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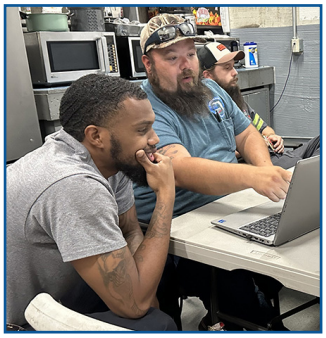
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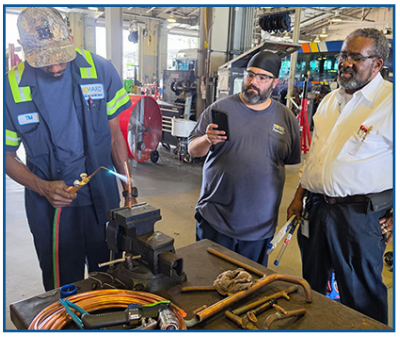
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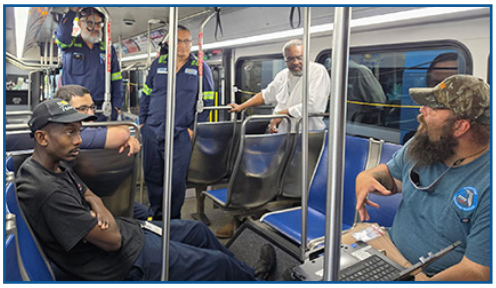


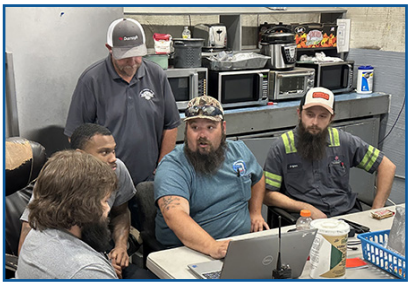
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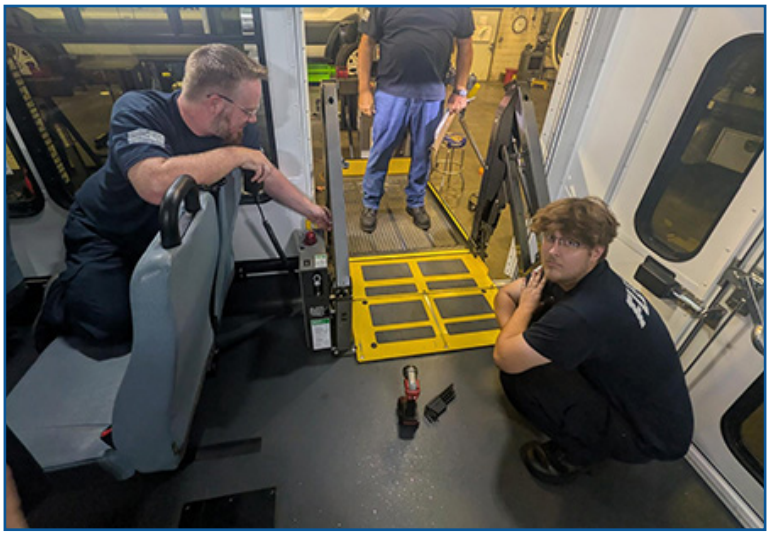








In the month of July LTC HVAC instructor Stephen Johns and FTTP trainer Eddie Patane conducted 4 HVAC Fundamentals classes and 8 EPA 608 Certification classes. Six agencies were involved with a total of 52 technicians receiving some variation of AC training. Tallahassee Starmetro technicians were Jeff Robinson, Olando Thompson, Derrick Estabrook and Logan Wisecup. Thanks to Mike Johnson and Eddie Tyre for making the training arrangements. BCT technicians, facilitated by Erik Weimar and Leroy Rochester, were Harold Meza, Ruben Gonzalez, Steven Cantos and Tim Small. Citrus Connection classes were arranged by Juan Cano and Jay Steinbauer and included technicians Jeremy Valentin, Shiloh Farris and Silvero Reyes. JTA, at the direction of Maintenance Director Bryan Robinson and facilitated by trainer Arthur Watson, enrolled the following technicians: Jesse Rawlings, John Hinson Jr, Jonathan Prossehl, Joshua And one, Ken Fenwick, Kyle Harper, Watson Rico, Wigains Dorce, Charles Burnsed, Daniel Wiegand, Daryl Mills and Douglas McNabb, Lynx trainer Scottie Riggs made arrangements for Daniel Zambrana, Jaime Corona, Jaime Posso, Juan Cruz, Raui Harripaul, Rodolfo Espino, Bernard Merriewether, Carlos Briones, Charis Sepulueda, E Gary Moore, Luis Muniz and Sarjay Sankar to receive the AC training. Scott Groth, Votran trainer, scheduled Abdulkadir Ozbek, Ryley Gonter, Sanquavius Hightower, Kevin Prieto, Morgan Welter and Rollin Koons into one of the two sessions available.





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FPTA Annual Conference
October 25-27, 2026
Rosen Centre Hotel, Orlando

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PARATRANSIT TECHNICIAN I/II/III
WINTER 2026

August 17	Paratransit I Steering/Suspension Technician Paratransit I Hydraulic Brake Technician	2 days
August 19	Wheel End Service	1 day
August 24	Paratransit I Electrical/Electronic Systems Technician	3 days
August 31	Introduction to Paratransit Preventive Maintenance	3 days
September 14	Paratransit I Gasoline Engine Technician	3 days
September 28	Paratransit II Air Brake Technician	3 days
September 30	Wheel End Service	1 day
October 05	Para II Drivetrain Technician	3 days
October 13	Wheelchair/Fogmaker	1 day
October 15	Wheelchair/Fogmaker	1 day
October 19	Paratransit II Engine/ Electrical/Electronics Technician	3 days
November 02	Paratransit III Engine Rebuild Technician	3 days
November 16	Introduction to Paratransit Preventive Maintenance	3 days
November 30	Paratransit I Electrical/Electronic Systems Technician	3 days
December 07	Introduction to Paratransit Preventive Maintenance	3 days

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BULLETIN

PARKING BRAKES

As evidenced by recent Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) compliance reviews, several agencies are experiencing issues with parking brake operation. The resulting review deficiencies may be due to the parking brakes not being correctly inspected during pre and post-trip inspections or during scheduled preventive maintenance inspections.

During each pre and post trip inspection as well as during scheduled preventive maintenance inspections, the parking brake should be activated, transmission placed in drive and the vehicle accelerated slightly above idle. The vehicle should remain stationary and not roll forward.

The FDOT Preventative Maintenance Guide states:

PRE-TRIP/POST-TRIP INSPECTION COMPONENTS

Table 1: Pre-trip/Post-trip Inspection Guidelines

Component	Pre-trip Procedure	Post-trip Procedure
Parking Brake	• With the vehicle running, parking brake applied and transmission in drive, gently press the accelerator to slightly above idle to test that the parking brake is holding.	• Indicate whether problems were experienced with the parking brake during the operation of the vehicle since the pre-trip inspection was performed.

If the parking brake does not meet the above expectations and rolls forward, the vehicle must immediately be removed from service and remain out of service until properly repaired.