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## Monthly Business Meeting **CANCELED**

**Important Notice** - The **April** meeting is canceled due to the COVID-19 outbreak.

We will send out an email notification on the status of the May meeting.

## President's Message

I hope this month's newsletter finds you and your family well during these challenging times. While our monthly meetings may be on hold for the time being, the NJPTOA will continue to provide you with the most up-to-date information we can concerning the COVID-19 outbreak and resources that may assist you during these times. Information will keep being sent from our [traffic@njptoa.org](mailto:traffic@njptoa.org) association email address, as well as posting it on our association website [www.njptoa.org](http://www.njptoa.org).

Please continue to submit any information to myself and Rich Maxwell to be included in the newsletter or sent out to the membership. Given the recent extension of social distancing guidelines, I anticipate canceling the May meeting as well. We will play the June meeting by ear as we get through the next two months. Keep those in law enforcement, their families, friends, and everyone else that has been directly affected by the coronavirus in your thoughts and prayers during this crisis. Stay safe, stay healthy, and please don't hesitate to reach out if you need anything.

Nick

## [WWW.NJPTOA.ORG](http://WWW.NJPTOA.ORG) & COVID-19

Visit our association's website regularly for updated information and Law Enforcement resources dealing with the COVID-19 outbreak. You will find a great deal of critical information dealing with COVID-19 on the home page of [www.njptoa.com](http://www.njptoa.com). Please Stay Safe out there!

There is some COVID-19 related information in this newsletter, but we are keeping the bulk of the newsletter to the "normal" police and traffic safety related content.

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## Association News

### Dues Notice for 2020

The annual association membership dues for 2020 are due before June. A copy of the dues invoice is in the Appendix of this newsletter.

The New Jersey Division of Highway Traffic Safety has authorized the use of Drunk Driving Enforcement Funds to pay for NJPTOA dues.

Copies of purchase orders can be mailed, faxed to 856-783-0012, or scanned and e-mailed Mark Wilson at [MWILSON@NJPTOA.ORG](mailto:MWILSON@NJPTOA.ORG)

## Updates from the New Jersey Motor Vehicle Commission



### **NJMVC Facilities to Remain Closed Until at Least April 13th**

[MVC Administrative Order 2020-01](#) - March 13, 2020 - extending expiration dates on driver's licenses and vehicle registrations due to the Corona Virus outbreak.

[MVC Administrative Order 2020-02](#) - March 19, 2020 - Temporary waivers of requirements concerning the International Registration Plan ("IRP") and International Fuel Tax Agreement ("IFTA").

[MVC Administrative Order 2020-03](#) - March 19, 2020 - Dealer License renewal applications extended to May 31st & expiration date of dealer plates ("D" plates) extended to June 30th.

## Updates from the New Jersey Division of Highway Traffic Safety



### **All Crash Investigation Classes Through the End of May are Postponed**

Due to the COVID-19 outbreak, for the safety of the instructor cadre, the safety of the students, the following Crash Investigation Classes are **postponed until further notice**:

- Basic Crash Investigation, Middlesex County Police Training Center,
- Basic Crash Investigation, Atlantic County Canale Training Center, April 13 to 24, 2020
- Basic Crash Investigation, Bergen County Law & Public Safety Academy, April 20 to May 1, 2020
- Basic Crash Investigation, Ocean County Police Academy, April 20 to May 1, 2020
- Advanced Crash Investigation, Morris County Police Academy, May 4 to 15, 2020
- Basic Crash Investigation, Burlington County Emergency Services Training Center, May 4 to 15, 2020
- Basic Crash Investigation, Stockton State University, May 11 to 22, 2020
- Advanced Crash Investigation, Gloucester Police Academy, May 11 to 22, 2020

Check [www.njsaferoads.com](http://www.njsaferoads.com) for updates once they become available.

## New Jersey Traffic Safety Symposium 2020

Mark it on your calendars now; the dates are all set for the upcoming New Jersey Division of Highway Traffic Safety & the AAA North Jersey Foundation for Safety 2020 Traffic Safety Symposium. Registration information and more details will be released as it becomes available.

**Location:** Ocean Place Resort  
One Ocean Boulevard  
Long Branch, New Jersey 07740

**Date:** April 28, 2020

## Updates from the New Jersey State Police



## Division of NJ State Police Top 12 Most Wanted Fugitives

Click the below link to see who is on the NJ State Police's Most Wanted List:

<https://www.njsp.org/wanted/index.shtml>



## Fatal Accident Investigation Unit

[Click here for more details from the NJSP Fatal Accident Unit](#)

Below is fatal crash data for the state as of 10:00 am, March 31, 20120

<b>Fatal Crashes</b>			<b>Fatalities</b>	
2020	112		2020	122
2019	107		2019	119
2018	107		2018	117

Difference in Fatalities from 2019 to 2020 = increase of 3  
Percentage of change between 2019 and 2020 = + 2.5%

Difference in Fatalities from 2018 to 2019 = increase of 2  
Percentage of change between 2018 and 2019 = + 1.7%

If you ever have a question about a fatal crash or want to update information about one, feel free to contact the NJSP Fatal Accident Unit at (609) 882-2000 Ext. 2038

## Updates from the New Jersey Department of Transportation



### **Potholes, Begone!**

By John Reitmeyer [njspotlight.com](http://njspotlight.com)

One of New Jersey's reliable winter crops is potholes — which sprout in their thousands on the state's roadways. Even though this winter has been relatively mild, fluctuating temperatures along with a lot of freezing rain have led to plenty of damage. Which brings us to the high season of pothole repair for the state Department of Transportation reports on the repair program

[Click here to read the full article](#)

### **Murphy Administration Announces \$30.1 Million in Local Freight Impact Fund Grants**

***Program funds improvements to heavy truck routes on local roads***

The New Jersey Department of Transportation (NJDOT) announced on March 13<sup>th</sup> the availability of \$30.1 million in grants as part of the Local Freight Impact Fund program that helps counties and municipalities provide for the safe movement of large truck traffic. "These Local Freight Impact Fund grants allow counties and municipalities to make critical improvements to truck routes that are essential to keeping our regional economy thriving," NJDOT Commissioner Diane Gutierrez-Scaccetti said. "New Jersey roads and bridges carry a tremendous amount of commercial truck traffic every day, and we are using funds generated through the gas tax to make sure our infrastructure can handle the load." The Local Freight Impact Fund (LFIF) is a competitive \$30.1 million program, which was created as part of the Transportation Trust Fund (TTF) reauthorization in October 2016. This is the third year that grants have been made under this program.

[Click here to read the NJDOT press release](#)

## Updates from the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration



U.S. Department of Transportation  
**National Highway Traffic Safety  
Administration**



### **Postponement of NHTSA Traffic Safety Campaigns**

Due to the COVID-19 outbreak, NHTSA has canceled some of the upcoming traffic safety campaigns. NHTSA recognizes that States, law enforcement, and first responders are working tirelessly to respond to the current public health emergency. For States and Law Enforcement to prioritize public health, NHTSA is postponing the Distracted Driving, Heatstroke Awareness, and Click It or Ticket enforcement campaigns.

**The following enforcement campaigns are canceled:**  
National Distracted Driving Enforcement Mobilization, April 6-13, 2020  
Heatstroke Awareness Day, July 31 to May 1, 2020  
The National Seat Belt Enforcement Mobilization, May 11-31, 2020



## **NHTSA Issues First-Ever Proposal to Modernize Occupant Protection Safety Standards for Vehicles Without Manual Controls** *The historic first step for the agency to remove unnecessary barriers to motor vehicles equipped with automated driving systems*

The U.S. Department of Transportation's National Highway Traffic Safety Administration issued a proposal to modernize numerous Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standards. The proposal also clarifies ambiguities in current occupant protection standards for vehicles equipped with automated driving systems designed without traditional manual controls.

[Click here to read the full NHTSA press release](#)

[Click here to read the proposed rulemaking](#)

## **NHTSA Releases \$562M for Highway Safety Programs**

*Aashtojournal*

The National Highway Traffic Safety Administration issued \$562 million in grants to Offices of Highway Safety in all 50 states, the District of Columbia, the Bureau of Indian Affairs, and U.S. territories on February 13 to help fund a variety of highway safety programs.

[Click here to read the full aashtojournal article](#)

## **Pedestrian Safety Month October 2020**

NHTSA has designated October as [Pedestrian Safety Month](#). Please consider engaging in concentrated safety messaging activity throughout October.

## **NHTSA: Motor Vehicle Occupant Safety**

The results of the most recent motor vehicle occupant safety survey are outlined in [2016 Motor Vehicle Occupant Safety Survey, Volume 4: Emergency Medical Services, Crash Injury Experience, and Other Traffic Safety Topics](#),

## **NHTSA: Increasing Seat-Belt Use**

Ways in which part-time seat-belt users interact with prototype seat-belt assurance systems (SBAS) are evaluated in [Human Factors Research on Seat Belt Assurance Systems](#), a report from NHTSA. SBAS aims to promote more seat-belt use, especially among drivers who do not always use seat belts.

## [Updates from the US Department of Transportation](#)



### **U.S. Department of Transportation Announces \$8.5 Million Funding Opportunity to Help Communities Prosper through Transit**

*landline media*

A web portal aimed at providing convenient public access to guidance documents at the U.S. Department of Transportation and its administrations is now available. The U.S. DOT Guidance Portal is a searchable, indexed database containing all guidance documents issued by the agency that is currently in effect. The portal is accessible [here](#).

[Click here to read the full article](#)

### **Hudson River Rail Tunnel Environmental Report to be Delayed, Chao says**

*Progressive railroading*

U.S. Transportation Secretary Elaine Chao last week announced further delay with the Federal Railroad Administration's (FRA) environmental impact report for the Gateway Hudson River rail tunnel rehabilitation project.

[Click here to read the full article](#)

### **USDOT Updated Guidance on Compliance with Drug and Alcohol Testing Regulations**

March 23, 2020

USDOT has issued updated guidance to provide clarity to DOT-regulated employers, employees, and service agents on conducting DOT drug-and-alcohol testing given concerns about the Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19).

