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Brandon Smiley Joins DART as Chief Operations Officer

Des Moines, IA – Brandon Smiley joined The Des Moines Area Regional Transit Authority (DART) as its Chief Operating Officer on October 17, 2022. Smiley comes to DART with extensive experience in public transportation operations. He spent 17 years working in operations for the Kansas City Area Transit Authority (KCATA) where he started as a Transit Bus Operator and worked in several roles, including Transportation Supervisor, Transportation Assistant Superintendent, Transportation Manager and most recently the Director of Transportation.

At DART, Smiley will lead more than 200 employees in the Operations, Maintenance and Facilities departments, overseeing vital projects supporting the delivery of current and future services.

Smiley graduated with his Bachelor of Arts from MidAmerica Nazarene University in 2015 and received his MBA from American Public University in 2020. Smiley, his wife and their 4 high school children are in the process of relocating from the Kansas City area to Greater Des Moines.

An image of Brandon Smiley is available to download and use in promotional materials by [clicking here](#).

The Des Moines Area Regional Transit Authority (DART) is Iowa's largest, and only, regional transit agency, providing service in and around Polk County. DART operates a family of transportation services, providing nearly 4.5 million annual rides that connect thousands of people every day to jobs, school, healthcare and other essential destinations. Twelve member governments make up DART's service area, where the agency carries out its mission to enrich lives, connect communities and expand opportunities for central Iowans. For more information about DART services, schedules, route changes, or directions to the nearest DART stop, visit the website at ridedart.com, download the free MyDART app or call 515-283-8100.

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