ITE Statement on Social Justice and Equality

Social injustice and inequality continue to persist in our world, as only most recently evidenced by the senseless death of George Floyd. As a transportation community, we are deeply troubled by these tragic events. ITE condemns violence and all forms of racism, discrimination, and intolerance.

Transportation professionals have a profound duty to provide mobility solutions for all members of our society and to ensure that safe and dignified options exist for all. ITE believes that differences in background and experience enrich the culture and experiences of ITE for our membership as they do for the communities in which we live and work. We are committed to planning, designing, operating, and maintaining systems that leave no one behind. We pledge to listen, to seek to understand, and once enlightened, to use our expertise for the betterment of our community.

The Board Committee on Diversity and Inclusion (D&I), being co-chaired by Vice-President Alyssa Rodriguez and International Director Jeff Riegner, is leading ITE’s efforts on these issues. We invite ITE members to join the conversation on the D&I e-Community and at our upcoming virtual ITE Annual Meeting and Exhibit. At the Power Plenary session on Thursday, August 6 a diverse group of industry leaders will discuss how we can play a stronger role in achieving Transportation Equity and on Wednesday, August 12 we will be hosting a workshop titled How Do We Make ITE More Diverse and Inclusive? We also encourage you to listen to the February ITE Transportation Talks Podcast on Transportation Equity with Tamika Butler.

More information can be found at https://www.ite.org/events-meetings/ite-virtual-annual-meeting-and-exhibition/