[Click here to read the press release](#)

[Click here to read the updated compliance document](#)

### **Recent Federal Highway Announcements**

FHWA [R&T Now](#), released by the U.S. Federal Highway Administration

[Click here to read the R&T Now newsletter](#)

## Updates from the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration



### **International Road Check Set for May 5-7 with Emphasis on Driver Requirements**

**Commercial Vehicle Safety Alliance**



The Commercial Vehicle Safety Alliance's (CVSA) International Roadcheck will take place from May 5<sup>th</sup> to 7<sup>th</sup>. International Roadcheck is a high-volume, high-visibility three-day enforcement initiative that highlights the importance of commercial motor vehicle safety through roadside inspections. Over those 72 hours, commercial motor vehicle inspectors in jurisdictions throughout North America will conduct inspections on commercial motor vehicles and drivers.

This year's focus is on the driver requirements category of a roadside inspection. According to the U.S. Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration's (FMCSA) fiscal 2019 data (as of Dec. 27, 2019), of the 3.36 million inspections conducted, 944,794 driver violations were discovered, of which 195,545 were out-of-service conditions.

International Roadcheck is a CVSA program with participation by FMCSA, the Canadian Council of Motor Transport Administrators, Transport Canada, and the Secretaría de Comunicaciones y Transportes (Ministry of Communications and Transportation) of Mexico.

[Click here to read the full press release.](#)

## Updates from the Federal Aviation Administration



### **FAA Proposal Would Ground Drones for Many Farmers, Ranchers**

*Farm Bureau*

The Federal Aviation Administration should revamp its drone proposal to provide flexibility to allow farmers and ranchers who cannot access the internet to continue using drones, according to the American Farm Bureau Federation

[Click here to read the full article](#)

## **Updates from the US Department of Justice**

***Click on a headline below to read the related press release.***



THE UNITED STATES  
DEPARTMENT *of* JUSTICE

### **Two Hudson County Men Charged with Using Drones to Smuggle Contraband into Fort Dix Federal Prison**

03/13/2020

### **Second Hudson County Man Charged with Using Drones to Smuggle Contraband into Fort Dix Federal Prison Appears in Court**

03/17/2020

### **United States Attorney David C. Joseph Hosts Inaugural "Law Enforcement Forum"**

03/13/2020

### **Two Passaic County Men Charged with Conspiracy and Bank Robbery**

03/18/2020

### **Supplier to Trenton Drug Trafficking Conspiracy Admits Heroin Distribution and Firearms Offenses**

03/18/2020

### **Major New Jersey Generic Pharmaceutical Company Admits to Antitrust Crimes**

03/02/2020

### **Hudson County Woman Sentenced to 70 Months in Prison for Enslaving Sri Lankan Woman for Over Nine Years**

03/10/2020

### **Eighteen South Jersey Residents Charged with Trafficking Prescription Drugs**

03/10/2020

### **Newark Man Sentenced To 20 Years in Prison for Union County Carjacking**

03/09/2020

### **Hoboken Woman Arrested for Embezzling Hundreds of Thousands of Dollars from Non-Profit**

03/03/2020

### **Monmouth County Man Charged with Producing and Distributing Child Pornography**

03/26/2020

## Department of Justice Announces Nomination Period for Fourth Annual Attorney General's Award for Distinguished Service in Policing

***Nominations open to April 24<sup>th</sup>.***

The US Attorney General's Award for Distinguished Service in Policing recognizes individual state, local, or tribal sworn rank-and-file police officers, deputies, and troopers for exceptional efforts in effective policing. The US Attorney General will present the awards at a ceremony honoring the recipients in Washington, D.C., at the Great Hall of the Robert F. Kennedy Justice Department Building.

Eligible candidates must be in a nonsupervisory position at the time the activities/programs/initiatives took place. The winning officer(s), deputy(ies), or trooper(s) will have demonstrated actual exceptional performance in one of three areas:

- Innovations in Community Policing
- Criminal Investigations
- Field Operations

Within each of these categories, awards will go to sworn police officers, deputies, and troopers serving within small, medium, and large jurisdictions.

- Small: Agencies serving populations fewer than 50,000
- Medium: Agencies serving populations 50,000 to 250,000
- Large: Agencies serving populations over 250,000

To nominate someone for this award, please visit <https://www.justice.gov/ag/webform/policing-award-nomination>. Nominations for the Fourth Annual Attorney General's Award for Distinguished Service in Policing will remain open until Friday, April 24, 2020, at 8:00 p.m. EDT.

**[Click here to read the full criteria for the distinguished service in policing program](#)**

## NJ US Attorney - More Than \$163 Million Available to Fight Addiction Crisis & More Than \$83 Million Available to Support School Safety

NEWARK, N.J. – U.S. Attorney Craig Carpenito announced on March 24<sup>th</sup> that more than \$163 million in Department of Justice grants is available to help communities address America's addiction crisis. Effective March 25<sup>th</sup>, more than \$83 million is available to help communities improve school security and protect students, faculty, and staff from threats of violence.

Several funding opportunities that address the addiction crisis are currently open:

- Adult Drug Court and Veterans Treatment Court Discretionary Grant Program
- Comprehensive Opioid, Stimulant, and Substance Abuse Site-based Program
- Enhancing Community Responses to America's Addiction Crisis: Serving Our Youngest Crime Victims
- Family Drug Court Program
- Harold Rogers Prescription Drug Monitoring Program
- Juvenile Drug Treatment Court Program
- Mentoring Opportunities for Youth Initiative
- Opioid Affected Youth Initiative
- Research and Evaluation of Drugs and
- Residential Substance Abuse Treatment for State Prisoners

**[Click here to read the full Addiction Crisis press release and for more information](#)**

Several funding opportunities for school safety are currently open, with another opening shortly:

- Research and Evaluation of School Safety
- STOP Act School Violence Program (FY20)
- Strategies to Support Children Exposed to Violence

**[Click here to read the full School Safety press release and more information](#)**

## **Uniformed Services Employment and Reemployment Rights Act (USERRA)**

USERRA safeguards the rights of uniformed service members, including those who enlisted in uniformed service after beginning their employment, to be free from discrimination based on their service obligation. USERRA also requires that employers treat employees who are absent from their job because of military service as though they are on leave and provide them with the same rights and benefits as employees who are on comparable leaves.

It is beneficial for Law Enforcement agencies to have a USERRA policy for its employees and ensure that all supervisory personnel and human resource staff members knowable on the policy.

The Justice Department gives high priority to the enforcement of service members' rights under USERRA. Attorneys assigned to the Employment Litigation Section of the Civil Rights Division represented the United States in this matter. Find additional information about USERRA at the Justice Department's websites at <https://www.justice.gov/crt/employment-litigation-section> and <https://www.justice.gov/servicemembers>, as well as on the Department of Labor's website at <https://www.dol.gov/agencies/vets/programs/userra>.

## **[New Jersey U.S. Attorney Announces More Than \\$65 Million Available to Fight Human Trafficking and Help Trafficking Victims](#)**

*Click the above link to read the press release.*

## **U.S. Attorney Carpenito, AG Grewal, Acting Comptroller Walsh, Announce Federal-State COVID-19 Fraud Task Force**

***Residents Encouraged to Report COVID-19 Related Fraud to Disaster Hotline: 866-720-5721***

NEWARK, N.J. – U.S. Attorney Craig Carpenito, New Jersey Attorney General Gurbir S. Grewal, and New Jersey Acting State Comptroller Kevin D. Walsh today announced the formation of a joint federal-state task force to investigate and prosecute a wide range of misconduct arising from the COVID-19 pandemic, including the illegal hoarding of medical supplies, price gouging, charity scams, procurement fraud, insurance fraud, phishing schemes, and false and misleading investment opportunities.

The New Jersey COVID-19 Fraud Task Force will marshal the collective investigative power of federal and state law enforcement agencies by forming joint investigative and prosecution teams to address fraud complaints quickly. Also, the Task Force will share information publicly about common frauds so individuals and businesses can better protect themselves. Residents are encouraged to report possible misconduct through a hotline established by the National Center for Disaster Fraud at (866) 720-5721 or [disaster@leo.gov](mailto:disaster@leo.gov). Complainants may remain anonymous.

The Task Force warned New Jerseyans about the most common types of COVID-related frauds:

- Unlawful hoarding
- Price-gouging
- Treatment scams
- Supply scams
- Provider scams
- Charity scams
- Phishing scams
- App scams
- Investment scams:

**[Click here to read the full press release](#)**

## Updates from the National Transportation Safety Board

*The National Transportation Safety Board (NTSB) is an independent federal agency charged with determining the probable cause of transportation accidents, promoting transportation safety, and assisting victims of transportation accidents and their families.*



### **NTSB: More Detail Could Increase the Understanding of Selections for the Most Wanted List of Transportation Safety Improvements**

GAO



The National Transportation Safety Board issued its 2019 “Top 10 Most Wanted Safety Improvements” to help prevent accidents and save lives. But how did NTSB choose these particular issues?

[Click here to read the full US General Accountability Office’s report](#)

### **Automated Vehicles and Distraction: Lessons Learned from Mt. View**

The National Transportation Safety Board (NTSB) met on February 25 to consider the 2018 collision of a Tesla Model X, operating with partial driving automation, with a damaged crash attenuator in [Mountain View, California](#).

The car steered out of its travel lane and into a gore area, where it collided with the damaged highway safety hardware. The driver didn’t notice the errant path the vehicle had taken because he was interacting with a game application on his work phone. In this crash, NTSB identified or reiterated [several ways to prevent a similar tragedy](#). [Click here to read the full NTSB article](#)

### **Final Reports for 2 Advanced Driver Assistance System Crash Investigations**

March 19, 2020 — The [National Transportation Safety Board](#) published on March 19th its final reports for its investigation of the fatal March 23, 2018, the [crash of a Tesla in Mountain View, California](#), and the fatal March 1, 2019, a [crash of a Tesla in Delray Beach, Florida](#).

