for sharing best practices. Through our annual Designing Cities Conference, on-the-ground roundtables and workshops, virtual programming like webinars, network calls, and digital design and policy charrettes, and more, NACTO offers its members opportunities to showcase new projects, receive feedback from peers, explore common challenges, and learn from shared experiences.

#### **NACTO** has 4 membership types:

#### FULL MEMBERSHIP

Open to central cities in the U.S. with a population of at least 400,000 in a Metro Area with a population of at least 2 million

#### AFFILIATE MEMBERSHIP

Open to cities of any size in the U.S. that do not qualify for full membership

# TRANSIT AGENCY MEMBERSHIP

Open to transit agencies that operate in a city that is already a NACTO member

# INTERNATIONAL CITY MEMBERSHIP

Open to cities with a population of 300,000 or more in Canada and Mexico

Full Member cities participate in NACTO's Governance Committee, which sets <u>NACTO Policy</u> and approves NACTO's annual work plan. All NACTO members participate in daily peer exchange via listservs, contribute to and approve design guides and other work products, can receive ad-hoc NACTO staff technical assistance, and more.



#### **FULL MEMBERS**

Atlanta Austin **Baltimore** Boston Charlotte Chicago Columbus Dallas Denver Detroit Houston Los Angeles Minneapolis **New York City** Orlando Philadelphia Phoenix Pittsburgh Portland, OR Sacramento San Antonio San Diego San Francisco San José Seattle Washington, DC

#### **AFFILIATE MEMBERS**

Alexandria, VA Albuquerque, NM Arlington, VA Bellevue, WA Beverly Hills, CA Boca Raton, FL Boulder, CO Bozeman, MT Cambridge, MA Charleston, SC Charlottesville, VA Chattanooga, TN Cincinnati, OH Cupertino, CA Durham, NC El Paso, TX Fremont, CA Fresno, CA Fort Collins, CO Fort Lauderdale, FL Fort Worth, TX Grand Rapids, MI Greenville, SC Hartford, CT Hoboken, NJ Honolulu, HI Indianapolis, IN Jacksonville, FL

Kingston, NY

Louisville, KY Madison, WI Memphis, TN Miami Beach, FL Milwaukee, WI Nashville, TN New Haven, CT New Orleans, LA Norwalk, CT Oakland, CA Palo Alto, CA Pasadena, CA Providence, RI Raleigh, NC Richmond, VA Salt Lake City, UT San Luis Obispo, CA Santa Monica, CA Somerville, MA Spokane, WA St. Louis, MO St. Petersburg, FL Tampa, FL Tucson, AZ Ukiah, CA Vancouver, WA Ventura, CA West Hollywood, CA

Long Beach, CA

#### TRANSIT AGENCY MEMBERS

AC Transit (Alameda-Contra Costa Transit District)
CARTA (Chattanooga Area Regional Transit Authority)
CTA (Chicago Transit Authority)
Houston METRO
King County Metro
LA Metro
MBTA (Massachusetts Bay
Transportation Authority)
Minneapolis/St. Paul
Miami-Dade County
SEPTA (Southeastern Pennsylvania Transportation Authority)
Vancouver TransLink

#### **INTERNATIONAL CITY MEMBERS**

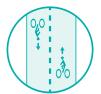
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# **Programs**

NACTO members gain access to members-only peer networks, technical office hours, webinars and member-only events, cohort programs, and grant opportunities.

NACTO's peer networks consist of government planners, engineers, and policy-makers that are leading the field in urban transportation, and are transforming street design and transportation engineering practices in North America. Members serve on the working groups that shape NACTO's design and policy guidance, are invited to NACTO training events and technical meetings, can apply for competitive grant and leadership programs, and have access to a deeply knowledgeable peer learning network. NACTO works with transportation practitioners in member cities and agencies across a range of program areas:

**Urban Bikeway Design** 



**Urban Street Design** 



**Transit Street Design** 



Vision Zero & Safety



**Shared Micromobility** 



State and Federal Policy





MINNEAPOLIS, MN | Photo: City of Minneapolis / Minneapolis DPW



## **NACTO Moves the Needle**

NACTO members participate in the development of design and policy guidance and resources. Recently, NACTO members contributed to publications, helped drive and develop our federal policy program, and brought unprecedented levels of attention to a critical opportunity to update the Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices.



#### CITY LIMITS GO TO GUIDE 7

City Limits details proven strategies for setting safe speed limits on urban streets. Developed over two years with a steering committee of NACTO members, this document outlines how to use a context-sensitive, safe systems approach to set speed limits on urban streets, marking a departure from legacy speed limit setting methods that often result in unsafe speeds for urban environments. City Limits maps a new path for U.S. cities, codifying tested and documented speed limit setting best practices from across North America, and releasing them as a practitioners' guide for the first time.



