

Bryan Weinstein, PE, AI/PE

Group Manager of ADA Compliance & Accessibility Services

Mr. Weinstein received his bachelor's and master's degree in Civil Engineering, with an emphasis in Transportation Engineering, from the University of South Florida. He began his career in Tampa, FL, working for Tindale Oliver and Associates, now Benesch, where he analyzed traffic impact studies, transportation modeling and forecasting, and signal warrants for various municipalities throughout the state. He later began focusing his efforts on public transit, where he spent several years assisting various transit agencies with bus stop placement, route optimization, and transit development plans. However, for the past 10 years, he has specialized in the Americans with Disabilities Act ensuring that public infrastructure, such as public transit, parks, buildings, sidewalks, and curb ramps are accessible to people of all abilities.

Mr. Weinstein has 20 years of Civil Engineering experience and is knowledgeable in the application of State and Federal ADA codes and statutes, specifically those relating to transportation facilities, public rights-of-way, and ADA transition plans. He is a registered Professional Engineer in Maryland, Florida, and North Carolina, as well as a certified Accessibility Inspector/Plans Examiner (AI/PE) through the International Code Council.

He currently supports the Maryland Transit Administration, South Florida Regional Transportation Authority, Florida Department of Transportation, as well as multiple smaller municipalities and transit agencies throughout the country. He also assisted with the development of Florida DOT's Accessing Transit Design Handbook, which provides guidelines and best practices for safer, more efficient, and ADA-compliant bus stops in the public rights-of-way. In addition, he has presented FDOT's Accessing Transit Design Handbook trainings to hundreds of City, County, and State staff, and their consultants at multiple events.

A sampling of related projects from Mr. Weinstein's resume can be found on the following pages.

Interest in the Commission on Disabilities

In 2020, Mr. Weinstein relocated from Tampa, Florida to Ellicott City to run his firm's Maryland office. While he has been impressed with the emphasis on inclusion and accessibility in the built environment within and around Howard County, he wants to ensure that, with the continued growth of the area, the County remains barrier-free and accessible for generations to come. As a recent transplant to the area, his knowledge and insight can bring an informed, yet unbiased outsiders perspective to the accessibility needs of the citizens and visitors of Howard County. He looks forward to assisting Howard County, the Commission on Disabilities, and its stakeholders for years to come.

Education

MCE, Civil Engineering,
University of South Florida

BSCE, Civil Engineering,
University of South Florida

Years of Experience: 20

Registrations and Certifications

Professional Engineer:

Florida - #70704

Maryland #44502

North Carolina - #042935

National Council of Examiners for
Engineering and Surveying
#54618

ICC Accessibility Inspector/Plans
Examiner - #8203944

Texas Accessibility Specialist
#1674

Professional Affiliations

Howard County Environmental
and Sustainability Board

Institute of Transportation
Engineers

American Society of Civil
Engineers

International Code Council

National Association of
Accessibility Consultants

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Maryland Transit Administration (MTA) - ADA Operations Monitoring - Baltimore, MD

Project Manager: This multi-year project includes monitoring ADA-compliance requirements for route and stop announcements on fixed-route buses. The monitoring efforts were enhanced to include safety and service quality elements, and included the addition of MTA light rail and metro subway cars and stations.

Maryland Transit Administration (MTA) - Planning ADA Technical Consulting Services - Baltimore, MD

ADA Compliance Engineer: Supported the Office of Service Development in evaluating ADA compliance for approximately 4,200 bus stops and other key infrastructure located within the public right-of-way, as part of the MTA Bus Stop Accessibility Transition Plan. Additionally, design plans were reviewed for ADA compliance for improvements made to MTA maintained light rail and metro stations as well as park and ride lots.

Montgomery College - ADA Self Evaluation and Transition Plan - Montgomery, MD

Project Manager: Currently developing the College's ADA Self-Evaluation and Transition Plan. Responsibilities include identifying College programs, activities, and services that may be discriminatory to people with disabilities and obstacles limiting accessibility within the three campuses. In addition to conducting facility surveys and barrier assessments, student and staff participation meetings were held on the preparation of a Comprehensive ADA Self-Evaluation and Transition Plan. Lastly, multiple training sessions were held to teach various College faculty and staff about the ADA.

City of La Crosse - ADA Self-Evaluation and Transition Plan - La Crosse, WI

Project Manager: This is a two-phased project includes developing a City-wide ADA Transition Plan. All programs and facility will be inventoried, a public participation program will be developed, a self-evaluation of all City facilities and right-of-way will be conducted, and multiple City staff training will occur. The public outreach efforts will be in partnership with the local Committee for Citizens with Disabilities.

City of Boise - Boise ADA Accessibility Survey Services - Boise, ID

Project Manager: On-site accessibility surveys of all City buildings, programs, and services were conducted to identify obstacles limiting accessibility to individuals with disabilities and evaluating the potential for intuitive human-centered design to ensure easily-accessible facilities.

