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President's Message

As we transition into the summer months, much uncertainty remains regarding re-opening the state to a "new normal." As we navigate these challenging times, some welcome good news has been brought by the return home of Sgt. Antonio Ellis (Manchester PD). Sgt. Ellis spent a month on a ventilator as a result of COVID-19 but was able to beat the odds and recover from this disease. Welcome home, Antonio best wishes for a continued recovery!

While July typically means barbeques and other outdoor festivities, it is also the deadliest month on the roads, according to NHTSA. NHTSA reports that more people die in drunk driving crashes in July than any other month. Impaired driving resources are available from both NHTSA and NHDHTS to help spread the word and keep our roadways safe. As always, the association will continue to provide periodic email updates to keep the membership up-to-date with the latest information.

Stay Cool & Stay Safe.

Thanks,
Nick

Association News

WWW.NJPTOA.ORG & COVID-19

Visit our association's website regularly for updated information and Law Enforcement resources dealing with the COVID-19 outbreak. There is a page containing all of the Governor's Executive Orders, OEM Administrative Orders, MVC Orders & NJ AG Directives related to the outbreak. www.njptoa.com. Please Stay Safe & Healthy out there!

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**SHARE THE
FREEDOM
OF THE
OPEN ROAD.**



**EQUAL RESPECT.
EQUAL RESPONSIBILITY.**

Welcome home, Sgt. Ellis!

In case you missed this in the June 19th email update

Manchester Sgt. Antonio Ellis of Toms River spent nearly a month in a coma on a ventilator, but he beat COVID-19. See the videos, photos on links below.

Antonio was escorted home by a contingency of police cars and other emergency vehicles on Wednesday, June 17th from Philadelphia. In addition to his duties with Manchester PD as the supervisor of their Traffic Safety Bureau, Antonio is a Past President of Ocean County Traffic Officers Assoc, and he is on the teaching cadres for both Kean's NJ Crash Investigation Training Program and Rutgers' Practical Traffic Engineering for Police Officers Program.

The below was posted on the Manchester Twp PD Facebook page on June 18th

With much anticipation, the entire Manchester Township family was overjoyed to welcome home Sgt. Antonio Ellis following his brave and long-fought battle with COVID-19. We were honored to give him a hero's welcome when his police escort stopped at the town hall yesterday. Sgt. Ellis never gave up as he fought hard each and every day to get back home to his loving family. That day has finally come, and we couldn't be happier for Antonio and the Ellis family!

The Manchester Township family would like to express sincere gratitude and appreciation to everyone who helped us celebrate this special day, including the many surrounding agencies, companies, and individuals who came out to show their support. These included but are not limited to: Toms River Police, Toms River District One Fire, Manchester Fire, Manchester EMS, Ocean County Sheriff's Office, Ocean County Prosecutor's Office, New Jersey State Police, New Jersey State Police Aviation, Jackson Police, Barnegat Police, Howell Police, Lakewood Police, Berkeley Police, Brick Police, Lacey Police, Lakehurst Police, Ocean Township (Waretown) Police, Stafford Police, Chery Hill Police, Philadelphia Police, the Shamrock and Thistle Pipe Band, Blue Wave Printing, Cure's Barbeque Time BBQ, Capone's Gourmet Pizza and Pasta, Shop-Rite of Fischer Blvd., local hotrod enthusiasts clubs, as well as the staff of the Cooper Medical Center and Magee Rehabilitation Hospital.

The coming together of the community in support of Antonio and his family was nothing short of spectacular, and it will remain a day that the Manchester Township family and Ellis family will never forget.

[Click here to watch the video on Manchester PD's Facebook page](#)

[Click here to read the Patch Manchester NJ article and view a bunch of videos of Antonio](#)

Welcome back home, Antonio, we were all praying for you!!!



Monthly Business Meeting ONLINE ???

Under the By-Laws, the association will not be meeting in July or August.

The association held two highly successful virtual meetings online via the Zoom platform for the May and June meetings.

The next regularly scheduled meeting will be on Wednesday, September 2, 2020, at 10:00 AM. At this point, we are unsure if this will be a person-to-person or an online one. More information will be forthcoming.

As a side note, the AAA facility in Hamilton will not be available to us until January 2021 at the earliest. AAA has been bringing its staff back into the building in stages. But the logistics involved in the social distancing requirements in their workplace has resulted in them utilizing every room in the building for workspace, including the conference and large meeting rooms.

We will not be meeting during the Police Expo in Atlantic City, that was rescheduled to August because it has been **canceled**.

Dues Notice for 2020

The annual association membership dues for 2020 were due before June 30th. 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.

The agencies that have not paid their 2020 dues as of the publication of this newsletter should have received or will be receiving a postcard in the mail reminding them of such.

Starting in late July, the delinquent agencies will be removed from the association's email list and will no longer receive notices, bulletins, and this newsletter.

NOTE: Per Article 2, Section 1 in the association by-laws, "Any department failing to pay their dues on or before June 30 may be dropped from the rolls of this Association. Any department so dropped may be reinstated by making written application to the Executive Board stating the reason(s) why the dues obligation was not met..." Delinquent agencies will be removed from the mailing list for this newsletter and association notices on July 1, 2020.

Quick Points of Interest

NJ Has Begun to Furlough State Workers

State employees are being furloughed in lieu of layoffs. These furloughs are designed to limit the loss of wages for employees while providing the state with substantial cost savings. Additionally, the program defers planned cost of living adjustments on wages, another cost-saving measure with the unions' agreement.





The LEL Traffic Stop- June 26, 2020 LEL Spotlight

Each edition of the LEL Traffic Stop, a newsletter of the National Law Enforcement Liaison Program, they feature one of the LELs with some insight into the person. Well, in the June 26th issue, our very own Retired Chief Chris Wagner was in the Spotlight. Here is what they had to say about him, keep up the great work Chris!

Christopher Wagner - Region 2 / New Jersey State Association of Chiefs of Police

Hobbies / Interest - I have three grandchildren and love spending time with and spoiling them. I also am a foodie; I love all types of food, but take a special interest in great tasting, classic New York-style pizza.

Why did you become an LEL? - I became an LEL because of the work I participated in with many other NJ traffic partners in the area of teen driving. I was active in the work that went into the creation of NJ's Graduated Driver License law and the restrictions for teen drivers. Upon enactment of the law 10 years ago, we began seeing a steady decrease in teen crashes and fatalities. It was one of the first times in 20 years of law enforcement that I could measure the positive effects of our work, and I caught the fever. When the LEL position opened in NJ, I wanted to continue that good work by promoting all aspects of traffic safety all over NJ.



Favorite aspect of being an LEL? - Meeting new traffic safety partners, speaking about traffic safety, and learning new things about traffic safety. I love learning and teaching.

Favorite Quote - "The ultimate measure of a man is not where he stands in moments of convenience and comfort, but where he stands at times of challenge and controversy." Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.

Inspiring Historical Figure - President Abraham Lincoln

Favorite Book - "To Kill a Mockingbird"

A Law Enforcement Liaison (LEL) serves as a vital link and conduit between a State Highway Safety Office (SHSO) and that state's law enforcement community. LELs help promote and enhance state and national highway safety programs, initiatives, and campaigns and perform a myriad of functions, including planning, organizing, networking, promoting, recruiting, implementing, reporting, and evaluating law enforcement's role in traffic safety projects, activities, and achievements. The National LEL Program is a project of the Governors Highway Safety Association (GHSA), funded by the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA).

2020 Annual Conference & Police Security Expo Cancelled

With the public health and welfare of membership, stakeholders, industry partners, and the law enforcement community of utmost concern, the 2020 NJSACOP Annual Training Conference and Police-Security Expo, scheduled for August 25 & 26 in Atlantic City, have been canceled.



And of course, the NJSACOP will continue the important work of supporting its members and their agencies in response to the current health crisis and the other important work they do on behalf of their communities.

N.J. Will Track Police Use of Force, Require Licensing Cops, AG Says as Protests Roil Nation

Nj.com

New Jersey will soon launch a statewide database of police use of force and create a licensing system for police officers amid national protests over police violence, the state's top law enforcement official said Tuesday.

The state will also update its police use of force policy for the first time in nearly 20 years, create a pilot program for "crisis intervention" training for New Jersey officers and establish a new team within the state Division on Civil Rights to respond to police shootings and other problems, according to New Jersey Attorney General Gurbir Grewal.

"Just as we license doctors, nurses, lawyers, and hundreds of other police professions. We must ensure all officers meet a baseline level of professionalism," the attorney general said Tuesday. "We must ensure that those who cannot meet this standard cannot work in New Jersey."

[Click here to read the full nj.com June 2nd article](#)

Update on NJ Police Academies

All police academies in New Jersey closed to on-site recruit training in March due to the pandemic. However, some academies continued to conduct whatever mandatory training could be performed remotely using virtual classrooms. Beginning in the second week of May, the Attorney General and PTC authorized partial re-openings of police academies, as academies submitted plans to guarantee safe and healthy training environments consistent with the guidance of the New Jersey Department of Health, county health agencies, and the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC).



AAA Has a Special Offer for First Responders

The AAA clubs are offering a discounted membership deal as thanks to all First Responders. See the flyer in the Appendix of this newsletter for more information.



Processing DUIs during the COVID-19 Pandemic: Considerations for Law Enforcement

The IACP has published a one-page guide for law enforcement containing recommendations for handling and processing DUI traffic stops. The IACP has drawn on several sources to produce these recommendations.

[Click here to download the IACP form](#)



A Blast from the past

Below is a clipping of a news article that appeared in The News Tribune on December 19, 1985. You remember 1985, don't you?

