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A nationally recognized expert and seasoned professional in transportation and infrastructure, urban planning, growth management, suburban issues, and smart cities. Provide senior-level leadership in project management, strategic planning, fundraising, and organizational decisions.

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Professional Experience

Senior Fellow and Director, Metropolitan Infrastructure Initiative (2008-present)

Fellow (2004-2008)

Senior Research Manager (2000-2004)

Brookings Institution, Metropolitan Policy Program, Washington, DC

Developed and manage the Metropolitan Infrastructure Initiative, one of the leading infrastructure policy shops in the country.

- Member of the Program's Senior Leadership Team, directing the program's overall strategy, fundraising, and organizational decisions.
- Directly responsible for budget/finance, communications, administrative, and human resources needs for staff of up to six. Includes hiring, training, mentoring, and performance reviews.
- Execute a comprehensive fundraising strategy. Includes philanthropies, private sector corporations, individuals, and government.
- Conduct related research, author publications, give public presentations, and facilitate symposia. Purpose is to inform a comprehensive policy and practice agenda for transportation and infrastructure at all levels: local, metropolitan, state, and federal.
- Manage and oversee working groups and consultant teams regarding specific research topics, identify new areas of policy and practice.
- Cultivate and support a network of civic, corporate, and political leaders across the nation.
- Prepare research grants and proposals and design implementation plans for quality and impact.
- Frequent speaker to a variety of groups. Extensive media relations experience and contacts.
- Work regularly with metropolitan Washington policy makers, civic leaders and practitioners on infrastructure, land use, and governance issues.

Director, Infrastructure Programs, 1998-2000**Senior Planner, 1996-1998**

Intelligent Transportation Society of America, Washington, DC

Managed the research and technical activities of congressionally-authorized Federal advisory committee organized to improve transportation by promoting intelligent transportation systems.

- Responsible for seven-person department that provided technical research and policy support to members, media and staff.
- Developed annual budget, prepared research proposals, and assisted in fund raising.
- Other activities included committee coordination, member services, public presentations, federal program review and analysis.

Education

- M.A., University of Virginia, Urban Planning, 1998
- B.S., Old Dominion University, Political Science, 1990

Select Professional Activities

- Appointed Member, New York State 2100 Infrastructure Commission, 2012-present
- Appointed Member, District of Columbia Streetcar Financing Task Force, 2012-present
- Advisory Committee, National Building Museum Intelligent Cities, 2010-present
- Advisory Board, Congressional Livable Communities Task Force, 2010-present
- Editorial Board, *Housing Policy Debate*, 2007-2011, *Urban Affairs Review*, 2010-present
- Advisory Panel, Pew Center on the States, 2010
- Adjunct Assistant Professor, Georgetown University, Public Policy Institute, 2007-present
- Instructor, Rutgers University, Bloustein School of Planning and Public Policy, 2007-2010
- Member, First Tier Suburbs Council, National League of Cities, 2004-2010
- Advisory Board, University of Virginia School of Architecture, 2002-2008
- Advisory Board, Transportation and Civil Rights, Harvard Civil Rights Project, 2003-2007
- Appointed Member, Panel on the Analysis of and Potential for Alternate Dedicated Revenue Sources for Washington's Metro, 2004-2005
- Member, Virginia Chapter, American Planning Association, 1998-2010; Legislative Committee, 2005-2010

Local Activities

- Appointed Member, Northern Virginia Transportation Authority Technical Advisory Committee, 2008-present
- Advisory Council, Tysons Tomorrow, 2008-2012
- Appointed Member, Falls Church City Center Major Design Team, 2006-2008
- Commissioner, Falls Church Planning Commission, 2003-2008
- Appointed Member, Falls Church City Center Redevelopment Task Force, 2002-2006
- Chair, Falls Church Advisory Committee on Transportation, 1999-2003

Selected Publications, Testimony, Articles, Presentations*Complete list available: <http://www.brookings.edu/experts/puentesr>*