The [Highway Accident Report 20/01](#) details the NTSB’s findings for the collision of a 2017 Tesla Model X P100D (an electric-powered sport utility vehicle) with a nonoperational crash attenuator. The crash occurred on U.S. 101 at the State Route 85 exit ramp in Mountain View.

[Highway Accident Brief 20/01](#) details the NTSB’s investigation of the collision of a 2018 Tesla Model 3 car with a 2019 International semi-tractor trailer on U.S. Highway 441 in Delray Beach, in which the 50-year-old driver of the car died. The 45-year-old truck driver was uninjured.

[Highway Accident Report 20/01](#) and [Highway Accident Brief 20/01](#) are available online.

[Click here to read the full NTSB press release](#)

## **MEDIA ADVISORY: Fatal Collision Involving Pedestrians Crossing Road to Board School Bus Subject of Board Meeting**

The [National Transportation Safety Board](#) announced its intention to hold a board meeting on April 7th to determine the probable cause of the fatal collision involving a pickup truck and four student pedestrians who were crossing a road to reach a stopped school bus. The crash occurred in 2018 in Indiana.

The collision occurred when a pickup truck failed to stop for a school bus stopped on the northbound side of a high-speed, two-lane road with a posted 55 mph speed limit. The school bus stopped to pick up students who were waiting on the opposite side of the road. The school bus' red warning lights were active, and with its stop arm extended. After being signaled by the school bus driver to cross, four students entered the roadway. The pickup truck, which was traveling southbound, struck the four children. A 9-year-old and two 6-year-old students died as a result of the crash. An 11-year-old student suffered serious injuries. None of the occupants of the pickup truck or others waiting for the bus were injured.

The public meeting will also be a webcast. A link to the webcast will be available shortly before the start of the meeting at <http://ntsb.windrosemedia.com/>.

## **A Comprehensive Approach to Bicycle Safety**

National Transportation Safety Board released a [report](#) that made safety recommendations meant to improve safety for a significant and growing segment of users on our roadways – bicyclists. The report issued 12 new safety recommendations and reiterated ten safety recommendations. The study looked at numerous countermeasures, including roadway design and infrastructure, reducing traffic speeds, collision avoidance systems, and blind-spot detection systems.

The NTSB's approach to bicyclist safety is comprehensive, multi-faceted, and fact-based. All the safety recommendations, when implemented, would help save lives by preventing collisions from happening, and by reducing the severity of those that do. [Click here to download the full report](#)

## **Undetected Cracks in Tank Car led to Ethanol Release in Virginia Rail Yard**

WASHINGTON (March 24, 2020) — The [National Transportation Safety Board](#) determined an Archer Daniels Midland Company rail tank car, while stationed at a CSX rail yard in Fredericksburg, Virginia, released denatured ethanol from undetected cracks in the bottom of the tank car shell.

About 68 gallons of the denatured ethanol, a flammable hazardous material, leaked from the DOT 111 rail tank car. The leaking rail tank car, which contained more than 28,690 gallons of denatured ethanol. Commercial businesses and residential neighborhoods bordered the incident location.

In its [report](#), the NTSB noted the undetected cracks resulted from overspeed, high-energy coupling events.

[Click here to read the full press release and report](#)

## [Updates from the Federal Railroad Administration](#)



U.S. Department  
of Transportation  
**Federal Railroad  
Administration**

### **FRA Issues Environment Assessment for Amtrak Sawtooth Bridge Replacement**

#### ***Amtrak's Sawtooth Bridges in New Jersey erected in 1907***

*Progressive railroading*

In March, the Federal Railroad Administration (FRA) published an environmental assessment of [Amtrak's](#) proposal to replace the Sawtooth Bridges in New Jersey as part of a broader plan to increase rail capacity and achieve a state of good repair.

The proposed Sawtooth project calls for replacing two aging two-track rail bridges on a section of Amtrak's Northeast Corridor (NEC) that extends from Newark, New Jersey, to the entrance of the North River rail tunnel in Weehawken, New Jersey.

[Click here to read the progressive railroading article](#)

### **U.S. Transportation Secretary Elaine L. Chao Announces \$248.5 Million in Grants to Support Railroad Infrastructure**

U.S. Transportation Secretary Elaine L. Chao announced in March the recipients of \$248.5 million in grant funds under the Consolidated Rail Infrastructure and Safety Improvements (CRISI) Program, for a wide variety of state and local railroad infrastructure projects. The Federal Railroad Administration (FRA) will administer the grants will fund 32 projects in 27 states. "This \$248.5 million federal investment will upgrade rail infrastructure and enhance safety on the tracks and at railroad crossings in rural and urban communities across America,"

[Click here to read the press release](#)

### **TSA to Require Freight Railroads to Provide Training Addressing Terrorist Threats**

*freightwaves.com*



Transportation  
Security  
Administration

Rail employees involved in higher-risk freight rail operations must now be trained to watch for terrorist-related threats, according to a new rule from the [Transportation Security Administration](#) (TSA).

The rule goes into effect on June 22<sup>nd</sup>. It calls for the owners and operators of higher-risk freight rail carriers, public transportation agencies, passenger railroad carriers, and over-the-road bus companies to provide TSA-approved security training to employees who are performing security-sensitive functions. [Click here to read the March 23 notice in the Federal Register.](#) The training must teach employees how to observe, assess, and respond to terrorist-related threats and/or incidents, the announcement said.

[Click here to read the full freightwaves.com article](#)

## Updates from New Jersey Transit



### **NJ Transit breaks ground on Hudson-Bergen light-rail extension**

**Gov. Murphy announced that NJ Transit began a \$220 million project to extend the Hudson-Bergen light rail's West Side Avenue Branch**

*Progressive railroading*

New Jersey Transit broke ground in March on a project to extend the Hudson-Bergen light rail's West Side Avenue Branch less than a mile from its current terminus at West Side Avenue in Jersey City to a new terminus across Route 440.

[Click here to read the Progressive railroading article](#)

## Updates from Amtrak



### **The Gateway Program**

Gateway is a comprehensive program of strategic rail infrastructure improvements designed to improve current services and create new capacity that will allow the doubling of passenger trains running under the Hudson River. The program will increase track, tunnel, bridge, and station capacity, eventually creating four mainline tracks between Newark, NJ, and Penn Station, New York, including a new, two-track Hudson River tunnel.

[Click here to read about amtrak's project gateway](#)



*The New Jersey entrance to the Hudson Train Tunnel.*

*Photo courtesy Amtrak website*

### **The Hudson Tunnel Project**

The Hudson Tunnel Project includes the design and construction of a new Hudson River rail tunnel serving Penn Station, New York, and the rehabilitation and modernization of the existing North River Tunnel, which incurred severe and ongoing damage during Super Storm Sandy.

[Click here to read about amtrak's Hudson tunnel project](#)

## Portal Bridge Replacement Project

NJ Transit and Amtrak have completed final design and federal environmental review to replace the century-old, swing-span Portal Bridge over the Hackensack River in New Jersey with a new, more reliable, fixed-span bridge.

The existing Portal Bridge, which hosts about 450 trains per day traveling between Newark, NJ and Penn Station, New York, is a significant bottleneck and source of delay of train traffic; the aging mechanical components sometimes malfunction while opening and closing for maritime traffic.

The two-track replacement bridge, known as Portal North Bridge, is designed as a high-level, fixed-span bridge, eliminating the movable components and risk of malfunction. The new bridge is estimated to cost approximately \$1.5 billion. Partners, including the Port Authority of New York and New Jersey, NJ TRANSIT, Amtrak, and U.S. DOT, are currently developing a funding and financing plan so that construction can proceed as soon as possible. The recently completed design process involved a preliminary design phase, for which costs of \$31 million is shared between NJ TRANSIT and Amtrak, and final design, funded by a Federal Railroad Administration grant of \$38.5 million.

[Click here to read about amtrak's portal bridge project](#)

## Updates from Traffic Incident Management (TIM)



## Updating the Standards of Traffic Management in Australia

**Mapping Comparison: Guide to Temporary Traffic Management and Australian Standard 1742.3**

*released by Austroads*

This document maps the content from the superseded AS1742.3 (2009) to either the revised standard AS1742.3 (2019) or Austroads Guide to Temporary Traffic Management.

[Click here to see how they do TIM down under](#)



**National Work Zone Awareness Week**  
**April 20-24, 2020**

## American Traffic Safety Services Association (ATSSA)

National Work Zone Awareness Week (NWZAW) is celebrating 20 years! This annual spring campaign held at the start of the construction season encourages safe driving through highway work zones. The key message is for drivers to use extra caution in work zones.

For more information about this training, click [here](#). Website: <http://www.nwzaw.org/>

# What's Happening in the World of Automated Vehicles, Artificial Intelligence, and Electric Vehicles



## **Ford Releases a Data Set to Accelerate Autonomous Car Development**

*VentureBeat*

Ford quietly [released](#) a corpus — the Ford Autonomous Vehicle Dataset — containing data collected from its fleet of autonomous cars in the Greater Detroit Area. The data set, which is freely available to researchers, could be used to improve the robustness of self-driving vehicles in urban environments.

[Click here to read the full article](#)

## **Connected vehicles will make our roads safer-but only with regulators' help**

*Fortune commentary*

In 2018, an estimated [40,000 Americans died](#) in traffic accidents. Sadly, an estimated 94% of these accidents are [due to human error](#), according to a 2015 study by the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration. Thankfully, an innovation that could significantly reduce the number of traffic deaths isn't too far down the road. Connected cars will make roads safer by using vehicle-to-everything (V2X) technology to communicate between vehicles.

[Click here to read the full article](#)

## **AAA Survey Finds Most Americans Don't Trust Self-Driving Cars**

*By STEFAN GELLER | Boston Herald*

Only 12% of drivers in America would feel safe in a self-driving car, and 28% don't know how they think about the technology, according to an AAA survey released Thursday.