6 The News Tribune, Woodbridge, N.J.—Thurs., Dec. 19, 1985

Program boosts cops' awareness

By SUZANNE C. RUSSELL
News Tribune staff writer

FANWOOD — Municipal and state police and some tavern owners have voluntarily joined forces to remind motorists not to drink and drive, especially during this holiday season.

Tony Parenti, president of the New Jersey Police Traffic Officers' Association, said a bumper sticker campaign which started on Dec. 15 as part of the National Drunk Driving Awareness Week, is designed to remind police officers to seek out and arrest drunk drivers.

Parenti, who also serves as chief of the Fanwood Police Department, said 10,000 red, white and blue bumper stickers which read "One for the Road, Cop for a Chaser," will be posted on police vehicles, in police departments and in some taverns.

"If you (motorists) take one last drink for the road you are likely to get a police officer to chase you," he said. "We want to inspire them (police officers) to do it."

About 380 of the state's approximate 455 police departments are expected to participate in the program.

The bumper sticker is already visible in the South Amboy police station.

Parenti said the association members decided to conduct the bumper sticker campaign because "we know drunk driving fatalities run high during this time of year because of the Christmas parties.

"If someone gets killed by a drunk driver or a drunk driver gets killed their survivors are reminded of that tragedy each year during the holidays," he said.

According to Parenti, the objective of the program is urge police officers to seek out and arrest drunk drivers before they become involved in an accident.

"Then everyone will have a happier holiday," he said.

Parenti said police officers are aware of 70 different ways to detect a drunk driver.

Motorists who take off from a traffic signal slowly or overly cautious drivers are examples of possible intoxication, he said.


"In the program we are telling officers to look for these signs and go after them," said Parenti.

He said some tavern owners have agreed to act as an additional reminder of the state's drunk driving laws by posting the bumper sticker in their bars.

"They can also help solve the problem by serving less drinks," he said.

"We are not saying no one should drink alcohol," said Parenti. "Alcohol is socially accepted and we can't change that, but we don't want people to drink and drive."

The program is expected to continue into 1986, he said.



Bumper sticker is part of program designed to curb drunken driving.

Updates from the New Jersey Division of Highway Traffic Safety

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Headed by Director Eric Heitman, the mission of the Division of Highway Traffic Safety is the Safe Passage of all roadway users in New Jersey as we move toward zero fatalities. To achieve our mission, the Division promotes statewide traffic safety programs through education, engineering, and enforcement activities.

The bulk of the Division's funding comes from the Federal Government, through the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration. The funding received by the Division is used to undertake state-wide traffic safety programs. It is also dispersed to municipal, county, state government, and law enforcement agencies, as well as non-profit organizations in the form of traffic safety grants.

The Governor appoints the Director, who also serves as the Governor's Representative for highway safety.

Traffic safety priority areas that for NJDHTS include:

- Occupant Protection
- Impaired Driving
- Pedestrian/Bicycle Safety
- Diversity Programs
- Comprehensive Traffic Safety Programs
- Distracted Driving
- Aggressive Driving
- Young Drivers
- Older Drivers
- Emergency Medical Services
- Traffic Records
- Work Zone Safety
- Motorcycle Safety

Crash Investigation Classes Through the End of July are Postponed/ Canceled

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

Check www.njsaferoads.com for updates once they become available.

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 the statewide fatal crash data as of 10:00 am, June 29, 2020

Fatal Crashes			Fatalities	
2020	221		2020	238
2019	233		2019	248
2018	240		2018	260

Difference in Fatalities from 2019 to 2020 = decrease of 10
 Percentage of change between 2019 and 2020 = - 4.0%

Difference in Fatalities from 2018 to 2019 = decrease of 12
 Percentage of change between 2018 and 2019 = - 4.6%

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

2020 Fourth of July holiday period

The 2020 Fourth of July holiday period begins on Thursday, July 2, 2020, at 1800 hours and ends on Monday, July 6, 2020 at 0559 hours.

Below is the 2019 Fourth of July holiday period fatal crash statistical report as reported to the NJ State Police.

Year: 2019 Holiday Period: Fourth of July
 Begins: Wednesday, July 3, 2019 at: 1800 Hours
 Ends: Monday, July 8, 2019 at: 0559 Hours

DATE	TIME	LOCATION	IMPAIRMENT	VICTIM CLASSIFICATION
07/03/2019	2218	Maple Avenue @ Tremont Avenue Waterford Township Camden County	Negative	Motorcycle Driver
07/04/2019	1523	Faraday Avenue Jackson Township Ocean County	Alcohol	Passenger Car Driver Passenger Car Passenger
07/04/2019	1709	State Highway 37 Toms River Township Ocean County	Negative	Motorcycle Driver
07/05/2019	1255	State Highway 45 @ County Route 607 South Harrison Township Gloucester County	Drugs	Passenger Car Driver
07/05/2019	1616	State Highway 73 Winslow Township Camden County	Negative	Passenger Car Driver
07/06/2019	0350	County Route 527 Old Bridge Township Middlesex County	Alcohol & Drugs	(2) Passenger Car Passengers
07/06/2019	1843	County Route 503 Hackensack City Bergen County	Alcohol	Passenger Car Driver Passenger Car Passenger
07/06/2019	2257	Atlantic Avenue Atlantic City Atlantic County	Negative	Pedestrian
07/07/2019	1520	County Route 615 @ Lake Road Franklin Township Gloucester County	Negative	Passenger Car Driver (2) Passenger Car Passengers

[Updates from the Federal Bureau of Investigation](#)



Ten Most Wanted Fugitives

The official FBI Ten Most Wanted Fugitives list is maintained on the FBI website. This information may be copied and distributed. However, any unauthorized alteration of any portion of the FBI's Ten Most Wanted Fugitives posters is a violation of federal law

[Click here to go to the FBI's Ten Most Wanted website](#)

Hostage Recovery Fusion Cell Marks Fifth Anniversary

The Hostage Recovery Fusion Cell, the U.S. government's team that coordinates efforts dedicated to recovering Americans held hostage abroad, marks its fifth anniversary on June 24th.

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



[FBI Newark News](#)

Three Individuals Charged, Fourth Admits Guilt in \$6 Million Health Care Fraud Conspiracy Targeting State Health Benefits Programs

June 25, 2020

Brian Sokalsky, Vincent Tornari, and Ashley Lyons-Valenti have been charged with defrauding New Jersey state health benefits programs and other insurers.

[Full Press Release](#)

New Jersey Man Arrested for Receiving Child Pornography and Concealing Objects to Impede FBI Investigation

June 25, 2020

Charles F. Browne of South River, New Jersey, was charged with receiving files depicting child sexual abuse and concealing objects to impede the FBI's investigation

[Full Press Release](#)

Novartis AG and Subsidiaries to Pay \$345 Million to Resolve Foreign Corrupt Practices Act Cases

June 25, 2020

Novartis AG will pay \$345 million in criminal and regulatory penalties to resolve violations of the Foreign Corrupt Practices Act.

[Full Press Release](#)

Burlington County Couple Charged with Conspiracy to Defraud 33 Victims of More Than \$6 Million in Romance Fraud Scheme

June 24, 2020

Martins Friday Inalegwu and Steincy Mathieu, a husband and wife from Maple Shade have been charged with conspiring to defraud more than 33 victims.

[Full Article](#)

Atlantic City Man Charged with Rioting

June 4, 2020

Carlos A. Matchett of Atlantic City, New Jersey, has been arrested on charges that he participated in a riot in Atlantic City on May 31, 2020.

[Full Article](#)

Nebraska Man Admits Stealing and Selling His Employer's Confidential Information

June 2, 2020

Timothy Young of Nebraska admitted engaging in fraudulent activity that exposed his employer's confidential information. Young was employed at data analytics and risk assessment firm based in New Jersey. The company serves customers worldwide, including entities providing insurance and financial services as well as government entities. The company maintains a network that houses, among other things, significant amounts of personally identifiable information.

[Full Press Release](#)

Leader of Chadwick Avenue Drug Trafficking Organization Charged with Narcotics and Firearm Offenses

June 1, 2020

Ibraaheem Islam of Newark appeared in court on charges stemming from his arrest for narcotics trafficking and illegally possessing a firearm.

[Full Press Release](#)

Updates from the New Jersey Bike & Walk Coalition



Trails for two-wheelers: A look at the United States Bicycle Route System

MultiBriefs

To explore all USBRS routes and download free digital maps, go to www.adventurecycling.org.
<https://exclusive.multibriefs.com/content/trails-for-two-wheelers-a-look-at-the-united-states-bicycle-route-system/recreation-leisure>



AG Issues Directive Aimed at Increased Police Discipline Transparency

On June 15, 2020, NJ State Attorney General, Gurbir Grewal, issued [Attorney General Law Enforcement Directive 2020-5 \(AG Directive 2020-5\)](#), which makes changes to how law enforcement agencies throughout the state report disciplinary complaints against the agency's officers. Before the issuance of AG Directive 2020-5, law enforcement agencies, including all municipal police forces, were required under previous Directives, to submit to the county prosecutor and to publish at least annually, public reports summarizing the types of complaints received against law enforcement officers, and the disposition of those complaints. However, law enforcement agencies were prohibited from publishing the names of complainants and subject officers in these reports.

The Directive issued Monday removes this prohibition when complaints result in "major discipline" and now requires the public report to include the identity of each officer subject to final discipline, a summary of their transgressions, and a statement of the sanctions imposed. For AG Directive 2020-5, major discipline is defined as a complaint that has resulted in a law enforcement officer's termination, reduction in rank or grade, and/or suspension of more than five days.

