

Francisco Otero

BIO

Mr. Otero is the founder, President & CEO of PACO Group, Inc. a full service minority owned and certified Program & Construction Management firm founded in 1989 and headquartered in New York City. The company specializes in providing professional and technical consulting services to Federal, State, local and municipal government agencies involved in the design and construction of transportation and infrastructure projects. During the over 30-year existence, Mr. Otero has provided the leadership and strategic guidance enabling the company to successfully grow utilizing the DBE and MBE programs in the highly competitive construction industry.

Mr. Otero has served as a Board of Director of American Public Transportation Association (APTA) a national and international trade organization whose mission is to advocate, strengthen and improve public transportation. Additionally, he was appointed to serve a six-year term on the Board of Directors of the National Transit Cooperative Research Board. Mr. Otero is also active and plays a leadership role in numerous minority industry organizations including, Conference of Minority Transportation Officials (COMTO) and Latinos In Transit (LIT), where he advocates for leveling the playing field by providing meaningful procurement opportunities that enable capacity building for minority businesses.

Mr. Otero is a Fellow at Rutgers University and Pontifical Javeriana University (Colombia, S.A.) where he is an invited guest lecturer and has taught Configuration Management to the graduate and undergrad engineering students. Mr. Otero possess a Bachelor of Science degree, he has written various "white papers" and made numerous presentations on Configuration Management.