

Claudia Amrhein



Currently serving her second consecutive term as president of the Ohio Public Transit Association Board of Trustees, Claudia Amrhein is also General Manager/CEO of the Portage Area Regional Transportation Authority (PARTA) located in Kent, Ohio.

As OPTA president, Amrhein has played an integral role in advocating for increased state funding for public transit in Ohio. When the COVID-19 pandemic struck, she led the initiative to develop COVID-19 guidance for Ohio public transit and human service transportation agencies in partnership with the Ohio Department of Transportation (ODOT).

In her role as PARTA GM, Amrhein directed the system's redesign of its fixed route and demand response services to create a more resilient and sustainable structure, oversaw construction of Portage County's first Compressed Natural Gas (CNG) fueling station, and supervised the completion of the transit's 10-year Facility Master Plan upgrade.

An engaged and committed community leader, Amrhein serves on numerous boards and committees. In addition, she is founding chair of NEORide, a council of governments created to plan, promote, further, and enhance transportation options within the jurisdictions of its member agencies and the state of Ohio.

