



WELCOME TO PITTSBURGH

Welcome to Pittsburgh! Pittsburgh is happy to host the ASALH 109th Annual Conference. A major metropolitan area, Pittsburgh has plenty of wonderful attractions to make your visit memorable. While you're here, we encourage you to set aside some time to explore all our city has to offer. From incredible outdoor adventures, professional sports and historical sites to some of the country's finest museums and cultural attractions, there is something for everyone in our city of multitudes.

LOCATION

Convention activities will take place at the Omni William Penn Hotel at 530 William Penn Pl, Pittsburgh, PA, 15219. Pittsburgh is within 500 miles of more than half the U.S. population and less than a 90-minute flight from 50 percent of North America's population. It's under six hours by car or train to nine states, D.C. and Canada. [Click here](#) to determine driving distance between your city and Pittsburgh.

AIRPORT SHUTTLE

Downtown hotels do not have private shuttle service to and from the airport, but rest assured, there are plenty of transportation options to make travel throughout Pittsburgh a breeze.

Taxi and Rideshare Service (from airport)

Average fare from the airport to Downtown is \$40+. zTrip (silver taxis) do not surge charge. Uber and Lyft are available as well. Upon arrival at the airport, proceed to the landside terminal, lower level, exit through the "commercial" doors, and proceed to the taxi stand area on the curb where cabs will be waiting. It is always recommended that you confirm costs with your driver prior to your trip to avoid any confusion when you arrive at your destination.

Pittsburgh Regional Transit (PRT) – the 28X Airport Flyer (budget conscious option)

One-way fare to/from the airport is \$2.75. Exact change is required, and fares are paid upon boarding. Mobile ticketing options are available. [Click here](#) to view tickets and passes available for mobile purchase. Passengers are responsible for handling their bags both on and off the vehicle. Tipping operators is not permitted. Upon arriving at the airport, you can board the 28X at Door 6. [Click here](#) to find the schedule and current rate. Schedules are subject to change, so please check the website right before you depart for Pittsburgh.

The ride from the airport to the David L. Lawrence Convention Center (DLCC) takes approximately 35 minutes. The stop for the Westin Convention Center Hotel is Liberty Avenue at Wood Street, and it is a 6-minute walk (.3 miles) to the DLCC. For additional information, please visit PRT's [website](#) or call (412) 442-2000.



Car Rental Companies (located at the airport)

Car rental counters are located on the baggage claim level of the Landside Terminal. Rental car pick-up and return areas are located on the lower-level of the parking garage.

Alamo 800-397-9633

Avis 412-472-5200

Budget 800-527-0700

Dollar 800-800-4000

Enterprise 412-472-3490

Hertz 800-654-3131

National 412-472-5045

For a nominal fee, the Traveler's Aid Society, also located on the baggage claim level of the Landside Terminal, offers a car seat loan program for passengers arriving at the airport with an infant or child.

PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION AROUND TOWN

Pittsburgh Regional Transit

[PRT](#) has more than 700 buses, 83 light rail vehicles and the Monongahela and Duquesne Inclines to make getting around Pittsburgh quick, easy and affordable. PRT also sponsors the ACCESS program, the nation's largest paratransit program of its kind for senior citizens and persons with disabilities. Travel within Downtown (the triangle) Pittsburgh is FREE. [Contact PRT](#) or call (412) 442-2000 for schedules and more.

Light Rail - The 'T'

The 'T' is a 26.2-mile light rail system that runs from the North Shore and Downtown through Pittsburgh's southern neighborhoods and many South Hills suburbs. The 'T' serves Downtown with a four-stop loop including stops at First Avenue Parking Garage, Steel Plaza at Grant Street, Wood Street and Gateway Center. Stops on the North Shore include North Side and Allegheny Station. Travel within Downtown (the triangle) and North Shore is FREE 24/7. [Contact PRT](#) or call (412) 442-2000 for schedules and more.

Public Bus

PRT's fleet of 700 buses operates 365 days a year, servicing more than 7,000 stops throughout Allegheny County. You can take any public bus for a cash fare or ConnectCard fare of \$2.75, or you can purchase a 3-hour or day(s) [mobile ticket](#) pass. Stops are located all throughout Downtown and near the DLCC.