Selected Policy Studies (since 2006)

- "Cut to Invest: Revive Build America Bonds to Support State and Local Investments," with Patrick Sabol and Joseph Kane, Brookings, September 2013.
- "Invest But Reform: Establish a National Infrastructure Bank Capitalized by a Repatriation Tax Holiday," with Patrick Sabol and Joseph Kane, Brookings, August 2013.
- "A New Alignment: Strengthening America's Commitment to Passenger Rail," with Adie Tomer and Joseph Kane, Brookings, March 2013.
- "Have Americans Hit Peak Travel? A Discussion of the Changes in US Driving Habits," Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development Conference, Paris, November 2012.
- "Strengthen Federalism: Establish a National PPP Unit to Support Bottom-Up Infrastructure Investment," Brookings, November 2012.
- "Cut to Invest: Exempt Private Activity Bonds (PABs) from the Alternative Minimum Tax," with Joseph Kane, Brookings, November 2012.
- "Global Gateways: International Aviation in Metropolitan America," with Adie Tomer and Zachary Neal, Brookings, October 2012.
- "Banking on Infrastructure: Enhancing State Revolving Funds for Transportation," with Jennifer Thompson, September 2012.
- "The Role of Freight and Logistics in Boosting Miami's Economic Future," with Adie Tomer, Brookings, June 2012.
- "The Intersection of Place and the Economy," with Peter McFerrin, Brookings, May 2012
- "The Ports of Los Angeles and Long Beach in Global Context," Brookings, December 2011.
- "Moving Forward on Public Private Partnerships: U.S. and International Experience with PPP Units," with Emilia Istrate, Brookings, December 2011.
- "Missed Opportunity: Transit and Jobs in Metropolitan America," with Adie Tomer, Elizabeth Kneebone, and Alan Berube, Brookings, May 2011.
- "State Transportation Reform: Cut to Invest in Transportation to Deliver the Next Economy," Brookings, February 2011.
- "Moving Past Gridlock: A Proposal for a Two-Year Transportation Law," Brookings, December 2010.
- "Developing a National Strategy for Goods Movement," Brookings, September 2010.
- "Commuting," in *State of Metropolitan America: On the Front Lines of Demographic Transformation*, with Emilia Istrate and Adie Tomer, Brookings, May 2010.
- "Growth Through Innovation: It Will be Metropolitan-Led," Brookings, May 2010.
- "Investing in the Nation's Infrastructure: Obama's Plans to Rebuild American Prosperity," with Bruce Katz, Brookings, January 2010.
- "Investing for Success: Examining a Federal Capital Budget and a National Infrastructure Bank," with Emilia Istrate, Brookings, December 2009.
- "Expect Delays: An Analysis of Air Travel Trends in the United States," with Adie Tomer, Brookings, October 2009.
- "Metro Potential in ARRA: An Early Assessment of the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act," with Mark Muro and others, Brookings, February 2009.
- "Memo to the President: Invest in Long-Term Prosperity," with Bruce Katz, Brookings, January 2009.
- "Options for Innovative State Transportation Funding and Financing," with David Burwell, National Governors Association Center for Best Practices, January 2009.
- "Leveraging Infrastructure Investment Now and for the Future," Brookings, December 2008.
- "The Road...Less Traveled: An Analysis of Vehicle Miles Traveled Trends in the U.S.," with Adie Tomer, Brookings, December 2008.

- "Candidate Issue Index: Transportation," with Adie Tomer, Brookings, August 2008.
- "A Bridge to Somewhere: Rethinking American Transportation for the 21st Century," Brookings, June 2008.
- "America's Infrastructure: Ramping Up or Crashing Down?" with Bruce Katz and Christopher Geissler, Brookings, January 2008.
- "New Ways to Invest in and Modernize Transportation Infrastructure," The Commons Project, University of Wisconsin, December 2006.
- "From Traditional to Reformed: A Review of the Land Use Regulations in the Nation's 50 Largest Metropolitan Areas," with Rolf Pendall, Brookings, July 2006.
- "Prosperity at Risk: Toward a Competitive New Jersey," with Bruce Katz, Brookings, May 2006.
- "One Fifth of the Nation: A Profile of Change in America's First Suburbs," with David Warren, Brookings, February 2006.