#### MAKING BIKES COUNT (URBAN BIKEWAY DESIGN GUIDE INTERIM CHAPTER)

Making Bikes Count, produced in collaboration with practitioners across our network, starts with the premise that what's measured is what counts and covers best practices for data collection for evaluating and expanding impactful bike programs. It is the <u>first of several working papers NACTO will release in 2022</u> to expand the *Urban Bikeway Design Guide*, a first-of-its-kind document of bikeway design guidance developed by cities, for cities.



#### MOVE! THAT! BUS! TACTICS FOR TRANSFORMING TRANSIT IN TWO YEARS

Transit is essential-for our daily lives, for our economy and pandemic recovery, and for the current and future health of our communities. But to make it work, transit must be reliable, safe, and comfortable. *Move! That! Bus!*, released in 2022, offers at-a-glance strategies cities have in their toolboxes to make this happen-fast-by speeding up buses through service planning, street design, and amenity and access upgrades.

### **NACTO Moves the Needle (continued)**

#### **FEDERAL POLICY PROGRAM**

With the historic opportunity from a new administration, NACTO worked throughout 2021 and 2022 to elevate the direct experiences of city transportation departments and transit agencies to the federal policy conversation, ensuring local voices inform Federal action. We articulated our vision through <u>public statements</u>, <u>letters to Congress</u>, and a growing media presence, with features in top national political, industry, and news outlets. By helping to write, review, and approve these resources, NACTO members ensure that these publications represent the needs and opportunities in their cities.

#### **MODERNIZING OUTDATED FEDERAL STANDARDS**

In early 2021, NACTO launched a campaign, alongside our members and national partner organizations, to push the Federal Highway Administration to reframe the Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices (MUTCD) into a proactive safety document. This campaign brought newfound public attention to the consequential, but previously obscure, MUTCD, which dictates the look and feel of every street in the U.S. With over 25,000 comments submitted to the federal government, NACTO and our members pushed the conversation on how federal standards should support the vibrant, safe, walkable communities people want.

# **Commitments of Membership**

NACTO is a member-based, mission-driven organization with the aim to influence change beginning at the local level. By unifying voices across our membership, NACTO is able to advocate for local, state, and federal change in transportation policy, design, and funding. NACTO members can influence the quality of life of millions of people in our member cities' jurisdictions. We are excited to do this work with you.

As an organization, NACTO and our members cities are committed to building cities as places for people, with safe, sustainable, accessible, and equitable transportation choices. We do this by:

#### **BUILDING THE MOVEMENT**

Connecting a national network of cities, empowering the individuals who comprise the progressive transportation movement, and cultivating strong leadership capacity among city transportation officials.

#### LEADING THE CONVERSATION

Communicating a bold vision for 21st century urban mobility and street design, and empowering a coalition of cities to advance people-focused transportation policy at the local, state, and national levels.

#### **ACCELERATING CHANGE**

Raising the state of the practice for local policies, programs, and street designs that prioritize people walking, biking, and taking transit through intensive work with leading cities in North America.

Through your time as a NACTO member, you will strive to find ways to systematically and programmatically prioritize the following values in your projects and across your organizational culture, recognizing that being a part of NACTO embodies iterative growth and mutual learning around the following:

**FOSTERING COMMUNITY** 

**CENTERING JUSTICE** 

STRIVING FOR IMPACT

**LEADING WITH IMAGINATION** 

# In addition to supporting the mission and values of NACTO, we specifically expect member organizations to show up in the following ways:

#### ENGAGEMENT

We expect the staff at our member organizations to participate in our listservs and programs to advance their own growth and development, to support their peers' learning, to contribute to the success and effectiveness of NACTO's programs, advancing the field as a whole. Engagement is both virtual throughout the year and in-person annually at the Designing Cities Conference.



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We expect our members to submit an annual data snapshot so that we can tell a national story about trends in city transportation, and help our cities (anonymously) benchmark themselves against their peers.



## → COMMITMENT

We expect our members to demonstrate commitment to safety, climate action, and equity in transportation programs and outcomes. In particular, this commitment may show up as signing on to NACTO policy positions when representing a unified city voice at state and federal levels.



We are a membership organization with dues associated at the various tiers. We expect our member organizations to pay dues in a timely fashion.



### COMMUNICATION

We expect member organizations to appoint a primary "NACTO point of contact" to serve as the agency's representative for all things related to your membership, including, but not limited to, being present for an annual review of your membership upon renewal, and ensuring relevant staff are engaged on various snapshot, programs, listsery, and peer network conversations.