[Click here to read the full Boston Herald article](#)

## **SwRI Develops Pedestrian Detection System for Autonomous Vehicles**

*aashtojournal.org*

The Southwest Research Institute (SwRI) recently unveiled a motion prediction system to enhance the pedestrian detection of autonomous vehicles, a system based on a “computer vision tool.”

[Click here to read more.](#)

## **Charging Electric Cars on the Turnpike Will Soon be as Easy**

*NJ.com*

Tesla charging stations are being installed for the first time at six Turnpike service areas, and more charging equipment is being added to two service areas that already have charging stations.

[Click here to read the nj.com article](#)

## **IIHS Chief: All Play a Role in Safe Use of Driving Tech**

*Automotive news*

So-called Level 2, or partially automated driving technology, such as Tesla's Autopilot and Cadillac's Super Cruise, can control acceleration, braking, and steering, among other tasks. But the systems available on vehicles today don't replace an attentive driver with eyes on the road.

Researchers at the Insurance Institute for Highway Safety in Arlington, Va., determined some of the designs — and names — of these advanced driver-assistance systems make it too easy for the driver to trust and heavily rely on the technology. This is resulting in driver disengagement and increasing the risk of a crash, according to the group's findings. [Click here to read the autonews.com article](#)

## **Automated Cars Need Stronger Safeguards to Keep Drivers Focused on the Road**

*Insurance Institute for Highway Safety*

The Insurance Institute for Highway Safety (IIHS) has issued a set of research-based safety recommendations on the design of partially automated driving systems. The guidelines emphasize how to keep drivers focused on the road even as the vehicle does more of the work.

[Click here to read the full iihs article](#)

Click the link below to read/download the full IIHS report:

[Addressing driver disengagement and system misuse: human factors recommendations for Level 2 driving automation design](#)

## **MIT Develops Training Simulation for Driverless Vehicles**

*aashtojournal.org*

The Massachusetts Institute of Technology has developed a simulation system to train driverless vehicles on how to navigate a host of “worse-case scenarios” before cruising down real streets.

[Click here to read more](#)

## **Watch Tesla Autopilot Automatically Stop at Red Lights for the First Time**

*Electrek*

Tesla is preparing to release an update to its Autopilot system that will enable it to stop at traffic lights automatically, and a video of the system at work can be viewed by clicking the link below.

[Click here to read the full electrek article](#)

## **Uber Resumes Testing Self-Driving Cars in San Francisco**

*Tnews*

Uber has resumed testing of robot cars in San Francisco, two years after one caused a fatal accident in Arizona. [Click here to read the full article](#)

## **Electric Vehicle Policies in the United States**

Released by the U.S. Congressional Research Service

[Electric Vehicles: A Primer on Technology and Selected Policy Issues](#)

## **Smart Phones' Effects on Driver Distraction & Performance – Autonomous Cars**

Released by the Mineta Transportation Institute at San Jose State University

[Impact of Smart Phones' Interaction Modality on Driving Performance for Conventional and Autonomous Vehicles,](#)

## Miscellaneous Traffic Safety Points of Interest



### 911 Dispatchers Hear the Worst Moments of Our Lives. Who Listens to Them?

#### The **FIRST** First Responders

*vice.com*

Every day, they grapple with traumatic experiences, punishing hours, and high rates of PTSD. No one seems to care—not even the people they call colleagues.

The *first* first responder to react to an emergency is the 911 operator. These front-line individuals often do not get the respect and consideration they are due. When they answer the phone, they might hear the screams of people having the worst day of their life or the sound of a gunshot, which ends a life.

***“The calls where a mother or father is hysterical or their teenager has hung themselves or overdosed; the female you get on the line who's literally in the middle of being beaten or raped—all those screams and visualizations get trapped in our head.”***

After giving out that information, the operator may be tortured for days asking themselves, "Did I do all that I could? Could I have done more?"

There is one legislative effort that would help dispatchers get the recognition they deserve. Congresswoman Norma Torres (CA-35), herself a former 911 dispatcher, has proposed the 911 SAVES Act, which would reclassify 911 telecommunication as a “protective service occupation”—the same classification as firefighters, paramedics, and police officers. Not only would it allow dispatchers to reap benefits like earlier retirement, but it would more accurately represent 911 telecommunicators’ role. Being classified as a first responder, Candance said, “is about respect. Period.”

Some smaller government bodies have started to take action. Texas has reclassified 911 dispatchers as first responders, as have two counties in Colorado. Other states are currently considering similar legislation.

Please read the full article; it will remind you, if you need reminding, of the essential role of the 911 operator/dispatcher, and give you a better appreciation of the stresses they endure.

[Click here to read the full vice.com article](#)

### Drive Safe: New Law Enforcement Operations Driving Skills Course

*evidencemagazine.com*

Law enforcement officers face increasingly dangerous conditions on our roadways. With faster vehicles, more distractions behind the wheel, and dynamic environments on the road, they face many risks when responding to emergency calls. The FLETC Training Innovation Division's new Law Enforcement Operations Driving Skills training course in Georgia aims to address that issue.

[Click here to read more about the new course.](#)

## Automated Work Zone Speed Enforcement Begins in Pennsylvania

[editor@aashto.org](mailto:editor@aashto.org)

The Pennsylvania Department of Transportation and the Pennsylvania Turnpike Commission officially began full enforcement of the statewide Automated Work Zone Speed Enforcement program on March 9, following the completion of a 60-day pre-enforcement period mandated by Act 86 of 2018, which established the AWZSE program.

[Click here to read the full article](#)

[Click here to read the PennDOT press release](#)

## Bergen County Sheriff's Office Launches Mobile App

[insidernj.com](http://insidernj.com)

[Click here to read the insidernj article](#)

## Fire onboard: safety tips for boaters in your community

**Boat and marina fires can spread quickly. They present unique response challenges due to hazardous conditions and limited access.**

US Fire Administration

As a member of the Police, Fire, and Emergency Medical Services, you can help to make people in boating communities aware of fire dangers and how to prevent boat and marina fires. Learn about boating fire safety issues and use our free resources to help the boating community stay fire safe.

[Click here to read more](#)

## Humorous Highway Signs Aim to Steer Drivers Safely Down the Old Town Road

**Highway sign that reads, "Puff, puff? Pass the keys to a designated driver."**

NPR Illinois

Drive down any U.S. interstate and there's a good chance you will see a pun or a funny reference on the next electronic message board you spot. Such messages have become ubiquitous across the country lately. But besides getting a snicker, what's behind these roadside bits, and are they making drivers behave differently?

[Click here to read the full NPR article](#)

## SchoolSafety.gov Empowers Districts and Schools to Improve Safety & Security

The U.S. Department of Homeland Security (DHS), U.S. Department of Education (ED), U.S. Department of Justice (DOJ), and the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) created SchoolSafety.gov to share actionable recommendations to keep school communities safe. SchoolSafety.gov aims to help schools prevent, protect, mitigate, respond to, and recover from emergencies.

The Federal Commission on School Safety (FCSS) was established on March 12, 2018, to review safety efforts and recommend best practices to keep schools safe. The FCSS released its [final report](#) in December 2018, which suggested that the federal government create a clearinghouse to provide school safety strategies and serve as a central location for federal resources.

The website has three sections:

- Prevent
  - Bullying and Cyberbullying
  - Mental Health
  - Threat Assessment and Reporting
  - School Climate
- Protect and Mitigate
  - School Security Personnel
  - Emergency Planning
  - Physical Security
- Respond and Recover
  - Recovery
  - Training, Exercises, and Drills

The Respond and Recover section includes a wide variety of resources for law enforcement. It provides research reports, How To's, videos, tool kits, weblinks, and training programs.

Visit their website at <https://www.schoolsafety.gov>

## Unique Undercover Traffic Sting

American police beat

The Hillsboro (OR) PD has developed a unique technique to target distracted driving. Plainclothes officers stand out at intersections holding a cardboard sign saying, "Distracted driving killed 3,450 people."

Distracted drivers don't notice the officers holding the signs, and the officers call ahead to the uniforms to stop the offending automobiles. They were quickly able to write 143 citations. The local fines are quite substantial; \$265 for the first offense and \$480 for the second. Three citations can earn you jail time.

[Click here to read the full apbweb.com article](#)

## Addressing Risky Driving Behaviors

### ***Guidance on Messaging to Avoid Reactance and Address Moral Disengagement***

*Montana Department of Transportation 2020*

Traffic safety professionals are tasked with the complexities of finding ways to change behavior. This project seeks to understand better if two psychological phenomena (psychological reactance and moral disengagement) are more prevalent among individuals engaging in risky behaviors. Such as not wearing a seat belt and aggressive driving and how messaging might be adjusted to mitigate these phenomena, thereby improving traffic safety.

[Click here to download the full report](#)

## Identification of Factors Contributing to the Decline of Traffic Fatalities in the United States from 2008 to 2012

Between 2005 and 2011, the number of traffic fatalities in the U.S. declined by 11,031, from 43,510 in 2005 to 32,479 in 2011. This decline amounted to a reduction in traffic-related deaths of 25.4 percent, by far the most significant decrease over a comparable period in the last 30 years.

Historically, significant drops in traffic fatalities over a short period have coincided with economic recessions. More prolonged recessions have coincided with deeper declines in the number of traffic fatalities. This report provides an analysis that identifies the specific factors in the economic downturn that affected fatal crash risk while taking into account the long-term factors that determine the level of traffic safety.

[Click here to read more and download a copy of the report](#)

## Effectiveness of Drink Driving Countermeasures: National Policy Framework

released by Austroads

A framework to reduce drunk driving in Australia

[Click here to read the full report](#)

## Smart Phones' Effects on Driver Distraction and Performance

Released by the Mineta Transportation Institute at San Jose State University

[Impact of Smart Phones' Interaction Modality on Driving Performance for Conventional and Autonomous Vehicles,](#)

## DID YOU KNOW ??

Fort Lee is ranked #1 as the most congested bottleneck in the U.S.