Select Testimony and Congressional Presentations (since February 2004)

- "Rebuilding and Reinvesting in Infrastructure in an Age of Fiscal Constraint," *Testimony*: Joint Economic Committee, U.S. Congress, July 2013.
- "Strengthening the Federal/State Partnership on Passenger Rail," *Testimony*: U.S. House Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, May 2013.
- "New Approaches for Infrastructure Finance: State and Local Perspective," *Discussion*: Fifth U.S./China Investment Forum, U.S. Department of Treasury, April 2012.
- "Transformative Infrastructure to Boost Exports and Manufacturing," *Testimony*: Joint Economic Committee, U.S. Congress, November 2011.
- "Creating Banks for Infrastructure," *Testimony*: U.S. House Committee on Ways and Means, May 2010.
- "Intermetropolitan Passenger Rail: Considerations for State Legislators," *Testimony*: National Conference of State Legislators Transportation Committee, April 2010.
- "Supporting Integrated Planning and Decision Making by Joining Up Housing and Transportation," *Testimony*: House Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation, Housing and Urban Development, and Related Agencies, March 2009.
- "Creating Livable Communities: Housing and Transit Policy in the 21st Century," *Testimony*: Senate Committee on Banking, Housing and Urban Affairs, September 2008.
- "Options for Metropolitan Transit Funding," *Testimony*: New York State Commission on Metropolitan Transportation Authority Financing, September 2008.
- "Strengthening the Ability of Public Transportation to Reduce Our Dependence on Foreign Oil," *Testimony*: Senate Committee on Banking, Housing and Urban Affairs, September 2008.
- "Beginning Again: A Metropolitan Transportation Vision for the 21st Century," *Testimony*: U.S. House Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, April 2008.
- "Key Policy Considerations for Surface Transportation Investment Needs," *Testimony*: U.S. House Committee on the Budget, October 2007.
- "Housing: the Critical Issue for Virginia's Future," Virginia General Assembly Housing Commission, December 2005.
- "Keeping Metro on Track: The Federal Government's Role in Balancing Investment with Accountability at Washington's Transit Agency," *Testimony*: U.S. House Committee on Government Reform, July 2005.
- "The Role of Transit in Sustaining an Economically Competitive Region," *Testimony*: Council of the District of Columbia, Hearing on funding the Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority, February 2004.

Scholarly Articles, Chapters, and Books

- "Governance in the United States and the Metropolitan Priority: Lessons from Transportation," in *Gouverner les Territoires: Antagonismes et Partenariats Entre Acteurs Publics (Governing Territories: Antagonisms and Partnerships Between Public Actors)*, G. Bettoni, ed. Paris: Institute for Public Management and Economic Development, 2011.
- "A New Transportation Program for the 21st Century," in *Transportation Infrastructure: The Challenges of Rebuilding America*, American Planning Association, 2009.
- "Land-Use Regulations as Territorial Governance in U.S. Metropolitan Areas," with Rolf Pendall in *Journal of the Association of Spanish Geographers*, Vol. 26, No. 1: 2008.
- "Comment on Bruce Seely's 'The Secret is the System'" *The Wilson Quarterly*, Summer, 2008.
- Book Review: *All Roads Lead to Congress: The \$300 Billion Fight Over Highway Funding*, *Journal of the American Planning Association*, Vol. 74, No. 2: 2008.
- "MPOs in the Post-ISTEA Era: What Went Wrong?" with James F. Wolf and others in *The Future of Urban Transportation II*, Eno Transportation Foundation, 2008.
- "The State of Organizing in Midwestern First Suburbs Commentary," *Opolis: An International Journal of Suburban and Metropolitan Studies*: Vol. 2, No. 1: 2006.
- "Caution: Challenges Ahead, A Review of New Urban Demographics and Impacts on Transportation," in *The Future of Urban Transportation*, Eno Transportation Foundation, 2006.
- "Comment on Paul Lewis' 'Can State Review of Local Planning Increase Housing Production?'" *Housing Policy Debate*, Vol. 16, No. 2: 2005.
- *Taking the High Road: A Metropolitan Agenda for Transportation Reform*, ed. with B. Katz, Brookings Institution Press, August 2005.
- "Smart Growth," in *Encyclopedia of Community: From the Village to the Virtual World*, D. Levinson and K. Christensen, eds. Thousand Oaks, CA: Sage Publications, 2003.
- "Assets, Challenges and Opportunities of Older Suburbs," *Fordham Urban Law Journal*, Vol. 29, No. 4: 2002.

