



Clinton B. Forbes

Palm Tran Executive Director

Clinton B. Forbes, Executive Director, Palm Tran Public Transportation, is a Florida native, born in Miami-Dade County, has served in the public sector for 29 years, twenty-two of which serving at the senior management and leadership levels at the Miami-Dade Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) and four (4) transit properties; Miami-Dade Transit (MDT), the Jacksonville Transportation Authority (JTA), the Central Ohio Transit Authority (COTA) and now Palm Tran. Mr. Forbes also served in Miami-Dade County Mayor's office as Executive Transportation Advisor as part of a team assembled by former Mayor Alex Penelas to secure a dedicated source of funding for Miami-Dade Transit (MDT) in 2002, The referendum passed overwhelmingly by the electorate and has evolved as a formidable funding source for transit and transportation related projects in Miami-Dade County.

In November 2015, Mr. Forbes rejoined the South Florida community as Palm Tran's Executive Director after serving for two years as Vice-President of Operations/CEO Designate for the Central Ohio Transit Authority (COTA), in Columbus Ohio. He has already begun to make his mark in this community and within his agency.

Some of Mr. Forbes notable accomplishments include:

- Implemented smart card transit fare payment systems in Miami-Dade and Jacksonville; currently engaged in a study to bring smart card technology to Palm Beach County
- Successfully negotiated several transit labor contracts which yielded efficiencies and reductions in operational costs;
- Procurement of Compressed Natural Gas (CNG) Heavy-Duty Fleet
- Implemented a litany of employee development and recognition programs that resulted in marked improvement in employee morale, absenteeism and productivity.

Mr. Forbes is actively involved in the transportation industry through the following organizations

- Member, American Public Transit Association (APTA)
- National Board Member, Conference of Minority Transportation Officials (COMTO)
- Board Member, Florida Public Transit Association (FPTA)

Mr. Forbes holds a Bachelor's Degree from St. Thomas University, Miami, FL in Political Science and Public Administration and has completed a myriad of transit/transportation industry and leadership training.