

Welcome to the Acumen E-Newsletter, a recap of recent project highlights and staff updates from the Acumen Team.

EMPLOYEE SPOTLIGHT

Meet Deputy Project Manager **Steven Salzwedel**. He joined the Acumen Team that delivers project management and project controls services to the Alameda County Transportation Commission (Alameda CTC) in September 2022. Steven was promoted in January 2024 and is providing key project management support to assist Alameda CTC in delivering its \$3 billion program of capital projects. He supports crucial transportation projects such as 7th Street Grade Separation East and Freight Intelligent Transportation Systems at the Port of Oakland, East Bay Greenway, San Pablo Avenue and SR 262 Cross Connector. His duties include contract administration, hiring and training new staff and managing professional service agreements. Keep up the good work, Steven, we appreciate you!



PROJECT HIGHLIGHTS



Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority (WMATA): Acquisition Strategy & Support Services

Acumen is assisting WMATA with development, planning and implementation of its next generation of train control. The new Communications-Based Train Control (CBTC) Program will replace the network's existing communications and train control system throughout its 128 route-miles, 97 stations, 10 rail yards and 1,200+ rail cars. Acumen is providing technical writing to support Metro's acquisition-scope procurements and CBTC Program strategy. We also are providing critical path method scheduling services.



Oakland Unified School District (OUSD): Measure Y and Measure J Program Management

Acumen is excited to support OUSD in its commitment to sustainability with a new, all-electric fleet of buses. Acumen provides OUSD with engineering and cost-estimation services in support of construction management for projects via the Measure J and Measure Y Bond Programs. Services include constructability review, value engineering and construction management.



Alta Bates Medical Center: Outreach for 2023 Transportation Demand Management Program

In early 2024, Acumen worked with Alta Bates Medical Center to assist the City of Oakland and the City of Berkeley in meeting their transportation demand management annual compliance requirements. Acumen consultants performed outreach in English and Spanish using an intercept-style survey to help the cities understand how Alta Bates patients and visitors traveled to the Summit and Ashby campuses in Oakland and Berkeley.

RECENT EVENTS

- August 20 - 22: Green Transportation Summit & Expo (Seattle, WA)
- July 24: US Department of Commerce – AGOA Private Sector Forum (Washington DC)
- July 11: OUSD Acumen Team Lunch – Trabocco Kitchen and Cocktails (Alameda, CA)
- June 26: Acumen Operations Team – Culture and Camaraderie Potluck (Acumen HQ)
- June 13: San Jose State University Economic Summit (San Jose, CA)
- June 3: American Public Transportation Association Reception (Cleveland, OH)

NEW FACES AT ACUMEN



Leonard Clark joined Acumen in July 2024. As a scheduler, Leonard creates and maintains project schedules using Oracle Primavera P6. This work includes monitoring progress of the WMATA Communications-Based Train Control (CBTC) Program and updating the project schedules to reflect actual performance. In addition, he assists with risk management by identifying any potential schedule risks and developing relevant mitigation strategies. We are grateful for what you do, Leonard.

ACUMEN INTERN

Milan Fite served as Acumen's summer intern this July and August and provided support to our technical staff by assisting in the development of an enhanced customer relationship management system. She also assisted our Human Resources department with a number of administrative tasks. Milan is now back at Howard University for her junior year where she is majoring in psychology. Thanks for your support, Milan, and we wish you all the luck in your future endeavors!



ACUMEN OFFICE HOURS



"When you wish someone joy, you wish them peace, love, prosperity, happiness ... all the good things."

— Maya Angelou

In observance of Thanksgiving, Acumen wishes you a joyous and abundant holiday. Please note the Acumen Office will be closed on Thursday, November 28, 2024 and Friday, November 29, 2024. We will reopen on Monday, December 2, 2024 8 am PST.

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