



2018 TEDPA Conference

Bloomington, Minnesota

State Member Conference
Packet

June 2018

Ahoy:

The Telecommunications Equipment Distribution Program Association (TEDPA) invites you to the 2018 TEDPA Conference. The conference will be held Wednesday, September 5th through Saturday, September 8, 2018, at the Hyatt Regency Bloomington in Bloomington, MN. This year our theme is “Casting into the Future with TEDPA!” Our time will be filled with education, technology news, and networking. Topics may include outreach trends, wireless devices, their accessories, apps, transition of IP-CTS from FCC to States, sponsor speed networking, and other pertinent topics. In attendance will be representatives of State Distribution Programs from across the country who work within the government, nonprofit, and corporate sectors. Presenters from local programs, representatives from various agencies, and the federal government will enlighten us as well cast into the future. We would be honored to have you attend.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact Nathan Gomme at 505-796-5441 (v) Or nathan.gomme@state.nm.us.

*****Early Bird Registration Forms are due by August 5, 2018 using the attached form.**

Sincerely,

Your TEDPA Board:

Sandi McNally
Chairperson

Nathan Gomme
Vice-Chair

Kelly Robison
Secretary

Andy Leffler
Treasurer

The Registration Form can be found [Here](#)

Draft Agenda

AGENDA UPDATED 7/12/18 (TEDPA reserves the right to change the agenda)

Wednesday, September 5, 2018			
1:00pm-3:00pm		NDBEDP (Pre-Conference)	TBA
3:00pm-5:00pm		Sponsor Registration & Exhibit Set-Up	Ballroom
4:00pm-6:00pm		Attendee Registration	Coat Room
6:00pm-9:00pm		TEDPA 2018 Conference Kick-Off Reception	Grand Ballroom
Thursday, September 6, 2018			
7:30am-8:30am	8am-5pm Exhibits Open	Breakfast	Stone Arch
8:30am-9:15am		Welcome & Introductions	Ballroom
9:15am-10:15am		Session 1: Keynote Speaker Laura Plummer	
10:15am-10:30am		Break	
10:30am-12:00pm		Session 2: Equipment other than for Deaf or Hard of Hearing (Panel-TBD)	
12:00pm-1:00pm		Lunch	Stone Arch
1:00pm-2:30pm		Session 3: MITRE / FCC	Ballroom
2:30pm-3:15pm		Session 4: How are we handling equipment issues with changing infrastructure? (Discussion)	
3:15pm-3:30pm		Break—Sponsors Return	
3:30pm-4:50pm		Session 5: TBD	
4:50pm-5:00pm	Day 1 Wrap-Up <i>(Sandi/Nathan)</i>		

Friday, September 7, 2018

7:30am-8:30am	8am-5pm Exhibits Open	Breakfast	Stone Arch
8:30am-9:00am		Visit with Sponsors	Ballroom
9:00am-10:00am		Session 6: TBD	
10:00am-10:15am		Break	
10:15am-11:15pm		Session 7: Outreach to underserved populations (Panel-TBD)	
11:15-12:15pm		Session 8: Speed Networking I	Ballroom
12:15pm-1:15pm		Lunch	Stone Arch
1:15pm-2:15pm		Session 9: Speed Networking II	Ballroom
2:15pm-2:30pm		Break	
2:30pm-4:00pm		Session 10: TBD	Ballroom
4:00pm-5:00pm	Closing Ceremonies	Ballroom	

Saturday, September 8, 2018

7:30am-8:30am		Breakfast	Stone Arch
8:30am-10:30am		Members Only Business Meeting	Ballroom
10:30am-10:45am		Break	
10:45am-12:00pm		Members Only Business Meeting (cont'd.)	

Conference Fact Sheet

When:

- Wednesday, September 5th through Saturday, September 8th 2018

Where:

Hyatt Regency Hotel
3200 East 81st Street
Bloomington, MN 55425
Phone: 952-922-1234 (general hotel information)
Website: <https://bloomington.regency.hyatt.com>

Rate:

- \$145/night single/double occupancy (plus state and local tax)

Reservations:

- 1-888-421-1442 (Toll Free) or 952-922-1234 Group Name: (TEDPA Conference)
- Book Online: [Hyatt](#)
- Group room rate will be extended for 3 days prior and 3 days after the conference
- Valid credit card is required upon check-in

Cut Off:

- The TEDPA rate is available until 5:00PM Central Standard Time on August 13, 2018

Airport and Transportation:

Minneapolis-St. Paul International Airport (Airport Code: MSP)

- <https://www.mspairport.com/>
- MSP has two terminals: Terminal 1 (Lindberg) and Terminal 2 (Humphrey)
- The Hyatt offers complimentary shuttle service to MSP airport and the Mall of America.

Airport Shuttle:

- To Hyatt from Airport Terminal 1: Follow signs to Ground Transportation (near baggage claim) to Hotel Pick-up area. Look for the Hyatt Regency Bloomington-Minneapolis Shuttle Van.
- If at Terminal 2, call the Hyatt at 952-922-1234 to request pickup.
- To Airport Terminal 1: Shuttle service departs the Hyatt at :00 and :30 of the hour from the Lobby.
- Terminal 2 drop-off is upon request only

Mall of America Shuttle:

- Shuttle Service departs the Hyatt at :20 and :50 after the hour, during regular mall hours.
- Complimentary parking is available at the hotel.
- The Hyatt is 2 miles from the airport and 1 mile from the Mall of America
- From/To the Airport: <https://www.mspairport.com/directions/ground-transportation>
- Metro Transit: <https://www.metrotransit.org>
- METRO Blue Line light-rail - Bloomington Central Station stop (<https://www.metrotransit.org/metro-blue-line>)
- Nice Ride Bike Share: <https://www.niceridemn.org/>

Conference Deadlines & Important Dates

2018 TEDPA Conference- “Casting into the Future”

MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO:

TEDPA

MAIL CHECKS TO:

Andy Leffler InTRAC
7702 Woodland Drive, Suite 130
Indianapolis, IN 46278

NOTE: Payment via PayPal is now available. Contact Andy Leffler (ALEffler@relayindiana.com) for details.

KEY DATES:

- **August 5, 2018**
 - Early Bird Registration ends after the 5th of August
- **August 13, 2018 (5:00PM Central Standard Time)**
 - TEDPA Conference rate for hotel reservations expires
- **No Earlier than September 5, 2018**
 - Shipments may arrive at hotel- must be labeled “Your Name- TEDPA Conference”
- **Wednesday, September 5, 2018 4:00PM**
 - Registration
- **Wednesday, September 5, 2018 6:00-9:00PM**
 - TEDPA 2018 Conference Kick-Off Reception

All conference questions should be directed to Nathan Gomme: Phone (VP): 505.796.5441; Fax: 505.383.6533

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