Selected Speeches and Conference Presentations

- "Can-Do States: A New Era for Infrastructure Investment," Keynote Address: Brookings, July 2013.
- "The Role of Smart Cities in a Productive Economy," Keynote Address: International Forum on Smart Cities: San Sebastian, Spain, June 2013.
- "Driving the Economy: A New Agenda for Transportation in Metropolitan America," Keynote Address: Transport Chicago Annual Forum, June 2013
- "Conquering the Commute: Solutions for Washington Transit," Washington Post Live Forum, Washington, December 2012.
- "Have Americans Hit Peak Travel?" Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development conference, Long-run Trends in Travel Demand, Paris, November 2012.
- "Smart Strategies for Transforming Cities," Smart City Expo World Congress, Barcelona, Spain, November 2012.
- "An Urban and Metropolitan Strategy for Michigan," Michigan Municipal League, Dearborn, August 2012.
- "Goods Movement and the Global Economy," Moderator: Statewide Roundtable, Boosting Greater Miami's Economic Future, Miami, June 2012.
- "Smart Cities: Advancing Sustainable Growth in the Next Economy," IBM and ITS America, Washington, May 2012.
- "Balancing Preservation and Transformation in Cuba," Panel Discussion: Brookings, May 2012.
- "Opportunity in the Wake of Catastrophe: Lessons from New Orleans" and "Delivering the Next Economy: From Macro Vision to Metro Action," Brookings – IIES Joint Forum on Japan's Economic Recovery, Tokyo, Japan, February 2012.