This Directive is prospective and becomes effective on August 31, 2020. Each law enforcement agency is required to publish its first report in compliance with AG Directive 2020-5 by December 31, 2020, with the first report covering disciplinary actions finalized during, at a minimum, the preceding twelve months.

You should review this Directive with your chief of police and/or public safety director for more information.



MVC Delays In-Person Opening till July 7th

In case you missed this from the June 29th email update

[Click here for the MVC Press Release](#)

During July, MVC will be **CLOSED ON MONDAYS** to allow for health & safety assessments of their facilities.

Most of the in-person transactions scheduled to start on June 29th will be delayed until July 7th, while the text notification system undergoes final testing. They intend to rely on a new text notification system to check people in, then allow them to leave the building and go elsewhere. It requires further testing, without the text notification system, the number of people waiting for transactions which will need to be on-site will far exceed capacity limitations.

Licensing Centers will be processing new licenses and permits, out-of-state transfers, and REAL ID for those whose appointments were canceled.

Vehicle Centers will be adding individual registration and title transactions.

A copy of the guide listing the Licensing and Vehicle Centers is in the Appendix of this newsletter, or you can download a copy by [Clicking Here](#).

Transactions that can be done online will not be available in person until further notice. MVC continues to urge customers to use NJMVC.gov to renew or replace licenses, renew, or replace registrations, or change their address. Road testing and vehicle inspections re-started on June 29th.

NJ Motor Vehicle Commission

Administrative Orders related to the COVID-19 Outbreak

Below are a couple of the recent Administrative Orders for the MVC. All of the orders can be found on the second page of the association's website

[MVC Administrative Order 2020-04](#) - May 18, 2020 - Second extension to expiration dates on driver's licenses, vehicle registrations, and commercial vehicle-related documents.

1) The expiration date of any valid NJ basic (Class "D") DL, basic driver permit, vehicle registration (including temp registration), or inspection sticker, due for renewal between March 31st and July 31st is hereby extended as follows:

Expiration date March 31 extended to July 31, 2020

Expiration date April 30 extended to July 31, 2020

Expiration date May 31 extended to July 31, 2020

Expiration date June 30 extended to August 31, 2020

Expiration date July 31 extended to September 30, 2020

2) NJ commercial driver license ("CDL") or commercial learner permit ("CLP") due for renewal between March 1st and June 30th now expire on June 30th.

Read the full Order for complete details and information on commercial vehicles.

[MVC Administrative Order 2020-05](#) - UPDATE CDL- HAZMAT

HAZMAT endorsements with expiration dates between March 1 and June 30, 2020, will now all expire on June 30, 2020. HAZMAT endorsements that expired before March 1 are NOT extended. CDL and CLP expiration dates between March 1 and May 31, 2020, have been extended to June 30, 2020.

[MVC Administrative Order 2020-06](#) - The expiration date of any valid New Jersey basic (Class “D”) driver license, basic driver permit, vehicle registration including any temporary registration certificate, vehicle inspection sticker, or Purple Heart/Disabled Veteran placard due for renewal between March 31, 2020, and July 31, 2020, is hereby extended as follows:

- a. Expiration date March 31 extended to July 31, 2020
- b. Expiration date April 30 extended to July 31, 2020
- c. Expiration date May 31 extended to July 31, 2020
- d. Expiration date June 30 extended to August 31, 2020
- e. Expiration date July 31 extended to September 30, 2020

[MVC Administrative Order 2020-07](#) - (Second CDL Extension)

Any valid New Jersey commercial driver license (“CDL”) or commercial learner permit (“CLP”) due for renewal between March 1, 2020, and September 30, 2020, shall hereby expire on September 30, 2020.

Updates from the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration

Follow NHTSA on [Facebook](#) and [Twitter](#) to keep up to date with the latest recalls and safety campaigns



US Department of
Transportation
**National Highway
Traffic Safety
Administration**

Enhancing Bicycle Safety: Law Enforcement's Role

With the return of good weather, more and more bicycles will be on the roadways. It is time to refresh your knowledge of traffic laws regarding bicycles.

NHTSA has made available a 2-hour self-paced interactive video training for all law enforcement officers. It includes seven content sections and a final evaluation. Content includes:

- Why Law Enforcement
- Understanding Bicycle Crashes
- Applying Traffic Laws to Cyclists
- Specific Laws for Cyclists
- Enforcement Techniques
- Crash Investigation and Reporting
- Review and Next Steps



Completion of the final evaluation prompts a certificate of completion and the achieved score. Based on their State defined passing score, the learner is subject to in-service training hours. Estimated contact time for completing the training: approximately 2 hours. Implications for highway safety planning: SHSO, Regional Offices can utilize this product to promote bicycle safety principles for law enforcement officers.

To order a copy of the training video, go to NHTSA's ordering catalog at <http://mcs.nhtsa.gov> and select **Product ID 810 758**. For more information, contact NHTSA's Bicycle Safety Program @ 202-366-2692.

Or you can go to the International Association of Directors of Law Enforcement Standards and Training portal which links you to the full training program by clicking the below link:

https://www.iadlest.org/Portals/0/Files/Documents/NHTSA/BikeSafety/main_menu.htm

Additionally, here is another video you might find useful, click the link to download the 6-minute video:

[Law Enforcement's Roll Call Video: "Enforcing Law for Bicyclists"](#)



Join NHTSA to Help Stop Hot Car Deaths

On Wednesday, July 1st, NHTSA will be tweeting from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. EDT about the dangers of heatstroke and offering prevention tips. While our summer routines look a little different this year, the summer sun and increasing temperatures are still deadly to a child who has been left unattended or gotten trapped inside a vehicle. Even in the shade in 60° weather, temperatures inside a car can soar to deadly levels in minutes.

Education is the first step in prevention, and the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration is leading the charge, but we can't spread this life-saving message without your help. We invite you to share your message this day or visit [@NHTSAgov](#) on Twitter to share one of ours. Let's blast a powerful, loud, and unified safety message all over the web. Encourage your social network to share the message, too. Each share gets us closer to eliminating these senseless tragedies.

Please don't ignore our cry for help. Join NHTSA in spreading the message. Let's **stop** this troubling trend, **stop** the heartbreak, and **stop** children from dying in hot cars.

#HeatstrokeKills #CheckForBaby



National Child Heatstroke Prevention Campaign Starts July 1, 2020

Take Action Act Fast Save a Life

Heatstroke is one of the leading causes of vehicular not-in-traffic non-crash-related deaths for children under 14. In fact, each year, an average of 39 children have died, every ten days a child dies as a result of vehicular heatstroke in the United States. Since 1998, there have been 854 deaths, with 2018 and 2019 having the highest number of fatalities since 1998.

The sickening truth? **These deaths were 100% preventable.**

Sadly, these are the current statistics:

- Child vehicular heatstroke fatalities in 2019 = 52
- Child vehicular heatstroke fatalities in 2018 = 53

While it seems like an impossible mistake to make, every parent or caregiver can potentially become distracted, and distractions often fuel this devastating situation. No one is immune.

We each have a role to play to help keep our kids safe. Help us share life-saving tips and resources with as many people as we can.

[Click here](#) to get your *Heatstroke Prevention Toolkit*.



Consumer Advisory: NHTSA Offers Summer Safety Road Tips

As the nation begins to re-open, the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration offers Summer Driving Tips to help everyone travel safely this summer.

Please remember: Drivers should avoid distractions, stay sober, always wear a seat belt, and make sure that children are in the correct car seat or booster seat!

Tips from NHTSA for safe summer travel:

- Get Your Car Serviced
- Check for Recalls
- Air Pressure, Tread Wear, Spare
- Pack an Emergency Roadside Kit
- Share the Road

For more information, please visit.

<https://www.nhtsa.gov/press-releases/consumer-advisory-simple-tips-hitting-road-summer>

NHTSA Projects Lower First Quarter of 2020: Year-Over-Year Traffic Fatalities

ttnews

A statistical projection of overall traffic fatalities for the first quarter of 2020 shows that an estimated 7,780 people died in crashes, a decrease of nearly 1%, or 70 fewer deaths compared with the first quarter of 2019, according to the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration.

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



Drug-Impaired Driving Enforcement Training Grants



The International Association of Chiefs of Police (IACP) announced a cooperative agreement between the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) and the IACP to provide funding to law enforcement agencies around the country to deliver Drug-Impaired Driving (DID) enforcement training. There is a total of \$1,775,000 available to deliver Drug Recognition Expert (DRE) Schools and Advanced Roadside Impaired Driving Enforcement (ARIDE) classes.

These contracts will be administered to state, local, tribal, or territorial (SLTT) law enforcement agencies, state-recognized law enforcement training institutions, and organizations contracted by a state highway safety office to administer the Drug Evaluation and Classification Program.

DRE training and ARIDE classes are products of the Drug Evaluation and Classification Program (DECP), through a cooperative agreement with NHTSA. For more information about this project, [click here](#).

4th of July, "Drive Sober or Get Pulled Over."

We all love to celebrate the 4th of July with family, friends, food, and fireworks. But all too often the festivities turn tragic on the nation's roads. This American holiday is also one of the deadliest holidays of the year due to impaired-driving crashes.

Over the 4th of July holiday period in 2018 (6 p.m. July 3 to 5:59 a.m. July 5):

- 193 people died in motor vehicle traffic crashes.
- 40% of those fatalities (78) occurred in alcohol-impaired crashes
- 71% of those who died in alcohol-impaired crashes were in a crash involving at least one driver or motorcyclist with a BAC of .15 or higher.

Click the links below to get your 4th of July campaign materials.

