

September 24, 2013 - Regular Meeting
Agenda Item #3

Subject

Presentation of Patricia Adams, Driver of the Year

Briefings

None

Contact and/or Presenter Information

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Action Requested

No action required.

Enabling/Regulating Authority

Florida Statutes 125

Background Discussion

On August 7, 2013, Patricia Adams, Para-Transit (i.e. Handy Bus) Operator with Manatee County Area Transit (MCAT), was selected as Driver of the Year by the State of Florida Transportation Disadvantaged (TD) Commission, representing all paratransit operators in the State of Florida. This includes representatives from each of the 67 counties in the State. The Driver of the Year Award is designed to honor an individual "who has performed in an outstanding manner and has shown care and concern for the TD passengers." The Driver of the Year is selected based on their dedication and safety record, as well as demonstrations of exemplary behavior. Ms. Adams has compiled an impressive record of quality service and has received several commendations during her seven (7)-year tenure as an operator with MCAT. This presentation commends Ms. Adams for her diligent work effort and congratulates her on the great achievement of winning Driver of the Year.

County Attorney Review

Not Reviewed (No apparent legal issues)

Explanation of Other

Reviewing Attorney

N/A

Instructions to Board Records

Please send a copy of the minutes to Chad Fosnight, Senior Transit Planner, chad.fosnight@mymanatee.org,
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Cost and Funds Source Account Number and Name

No cost

Amount and Frequency of Recurring Costs

No cost

Attachment: [TD Awards Program.pdf](#)

21st ANNUAL
TRANSPORTATION DISADVANTAGED
2013 AWARDS PROGRAM

August 7, 2013

Hilton Daytona Beach Ocean Front



*The Florida Commission for the
Transportation Disadvantaged*

2013 Nominees

Becki Forsell

Cathy Brown

Charles Williams

Citrus County Transit

Colleen Dove Rolland

Collier County Local Coordinating Board

Collier MPO

Corine Williams

Deborah Byrnes

Donna Fiala

Elder Point Ministries

Gloria Mills

Hillsborough County Sunshine Line

Jacksonville Transportation Authority

James Hamilton

Jessie Delgado

Jim Van Pelt

Lake-Sumter MPO

Levy County Transit

Linda Carter

2013 Nominees

Lisa Sanders

Luke Lambert

Marceia Lathou

Marilyn Baldwin

Martin County Local Coordinating Board

Mary Link-Bennett

MetroPlan Orlando

Miami-Dade County Local Coordinating Board

Mike Mason

MMG Transportation, Inc.

MTM, Inc.

Northeast Florida Regional Council

Patricia Adams

Paula Lopez

Phyl Weaver

Polk TPO

Putnam County Local Coordinating Board

StarMetro

Stewart Wood

William Reynolds



Congratulations
2013
Award Winners!

DRIVER of the YEAR



Patricia Adams

***Manatee Co. Area Transit
(MCAT)***

Patricia has been with MCAT since 2007. She has an exemplary record of customer service and has been accident free throughout her tenure. Patricia averages 2,733 miles per month and approximately 32,806 miles per year. She has been given many commendations for going the extra mile for her clients and always represents MCAT in a positive and professional manner.

As an example of her character, she arrived at the home of a client who did not answer the door. Knowing the clients medical condition, she went inside and found the client unconscious. She immediately called 911 and stayed with her until the EMT arrived.

In another emergency situation, Patricia detected a burning smell inside the bus. She located a safe location to pull over and safely evacuated all the passengers.

She is a self-starter who takes the initiative to call into dispatch to report any delays or accidents on the roadways. Patricia does what is necessary to avoid potential dangers and she consistently demonstrates her ability to avoid conditions that may cause problems.