Motorcycle helmets saved an estimated 1,872 lives nationwide in 2017.

Drowsy driving accounts for over 100,000 police-reported crashes in the U.S. every year

Distracted driving caused 2935 fatal crashes across the country in 2017 and 196 fatal crashes here in New Jersey

## Legal Update Traffic & Police Related



Some information in this newsletter is courtesy of:  
Muni-Mail, 2000 Hamilton Ave. Hamilton, NJ  
Kenneth Vercammen & Associates, 2053 Woodbridge Ave, Edison, NJ [www.njlaws.com](http://www.njlaws.com)  
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<https://law.justia.com/>  
Oyez  
Legal Information Institute, 477 Myron Taylor Hall, Cornell Law School, Ithaca, NY  
Police Chief Magazine  
J. Harris Academy of Police Training [www.JHARRISTRAINING.com](http://www.JHARRISTRAINING.com)  
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### Listed below are State Statutes that have been modified and/or repealed due to recent legislation:

**33:1-81** - **Misrepresenting age to induce sale or delivery to a minor, disorderly person.** Revised 2019, no more mandatory DL suspension.

**39:4-49.1** - **Drug possession by a motor vehicle operator.** Revised 2019, no more loss of license for the CDS in Motor Vehicle. [Effective: December 20, 2019]

**39:4-56.5** - Abandonment of motor vehicle. Revised 2019, no more DL suspension

**Repealed - 2A:4A-43.3** - Suspension, postponement of right to operate motor vehicle [was with 2A:4A-43 for an initial act of graffiti] Section 6 of P.L.1995, c.251 (C.2A:4A-43.3) [Repealed Effective 1/1/2021]

**Repealed - 2B:12-31** - Suspension of driving privileges for failure to appear for disorderly person offense, a petty disorderly persons offense, a violation of a municipal ordinance, or a violation of any other law of this State. [Repealed Effective 1/1/2021]

**Repealed - 2C:33-3.1** - Penalties for juvenile violating N.J.S.2C:33-3 False public alarms. [Repealed Effective 1/1/2021] No more Driver License suspension. Section 2 of P.L.1999, c.195 (C.2C:33-3.1)

**Repealed - 2C:35-16** - Forfeiture or Postponement of Driving Privileges [Repealed Effective 1/1/2021]

**Repealed - 39:5-30.13** - Suspension, revocation, postponement of driving privilege for persons convicted of certain offenses in any federal court or other states. [Repealed by the adoption by both Houses of the Legislature, Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 98 and Assembly Concurrent Resolution No. 248 and submission of the certification of the Governor to the US Secretary of Transportation: (1) the Governor is opposed to the enactment or enforcement of a law requiring driver's license suspension for drug offenses as outlined in 23 U.S.C. s.159(a)(3)(A); and (2) both Houses of the Legislature has adopted a resolution expressing their opposition to the enactment or enforcement of this federal mandate following 23 U.S.C. s.159]

**Repealed - 39:4-203.2** - Failure to comply with installment order; additional penalties. No more driver license suspension. [Repealed Effective 1/1/2021]

### New Laws

**A-3849/S-2302** – Modifies deadline by which public agency is required to respond to request for government record during a period of emergency

**A-3850/S-2294** – Allows public bodies to conduct meetings, and provide notice, by electronic means during periods of emergency

**A-3851/S-2295** – Permits extension of deadlines for adoption of the county and municipal budgets under certain circumstances

## March 31<sup>st</sup> is National Crayon Day

March 31<sup>st</sup> is National Crayon Day, a day to celebrate the invention of crayons and the joy of coloring. Crayola crayons currently come in 120 colors including 23 reds, 20 greens, 19 blues, 16 purples, 14 oranges, 11 browns, 8 yellows, 2 grays, 2 coppers, 2 blacks, 1 white, 1 gold, and 1 silver. So now you have an excuse to write your reports or draw that crash diagram in crayon today....

### **Justices Indicate They Won't Remove Judge Brady From the Bench**

*By Charles Toutant NJ Law Journal March 19, 2020*

The court's indication that it favors a punishment less than removal comes after the ACJC announced in September that it was seeking to remove her from the bench.

[Click here to read the njlawjournal article](#)

### **Judge Accused of Helping Boyfriend Avoid Arrest Won't be Removed**

*Mar 20, 2020, nj.com NJ.com article about the above story.*

[Click here to read the nj.com article](#)

### **Corporations Want to Change Federal Expert Witness Rule**

*FindLaw*

According to lawyers representing some of the country's largest corporations, federal courts are giving juries too much sway over expert witnesses, leading to unreliable testimony and misled juries.

[Click here to read the full article](#)

### **Conversations with Rural Law Enforcement Leaders: Volume 1**

*COPS Office*

Rural law enforcement agencies face increasing rates of crime and disorder—and often have dwindling resources with which to combat them. To discuss critical issues in rural policing, the Office of Community Oriented Policing Services (COPS Office) and the Bureau of Justice Assistance (BJA) convened five listening sessions with rural law enforcement stakeholders in September 2019 to discuss rural law enforcement's everyday concerns, challenges, and needs. The book summarizes the results of these sessions.

[Click here to read more and download the book](#)

### **Uber Sues Los Angeles Over Data Collection**

*TheHill.com*

Uber filed a lawsuit against the Los Angeles Department of Transportation on March 24<sup>th</sup>, intensifying its disagreement with the local agency over the city's requirement for the company to share live location data for its dockless scooters. [Click here to read the full article](#)

## MTA approves split tolling on Verrazzano-Narrows Bridge

March 25<sup>th</sup> *silive.com*

STATEN ISLAND, N.Y. -- Tolls on the Verrazzano-Narrows Bridge will be split in half and charged in both directions by the end of the year.

[Click here to read the full silive.com article](#)

## Do urban speed limit reductions improve air quality? Experts say not so fast

*Energy News Network*

[Click here to read the Energy News article](#)

## TSA Reports All Time Low Number of Passengers Screened in A Single Day

*The Federalist*

The Transportation Security Administration (TSA) confirmed that on Tuesday, March 24<sup>th</sup>, the agency saw a record low in the number of passenger screenings in airports nationwide.

According to CBS News Transportation Reporter Kris Van Cleave, the TSA screened only about 297,000 people on Tuesday, seeing a 16 percent drop from Monday. Tuesday's screenings were reported to be an 88 percent **drop** from the more than 2.3 million people screened on March 1.

[Click here to read the full article](#)



## Training Events

**\*\*\*Note – The list of training classes in three categories:**

- **Online training videos/roll call videos**
- **Webinar Training Events – are listed first**
- **Person to Person - Live Training Events – are listed after the webinars**

## Online Training Videos – Roll Call Videos



How many cops and correctional officers have been hurt, or even killed, by someone who was handcuffed in the front? One is too many, and there have been a lot more than one.

[Click here to view the lexipol.com tip of the day don't cuff in front](#)

Featuring Lexipol co-founder Gordon Graham

## **LEXIPOL** Tip of the Day: March 24, 2020 “COVID-19: Together, We Will Defeat the Enemy”

We've got the best hospitals, the best doctors, the best military, the best first responders—we've got the best of everything in this country, and working together, we can defeat this enemy just like we did 80 years ago.

[Click here to view the lexipol.com tip of the day covid-19 together we will defeat the enemy/](#)

Featuring Lexipol co-founder Gordon Graham



### Roll Call Training Segment: ~Officer Resiliency & Wellness~

In this brief Roll Call Training Segment, we will take a hard look at an issue that kills more law enforcement officers in the United States and all other situations combined - suicide.

Now, more than ever, officers at all ranks need to be aware of signs that a brother or sister officer may be suffering from depression or maybe at risk. Also, listen to what one state is doing about this epidemic!

No matter what rank you are or political affiliation, we ALL agree that we need to protect our family from this killer. Please watch! This video can save the life of someone close to you!

[Click here to view the J Harris rollcall training video](#)

## Webinar Training Events

### **Webinar: Safety Service Patrol Idea Sharing Network: Working with Other Emergency Responders**

Date: April 1, 2020  
Time: 1:00 pm to 3:00 pm EDT  
Cost: Free

SafeHighways.org will host its fifteenth Safety Service Patrol Idea Sharing Network webinar with support from NOCoE. This webinar will provide a forum for transportation professionals to discuss their plans and ideas on how they are currently handling the pandemic.

Register for this event and find out more information by clicking [here](#).

## Webinar: FHWA-FRA: Rail State Action Plans

Date: April 1, 2020  
Time: 2:00 pm to 3:30 pm ET  
Cost: Free



This webinar will discuss Rail State Action Plans.  
For more information about this training, click [here](#).

Link: <https://collaboration.fhwa.dot.gov/dot/fhwa/WC/Lists/Seminars/DispForm.aspx?ID=2256>

## Webinar - First Responders, Stress Management and Coronavirus

*How to take care of yourself and your family during this crisis*

Date: April 2, 2020  
Time: 1:00 pm ET  
Cost: Free

Coronavirus transformed our lives nearly overnight. Stay home, shelter in place, avoid sick people, flatten the curve, not enough ventilators, you may be a carrier for days without symptoms. It's no wonder people all over the world have a higher collective stress level than at any time in modern history. And if you work in emergency services, you *can't* stay home or avoid sick people. The extra layers of worry on top of jobs that are nerve-racking by design can quickly become overwhelming. Former paramedic, law enforcement trainer, and resilience expert Mike Taigman will explain how stress affects first responders and provide strategies you can use to manage during the long haul of this pandemic.

[Click here to register for this lexipol.com webinar](#)

## Webinar: Vision Zero Network: Global Learnings for U.S. Vision Zero Movement

Date: April 2, 2020  
Time: 2:00 pm to 3:00 pm ET  
Cost: Free

Join the Vision Zero Network to find out about the growing global road safety movement. Hear from different perspectives - researchers, advocates, corporate leaders - how the U.S. Vision Zero/traffic safety movement can augment its work by finding out more about other nation's efforts and lessons learned from past experiences. This webinar will share key takeaways from the recent Third Global Ministerial Conference on Road Safety, and the Stockholm Declaration, which sets the goal and strategies to half road deaths globally in the next ten years.