Enforcement:

[Drive Sober or Get Pulled Over](#) (alcohol-impaired driving)

[Drive High - Get a DUJ](#) (drug-impaired driving)

[Click HERE](#) for Drive Sober or Get Pulled Over marketing materials

Social Norming:

[Buzzed Driving is Drunk Driving](#) (alcohol-impaired driving)

[If You Feel Different, You Drive Different](#) (drug-impaired driving)

<https://www.trafficsafetymarketing.gov/get-materials/drunk-driving/buzzed-driving-drunk-driving-4th-july/4th-july-buzzed-driving>



NHTSA Forecasts Slight Increase in Truck Crash Fatalities for 2019

Fatalities in crashes involving at least one large truck are projected to have increased by 1% in 2019, while overall traffic fatalities are projected to see a decline, according to National Highway Traffic Safety Administration estimates. [Click here to read more](#)



Effect of Posture and Belt Fit on Child Booster Seats

A new report released by the U.S. National Highway Traffic Safety Administration

[Investigation of Potential Design and Performance Criteria for Booster Seats Through Volunteer and Dynamic Testing](#)

This research explores booster seat performance that has the potential to be less effective systems since the current FMVSS No. 213 booster performance requirements can be met without a booster seat. A combination of volunteers and small female anthropomorphic test devices were utilized in the testing of belt fit and posture along with dynamic sled tests of booster seats were employed to achieve the project goals. Children were measured in three vehicles and three laboratory seating conditions. Six different booster seats, as well as the no-booster condition, were evaluated.



2021 NHTSA Communications Calendar 2021 Highway Traffic Safety Events Calendar

Available now from TSM.

Click [here](#) to get a head start on your planning, and to align with NHTSA's traffic safety campaigns for 2021. On behalf of the NHTSA team, thanks for your proactive support in highway traffic safety.

Child Passenger Safety Week: September 20-26, 2020 National Seat Check Saturday: September 26, 2020

Every 32 seconds in 2018, one child under the age of 13 in a passenger vehicle was involved in a crash. Many times, injuries and deaths can be prevented by proper use of car seats, boosters, and seat belts.

Use this toolkit to download campaign materials and get information on how to generate awareness about child car safety in your community. Click [here](#) and get your campaign materials now.



Pedestrian Safety Month - October 2020

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

Stop. Trains Can't. - Railroad Crossing Safety Campaign Materials Now Available October 5 - November 8, 2020

The National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, in coordination with the Federal Railroad Administration ([FRA](#)) and the Federal Transit Administration ([FTA](#)), is launching the 2020 national rail grade crossing safety campaign to increase public awareness about the dangers around railroad tracks in hopes to reduce fatalities at rail grade crossings.

Motor vehicle crashes at rail grade crossings are avoidable. This campaign is a focused effort to reverse the uptick in rail grade crossing fatalities.

[Click here](#) for up-to-date campaign materials.



Updates from the Office of the Secretary



US Department of
Transportation
**Office of the
Secretary**

Federal Government to Distribute Nearly 100 Million Cloth Facial Coverings for Transportation Passengers

On June 12th, the Federal government announced nearly 100 million cloth facial coverings would be sent to the aviation, transit, and passenger rail transportation sectors for passenger use. Approximately 86.8 million coverings will be distributed to airports, and 9.6 million coverings will be distributed to 458 transit agencies and Amtrak for passenger use.

“This Administration is committed to protecting our people and reopening the economy; distributing these facial coverings will help boost public confidence as we begin to resume our normal lives,” said U.S. Transportation Secretary Elaine L. Chao.

[Click here to read the full Press Release](#)



US Department of
Transportation
**Office of the
Inspector General**

Updates from the Office of Inspector General

Drug and Alcohol Testing Programs for the Rail Industry

A report from the Office of the Inspector General at the U.S. Department of Transportation

Preventing accidents in railroad operations that result from employees’ illicit drug and/or alcohol impairment is critical to ensuring the safety of the traveling public. Illegal drug use discovered during an investigation of fatal railroad accidents and a recent increase in the percentage of railway workers testing positive for drug use underscore the importance of the Federal Railroad Administration’s (FRA) oversight of railroads’ drug and alcohol testing programs.

FRA has not adequately reviewed and approved railroads’ drug and alcohol testing plans as required or documented its review and approval process. Our review found that FRA reviewed and approved incomplete plans that do not fully adhere to FRA regulations.

[Click here for a full copy of the report](#)

Updates from the Federal Highway Administration



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

FHWA’s Fostering Multimodal Connectivity Newsletter: April 2020

Click here for the latest version of the [Fostering Multimodal Connectivity Newsletter](#), released by the U.S. Federal Highway Administration

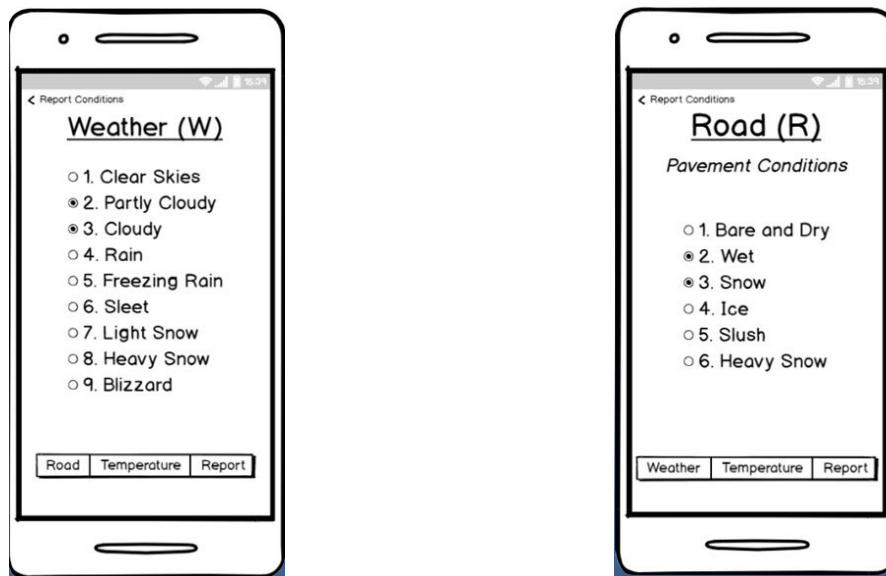
Guidance to Improve Pedestrian and Bicyclist Safety at Intersections

Intersections are challenging locations for all road users, but they can be especially difficult for people walking and biking. Between 2014 and 2016, 27 percent of pedestrians and 38 percent of bicyclists killed in crashes were struck at intersections. The TRB National Cooperative Highway Research Program's *NCHRP Research Report 926: Guidance* [Click here to download a copy of the report](#)



Maine DOT Makes It Easier for Crews to Report Road Conditions

The Maine Department of Transportation (MaineDOT) is making significant advances in monitoring road conditions using crowdsourced data. The state developed and is testing an app for its work crews to communicate weather and road conditions more easily and safely. Before the development of this app, crews had to radio operators in MaineDOT's Traffic Management Center (TMC) to share information about icy roads or clear skies. This led to backlogs of reports during storms and reports that stayed active for too long.



Maine DOT's Road and Weather User Interface Design Process
(Source: Maine Department of Transportation)

All reported weather information is available through MaineDOT's Compass Advanced Traffic Management System and on NewEngland511.org when poor driving conditions are reported. The app improves the temporal accuracy of road and weather data and allows the operators to pay more attention to incident identification and response during storms. The work crew app is now being expanded to include in-service and out-of-service reporting. After learning about Utah DOT's Citizen Reporter app, MaineDOT has an interest in the future development of similar functionality for citizen reporters to share road and weather conditions with the state.

To learn more about this app and how [Crowdsourcing](#) can be used in your State, contact [James Colyar](#) or [Paul Jodoin](#) with the Crowdsourcing for Operations team.

Updates from the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration



US Department of
Transportation
**Federal Motor
Carrier Safety
Administration**

Operation Safe Driver Week Focuses on Speeding - July 12-18

The Commercial Vehicle Safety Alliance's (CVSA) 2020 Operation Safe Driver Week will go on as scheduled, July 12-18. During this week-long traffic enforcement safety initiative, law enforcement personnel throughout North America will be looking for drivers who are engaging in unsafe driving behaviors on our roadways. Identified drivers will be pulled over by law enforcement and may be issued a warning or citation.

According to the Governors Highway Safety Association, less traffic may be encouraging some drivers to ignore traffic safety laws, including speed limits. Despite there being far fewer vehicles on the road due to COVID-19 stay-at-home orders, many jurisdictions are seeing a severe spike in speeding.

[Click here to go to the cvsa webpage for the program](#)

[Click here to read a fleet owner article](#)

[Click here to read a tnews article](#)

FMCSA - Extension to the Waiver on Expiring CDLs, CLPs, non-CDLs, and Medical Cards

This waiver is effective July 1, 2020, and expires on September 30, 2020

FMCSA grants, until September 30, 2020, a waiver from specific regulations applicable to interstate and intrastate commercial driver's license (CDL) and commercial learner's permit (CLP) holders and to other interstate drivers operating commercial motor vehicles (CMVs). FMCSA has initiated this action in response to the President's declaration of a national emergency under 42 U.S.C. § 5191(b) and the public health emergency declared by the Health and Human Services Secretary related to Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19) and section 4 of Executive Order No. 13924, Regulatory Relief to Support Economic Recovery, 85 FR 31353 (June 9, 2020).

FMCSA & COVID-19: Pre-Employment Testing Guidance

On June 5, 2020, the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration (FMCSA) granted a three-month waiver from certain pre-employment testing requirements applicable to employers of drivers subject to 49 CFR part 382.