Town of Apex - Apex ADA Transition Plan - Apex, NC

Project Manager: This project that's aim was to identify physical barriers that limit accessibility of facilities (including street crossings, greenways, sidewalks, etc.), programs, activities, and services to individuals with disabilities. Priority list of facilities needing compliance remediation were developed, establishing detailed outline of methods for planning reasonably achievable barrier removal. Multiple presentations and training sessions were held to ensure Town staff were aware of their responsibilities pertaining to the ADA.

Town of Fort Myers - ADA Transition Plan - Fort Myers Beach, FL

Project Manager: Responsibilities included conducting assessments of facilities, parks, and pedestrian infrastructure including crosswalks and curb ramps. Reviewing Town policies, programs, and procedures and Town website using WCAG 2.0 website standards.

Manatee County - Countywide ADA Transition Plan - Manatee County, FL

Project Manager: Due to number of facilities needed to be assessed and County's limited budget, a multi-year assessment schedule was developed to assess a subset of County's facilities each year. In addition to having completed the assessment of the majority of the County's high-use buildings and parks, ADA Trainings and focus groups have been held.

City of Portland - Citywide ADA Transition Plan - Portland, ME

Project Manager: Conducted ADA assessments and developed ADA Transition Plans for all of City buildings, parks, and paved trails. Challenges included developing realistic solutions for a historic and hilly city. In addition to developing a plan to mitigate these barriers to accessibility, multiple meetings and public workshops were held to inform and get feedback from City officials and citizens.

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Gaston County Public Works - Countywide ADA Transition Plan - Gaston County, NC

Project Manager: Assessed 100+ County-owned facilities, including the courthouse, jail, government center, libraries, County parks, and paved trails. ADA assessments entailed reviewing buildings totaling 1.25 million sf, 800 acres of parks, numerous parking lots, interior and exterior accessible routes.

City of Punta Gorda - Citywide ADA Transition Plan - Punta Gorda, FL

Project Manager: Conducted a self-assessment for all City parks, paved trails, and buildings. Developed recommendations for mitigation, prioritization and cost estimates were also developed for all identified issues, which was then adopted by City Council.

City of Clearwater - Clearwater ADA Transition Plan - Clearwater, FL

Project Manager: Assessments were conducted at 89 facilities assessments and along over 300 miles of right-of-way in order to update the City's ADA Transition Plan. Three City-staff trainings were held to ensure that all employees knew their responsibilities within the ADA. Finally, a presentation was given to City Council describing the importance of the ADA Transition Plan and the funding the identified items to be scheduled for barrier removal.

City of Doral - Doral Parks ADA Transition Plan - Doral, FL

Project Manager: In response to a judgment against the City of Doral for not having accessible BBQ grills, a self-evaluation was conducted of the City's nine parks and connecting pedestrian infrastructure. All barriers to accessibility were recorded and prioritized and recommendations were developed for barrier removal. A citywide parks ADA Transition Plan was created to bring the City into compliance.

LeeTran Bus Stop ADA Accessibility Study and Transition Plan, Lee County, FL

Senior ADA Specialist: The scope involved conducting an American with Disabilities Act assessment for all 1,750 bus stops, park-and-ride facilities, and three major transfer centers, all serving 23 bus routes in the off-season and 26 routes during peak season. The ADA Bus Stop Accessibility Study identified all non-compliant infrastructure and produced an ADA Transition Plan to help identify a strategy to implement the required improvements.

Florida DOT - Accessing Transit Handbook

ADA Specialist: Assisted with the development of an updated version of FDOT's Accessing Transit Handbook, which details accessibility requirements and best-practices within the public rights-of-way. He has also been a lead trainer for this handbook, presenting training at over 25 sessions and training over 500 professionals.

Lake County - LakeXpress ADA Transition Plan - Lake County, FL

Project Manager: Assessed County's bus stops and connecting sidewalks for ADA compliance. Data collected was used to formulate recommendations and cost estimates to mitigate barriers to accessibility. Assessment reports were provided for each stop and connecting portion of sidewalk and curb ramp.

Space Coast TPO - ADA Bus Stop Transition Plan - Brevard County, FL

Project Manager: Assessed the County's 1,000+ bus stops along with connecting sidewalks for ADA compliance as part of ADA Transition Plan. The number of riders boarding and alighting at every stop in system were counted via a week-long ride check. Multiple presentations to County officials and TPO staff were made presenting the study's outcome with help of custom infographics.

Lake County Parks and Trails - Active Passive Parks ADA Transition Plan - Lake County, FL

Project Manager: Over 800 acres of parks, 15+ miles of paved trails, and dozens of sports fields, playgrounds, and other amenities were assessed as part of a County-wide parks ADA Transition Plan. An in-the-field ADA training was held for County staff to help increase their awareness of the ADA, and how they can make the parks and trails safer and more accessible for its users.