

# PROFESSIONAL SERVICES

SCHOOL TRANSPORTATION'S MOST DEDICATED AND EXPERIENCED STAFF ARE AT YOUR SERVICE.





# Transforming School Transportation Management

We combine your familiarity with your district's unique geographic and demographic profile and work cooperatively to ensure that solutions are realistic and cost effective.

# **ROUTING IMPLEMENTATION AND EFFICIENCY SERVICES**

# 1. Routing Software A. S. A. P. Service

Transfinder's **ASAP Service (Accelerated Software Activation Process)** for our routing solution is geared for school districts of any size, which may be transitioning to Transfinder from a manual or legacy system. Through this accelerated service, Transfinder enables you to be up and running on our routing system within a designated time frame so that you can achieve a measurable and timely return on your investment.

We also provide implementation services for the full suite of our solutions, including our fleet maintenance, field trip, and AVL software for seamless GPS integration with our routing system.

# 2. New Route Creation Based on Changing Attendance Patterns

Demographic shifts and student matriculation changes often result in the opening of a new school or the consolidation or closing of schools. This dramatically affects a district's routing and scheduling landscape. We review your new data to assess the impact on your transportation needs; create new routes and bus runs; and designate appropriate bus stops to accommodate change, and reduce mileage and ride times.

# 3. Route Analysis for Greater Efficiencies & Cost Savings

Increasing routing and scheduling efficiencies has a cumulative and positive impact on your transportation budget. We analyze your data, current routes, and bus runs, and recommend incremental changes that yield significant savings. These may include adjusting bell time windows; student ride times; bus capacity based on actual ridership; walk-to-stop distances and routing parameters, and non-required services.

# 4. Continuous Routing Services

Our Professional Services staff is available throughout the country to provide routing services, which include (1) yearly route updates to improve efficiencies; (2) continuous route updates as needed; and (3) a subscription service that allows you to call upon our expertise as needed. We offer cost-effective solutions for unexpected changes in budget or personnel that ensure consistency in your operation.

#### **BOUNDARY PLANNING**

When your district experiences growth or consolidation, we help you evaluate your student population demographically and geographically based on available local knowledge and historical data. We also will plot and plan for future growth over the next five years. By analyzing your existing or changing school placements, we will then enable your Administrators and Board Members to make policy shifts that have positive effects on the community now and in the future.

# **CONSOLIDATION STUDIES**

Economic challenges are causing school districts to evaluate scenarios for consolidating transportation services.

Our Professional Services staff has worked with school districts in several states on opportunities for consolidation that ensure local control, while leveraging centralized routing and scheduling expertise. Our studies enable participating school districts to achieve economies of scale through careful analysis, collaborations, and agreements.

# **ON-SITE TRAINING AND KPI ANALYSIS**

Several of our Professional Services staff have managed transportation departments and understand your challenges. Combined with implementation services, they can provide personalized training for your department on routing proficiency, efficiency, and logistics management. In addition, they can help you analyze your day-to-day operations against Key Performance Indicators (KPIs) as part of an on-site training program.

For a more extensive review of your transportation operation, we can recommend one or more of our industry partners, who are recognized for their objective management reviews, should your district request this level of service.

For more information, contact our **Professional Services**Department at 800-373-3609 or at sales@transfinder.com.