[Click here for more details.](#)

Marijuana Accounts for Most Failed Drug Tests, Clearinghouse Report Shows

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More than 10,000 positive drug tests for marijuana were reported to the federal Drug & Alcohol Clearinghouse through the end of May this year, distinguishing pot by far as the banned drug of choice for truck drivers failing tests, according to new numbers released in a Clearinghouse report June 11th.

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



U.S. Transportation Secretary Elaine L. Chao Announces \$9.5 Million in Grants for America’s Marine Highways

The U.S. Department of Transportation’s Maritime Administration (MARAD) awarded \$9.5 million in grants to eight marine highways projects across the Nation under America’s Marine Highway Program. The funding supports the enhancement of navigable waterways and expands existing waterborne freight services in Illinois, Indiana, Kentucky, Louisiana, New York, **New Jersey**, Oregon, Tennessee, Washington, and American Samoa.

“This Federal assistance will provide additional options to reduce congestion on the roads and help the surrounding local communities’ and the regions’ economic recovery,” said Transportation Secretary Elaine L. Chao.

America’s Marine Highway Program promotes the increased use of the Nation’s navigable waterways to ensure landside congestion relief, new and efficient transportation options and increased performance of the surface transportation system. The program works with public and private stakeholders to achieve these goals.

“The continued expansion and modernization of the U.S. marine transportation system benefits the maritime industry. U.S. waterway freight systems offer a safe and efficient option for shippers and reduce road traffic and emissions while providing jobs, commerce, and crucial resources to dozens of communities across multiple states,” said Maritime Administrator Mark H. Buzby.

Since 2016, the Maritime Administration has provided \$33.8 million in grants for America’s Marine Highway Program. A total of 18 eligible marine highway projects has received funding assistance to further improve the transportation system and national security by adding to the nation’s strategic sealift resources and providing transportation alternatives during times of disaster or national emergency.

Local Projects receiving funding:

New York, New Jersey

M-95 New York Harbor Container and Trailer-on-Barge Service (awarded \$308,000) (Opportunity Zone)
Sponsored by the New York City Economic Development Corporation, the US Coastal Service Inc. was awarded the grant to support the launch of a new barge service between Kearny Point, New Jersey, and Newtown Creek, New York. The award will fund the planning, permitting, and engineering studies required to start operation. This service will establish New York Harbor and its ports as a premier marine highway hub for barge services while reducing traffic by eliminating up to 6,000 truck-miles per week.

New York, New Jersey

New York Harbor Container and Trailer-on-Barge Service (awarded \$148,664) (Opportunity Zone)
Sponsored by The Port Authority of New York and New Jersey, Red Hook Container Terminal, LLC. was awarded the grant to purchase low-emission yard tractors to support barge operations in the New York and New Jersey Harbor. The procurement of these new yard tractors will reduce cargo delays, operating costs, highway maintenance costs, and diesel emissions.

Updates from the Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration



US Department of
Transportation

**Pipeline and
Hazardous Materials
Safety Administration**

The mission of the Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration (PHMSA) is to protect people and the environment by advancing the safe transportation of energy and other hazardous materials that are essential to our daily lives. PHMSA develops and enforces regulations for the safe operation of the nation's 2.8 million-mile pipeline transportation system and the 1.2 million daily shipments of hazardous materials by land, sea, and air. Please visit <http://phmsa.dot.gov> for more information.

U.S. Department of Transportation Issues Final Rule for the Safe Transportation of Liquefied Natural Gas by Rail Tank Car

The U.S. Department of Transportation (USDOT) and the Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration (PHMSA), in consultation with the Federal Railroad Administration (FRA), issued a final rule authorizing the bulk transportation of liquefied natural gas (LNG) by rail in tank cars with enhanced outer tank requirements, such as an enhanced thicker carbon steel outer tank, and additional operational controls. The rule also requires remote monitoring of the pressure and location of LNG tank cars.

“The Department’s new rule carefully lays out key operational safeguards to provide for the safe transportation of LNG by rail to more parts of the country where this energy source is needed,” said U.S. Transportation Secretary Elaine Chao.

Read the final rule as submitted to the Federal Register [by clicking here](#).

Updates from the Federal Transit Administration



US Department of
Transportation

**Federal Transit
Administration**

Federal Transit Administration Announces \$130 Million in Grants for Nationwide Projects to Expand Advanced, Efficient Bus Technologies

FTA announced \$130 million in grant selections through the [Low or No Emission Grant program](#), which funds the deployment of transit buses and infrastructure that use advanced propulsion technologies. [Forty-one projects](#) in 40 states and the District of Columbia will receive funding through the program.

New Jersey Transit will receive \$7,074,310 to purchase new electric buses for service expansion purposes. [Click here to read the FTA press release](#)

Government Groups Launch Truck Parking Survey for Northeast Region

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Truck parking challenges in the Northeast amid the coronavirus pandemic — due in part to shipment type or route changes — are being surveyed by a group of 13 transportation departments and metropolitan planning organizations. [Click here to read the full article](#)



Majority Surveyed Won't Ride Transit After the Pandemic, Report Says

Rail News: Passenger Rail

A new [report](#) revealed that 64 percent of Americans wouldn't use public transportation as restrictions due to the COVID-19 pandemic are loosened, according to a survey conducted by Ford Mobility's Smart Transit branch [TransLoc](#). They polled 1,000 Americans' opinions on whether they would use public transportation after communities' stay-at-home orders are lifted.

Transit Industry Leaders Blast CDC for Recommending Commuters Avoid Mass Transit

progressiverailroading

U.S. transit industry leaders sharply criticized a new [Centers for Disease Control and Prevention](#) (CDC) recommendation that encourages people to commute to work by driving or using ride-hailing services instead of riding on public transit systems.

The CDC suggested that employers consider encouraging employees to commute by car or as the sole passenger in a ride-hailing service car. The suggestion was included in [guidelines](#) issued by the agency as the nation's cities emerge from restrictions due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

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

FRA Continues Commitment to Save Lives with Railroad Trespassing Suicide Prevention Grants

The U.S. Department of Transportation's Federal Railroad Administration (FRA) announced on June 9th the availability of \$293,000 in competitive grant funds for Railroad Trespassing Suicide Prevention Program projects. The notice of funding opportunity (NOFO) solicits grant applications from eligible organizations that focus on suicide prevention or mental health assistance, to implement activities to reduce railroad-related suicides. This includes nonprofits and railroads. Selected grant recipients will be awarded a maximum of \$100,000 each.

"Every year, hundreds of people attempt to commit suicide using the U.S. rail system, and data analysis suggest that 50% or more of fatal trespass incidents are suicides," FRA Administrator Ronald L. Batory said. "We believe that allied organizations working together can reduce such incidents. These grants will strengthen existing partnerships and create new ones to help deter and prevent needless tragedies."

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

Railroad Accidents/Incidents, Reports Classification, and Investigations



Federal Regulations require Railroads follow reporting requirements for railroad accidents and incidents that occur on their right-of-way and property. These regulations provide the FRA with accurate information concerning the hazards and risks that exist on the Nation's railroads. The FRA uses this information to carry out its regulatory and enforcement responsibilities under the Federal railroad safety statutes. The FRA also uses this information to determine comparative trends of railroad safety and to develop hazard elimination and risk reduction programs that focus on preventing railroad injuries and accidents.

The primary groups of accidents and incidents to be reported monthly by Railroads are:

- **Highway-rail grade crossing incidents.** Any impact between a rail and highway user (both motor vehicles and other users of the crossing as a designated crossing site, including walkways, sidewalks, etc., associated with the crossing).
- **Rail equipment accidents/incidents.** A safety-related event involving on-track rail equipment (both standing and moving), causing monetary damage to the rail equipment and track above a prescribed amount.
- **Casualties to persons.** Death and non-fatal injuries to all types of persons and occupational illnesses involving railroad employees.

Railroads are required to provide the FRA with immediate notification of various types of accidents through the National Response Center, which notifies FRA of such accidents on a 24-hour, 7-day-a-week basis.

In addition to the investigation done by the Railroad that owns the right of way and/or the rail equipment, the FRA will conduct their own investigation as determined by the Accident Analysis Branch or regional management. Generally, FRA investigates accidents and incidents meeting the following criteria:

- Any collision, derailment, or passenger train incident resulting in at least one fatality or serious injury to railroad passengers or crewmembers.
- Any railroad-related accident resulting in death to an on-duty railroad employee, regardless of craft.
- Any **highway-rail grade crossing** accident resulting in any of the following:
 - Death to one or more persons being transported in a commercial vehicle or school bus.
 - Serious injury to several persons being transported in a commercial vehicle or school bus.
 - Death to three or more persons in a private highway vehicle.
 - Accidents involving grade crossing signal failure or allegations of grade crossing signal failure.
- Any non-casualty train accident resulting in derailment of a locomotive, 15 cars or more, and extensive property damage.
- Any train accident/incident resulting in a fire, explosion, evacuation, or release of regulated hazardous materials, especially if it exposed a community to these hazards or the threat of such exposure.
- Any accident/incident involving a train transporting nuclear materials.
- Any train incident involving runaway or rollaway equipment, with or without locomotives.
- Any collision involving maintenance-of-way or hi-rail equipment.
- Any accident caused by the failure of a locomotive or any part of a locomotive, or a person coming in contact with an electrically energized part that resulted in serious injury or death of one or more persons.
- Accidents resulting from signal failure, including Positive Train Control-related failures and malfunctions.
- Any other train accident/incident likely to generate considerable public interest.