- "State of the Union 2012: Politics and Policy," Panel Discussion: Brookings, January 2012.
- "Sustainable Metropolitan Growth in a Time of Economic Recovery," U.S. Agency for International Development (USAID), Washington, December 2011.
- "Fixing America's Foundation: Rebuilding Transportation Infrastructure," Panel Discussion: Washington Post Live Forum, Washington, October 2011.
- "Transformative Investments in the United States," Brookings, Colorado Springs, October 2011.
- "Building Sustainable Cities," Panel Discussion: Hitachi Eco-Engineering Forum, Washington, October 2011.
- "Infrastructure: Building Long-Term Competitiveness," Panel discussion: North American Strategic Infrastructure Leadership Forum, Washington, October 2011.
- "Solutions for Sustainable Communities," Moderator: Town Hall Plenary, National Housing Conference, Washington, September 2011.
- "Regional Collaboration and its Impact on Sustainable Infrastructure Development," Keynote Address: National League of Cities *Building Cities Building Futures* Conference, Chicago, September 2011.
- "Intelligent Cities Forum: Regionally Thinking–Transportation, Affordability, and Equity," Panel Discussion: National Building Museum, Washington, June 2011.
- "What Americans Think About Alternative Energy," Featured Discussion: Alternative Energy Investor Summit, Lazard Capital Markets, New York, June 2011.
- "Missed Opportunity: Transit and Jobs in Metropolitan America," Keynote Address: Brookings, May 2011.
- "How Will We Pay For the Transportation System We Need?" National Bike Summit, Washington, March 2011.
- "Framing the Transportation Debate around the Next American Economy," Keynote Address: Bi-Partisan Policy Center Forum, March 2011.
- "Latin America's Bus Rapid Transit Boom – Lessons for U.S. Public Transportation," Panel Discussion: Brookings, March 2011.
- "Inside Obama's Infrastructure Bank," *The Economist* Intelligent Infrastructure Conference, New York, February 2011.
- "Building the Next Economy in Today's Fiscal Climate," Panel Discussion: Brookings Hamilton Project, February 2011.
- "Grabbing the TIGER By the Tail – Experiences and Future Outlook," Transportation Research Board, Washington, January 2011.
- "Sustainable Transportation in a Time of Economic Recovery," Swedish Trade Council, Washington, November 2010.
- "New Media's Role in Shaping Urban Policy, American Institute of Architects Open Cities Conference, Arlington, VA, November 2010.
- "Metropolitan Areas as the Hubs of the Global Economy," Moderator: Swedish Embassy, Washington, November 2010.
- "Public Investment as a Foundation for Growth," Panel Discussion: Center for Budget and Policy Priorities, Washington, October 2010.
- "The Nation's Infrastructure Agenda: Understanding the Pillars," Moderator: Brookings, September 2010.
- "The Future of the City," *Atlantic Monthly Forum*, Panel Discussion: Washington, DC, June 2010.
- "American Governance and the Metropolitan Priority: Lessons from Transportation," Institute of Public Management and Economic Development, Paris, France, May 2010.
- "Three Keys to Sustainable Urban Communities: Water, Power, and Transportation," Panel Discussion: Panel Discussion: Hitachi Climate Change Forum, Washington, May 2010.

- "Transitioning to the Next Economy: What Does it Mean for Hampton Roads?" Keynote Address: The Future of Hampton Roads, Hampton, VA, April 2010.
- "State of the Union 2010: A Pivotal Moment," Panel Discussion: Brookings, February 2010.
- "Infrastructure Investments, Economic Growth and Jobs," Panel Discussion: The Bernard L. Schwartz Forum on U.S. Competitiveness, Brookings, December 2009.
- "White House Forum on Jobs and Economic Growth," Panel Discussion: Creating Jobs through the Rebuilding of America's Infrastructure, December 2009.
- "A Metropolitan Blueprint for Thinking and Working Differently," Keynote Address: Nashville Chamber of Commerce, November 2009.
- "Advancing Healthy Metropolitan Growth in Virginia," Keynote Address: Governor Tim Kaine's Urban Policy Task Force, Richmond, VA, October 2009.
- "The Emerging Green Community," Plenary Session Panel Discussion: Council on Foundations Annual Meeting, San Antonio, October 2009.
- "Beyond the Smart Grid: Challenges in the Electricity Markets," Closing Remarks: Brookings, September 2009.
- "A New 21st Century Vision for Transportation Policy," Keynote Address: Greater Cleveland Partnership Annual Meeting, July 2009; and Southeast Michigan Council of Governments, July 2009.
- "Transportation Infrastructure Planning, and Behavior," Center for Strategic and International Studies, Washington, June 2009.
- "Goal-Driven, Right-Sized, and Coordinated Transportation Policy," Chicago Architecture Foundation, June 2009
- "A Bridge to Somewhere: Rethinking American Transportation for the 21st Century," Keynote Address: Southeastern Planning & Economic Development District, Fall River, MA, May 2009.
- "Central Texas: Sustainable, Robust, and Inclusive Growth in the 21st Century," Keynote Address: Envision Central Texas Annual Meeting, Austin, May 2009.
- "National Surface Transportation Legislation: National Outlook," Intermountain West Conference, Boise, April 2009.
- "TransAtlantic Perspectives on Travel Behavior and Sustainable Urban Transportation," Panel Discussion: German Embassy, Washington, April 2009.
- "Transport: Invisible Force - Visible Impacts," The World Bank, Washington, April 2009.
- "Transportation and Clean Energy Investments," Discussion Leader: Investing in a Stronger and Better Economy, Economic Policy Institute, Washington, April 2009.
- "Surface Transportation and the ARRA," Center for State Innovation, Washington, March 2009.
- "Performance-Driven Programs Targeting National Goals," Public Private Partnerships USA Summit, Washington, March 2009.
- "Strengthening our Infrastructure for a Sustainable Future," Conference on Rebuilding America's Infrastructure for Global Competitiveness, Washington, March 2009.
- "The President's Stimulus Package for Infrastructure," Panel Discussion on Infrastructure in the New Economic Climate: Infrastructure Investors Forum, New York, February 2009.
- "Designing a Federal Metropolitan Mobility Program," National Association of City Transportation Officials, New York, February 2009.