For more information about this training, click [here](#).

<https://visionzeronetwork.org/event/global-learnings-for-u-s-vision-zero-movement/>

## **Webinar: Institute of Transportation Engineers Smart Columbus Program: Human Use Approval Summary**

Date: April 2, 2020  
Time: 1:30 pm to 3:00 pm ET  
Cost: Free

Through the USDOT's Smart City Challenge, in 2016, the Department selected Columbus, Ohio, to define what it means to be a "smart city" and serve as a model for other cities wishing to fully integrate innovative technologies--such as automated vehicles, connected vehicles, and applications--into the transportation network. The Smart Columbus program is comprised of eight individual projects covering three themes--enabling technologies, emerging technologies, and enhanced human services.

The webinar will provide background on the importance of Human Use Approval and IRB oversight, including governing regulations and guidance, outline the IRB application and review process by project, and describe the relationship of IRB to other program tasks, including Systems Engineering, and Performance Measurement. For more information about this training, click [here](https://www.ite.org/events-meetings/ite-calendar/smart-columbus-program-human-use-approval-summary/). <https://www.ite.org/events-meetings/ite-calendar/smart-columbus-program-human-use-approval-summary/>

## **Webinar: Institute of Transportation Engineers Design Fundamentals for Complete Streets**

Date: April 7, 2020  
Time: 2:00 pm to 3:30 pm ET  
Cost: \$99 members/\$149 non-members

Complete Streets are an essential building block in creating communities that are safer and enjoy a higher quality of life. When a community has Complete Streets, its residents can choose to walk, bike, drive, or ride transit depending on their destinations. The presentation focuses on what Complete Streets are, their benefits, and how you can design them successfully.

For more information about this training, click [here](https://www.ite.org/events-meetings/ite-calendar/design-fundamentals-for-complete-streets/).

<https://www.ite.org/events-meetings/ite-calendar/design-fundamentals-for-complete-streets/>

## **Webinar: Institute of Transportation Engineers Applying Surrogate Safety Techniques to Assess Bike Lanes**

Date: April 8, 2020  
Time: 1:30 pm to 3:00 pm ET  
Cost: \$49 members/\$99 non-members

Learn how the Seattle Department of Transportation used new video-based surrogate safety techniques to diagnose and validate safety improvements for protected bike lanes at six intersections in Seattle. Participants will also hear the benefits of implementing the video-based safety technique as well as factors to consider when deciding to implement it.

For more information about this training, click [here](https://www.ite.org/events-meetings/ite-calendar/applying-surrogate-safety-techniques-to-assess-protected-bike-lanes/).

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## Webinar: Adventures in Crowdsourcing: (EDC5 Webinar Series) Identifying and Managing the Back of Queues

Date: April 8, 2020  
Times: 1:30 PM to 3:00 PM  
Cost: Free

Crowdsourcing turns transportation system users into real-time sensors on system performance, providing low-cost, high-quality data on traffic operations, roadway conditions, travel patterns, and more. Identifying and managing the back of roadway queues is an essential part of traffic operations and safety.

Hear from agencies that have or are advancing in the practice of data management to support crowdsourced data in operations. Better understand ways that agencies and responders can identify and manage traffic queues due to work zones, incidents, and other sources of congestion.

Register for this webinar and find [more information click here.](#)

## TRB Webinar: The supply chain and COVID-19

Date: April 8, 2020  
Times: 2:00 PM to 3:30 PM  
Cost: Free

COVID-19 has had a profound impact on supply chains for many different critical products, both in the United States and worldwide. The pandemic has created major changes in freight flows and has challenged the ability to deliver products to companies and consumers within the needed time frame. This has perhaps most acutely become an issue an issue for both medical supplies and food delivery. This webinar will explore the impacts of COVID-19 on the supply chain and logistics industries. [Click here to read more and register.](#)



## Webinar - An Introduction to FHWA's Quadrant Roadway Intersection Informational Guide

Date: April 9, 2020  
Times: 2:00 PM to 4:00 PM  
Cost: Free

Alternative intersections and interchanges offer the potential to improve safety and reduce delays at a lower cost and with fewer impacts than traditional solutions. The fifth guide in a series is to provide information on the Quadrant Roadway Intersection (QRI). The webinar presentation will introduce the QRI Guide and review the data presented in the guide, focusing on intersection operations, safety, various geometric forms, and planning and design criteria to consider when evaluating the QRI as a potential intersection improvement alternative. The presentation will also include information provided from several DOTs that have constructed a QRI in recent years.

To register: visit <https://collaboration.fhwa.dot.gov/dot/fhwa/WC/Lists/Seminars/DispForm.aspx?ID=2310> and choose the "Register Yourself for Seminar" button.

## **Webinar: TSMO Workforce Webinar Series: Workforce Training, Career Pathways, Industry Assessments**

Date: April 9, 2020  
Times: 2:00 PM to 3:30 PM  
Cost: Free

This webinar series will provide an overview of how the TSMO Workforce Guidebook was developed and the resources that resulted from the completed NCHRP report and on-going NOCoE efforts. It offers distinct information on approaches that have been used successfully for workforce training, career pathways, and industry assessments. This webinar describes and explains the details of effective practices, models, and example approaches, and tools.

Register for this webinar and find more information. [Click here.](#)

## **TRB Webinar: Roundabouts in the Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices**

Date: Monday, April 13, 2020  
Times: 2:00 PM to 3:30 PM  
Cost: [See website](#)

The U.S. Federal Highway Administration's Manual on Uniform Traffic Devices ([MUTCD](#)) is the gold standard for designing and installing traffic signs, road markings, and signals. But how do roundabouts fit into the MUTCD? Presenters will identify where someone can find the relevant standards, options, and policies related to roundabouts within the Manual. They will also describe the numerous changes and new content that will likely be incorporated into the next version of the MUTCD. This webinar will also discuss how the National Committee on Uniform Traffic Control Devices ([NCUTCD](#)) determines the standards for traffic control.

[Click here to more information and to register for this webinar](#)

## **TRB Webinar: Start Your Transportation Research With TRID**

Date: Tuesday, April 14, 2020  
Times: 2:00 PM to 3:00 PM  
Cost: Free

If you are researching anything in transportation, you want to start with TRB's TRID database. Novice researchers, experts, and everyone in-between are invited to a TRB webinar.

TRID (part of the TRIS database) helps researchers locate solutions to problems, avoid duplication of work, and It also satisfies the U.S. Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) requirements to consult TRB's TRIS databases to identify ongoing or previously completed research on a given topic.

[Click here for more information and to register for this webinar](#)

# **Webinar - Law Enforcement Peer Support: Therapeutic & Legal Considerations**

Date: Wednesday, April 15, 2020  
Times: 1:00 PM EDT  
Cost: Free

Peer support programs have gained considerable traction in law enforcement, but in many agencies, their success is limited. Leaders often feel peer support is too expensive or resource-intensive to implement. And officers often distrust such programs, unsure of what they can and can't say in conversations with peer support team members and whether it will impact their career.

As law enforcement increasingly confronts the emotional and mental impact of the job, it is critical that agencies of all sizes understand how to implement successful peer support programs—and that it can be done even with resource restrictions.

[Click here to register for this lexipol.com webinar](#)



## **Webinar - FoRRRwD on All Public Roads: Funding and Data to Identify Projects**

Date: April 16, 2020  
Time: 1:00 PM to 2:30 PM EDT  
Cost: Free

Rural roadway departures make up a third of U.S. traffic fatalities-about 30 people a day. The Every Day Counts round five (EDC-5) initiative, Focus on Reducing Rural Roadway Departures (FoRRRwD), features four pillars: Addressing All Public Roads, Systemic Approach, Safety Action Plans, and Proven Countermeasures. This webinar focuses on the first pillar.

For more information or to register, click [here](#).

Choose the "Register Yourself for Seminar" button

Link: <https://collaboration.fhwa.dot.gov/dot/fhwa/WC/Lists/Seminars/DispForm.aspx?ID=2259>



## **Webinar - Preventing Sexual Harassment in Your Workplace Webinar**

Date: Friday, April 17, 2020  
Times: 11:00 AM to 12:15 PM  
Cost: Member Rate: \$35.00, Non Member Rate \$45.00

This webinar will review the protected bases and the areas of protection covered in the law against discrimination. It will identify both types of sexual harassment as defined by the courts and will review the corresponding liabilities for the employer. The discussion on sexual harassment will consider immediate and long-term preventive solutions managers and business owners should use to mitigate liability.

[Click here for the registration-Form-Sexual Harassment](#)

## Webinar: Talking TIM Webinar Series: April 2020

Date: April 22, 2020  
Times: 1:30 PM to 3:00 PM  
Cost: Free

State and local Traffic Incident Management (TIM) programs cover a broad range of maturity from emerging applications to those that are advanced. The Talking TIM Webinar Series seeks to provide a forum where TIM champions with any level of experience can exchange information about current practices, programs, and technologies. Each month, Talking TIM will highlight successful programs, identify best practices, and showcase technology that advances the profession.

The April webinar will feature:

Brief FHWA Introduction & Updates, Colorado DOT's Approach to TIM, Massachusetts TIM Training Successes, and Marketing TIM to Strengthen Programs.

[To register for this webinar click here](#)

## Webinar: Utah Center for Health and Safety Culture & Together for Life Utah Reducing Disparities Between Urban and Rural Seat Belt Use Rates

Date: April 22, 2020  
Time: 3:00 pm to 4:00 pm ET  
Cost: Free

In 2013, the Highway Safety Office of the Utah Department of Public Safety engaged the Center for Health and Safety Culture in a multi-year pilot project to reduce the significant disparities in seat belt use rates between Utah's urban areas (with observed seat belt use rates at about 85%) and rural areas (with observed seat belt use rates as low as 55%). In this webinar, learn how the Together for Life Project promoted seat belt use in 7 rural counties by bolstering family rules, workplace rules, and bystander engagement (i.e., getting individuals to ask others to wear a seat belt) to increase both self-reported and observed seat belt use.