Railroads are required to follow the FRA Guide for Preparing Accident/Incident Reports and use these forms:

[Rail Equipment Accident/Incident Report](#)

[Highway-Rail Grade Crossing Accident/Incident Report](#)

[FRA's Guide for Preparing Accident Incident Reports](#)

[Railroad Injury and Illness Summary](#)

Accident information gathered can be found on the [FRA Safety Data site](#).

For additional information on FRA accident investigations, click [here](#).

<https://railroads.dot.gov/highway-rail-crossing-and-trespasser-programs/trespassing-prevention/rail-suicide-prevention>



FRA - Addressing Rail Suicide: 6 Key Research Areas

More than 40,000 people die every year in the U.S. from suicide. On average, 229 people die each year by suicide within the U.S. rail system, and another 176 individuals are injured in suicide attempts. Volpe and FRA identified six key research areas that can provide insight into mitigating and preventing rail suicide.

Because useful data is critical to understanding rail suicides, some of these research areas focus on understanding the types and quality of rail suicide data available in the U.S. Other areas focus on evaluating mitigation strategies and identifying ways to implement them.

1. **[Suicide Countermeasure Pilot Projects](#)** - FRA and Volpe work with rail carriers that are implementing strategies to mitigate suicide. Volpe evaluates the effectiveness of various strategies and then passes on findings and best practices from pilot tests to carriers considering similar strategies.
2. **[Media Reporting of Trespass and Suicide Incidents](#)** - Media that irresponsibly report on a rail suicide incident can elicit copycat attempts. This focus area started by examining how U.S. media outlets report on rail suicides and will continue to refine recommendations for how to report on these types of incidents responsibly.
3. **[The Global Railway Alliance for Suicide Prevention \(GRASP\)](#)** - The GRASP working group is made up of international experts in rail suicide prevention. GRASP shares best practices and resources for improving rail suicide prevention.
4. **Trespasser Intent Determination** - The training and qualifications required for coroners or medical examiners are decided at the local level, and varies by state or county. This may lead to inconsistencies in the criteria that an official death determination is based on, and can lead to rail suicides being underreported. This work aims to understand variations in rail suicide reporting and develop consistent criteria for the rail industry to use internally when determining the probable cause of death.
5. **Demographic and Environmental Characteristics of Rail Suicides** - This work provides an overview of the types of people injured or killed through acts of suicide on the U.S. rail system. It includes other data, such as common locations or times when incidents are more likely to occur.
6. **GIS Mapping** - Mapping [trespass](#) and suicide incidents can provide insight into why an incident occurred in a specific location at a particular time. As data grows, this technology may help identify potential at-risk areas before they become a problem.

This breadth of research will help FRA better understand rail suicide and identify effective countermeasures. Volpe performs these investigations in tandem with continued collaboration with experts from suicide prevention groups and the rail industry.

<https://railroads.dot.gov/highway-rail-crossing-and-trespasser-programs/trespassing-prevention/rail-suicide-prevention>



[Updates from New Jersey Transit](#)

NJ Transit Awards Contracts for Raritan River Bridge Replacement

Replacing 112-Year-Old Bridge Will Provide Reliability and Resiliency for North Jersey Coast Line Customers

The NJ Transit Board of Directors approved a contract with George Harms Construction of Farmingdale, NJ, in May for the initial construction phase of the Raritan River Bridge replacement project. The approximately \$250 million contract is part of NJ Transit's Resilience Program initiated following Hurricane Sandy to make its transit systems and infrastructure stronger and more reliable for its customers.

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

NJ Transit Launches Strategic and Capital Plans That Will Guide the Agency Through 2030

First-Ever Ten-Year Strategic Plan and Five-Year Capital Plan Establish the Roadmap to Improved Reliability & Customer Experience and Will Drive Economic Growth in the State

Governor Murphy, along with the NJ Transit CEO & President Kevin Corbett unveiled NJ TRANSIT's ten-year strategic plan entitled "NJT2030: A 10-Year Strategic Plan" and a complimentary 5-Year Capital Plan on June 8th. These plans provide the vision for the agency to build the future of transportation in New Jersey and, with it, drive a 21st-century economy in an accountable, transparent, and environmentally-sustainable way.

"Before our current public health emergency, we made critical investments and undertook long-overdue reforms to NJ Transit's operations, which have unquestionably improved reliability and performance," said Governor Murphy. "To safeguard that progress, NJT2030 and the Five-Year Capital Plan put forward the vision for how NJ Transit will address a decade-long period of disinvestment, and further transform the agency's core business functions to regain the confidence of customers, stakeholders, and the communities it serves."

[Click here to read the NJ transit press release and the strategic plan](#)

NJ Transit Misses the Mark by Committing Just \$15M to Electric Buses Through 2026, Critics Say

NJ Spotlight

NJ Transit appears destined to miss initial targets for converting its fleet to electric buses, an omission clean-car advocates worry is an ominous sign for electrifying the transportation sector, a top goal of the Murphy administration.

In its five-year capital spending plan, the agency committed \$15 million toward purchasing electric buses through 2026, far less than what is needed to achieve mandates to begin to electrify its fleet of buses, advocates said.

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

Trump Announces Key NJ Rail Project Can Move Ahead

NJ.com

Shortly after dining with Gov. Murphy at his Bedminster golf club, President Trump announced he has “given authorization to proceed” on replacing the 110-year-old Portal Bridge, a long-sought and long-stalled New Jersey rail project.

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

Feds Make Good on Trump’s Promise to Help Fund Portal Bridge Replacement

NJ.com

Federal Transit Administration officials made good on President Donald Trump’s tweet about advancing the funding process to replace the 110-year-old Portal Bridge over the Hackensack River in Kearny, which is famous for getting stuck in the open position and delaying thousands. It now moves into the engineering phase, which is the second stage of the process to obtain a full federal grant agreement for part of the \$1.81 billion projects, a step announced by FTA.

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

NJ Transit, Rutgers Study UV Light to Rid Buses of Coronavirus

NJ.com

NJ Transit is the latest agency to experiment with ultraviolet-c light as a more effective way to sanitize equipment from the coronavirus. The agency has contracted with Rutgers Center for Advanced Infrastructure and Transportation (CAIT) to study the effectiveness of the UVC wavelength in killing viruses as well as electronically mapping the interior of different bus models to determine the best placement for the UVC source, officials said. The study will be done over the next few months.

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

NJ Transit Receives \$13M from Feds to Help Riders in 14 Rural Counties

NJ.com

NJ Transit’s public transit systems will keep rolling in the states 14 rural counties with an additional \$13.3 million in federal CARES act funding secured by the state’s congressional delegation.

The \$13.3 million will be used to support transit services, equipment purchases, and project administration in Atlantic, Burlington, Camden, Cape May, Cumberland, Gloucester, Hunterdon, Mercer, Monmouth, Morris, Salem, Somerset, Sussex and Warren counties. Some rural bus service is operated under contract for NJ Transit by private bus companies.

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

Updates from the Federal Aviation Administration



US Department of
Transportation
**Federal Aviation
Administration**

Dates Set for FAA UAS Symposium – Remotely Piloted Edition

A two-part virtual event is scheduled for July 8 to 9 and August 18 to 19

The Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) and the Association for Unmanned Vehicle Systems International (AUVSI) have announced the two-part virtual event for the [FAA UAS Symposium – Remotely Piloted Edition, Episodes I and II](#) will take place on July 8 to 9 and August 18 to 19, 2020.

[Click here for more information](#)

FAA Responds to NTSB's "Most Wanted" Safety Recommendations

Substantial progress made to address significant NTSB safety concerns.

The Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) and the National Transportation Safety Board (NTSB) share a common goal — promoting safety in aviation and preventing aircraft accidents. The record shows the NTSB and FAA agree on a course of action about 80 percent of the time. Of the safety recommendations made to the FAA, the NTSB has classified about 80 percent closed acceptable, and approximately 5 percent remain open in acceptable status.

[Click here to read the full fact sheet](#)

Commercial Space Transportation Activities

The [Federal Aviation Administration \(FAA\)](#) is responsible for ensuring the protection of the public, property, and the national security and foreign policy interests of the United States during commercial launch or reentry activities, and to encourage, facilitate, and promote U.S. commercial space transportation. To date, the FAA Office of Commercial Space Transportation (AST) has licensed or permitted more than 370 launches and reentries.

[Click here to read the full fact sheet](#)

**IF YOU FEEL DIFFERENT
YOU DRIVE DIFFERENT
DRIVE HIGH GET A DUI**

Updates from the Drug Enforcement Administration



Attorney licensed in New Jersey and New York charged with marijuana offenses

Sacramento, Calif. — A grand jury brought a five-count indictment today against a Granite Bay resident, charging him with conspiracy to transport marijuana and concentrated cannabis oil in his Learjet, U.S. Attorney McGregor W. Scott and Drug Enforcement Administration Special Agent in Charge Daniel C. Comeaux announced.

Manish Patel, 33, is an attorney licensed in New Jersey and New York. According to court documents, between February 27, 2017, and June 13, 2019, Patel allegedly conspired to fly marijuana and concentrated cannabis oil (tetrahydrocannabinol or TCH) from California across the country in his private airplane.

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

Leader of Trenton Drug Trafficking Organization Indicted

Trenton, NJ – Special Agent in Charge of the Drug Enforcement Administration’s New Jersey Division, Susan A. Gibson, and U.S. Attorney for the District of New Jersey, Craig Carpenito, announced a federal grand jury today indicted the leader of a Trenton drug-trafficking organization for his role overseeing and managing the distribution of large amounts of heroin in the Trenton area, U.S. Attorney Craig Carpenito announced.