Discount fares are available for individuals with disabilities and children ages 6-11. Seniors 65+ ride free, as do children 5 years of age or younger when accompanied by a paying adult. Police, fire and municipal employees ride for free on all PRT services while in full uniform. Proof of eligibility is required for all discounted passengers. [Contact PRT](#) or call (412) 442-2000 for schedules and more.

Taxi & Rideshare Service

All major hotels in the Downtown area have taxis waiting outside their front doors. In other areas of the city, look for "taxi stands." You can also call for a taxi by dialing 412-777-7777 for zTrip or Black Car Services at (412) 444-4444 x6. Both zTrip and Black Car Services can be requested using the zTrip app on your smart device. [Click here](#) to download the app.

Uber & Lyft are also available. Arrange a car via the apps on your smart device.

PARKING

There are over 20,000 parking spaces in Downtown Pittsburgh operated by ALCO Parking and the Pittsburgh Parking Authority. For information on their garages and lots, including questions regarding oversized vehicle parking, visit their respective websites: [Pittsburgh Parking Authority](#) and [Alco Parking](#).

On-street metered parking is also available Downtown. These are pay-by-license plate meters, so look for the nearest kiosk after parking.

For real-time parking availability in the downtown area, please use [ParkPGH](#) download the app. The ParkPGH app provides real-time parking availability for garages in Pittsburgh's Cultural District. If you do not have access to internet or a smart phone, text "PARKING" to 412-423-8980 or call 412-423-8982.

BICYCLING

If you are interested in exploring Pittsburgh by bike, Bike Pittsburgh has a variety of resources to make your trek enjoyable and worry-free, including the Bike Commuting 101 Guide. Every PRT bus also provides a bike rack.

Need to rent a bike? We've got options! Golden Triangle Bike Rental on First Avenue in Downtown offers 2-hour, half-day, full-day and overnight options that will allow you to explore 20+ miles of traffic-free bike paths bordering the three rivers with spectacular views of Downtown, South Side and North Side.



Or, if you are looking to get from one side of town to the other on a bike, register for POGO, Pittsburgh's e-assist bike share program, to rent a bicycle from any of the conveniently located POGO stations 24/7 for as little as \$3.50 for every half hour.

HOTEL PARKING

Check with your assigned hotel for parking. [Click here to learn more.](#)

WELCOME CENTERS

WELCOME PITTSBURGH features a variety of Pittsburgh merchandise from souvenirs like postcards, magnets and pens to products from local attractions including the Carnegie Science Center, The Frick Pittsburgh, Pittsburgh Glass Center and Pittsburgh Symphony Orchestra. WELCOME PITTSBURGH is your one-stop shop for information and that special something for the folks back home!

WELCOME PITTSBURGH Information Center and Gift Shop – David L. Lawrence Convention Center

1000 Fort Duquesne Blvd., Pittsburgh, PA 15222

Hours: Depends on events in the Convention Center. Open during peak times.

WELCOME PITTSBURGH - Pittsburgh International Airport Landside Terminal in Baggage Claim

Hours: Th-F: 10:30am-9pm; Sa: 12:30pm-6:30pm; Su: 10:30am-4:30pm

LUGGAGE STORAGE

If you wish to store your luggage at the hotel before you check in, or after checking out before departure, please make arrangements with guest services.

GRATUITIES

You are responsible for all gratuities during your stay.

SAFETY TIPS

Please see hotel information located in room.

DINING

With more than 200 downtown restaurants and many more neighborhood dining options, your attendees will never go hungry! Ask your convention services representative for an up-to-date listing and map of downtown restaurants.

THINGS TO SEE AND DO

Find out what's happening when you're in town. Check out the [VisitPITTSBURGH Events Calendar](#) or ask your convention services representative for a listing of events during your meeting.

Attractions

When they have free time on their agendas, delegates can switch off meeting mode and enjoy performing arts, visual arts, family fun, great outdoors, history and more.