For more information about this training, click [here](#).  
<https://chsculture.org/outreach-events/webinars/>

## Person to Person – Live Training Events

***\*\*Please check with the training provider to ensure that the scheduled classes are still taking place. All Police Academies were ordered closed by the Police Training Commission on March 20<sup>th</sup>; they will be re-visiting the situation on April 6<sup>th</sup> to determine if the statewide closure will remain in effect and when the academies will be allowed to open back up.***



**RUTGERS**

Center for Advanced Infrastructure  
and Transportation

## 2020 Work Zone Safety Conference

Dates: ~~April 7, 2020~~  
Times: 8:30 AM – 2:30 PM  
Location: Rutgers University – Livingston Student Center  
Cost: Free – Registration required

The New Jersey Work Zone Safety Conference promotes work zone safety awareness on local and state roadways for a multi-disciplinary audience of construction engineering, public safety, maintenance, and operations personnel.

This year's event will include a presentation focused on streamlining work zone safety documentation through a phone application followed by a panel discussion on how to conduct a successful preconstruction meeting. Bradley Sant will deliver the keynote presentation.

Professional Engineers with the American Road & Transportation Builders Association will be speaking about the dangers of internal work zones, which account for approximately 50% of all fatalities. The conference will conclude with a presentation on attenuators and the role of police in work zones.

As part of the program, the New Jersey Work Zone Safety Excellence Awards will be presented to recognize inspiring efforts of individuals, companies, and roadway agencies that have demonstrated effective temporary traffic control in planned work zones on New Jersey roadways.

[Click here to register for the Work Zone Safety Conference](#)

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## Practical Traffic Engineering for Police Officers

Dates: ~~April 9, 16, 23, 30, May 7, & 14, 2020~~  
Time: 9:30am-1:30pm  
Location: Rutgers Lifelong Learning Center, New Brunswick  
Cost: \$809

The class runs for six Thursdays in April and May. Students must be pre-registered before attending the course, and there are no walk-in registrations allowed.

This course is approved for the New Jersey Traffic Safety Specialist (TSS) Certification Program.

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## Work Zone Safety Awareness for Local Police

Dates: ~~April 9, 2020~~  
Location: AAA Mid-Atlantic, 700 Horizon Dr., Hamilton (Mercer County)  
Times: 8:00 am – 1:00 pm



## NJDHTS - Police Work Zone Safety Train-The-Trainer



Dates: ~~April 14 to April 17, 2020~~  
 Location: Passaic County Police Academy, 214 Oldham Rd, Wayne  
 Times: 8:00 am – 4:00 pm  
 Cost: Free

CANCELED



## Recent OPRA Decisions and “Q & A with the GRC”

Date: ~~Wednesday, April 15, 2020~~  
 Location: Doubletree Hotel, 700 Hope Road, Clinton Tails,  
 Times: 8:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.  
 Cost: Member Rate \$70.00, Non-Member Rate \$95.00

CANCELED



## NJ MVC - Current Trends in Document Fraud

Dates	Locations
<del>April 23, 2020</del>	<del>Ocean County Police Academy</del> <b>POSTPONED</b>
<del>April 28, 2020</del>	<del>Atlantic County Police Academy</del> <b>POSTPONED</b>
May 4, 2020	Passaic County Police cademy

Times: 9:00 am – 4:00 pm  
 Cost: Free

With emerging technology, it has become increasingly difficult to identify fraudulent documents.

This course is intended for all law enforcement officers, Patrol and Investigation, to help enhance their skills to be able to recognize and identify fraudulent identity-related documents issued by and relied upon by the Motor Vehicle Commission (MVC), along with the aspects that motivate fraudsters.

Topics will include:

- Tools available to identify counterfeit documents
- Newest trends in counterfeiting of driver’s licenses
- “On-line” fake document manufacturers
- Identification of fraudulent documents, to include:
  - Driver licenses
  - Green cards,
  - Passports
  - Birth certificates
  - Social security cards
- Counterfeit and genuine NJ MVC
  - Inspection stickers
  - Temporary registrations
  - Certificates of title.
- Facial recognition technology used by MVC

The class includes a presentation about the New Jersey Regional Operations Intelligence Center's (ROIC) Facial Recognition Initiative. Which is a state of the art investigative tool which utilizes the Photo Imaging Mugshot System maintained in the New York/New Jersey HIDTA Program. Also, the New Jersey State Police will present an overview of the ROIC's resources, capabilities, mission, initiatives, and purpose. To register contact Investigator Mark Cushing at 609-633-9493 or [mark.cushing@mvc.nj.gov](mailto:mark.cushing@mvc.nj.gov) A flyer for this course can be found in the appendix of this newsletter.



## Traffic Incident Management Training for Emergency Responders

Date: ~~May 5, 2020~~  
 Location: Rutgers CAI, 100 Batt Road, Piscataway  
 Times: 8:00 am – 12:00 pm

CANCELED



## DCJ - Police Traffic RADAR Instructor Refresher Courses

Dates	Locations
May 8, 2020	John H. Stamler Police Academy
May 15, 2020	Essex County Police Academy
September 18, 2020	Morris County Police Academy
October 9, 2020	Ocean County Police Academy
November 20, 2020	Monmouth County Police Academy
Times:	9:00 am to 1:00 pm
Cost:	Free

Presented by the NJ Division of Criminal Justice, this is a one-day refresher course that is required for RADAR instructors to maintain their certification. A radar instructor/operator certificate is valid for three years. In the third year, before expiration, each instructor must attend a refresher course.

It is the responsibility of each instructor to know when their certification expires and to renew the instructor certification before expiration. Registration must be made on the DCJ General Course Registration Form and faxed to DCJ at (732) 974-7551. A copy of the registration form is in the appendix of this newsletter and the following link: [Click here to download the DCJ RADAR Instructor Refresher Registration Form](#)

## BELOW 100 Intensive

Dates: May 11, 2020  
June 11, 2020  
Location: Cranford Police Department  
8 Springfield Ave, Cranford, NJ 07016  
Times: 8:30a.m. to 12:30p.m.  
Cost: Free to Law Enforcement



The Cranford Police Department is proud to present the nationally renowned BELOW 100 one-day seminar training seminar.

The goal of Below 100 is to reduce line-of-duty deaths to fewer than 100 per year. (Not seen since 1944.) By target areas under an officer's control, which are responsible for a large percentage of LODDs. The seminar focuses on these four key areas: Driving, Safety Equipment, Situational Awareness, and Decision Making.

Below 100 works because it focuses on areas under an officer's control and is a common-sense approach to officer safety. Register Online at <https://forms.gle/cBjt5iHbJqtf6qVL7>

or contact:

Captain Joseph Van Bergen  
j-vanbergen@cranfordnj.org  
(908) 709-3990



## NJDHTS – NJTR-1 Crash Form Refresher



<u>Dates</u>	<u>Locations</u>
May 12, 2020	Middlesex Fire Academy
May 15, 2020	Ocean County Police Academy
June 02, 2020	Gloucester County Police Academy
June 04, 2020	Monmouth County Public Safety Center
June 10, 2020	Morris County Police Academy
June 16, 2020	John Stamler Police Academy
June 19, 2020	AAA Mid-Atlantic, Hamilton
June 23, 2020	Hudson County OEM, Kearny

Times: 8:00 am–1:00 pm  
Cost: Free – Registration is required

Hosted by Rutgers' CAIT, this free half-day course provides refresher training for law enforcement officers familiar with the NJTR-1 crash form.

Successful, proactive road safety improvement plans depend on the accuracy of data collected at crash scenes. Each year, the New Jersey DOT receives approximately 300,000 crash reports from law enforcement agencies, which are uploaded into crash analysis systems like the Crash Analysis Tool (CAT). However, many of these reports are submitted with incomplete or incorrect information, which can negatively impact the effectiveness of data-driven crash reduction efforts.

The course reviews common NJTR-1 errors for both passenger and commercial motor vehicle crashes and offers methods to improve the quality of data that safety colleagues rely on. Crash analysis software functions and the process of moving data from the crash report to the computer also will be discussed.

[Click here to go to the cait Rutgers training page to register for this course](#)



## NJDHTS Crash Analysis Tool - Demonstration



Dates: May 20, 2020  
 June 17, 2020  
 Location: Rutgers CAIT Computer Lab (1st Floor), 100 Brett Road, Piscataway  
 Times: 8:00 am – 11:00 am  
 Cost: Free

This one day course is three hours long. NJDHTS has developed a Crash Analysis Tool, which is a powerful analysis tool designed to allow police officers, engineers, planners, designers, and municipal executives to perform analysis, reporting, and crash data review in one streamlined, easy to use platform. The tool allows the merging of multiple data sets, including crash data, roadway data, and various safety layers for a seamless experience, referencing data from various sources and using it to make data-driven decisions regarding roadway safety. The tool includes the ability to identify crash patterns quickly, drill down within the data, and analyze segments at varying levels. The training demonstration provides an overview of the Crash Analysis Tool and how to use it.

To register or for questions, contact:  
 Joseph Weiss, Transportation Safety Analyst at (609) 445-2893 or email [joseph.weiss@njoag.gov](mailto:joseph.weiss@njoag.gov)



## NJAAR - “Back to Basics 2020” Training Seminar

Dates: ~~May 28 to 29, 2020~~  
 Location: Middlesex County Fire Academy  
 Cost: \$50 for members and \$100 for non-members

The New Jersey Association of Accident Reconstructionists will be holding a two-day training seminar again this year. NJAAR website at [www.njaar.org](http://www.njaar.org)

**POSTPONED UNTIL FALL**



## UAS Applications for Traffic Safety



<u>Dates</u>	<u>Locations</u>
April 23, 2020	Middlesex County Fire Academy
<del>May 13, 2020</del>	<del>Rutgers CAIT 100 Brett Road Piscataway</del> <b>POSTPONED</b>
June 17, 2020	Morris County Police Academy
June 30, 2020	Gloucester County Police

Times: 8:00 am–12:00 pm  
 Cost: Free – Registration is required

Hosted by Rutgers CAIT, this free half-day course provides introductory and awareness for law enforcement officers related to the applications of Unmanned Aircraft Systems (UAS).