Robert M. Gbanapolor, 33, of Trenton, was charged with conspiracy to distribute and possess with intent to distribute 100 grams or more of heroin with the intent to distribute and distribution. Gbanapolor and ten others were previously charged by complaint in June 2019. He will be arraigned on a date to be determined.

Eight other members of this drug trafficking conspiracy have previously pleaded guilty in this case. The charges against two other defendants remain pending on complaint.

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



There's no limit to how fast people will drive....

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



THE UNITED STATES
DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

The year 2020 marks the 150th anniversary of the Department of Justice. Learn more about the history of the agency at www.Justice.gov/Celebrating150Years.

Department of Justice Announces Launch of Civil Rights Reporting Portal *A new online tool designed to help the public report civil rights violations*

The Department of Justice announced on June 15th the launch of the Civil Rights Reporting Portal. This new online tool will make it easier for the public to report a civil rights violation.

“The department is committed to upholding the civil and constitutional rights of all people in the United States,” said Assistant Attorney General Eric Dreiband of the Civil Rights Division. “The Civil Rights Reporting Portal will make it easier for the public to connect with us, which in turn makes us more effective at upholding these important rights. I encourage the public to use this portal to report civil rights violations.”

The new Civil Rights Reporting Portal – located at civilrights.justice.gov – will consolidate over 30 unique reporting pathways. The portal will dramatically ease the burden on victims of civil rights violations to identify the proper reporting channel. The form is fully accessible to people with disabilities. It is also available in both English and Spanish, with more languages to be added over the next year.

Individuals who believe that they may have been victims of civil rights violations can learn how to report violations by visiting civilrights.justice.gov.

If you believe that you are a victim of criminals, civil rights violations, such as misconduct by law enforcement officers, hate crimes, or human trafficking, please [contact your local FBI office](#).

President’s Commission on Law Enforcement and the Administration of Justice Holds Hearing on the Role of the Public Defender

On June 2, 2020, the President’s Commission on Law Enforcement and the Administration of Justice held a hearing on the role of public defenders. The hearing was conducted via teleconference and featured expert witnesses who provided testimony and answered questions from the commissioners.

The panelists discussed the role of the public defender in the criminal justice system. Mr. Burkhardt’s opening testimony argued that “Public defenders are key to a fair justice system. The right to an attorney is a threshold right that helps protect all other constitutional rights... But public defense faces a basic problem: more than half of American counties don’t have a public defender. Instead, they rely on ‘non-systems,’ in which unsupervised attorneys take cases on an ad hoc basis, often for a flat fee.”

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

Department of Justice Awards Nearly \$400 Million for Law Enforcement Hiring to Advance Community Policing

The Department of Justice announced on June 2nd that nearly \$400 million in grant funding had been released through the Department's Office of Community Oriented Policing Services (COPS Office) called the COPS Hiring Program (CHP). The Attorney General announced funding awards to 596 law enforcement agencies across the nation, which allows those agencies to hire 2,732 additional full-time law enforcement professionals. The awards announced on June 2nd are inclusive of the \$51 million announced in May as part of Operation Relentless Pursuit.

Below is the list of New Jersey agencies along with the number of officers to be hired and the amount of money received:

Agency	# Officers	Amount
• Berkeley Police Dept	10	\$1,250,000
• Township of Belleville	11	\$1,375,000
• Borough of Bogota	1	\$125,000
• Camden County Police Dep	10	\$2,141,041
• Essex County Sheriff's Office	15	\$1,875,000
• City of Garfield	3	\$375,000
• City of Newark	15	\$1,875,000
• City of Orange Township	15	\$1,875,000
• City of Passaic	8	\$1,000,000
• City of Paterson	10	\$1,886,048
• Salem Police Dept	2	\$291,396
• Sayreville Police Dept	8	\$1,000,000
• City of Trenton	10	\$1,250,000
• Wildwood Police Dept	6	\$750,000

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

Selection Committee Named for NJ's Project Safe Neighborhoods Grant Program

06/09/2020

U.S. Attorney Craig Carpenito announced that three people will begin their service as part of the selection committee for the Department of Justice's Project Safe Neighborhoods grants program in New Jersey.

[Click here to read the full press release and who the three are](#)

Joint Statement by Associate Attorney General William Hughes and U.S. Attorney for the District of New Jersey Craig Carpenito

06/09/2020

Good morning Chairman Graham, Ranking Member Feinstein, and members of the Committee. Thank you for inviting us to appear before you today to discuss the Department of Justice's (the Department) efforts to detect and prosecute those who seek to exploit the COVID- 19 pandemic and the economic dislocation it has caused for personal financial gain. We have been tasked by the Attorney General and Deputy Attorney General to lead the Department's Hoarding and Price Gouging Task Force (Mr. Carpenito) and to coordinate more generally the Department's response to criminal conduct relating to the COVID-19 pandemic (Mr. Hughes). We want to thank the Committee for its attention to this issue and to the excellent work of the Department to protect the safety and security of our nation during this unprecedented crisis.

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

Antitrust Division Issues 2020 Annual Newsletter Update

The Antitrust Division of the Department of Justice issued the 2020 edition of its annual Newsletter Update on June 23rd. The Newsletter highlights the Antitrust Division's recent activities, including responses to the COVID-19 pandemic, successes on civil and criminal enforcement, international cooperation, and competition advocacy. The Newsletter also includes a message from Assistant Attorney General Makan Delrahim.

[Click here to read the full DOJ Antitrust 2020 Newsletter](#)



COPS
Community Oriented Policing Services
U.S. Department of Justice

Drones: A Report on the Use of Drones by Public Safety Agencies—and a Wake-Up Call about the Threat of Malicious Drone Attacks

In February of 2019, the U.S. Department of Justice, Office of Community Oriented Policing Services, the Police Executive Research Forum, and the U.S. Department of Homeland Security convened a two-day conference in Washington, D.C., to discuss the policy and operational issues regarding the implementation and use of drones.

This publication synthesizes information presented and discussed by the conference participants; lessons learned; and promising practices gathered from interviews, policy reviews, and survey data to provide law enforcement agencies with guidance on implementing a drone program. It covers two different but related issues: the use of drones by police agencies to protect public safety and the use of drones by malicious actors to commit various crimes such as acts of terrorism.

Thus, this story of drones is about two radically different sides of the same coin. This report should be seen as two separate reports. The bulk of the document, chapters 1 and 2, provides guidance to police and sheriffs' departments about how to identify how drones could facilitate their work and how to create a drone program to accomplish those goals. The remainder of the document, chapter 3, is about the malicious use of drones.

As of early 2020, the United States is extremely vulnerable to drone attacks because only in late 2018 were federal law enforcement agencies given the legal authority to use the most effective types of technologies to detect and mitigate drone threats. Local police and sheriffs' departments still are unable to purchase or use most counter-drone technologies because of concerns they might break the law when employing them and the danger of interference with air traffic in the National Airspace System.

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



Department of Justice Announces \$42 Million to Combat Illegal Manufacture and Distribution of Methamphetamine and Opioids

New Jersey Department of Law and Public Safety Receives \$4,853,157.00 Between Two Grants

The Department of Justice's Office of Community Oriented Policing Services (COPS Office) announced on June 23rd that it awarded nearly \$42 million in funding to support state-level law enforcement agencies in combating the illegal manufacturing and distribution of methamphetamine, heroin, fentanyl, carfentanil, and prescription opioids with a three-year grant program.

Anti-Heroin Task Force Program awarded \$29.7 million in grant funding to 14 state law enforcement agencies directly to the state-level law enforcement agencies task forces with multijurisdictional reach and interdisciplinary team structures. NJ Dept of Law and Public Safety received \$3,853,157.00

Anti-Methamphetamine Program awarded \$12 million to 12 state law enforcement agencies. These state agencies have demonstrated numerous seizures of precursor chemicals, finished methamphetamine, laboratories, and laboratory dump seizures. NJ Dept of Law and Public Safety received \$1,000,000.00/

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

Below are recent convictions and indictments on the federal level for persons that have connections to New Jersey. Click on a headline below to read the related press release.

[Ex-Husband of 'Real Housewives of New Jersey' Star and Lucchese Crime Family Soldier Indicted for Assault and Other Crimes](#)

06/30/2020

[Atlantic County Tax Preparer Charged with Filing False Tax Returns](#)

06/26/2020

[Registered Sex Offender Sentenced to One-Year Jail Term for Violating Terms of Supervised Release](#)

06/25/2020

[Eleven People Charged with \\$6 Million Bank Fraud Conspiracy that Operated In South Jersey and Southeastern Pennsylvania](#)

06/25/2020

[Three New Jersey Men Charged in Connection with Interstate Luxury Car Theft Ring](#)

06/24/2020

[Burlington County Couple Charged with Conspiracy to Defraud 33 Victims of Over \\$6 Million in Romance Fraud Scheme](#)

06/23/2020

[Monmouth County Man Charged with Tax Evasion, Corrupt Interference with Administration of Internal Revenue Laws, and Failure to File Tax Returns](#)

06/23/2020

[Romanian National Sentenced to Four Years in Prison for Installing Identity Theft Devices on ATMS](#)

06/23/2020

[**NJ - Former Transit Union Official Admits Embezzlement**](#)

06/23/2020

[**New Jersey Man Sentenced for Interstate Travel to Engage in Illicit Sex**](#)

06/22/2020

PROVIDENCE – A New Jersey man arrested by Rhode Island State Police and Homeland Security Investigations in January after he traveled to Rhode Island, believing that he was going to have sex with a 9th-grade student he befriended online was sentenced today to 46 months in federal prison.