Selected Academic/University Lectures (since October 2006)

- "Driving the Economy: A New Agenda for Transportation in Metropolitan America," Keynote Address: University of Washington-Tacoma, February 2013.
- "Innovative Finance Mechanisms and Bus Rapid Transit," Duke University, March 2012.
- "Move It! Transportation for the Next Economy," University of Toronto, February 2012.
- "Blue Ribbon Summit on Financing Transit," Discussant, Northeastern University, November 2010.

- "Recharge and Recalibrate: Transportation, Infrastructure, and the Next Economy," University of Virginia School of Architecture Research Theme Lecture, April 2010.
- "The Reauthorization Challenge: A Way Forward for Federal Transportation Policy Reform," Panel Discussion: Association of Collegiate Schools of Planning Annual Meeting, Arlington, VA, October 2009.
- "Beyond Stimulus: Toward a New Transportation Agenda for America," Panel Discussion: University of Virginia, Miller Center of Public Affairs, September 2009.
- "Metropolitan Planning in the Post-ISTEA Era," Princeton University Policy Research Institute, March 2009.
- "Making Connections: Transportation, Land Use, and Politics," Boise State University Public Policy Center, November 2008.
- "A Bridge to Somewhere: Rethinking American Transportation for the 21st Century," New York University Transportation Research Center, November 2008.
- "A National Perspective on Transportation Issues," Presidential and Congressional Forum, University of Kansas Robert J. Dole Institute of Politics, September 2008.
- "Blueprint for American Prosperity: Unleashing the Potential of a Metropolitan Nation," University of Utah College of Architecture + Planning Spring 2008 Lecture Series, March 2008.
- "Suburban Studies for a Metropolitan Nation," Keynote Address: National Center for Suburban Studies, Hofstra University, November 2007.
- "Local and Metropolitan Governance: Lessons from the U.S.," Georgetown University Center for Intercultural Education and Development, October 2006.

Selected Invited Seminars (since October 2009)

- "Infrastructure Financing for Cities," Clinton Global Initiative, Chicago, IL, June 2013.
- "National Dialogue on Infrastructure," State Budget Crisis Task Force, Federal Reserve Bank, New York, April 2013.
- "American Economic Competitiveness Series," White House Business Council, Washington, August 2012.
- "Forum on First Suburbs, Inclusion, Sustainability, and Economic Growth," Building One America, Washington, July 2011.
- "U.S.-China Infrastructure Investment Opportunities," Brookings and China Institute for Innovation & Development Strategy, Washington, January 2011.
- "Heartland Civic Collaboration Forum," Session Leader: Water Infrastructure, Kansas City, October 2010.
- "Strategies and Tactics to Fund State Infrastructure," Discussant: Lazard Frères & Co., New York, September 2010.
- "Performance Driven: A New Vision for U.S. Transportation Policy," Participant: Bi-Partisan Policy Center, Bellagio, Italy, March 2010.
- "Strategies for Improved Passenger and Freight Travel Data," Discussant: Transportation Research Board, Washington, February 2010.
- "Report Card for America's Infrastructure," Discussant: American Society of Civil Engineers, Washington, January 2010.
- "Federal Roundtable on Sustainable Communities," U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development, December 2009.
- "Experts' Roundtable on Shaping a New Transportation Vision," National Governors' Association, Washington, December 2009.

