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## **Rebuilding America's Infrastructure Starts With Transportation**

### *The Transportation Equity Caucus Applauds President Obama's Commitment to Investing in Transportation Infrastructure*

The Transportation Equity Caucus applauds President Obama for raising the critical issue of long-term, sustained investment in transportation infrastructure during his State of the Union address. Robust investment is vital for developing equitable communities, connecting workers to employment and creating jobs. The highest priorities for this investment must be to 1) create affordable and accessible transportation choices to millions of Americans that are transportation-disadvantaged, particularly low-income people, communities of color, and people with disabilities, and 2) expand training and job opportunities for workers who are traditionally underrepresented in the transportation workforce. Congress and the Administration should set these priorities in place within federal surface transportation law, using the GROW AMERICA Act as a guide. With the current law set to expire in fewer than 130 days, we urge Congress and the Administration to move quickly to pass transportation legislation driven by principles of economic and social equity.

#### **About the Caucus**

*The Transportation Equity Caucus represents the nation's leading civil rights, community development, disability, racial justice, economic justice, faith-based, health, housing, labor, environmental justice, tribal, public interest, women's groups, and transportation organizations. Through a coalition of over 100 organizations, the Transportation Equity Caucus is charting a new course for transportation investments, one that is focused on policies that advance economic and social equity in America. For more information, see [www.equitycaucus.org](http://www.equitycaucus.org).*