# In return, you can expect NACTO to show up for you in the following ways:

### → RELATIONSHIPS

NACTO facilitates connections and community among and between individual city transportation practitioners across our network through peer networks, listservs, roundtables, and more. We serve to connect our members to one another in support of problem solving and information sharing.

### INFORMATION AND BEST PRACTICE GUIDANCE

NACTO distributes information to our member agencies through our listservs, newsletters, and website (such as information about federal grants, or digests of recent publications and research, or briefings on federal legislation or advocacy opportunities).



#### → EDUCATION

Member agency staff have access to NACTO's resources, webinars, and other guidance that support professional development and capacity building.



#### → ACCESS

Member agencies get preferential access to the annual Designing Cities conference and other programming that may only be open to NACTO dues-paying member cities.



#### → ADVOCACY

Individual member agencies benefit from NACTO's national advocacy on policies that benefit the mission and values outlined above, and help shape NACTO's policy positions.



#### TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE

Member agency staff have limited access to NACTO staff expertise in the form of technical assistance on specific projects or policy initiatives. Technical, agency-specific workshops are an additional service that NACTO conducts, pending availability of staff, for an additional fee.



#### → ACCOUNTABILITY

Member agencies will benefit from NACTO leading from the front as experts and taking bold stances on the direction of the transportation industry. We will advocate for the changes that hold us accountable to our mission and values, and hold our members accountable toward growth.



LONG BEACH, CA | Photo: City of Long Beach

# **Toolbox**

To create impactful change, NACTO...

#### **Builds the movement**

of individual transportation practitioners in member cities through in-person and online experiences:

- The Designing Cities
  Conference
- Roundtable or Policy
  Convenings
- Leadership Development
  Programs
- Committees & Peer Networks
- Working Groups
- Listservs

### Leads the conversation

and advances a unified city voice on urban transportation by publishing resources with NACTO members' input:

- Design Guides
- Practitioners' Papers
- Policy or Regulatory
  Guidance
- Policy Statements
- Press Releases, Public
  Statements, and
  Appearances

### Accelerates placebased change

in member cities through:

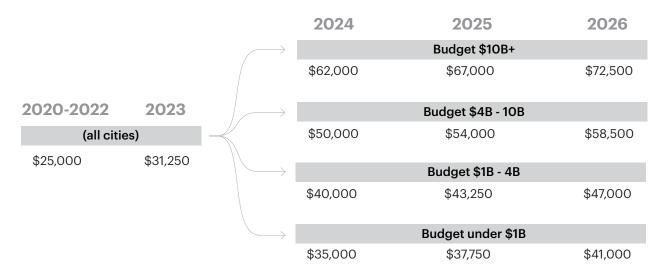
- City or Agency Accelerators
- Digital Design or Policy
  Charrettes
- Technical Assistance
- Trainings

# **Member Dues**

NACTO is moving from population-based dues to general operating budget-based categories in 2024. Budgets here refer to citywide operating budgets.

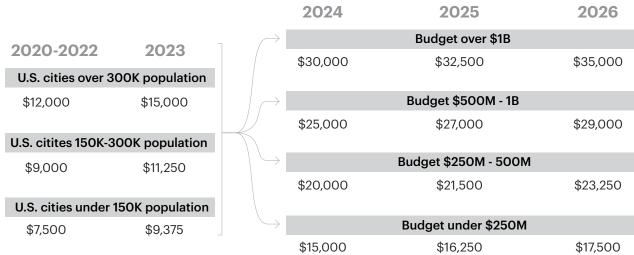
### **FULL MEMBER DUES**

Admission requirements: US city with a city population of 400K+ and a metro population of 2M+.



#### **AFFILIATE MEMBER DUES**

U.S. cities.



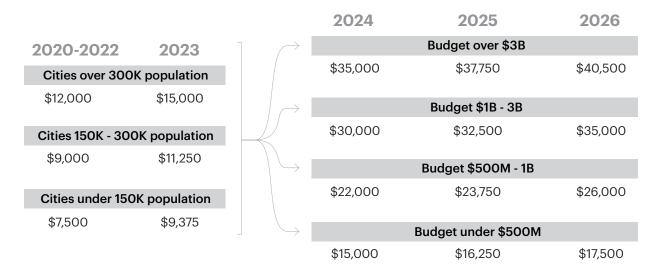
#### **INTERNATIONAL MEMBER DUES**

Canadian or Mexican city with a population of 300K and above.



#### **TRANSIT MEMBER DUES**

Transit agencies operating in a NACTO member city.



### **SMALL CITY PEER DUES**

Cities with populations less than 150K. Provides access to NACTO peer networks only

<b>2020-2022</b> \$5,000	<b>2023</b> \$6,250		2024	2025	2026
		$\longrightarrow$	Population under 150K		
			\$12.500	\$13.500	\$14.500