Cultural District

The Cultural District features five major world-class theaters plus smaller performance venues and cutting-edge art galleries. It is an easy walk from the DLCC and Downtown hotels, and it provides plenty of post-meeting entertainment.

Benedum Center for the Performing Arts: This historic theater hosts concerts, Broadway musicals and a wide variety of regional, national and international arts events.

Byham Theater: This intimate theater hosts events for smaller and mid-size performing arts groups.

Cabaret at Theater Square: The place for late-night entertainment, this new venue hosts live music and theatrical performances year-round.

Heinz Hall: This classic theater is the place to see Pittsburgh Symphony Orchestra performances, Broadway shows and visiting stars in concert.

O'Reilly Theater: In this contemporary theater, the audience surrounds the stage on three sides. Pittsburgh Public Theater presentations include world premieres, new works, musicals, classics and more.

Pittsburgh Ballet Theatre: Widely acclaimed for its classical ballet masterpieces as well as innovative explorations of contemporary dance, Pittsburgh Ballet Theatre is one of the world's leading ballet companies.

Museums and Cultural Institutions

Pittsburgh's cultural legacy can be found throughout several museums across our 90 neighborhoods, including four Carnegie Museums. The city also features one of the oldest botanical conservatories in the country and is home to the National Aviary.

Carnegie Museum of Art features distinguished masterpieces of French Impressionist, Post-Impressionist and 19th-Century American art. Paintings, prints and sculptures by old masters rub shoulders with works by contemporary artists. This museum is host to the prestigious Carnegie International.

Carnegie Museum of Natural History is called the "home of the dinosaurs" for its famed skeletons of Tyrannosaurus rex, Diplodocus and other extraordinary fossils. The museum also displays more than five million specimens from all areas of natural history and anthropology.

The Andy Warhol Museum is the largest single-artist museum in the world, featuring thousands of pieces by the Pittsburgh-born artist and cultural icon, as well as rotating special exhibitions, installations and musical performances.

The Carnegie Science Center features a four-story Omnimax theater, an interactive planetarium, a real Cold War submarine and hundreds of hands-on exhibits that bring science alive for visitors of all ages.

Children's Museum of Pittsburgh is consistently rated one of the best children's museums in the country. The museum features interactive exhibits, a workshop, nursery, theater and Mister Rogers' Neighborhood.

Phipps Conservatory and Botanical Gardens was built more than 100 years ago and offers a feast for the senses. Tropical plants, a butterfly garden, orchids and seasonal flower exhibits are just a few of the pleasures that can be found in this charming glass palace.

The National Aviary, a unique Pittsburgh treasure, is home to more than 500 exotic and endangered birds in natural habitats.

Outdoor Adventure

Pittsburgh is an urban oasis in the middle of the Appalachian with all of the big-city amenities that travelers love paired with just as much nature to be explored. From more than 180 miles of trails, 176 parks and 700 outdoor stairways to more than 30 miles of riverways and 446 bridges just within city limits, you don't have to go far to enjoy being outdoors in Pittsburgh. Just head toward one of our three rivers. Riverfront trails are perfect for jogging, walking and biking.

Venture Outdoors now offers kayak rentals from its Kayak Pittsburgh Downtown community hub, right outside of the DLCC, allowing visitors to get outdoors, float around The Point and experience our beautiful city from a whole new perspective.



Family Fun: Pittsburgh is Kidsburgh!

Pittsburgh is known for being a family-friendly destination thanks to the many unique, affordable attractions and activities for all ages, making it the perfect destination for delegates who can spend extra time here with their families. Plus, each year we make it even easier for parents to make the most of the summer months by partnering with area attractions to offer additional deals and discounts with our free [KidsBURGH® pass](#).

Sports

Pittsburgh is a premier sports destination, so if its action your delegates want, our city has it covered with the best of [football](#), [baseball](#), [hockey](#) and [more](#). Beyond bleeding black and gold, Pittsburgh hosts a wide array of other notable sporting events throughout the year. Check out the [VisitPITTSBURGH Calendar of Events](#) for a full list of sports and recreation opportunities while visiting.