Media References (since December 2003)

Op-Eds/Essays

- "Storm Barriers for New York City," *New York Times*, Room for Debate, November 1, 2012.
- "Federal Aviation Policy Must be Reformed, Updated," with Adie Tomer, *The Hill*, October 31, 2012.
- "The Future of Redevelopment Financing in the US: China?" *Atlantic Cities*, July 18, 2012.
- "A Transformative Investment for Metro Detroit and for the U.S." *Huffington Post*, June 25, 2012.
- "Move It: How the U.S. Can Improve Transportation Policy," *Wall Street Journal*, May 23, 2011.
- "A Measured Approach Can Work," *New York Times*, Room for Debate, October 13, 2010.
- "Will Obama's Plan for Fixing America's Transportation Infrastructure Be Enough?" *Huffington Post*, September 9, 2010.
- "Less Driving Undercuts Raising the Gas Tax," *Washington Post*, July 12, 2010.
- "Rethinking the Way on Infrastructure," with Bruce Katz, *The Hill*, November 2009.
- "Congress Plans A Transportation Overhaul," with Adie Tomer, *The New Republic*, June 2009.
- "The MTA is Not Alone in its Financial Struggles," with Emilia Istrate, *Newsday*, April 2009.
- "Transportation and Climate Change: The Perfect Storm," *Washington Post*, April 2009.
- "Road Blocked," *The New Republic*, November 2008.
- "Clogged Arteries: The Nation in Numbers," with Bruce Katz, *Atlantic Monthly*, March 2008.
- "Washington Must Retool for a More Focused Role in Buffalo," *Buffalo News*, February 2008.
- "Keeping Controversial Dulles Project on Track," *Politico*, February 2008.
- "Housing: The Key Hurdle for Hampton Roads' Growth," *Virginia Pilot*, November 2007.
- "Don't Raise that Gas Tax...Yet!" *Washington Examiner*, August 2007.
- "The Real Price of Private Toll Roads," *Dallas Morning News*, March 2007.
- "Cashing in on the BP Beltway," *Hartford Courant*, *Salt Lake Tribune* and others, March 2007.
- "Affluent, but Needy (First Suburbs)" *Newsday*, February 2006.
- "Extreme Makeover: Nassau," *New York Times*, January 2006.
- "Beyond Campaign Rhetoric: Find Real Solutions to Virginia's Transportation Tangle," *Richmond Times-Dispatch*, September 2005; and *Virginia Pilot*, September 2005.
- "Transportation Breakdown," *Boston Globe*, May 2005
- "Deficits by Design Plague Washington's Metro," *Washington Times*, June 2004.
- "Federal Transportation Policy: Still Stuck in Traffic," *Biloxi Sun Herald*, April 2004.
- "Fairness in Funding the Dulles Rail Project," *Washington Post*, December 2003.

Selected Brookings Web-Eds (since 2010):

- "A Statement on the Hurricane Sandy Rebuilding Task Force Report," with Bruce Katz, August 2013.
- "State and Local Leaders Double Down on Infrastructure," April 16, 2013.
- "Expand State Partnerships for Passenger Rail," with Joseph Kane, March 13, 2013.
- "New Partnerships for American Rail," March 1, 2013.
- "Sandy Recovery: The Case For Disaster Bonds," with Patrick Sabol, December 10, 2012.
- "The Big Infrastructure Question Posed by Sandy," October 31, 2012.
- "Promoting Infrastructure Investment through Private Activity Bonds," October 25, 2012.
- "What Would an Infrastructure Bank Really Do?" July 16, 2012.
- "Contracting for Railcars and Jobs in Los Angeles," with Jennifer Thompson, April 2012.
- "Transformative Investments, Chicago Style," March 2012.
- "A Path to Public/Private Partnerships for Infrastructure," with Emilia Istrate, December 2011.
- "Obama's Plan a Chance to Get Strategic on Infrastructure," September 2011.
- "Apple's Form and Function Meets Location Efficiency," with Adie Tomer, June 2011.
- "Maintenance on Silver's Transit Line," with Alan Berube, May 2011.
- "Pulling a FAST One on Gas Prices," May 2011.

