

Laura Koprowski



As TARTA's Chief Executive Officer, Laura Koprowski brings 25 years of diverse transit transportation experience to the role at the state and local levels. Since returning to her hometown of Toledo in April of 2020, she has helped build a leadership team that has transformed TARTA in just under 2 years.

Koprowski previously served as the Executive Director of the Ohio Public Transit Association (OPTA), Vice President of Government Affairs and Communications at the Central Ohio Transit Authority (COTA), and the Director of Public & Government Affairs at the Mid-Ohio Regional Planning Commission.

During Koprowski's tenure at COTA, the organization was nationally recognized in 2018 as the outstanding mid-size public transit system by the American Public Transportation Association. She worked on a variety of projects including implementing COTA's transit system redesign, serving as a liaison to Smart Columbus to create technology mobility solutions, and serving on the development and launch team for micro transit with COTA Plus. Koprowski helped guide TARTA to victory at the polls with Issue 12, which changed TARTA's funding structure from a property tax to a sales tax and expanded its service area to all of Lucas County. It was an initiative TARTA and community leaders had been trying to pass for over a decade.

She has overseen new business development and partnerships including new service to Amazon's fulfillment center in Rossford, the Vaccine Mobile in partnership with the V Project and the Toledo-Lucas County Health Department, and sponsorship of one of Toledo's biggest events – Jeep Fest. In addition, she is shepherding the TARTA Next project, which is TARTA's first systemwide redesign in decades.