This course describes how UAS will provide a benefit for traffic safety. Software applications, when combined with UAS, can assist with roadway safety by collecting faster, more accurate data at crash scenes and reducing the amount of time for road closures and officer exposure to traffic.

Discussions will include commonly used UAS platforms, the FAA pilot certification process, how the UAS is certified and regulated, privacy concerns, and proposed State regulations.

Highlights include how law enforcement may respond to UAS incidents, what lawful authority exists to engage a UAS operator, and how to determine if UAS operation is legal or in violation of regulations. Finally, the class will explore UAS case studies, with emphasis place upon personal safety and awareness.

[Click here to go to the cait Rutgers training page to register for this course](#)



## Work Zone Safety Awareness for Local Police

Dates: June 18, 2020  
 Location: Rutgers CAIT, 100 Brett Road, Piscataway  
 Times: 8:00 am – 1:00 pm  
 Cost: Free

This course, similar to our Work Zone Safety Awareness Program, is specifically being offered to current New Jersey law enforcement officers who require an overview of working safely in the roadway. This course Does Not replace the Police Work Zone Safety Train the Trainer Course. As new or veteran law enforcement officers are frequently required to assist with short-term work zones or are assigned to long-term projects. There are no allowances for errors when working next to traffic, so it is essential for personnel to have a solid understanding of work zone safety compliance with the national MUTCD standards. Also, the roles of workers and enforcement personnel at work sites, differences between NJDOT and local projects, and legal responsibilities in work zones will be addressed during this program.

This course is open to LAW ENFORCEMENT PERSONNEL ONLY.

[Click here to register for this course](#)



## NJDHTS - Police Work Zone Safety Train-The-Trainer



Dates: June 23 to 26, 2020  
Location: Middlesex County Fire Academy, 101 Fire Academy Dr., Sayerville  
Times: 8:00 am – 4:00 pm  
Cost: Free

This four-day program is for experienced police personnel who seek to become trainers in work zone traffic control.

This course is developed around typical long-term and short-term road work activities that occur on any state roadway, from two-lanes to interstates. The training covers the standards of work zone protection as specified in the Manual of Uniform Traffic Control Devices (MUTCD).

This course is open to LAW ENFORCEMENT PERSONNEL ONLY.

The class schedule is as follows:

- Day 1:** The MUTCD (Part VI)
- Day 2:** New Jersey vs. the MUTCD
- Day 3:** NJDOT/Local Law Enforcement
- Day 4:** Legal/NJSP/OSHA

[Click here to register for this class](#)

## 2020 Annual Joint Crash Investigation Conference

Dates: October 7,8,9, 2020  
Location: Grand Hotel in Ocean City MD  
Cost: \$299 for members of the five supporting groups, \$399 for non-members

Hosted this year by NAPARS

<https://www.napars.org/events>

Grand Hotel in Ocean City, MD. Call them directly at 1-800-447-6779 and mention the NAPARS Joint Conference for conference room rates:

- \$69 (no view)
- \$79 (partial view)
- \$89 (ocean view).

Brad Muir and his team will conduct live crash tests on Wednesday afternoon at the airport.

### Optional Training Events:

**Tire Forensics**, October 5<sup>th</sup>, and 6<sup>th</sup> by T.J. Tennant, \$250 per person - separate registration at

<https://www.napars.org/events>

**ACTAR Test Prep class**, Oct 5<sup>th</sup>

**ACTAR Test**, Oct 6<sup>th</sup>

Quote of the month

*"Anyone who has a corona party,  
we will crash your party."*

*Governor Murphy warning residents  
not to gather and to practice social distancing*

**We have canceled the April meeting!!**

Remember the five tenets of Below 100

*Wear your seat belt  
Watch your speed  
Wear your vest  
WIN: What's Important Now  
Complacency kills*



*When in traffic  
Wear your high visibility safety vest !!  
Stay Safe Out There*

*Don't forget to visit the association's website regularly, [www.njptoa.com](http://www.njptoa.com); the site is updated periodically. It is also the place to go for resources and updates about the association. If you have anything for the website, please contact one of the officers.*

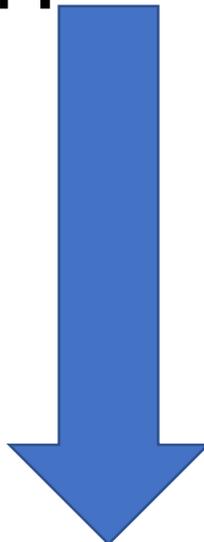
## Newsletter Information

If any member would like to submit an article, information about events and training, or anything you want to spread the word about dealing with traffic safety, please email it to Rich Maxwell at [rmaxwell@njptoa.org](mailto:rmaxwell@njptoa.org)

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## Appendix







## **CURRENT TRENDS IN DOCUMENT FRAUD**

This course will assist law enforcement (Patrol Officers as well as Detectives) with training that will enhance their ability to recognize and identify the universe of identity-related documents issued by and relied upon by the MVC and the factors that motivate fraudsters. With emerging technology, it has become increasingly difficult to identify fraudulent documents.

Students will learn what tools are available to assist them in identifying counterfeit documents by providing “hands-on” training and experience in recognition of fraud as it pertains to documents such as driver licenses, green cards, passports, birth certificates, and social security cards.

Participants will learn the newest trends in counterfeiting of driver licenses by “on-line” manufacturers, which has become increasingly common due to the ease in obtaining access to technologies. This course will also review counterfeit as well as good NJ inspection stickers, temporary registrations, and certificate of title.

Also, this class will review facial recognition technology as it is used by the Motor Vehicle Commission on all images captured as well as the process that is used with the submission of a photo for “manual upload.” This course will inform students of a cutting edge investigative tool available at the New Jersey Regional Operations Intelligence Center (ROIC). Known as the “Facial Recognition Initiative,” this technology utilizes the Photo Imaging Mugshot System maintained in the New York/New Jersey “HIDTA” Program.

Lastly, New Jersey State Police will give a presentation on the general awareness of the NJ ROIC’s resources, capabilities, mission, initiatives, and purpose.

This training course is free of charge. To register contact Investigator Mark Cushing at 609-633-9493 or [mark.cushing@mvc.nj.gov](mailto:mark.cushing@mvc.nj.gov)

### ***Upcoming Dates***

### ***Locations***

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| ○ <i>April 23, 2020,</i> | <i>Ocean County Police Academy</i>    |
| ○ <i>April 28, 2020,</i> | <i>Atlantic County Police Academy</i> |
| ○ <i>May 4, 2020,</i>    | <i>Passaic County Police Academy</i>  |



## ***New Jersey Office of the Attorney General***

Division of Consumer Affairs  
Office of Weights and Measures  
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## **Memorandum**

To: State, City, Borough and Township Police Departments

From: Raymond Szpond, Supervisor Licensing/Metrology Laboratory

Subject: Tuning Forks Invoice

Enclosed is our Inspection and **Test of Radar Tuning forks Invoice**, please complete and bring with you to your next scheduled tuning fork inspection.

To expedite the testing of the tuning forks in a timely manner and make waiting period brief, please do the following:

1. Have all tuning forks sorted by miles per hour in their bundles.
2. When filling out our tuning forks invoice, please list each Tuning Fork by miles per hour and serial numbers.
3. Have your purchase order form, along with a copy and a copy of our Tuning forks invoice entirely filled out (Including mailing address section).

Make check payable to **WEIGHTS AND MEASURES FUND.**

Thank you in advance for your cooperation, if you have any questions, call (732) 815-7822

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Enclosed: Blank - Inspection and Test of Radar Tuning Forks Invoice



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## Application for the Inspection and Test of Radar Tuning Forks

Page No.: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Date: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Purchase Order No.: \_\_\_\_\_

We hereby make application for the inspection and testing of the below used radar tuning forks

Police Department: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Business Telephone Number: (\_\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

MPH	Fork Serial Number	MPH	Fork Serial Number
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Number of <b>Tuning Forks</b> on this page =	@ \$10.00 Each =	\$
	Total fees of other pages =	\$
I hereby certify the above Information is true and correct.	<b>Grand Total =</b>	<b>\$</b>

\_\_\_\_\_  
 Police Department Officials Signature Title



# Cranford Police Department

PRESENTS



## BELOW 100 Intensive

It's been more than 65 years since the annual line-of-duty police deaths totaled less than 100.

**Let's Start Rolling Back the Clock—NOW!**

**Wear your belt.  
Wear your vest.  
Watch your speed.**

**WIN—What's Important Now?  
Remember: Complacency Kills!**



***The Life You Save May Be Your Own!***

### Four Sessions Available

**March 3, 2020 – 8:30a.m. to 12:30p.m.**

**April 15, 2020 – 8:30a.m. to 12:30p.m.**

**May 11, 2020 – 8:30a.m. to 12:30p.m.**

**June 11, 2020 – 8:30a.m. to 12:30p.m.**

**Cranford Police Department**

**8 Springfield Av, Cranford, NJ 07016**

**FREE to Law Enforcement**

**Mission:** Reduce line-of-duty deaths to fewer than 100 per year. (Not seen since 1944.)

**How:** Target areas under an officer's control and responsible for a large percentage of LODDs.

**Focus:** Driving, safety equipment, situational awareness and decision making. Below 100 is comprised of five core tenets: Wear your belt; Wear your vest; Watch your speed; WIN – What's important Now?; and Remember: Complacency Kills!

Below 100 works because it focuses on areas under an officer's control and is a common-sense approach to officer safety.

**Register Online at:**

<https://forms.gle/cBjt5iHbJgtf6qVL7>

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