- "Two Years Better for Transportation," April 2011.
- "A Fast Forward Approach to Transportation Investment," April 2011.
- "Driving's Back Up ... Or Is it?" with Adie Tomer, March 2011.
- "If Not a Gas Tax Hike, Then What?" March 2011.
- "Budget 2012: Increased Spending for Increased Reform," February 2011.
- "Imagining the Next Metropolis," February 2011.
- "Moving Past Gridlock," December 2010.
- "High Speed Rail=Free Puppies?" November 2010.
- "Slashing Spending and Boosting Infrastructure in the U.K." October 2010.
- "Where Are the 'Recovery Summer' Stimulus Projects?" with Adie Tomer, October 2010.
- "Everything You Know About Traffic May be Wrong," September 2010.
- "Californians Dreaming About the Next Metropolis," August 2010.
- "The Geography of Broadband Access," July 2010.
- "On the Map: America's Shifting Commuting Choices," July 2010.
- "The Shifting Geography of State Business Subsidies," with Mark Muro, June 2010.
- "The Livability Moment," May 2010.
- "Mandates for Tolls on Interstate Highways Are Outdated," April 2010.
- "Federal Surface Transportation Program Faces Shutdown," February 2010.
- "TIGER's Tale and Lessons for Stimulus Spending," February 2010.
- "New Jersey and Virginia Governors Facing Transportation Shortfalls," February 2010.
- "Budget 2011: Investing in Infrastructure," February 2010.
- "Getting High Speed Rail Right," January 2010.

Interviews:

- *Print:*
Numerous newspapers including: *Arizona Republic, Baltimore Sun, Boston Globe, Charlotte Observer, Chicago Sun-Times, Chicago Tribune, Cleveland Plain Dealer, Dallas Morning News, Houston Chronicle, Indianapolis Star, Los Angeles Times, Milwaukee Journal-Sentinel, Minneapolis Star Tribune, New York Times, Orlando Sentinel, Philadelphia Inquirer, St. Louis Post-Dispatch, USA Today, Virginia Pilot, Wall Street Journal, and Washington Post.* Numerous trade/specialty journals including: *Congressional Quarterly, Journal of Commerce, Traffic World, Passenger Transport, Planning, Nation's Cities Weekly.*
- *Radio:*
Numerous including: The Diane Rehm Show, Marketplace Morning Report, Marketplace Money, On Point with Tom Ashbrook, The Takeaway, The Kojo Nnamdi Show, Federal News Radio, NPR News & Notes, Smart City Radio, HearSay with Cathy Lewis, German Public Radio. Many local outlets including: WCBS/New York, WGST/Atlanta, WAMU/Washington, KSKY/Dallas, WTVN/Columbus, KPCW /Salt Lake City, WHYY/Philadelphia, WUNC/Raleigh, KTRH/Houston, WHRO/Norfolk, Minnesota Public Radio, Southern California Public Radio/SCPR, Nevada Public Radio/KNPR, Progressive Radio Network.
- *Television:*
ABC News *Primetime*, NBC *Nightly News* and *News Channel*, CNN *NewsSource* and *Paula Zahn NOW*, C-SPAN/*Washington Journal*, PBS *Nightly Business Report*, Dow Jones Investment Banker, Bloomberg News, Reuters TV, NewsChannel 8 *NewsTalk*, the Weather Channel *Your Weather Today*.