



Congresswoman Shontel M. Brown Tours Columbus (Ohio) ATCT

NATCA Southern Ohio Legislative Coordinator Ben Hudak (Columbus, Ohio, ATCT, CMH) led a visit to CMH for Congresswoman Shontel M. Brown (Ohio-11) on July 11. Congresswoman Brown was invited to tour CMH by Northern Ohio Legislative Coordinator Ron Shonk (Cleveland Center, ZOB) while Shonk was attending an event with Congresswoman Joyce Beatty (Ohio-3).

“This was Congresswoman Brown’s first visit to an air traffic facility that provides radar services,” Hudak said. “She had many questions about how we do our job and what our schedules were like. She toured the TRACON and seemed generally impressed by the totality of the operation.”

Hudak also took Congresswoman Brown to the tower to complete the tour.

“I thanked Congresswoman Brown for supporting the appropriations bill that passed earlier in the year,” Hudak said.

“I explained the issues we face with stop-and-go funding. Overall it was an excellent visit. She was very animated and interested to learn about our profession.”



Rep. Jackson Legislative Aide Tours Dallas-Fort Worth TRACON

NATCA Southwest Legislative Mentee for Texas Brandi Willis (Dallas-Fort Worth TRACON, D10) provided Alexandra Davis, Legislative Aide to Congressman Ronny Jackson (Texas-13), a tour of D10 on July 8.

“She was super excited to finally be able to see a radar room,” Willis said. D10 FacRep Stephen Prichard provided Davis stats on traffic count and staffing numbers, which Willis and Davis discussed during the tour.

“She remembered some of the things she learned from her Dallas/Fort Worth ATCT (DFW) tour and expressed interest in visiting Fort Worth Center (ZFW), so that her understanding of the National Airspace System can come full circle,” Willis said. “It was an excellent visit and she invited me to reach out next time I’m in Washington for a Capitol and White House tour.”



Rep. Jackson Legislative Aide Facility Tour
Dallas-Fort Worth TRACON | July 2022

NATCA Family Helps Prepare Local Students with Back-to-School Supplies

As part of an annual effort, local NATCA members, National Office staff, and NATCA family members worked with the NATCA Charitable Foundation (NCF) and the Organized NATCA Employees Union (ONEU) to fill 100 backpacks with school supplies for Community of Hope’s annual back-to-school backpack drive. Every year Community of Hope gives new backpacks filled with supplies to school-aged children who are NATCA’s neighbors in Washington.



Community of Hope Backpack Stuffing Washington | July 2022

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