[**Eighteen People Charged in Connection with Drug Trafficking Ring**](#)

06/18/2020

[**Camden County Man Charged with Selling Phony Prescriptions**](#)

06/17/2020

[**Newark Parking Authority Employee Admits to Narcotics Distribution and Being a Felon in Possession of Firearms**](#)

06/17/2020

[**Trenton Man Arrested for Attempting to Ignite Police Vehicle During Trenton Protests**](#)

06/17/2020

[**Founder of Plastics Company Charged in \\$61 Million Tax Evasion Scheme**](#)

06/17/2020

[**Monmouth County Woman Admits Role in Mortgage Fraud Scheme**](#)

06/16/2020

[**Leader of \\$50 Million Health Care Fraud Conspiracy Targeting State Health Benefits Programs Pleads Guilty**](#)

06/16/2020

[**Essex County Man Allegedly Involved in Shootout Charged with Distributing Heroin**](#)

06/16/2020

[**Previously Convicted Felon Admits Three Felon in Possession of Firearm Charges, One in Connection with a Shooting**](#)

06/15/2020

[**Newark Man Charged with Drug Trafficking in Newark's Pilgrim Baptist Village Housing Complex**](#)

06/15/2020

[**Owner of Business Consulting Firm Admits Orchestrating Multimillion-Dollar Bank Fraud and Securities Fraud Scheme**](#)

06/11/2020

[**Former Owner of Construction Company Admits Embezzlement**](#)

06/11/2020

[**Six Members of Atlantic City Drug Trafficking Organization Indicted**](#)

06/11/2020

[**Somerset County Man Charged with Online Enticement of Minor and Traveling Overseas to Engage in Criminal Sexual Conduct**](#)

06/10/2020

[Essex County Man Admits Participation in Heroin Conspiracy](#)

06/09/2020

[Camden County Felon Admits Unlawfully Possessing Fraudulent Law Enforcement Credentials and Firearm](#)

06/05/2020

[Atlantic City Man Charged with Rioting](#)

06/04/2020

[Monmouth County Man Charged with Tax Evasion, Corrupt Interference with Administration of Internal Revenue Laws, and Failure to File Tax Return](#)

06/03/2020

[Middlesex County Man Arrested for Attempting to Set Fire to Trenton Police Vehicle](#)

06/02/2020

[Camden County Man Admits Role in Theft of Government Funds Scheme and Defrauding Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program](#)

06/02/2020

Recognize public safety officers making a difference in your community

The nomination period for the [2020 Medal of Valor](#) is now open.

Each year, BJA recognizes public safety officers in law enforcement, firefighting, and emergency services for their valiant acts performed in the line of duty.

Multiple officers can be nominated for the same event, and individual officers can be nominated for multiple acts of service. We appreciate your time and attention in honoring our country’s public safety officers, and we thank you for recognizing the selfless acts of bravery they perform every day.

[Click here to go to the BJA web page for the award](#)



DHS Has Limited Capabilities to Counter Illicit Unmanned Aircraft Systems

Office of Inspector General Report

DHS's capability to counter illicit UAS activity remains limited. On November 8, 2018, the former DHS Secretary issued an internal memorandum calling for a uniform approach to DHS's expansion of its C-UAS capability under the *Preventing Emerging Threats Act*. The Secretary assigned the Office of Strategy, Policy, and Plans (Office of Policy) as the Department's lead over components with authorized C-UAS missions (the United States Secret Service, United States Coast Guard, Customs and Border Protection, and Federal Protective Service). The Secretary instructed these components not to take any actions toward C-UAS expansion until the Office of Policy completed a uniform approach for doing so.

However, the Office of Policy did not execute a uniform approach as directed because it did not request the funding needed to obtain subject matter experts to fulfill all of the Secretary's requirements for the uniform approach, including developing a realistic work plan and issuing complete department-wide C-UAS guidance. According to DHS officials, funding for C-UAS expansion unsuccessfully competed with other mission priorities for budget resources. Consequently, DHS will remain vulnerable to increased security risks and emerging threats from unmanned aircraft until it expands its capability to counter illicit UAS activity.

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

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.



Behind-the-Scene @NTSB podcast Episode 34: Highway Safety

By ntsbgov

In this episode of the Behind-the-Scene @NTSB podcast, NTSB Office of Highway Safety Director Rob Molloy, Ph.D., and Deputy Director Kris Poland, Ph.D., discuss their journeys to the NTSB and current work. Hear their views on the increase in speed-related crashes, ongoing NTSB highway investigations, new safety recommendations related to vehicle automation, and much more. They also discuss the NTSB #SafetyReminder campaign & share important road safety reminders as the nation resumes normal operations during the pandemic. The NTSB final reports for the investigations mentioned in this episode are available [here](#).

[Click here to listen to the podcast](#)

NTSB Asks Helicopter Manufacturers to Install Recording Systems FAA Refuses to Require

The National Transportation Safety Board, in a safety recommendation report issued Tuesday, June 2, 2020, called on helicopter manufacturers to equip turbine-powered helicopters with crash-resistant systems to record data, audio, and images.

The NTSB asked the manufacturers – Airbus Helicopters, Bell, Leonardo, MD Helicopters, Robinson and Sikorsky – to act since the Federal Aviation Administration has not implemented a series of NTSB recommendations made in 2013 and 2015. Those recommendations were issued after NTSB investigators found the lack of recorded data hindered their understanding of several crashes that could have serious flight safety implications.

Helicopters meeting specific criteria established by the FAA are required to have crash-resistant systems to record flight data and cockpit audio. None are currently required to have image recording capability. Despite the lack of action from the FAA, some helicopter operators have equipped their aircraft with recording systems, including image recording capability, even though they are not required to do so.

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

<https://www.recordernews.com/news/local-news/177090>

<https://www.news10.com/news/local-news/ntsb-calls-on-nhtsa-to-adopt-new-limo-regulations/>

When it Comes Down to You and a Train, You Won't Win!

Ntsbgov

It seems like it should be obvious that you should *never* gamble with safety, but, for some reason, people often do when it comes to trains.

Railroads have always had the right of way, and they often existed before the communities that grew around them. Roughly a century before commercial airports began connecting a network of American cities, and long before the Federal-Aid Highway Act of 1956 established the Interstate Highway System, the [first steam engine railroads](#) were created to transport passengers and freight in the United States. Railroads were foundational to our country, pushing westward and growing throughout the industrial revolution. As trains transported more and more passengers and commerce across a young nation expanding its territory, cities and small towns grew alongside the tracks. This history is why we now see so many [highway-rail grade](#) crossings in the United States.



Grade crossing safety has been a challenge for decades. Fatalities and injuries resulting from collisions at grade crossings occur all over the United States and are particularly problematic in densely populated urban areas that surround at-grade tracks. States and local governments are primarily responsible for the decisions that make crossings safer, including upgrades to warning signals and infrastructure improvements, such as roadway redesigns, crossing consolidations, and grade separations. But these projects are expensive for states and local governments, and they often require funding from oversubscribed federal grant programs.

In 2015, [Fixing America's Surface Transportation \(FAST\) Act](#) mandated all states to address grade crossing crashes. The law also required the DOT to develop a [model grade-crossing action plan](#) and distribute it to the states to help focus their efforts. This requirement was in response to two NTSB safety recommendations (H-12-60 and -61) issued following a grade crossing collision we investigated on [June 24, 2011, in Miriam, Nevada](#), which tragically took the lives of a truck driver, a train conductor, and four train passengers.

Despite the implementation of these recommendations, as well as many others, and the tremendous actions of railroads and state and local governments in partnership with the federal government, grade crossing collisions and the rate at which they occur have increased over the past decade. Federal Railroad Administration (FRA) [data](#) show that there were 2,216-grade crossing incidents in 2019, up from 2,052 in 2010. The rate of incidents per million train miles also increased from 2.911 to 3.273 over the same period, while fatalities at grade crossings grew from 261 to 293.

Those figures don't even include trespassers on train tracks, like those I saw in Alaska. Trespasser incidents (not at grade crossings) have increased from 788 in 2010 to 1,092 in 2019. Deaths and injuries have soared from a total of 801 to 1,122 over the last decade. This is tragic, and, as a society, we can—and must—do better.

The NTSB continues to investigate grade crossing collisions and [recommend](#) safety enhancements, such as infrastructure upgrades and better signage at crossings. We've held public forums and worked alongside the FRA, [Operation Lifesaver](#), railroads, and rail labor to raise public awareness about safety at grade crossings and the need to stay off the tracks. But, ultimately, it's our responsibility always to be vigilant and take safety seriously. Drivers, cyclists, and pedestrians must obey warning signs and signals, stay off the tracks, stop and look both ways at passive crossings, and avoid distractions. Trying to beat an oncoming train is reckless and deadly.

<https://safetycompass.wordpress.com/2020/05/28/when-it-comes-down-to-you-and-a-train-you-wont-win/>

[Updates from Mothers Against Drunk Driving](#)



[MADD's June Law Enforcement Newsletter](#)

[Click here to view the June Law Enforcement Newsletter](#)

[Updates from North Jersey Transportation Planning Authority](#)



[Warren County's Transportation Study](#)

Patch.com

Warren County, in partnership with the NJTPA, wants your help developing a transportation plan to provide a vision for the future of the County's transportation network through 2045. The plan will identify recommendations and implementation phases to address transportation needs.

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

Updates from the World of Work Zone Safety



U.S. Department of Transportation Makes \$2.4 Million Available for Work Zone Data Exchange Grants in Preparation for Automated Vehicles

The U.S. Department of Transportation's Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) published a Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO) on June 18th in Grants.gov for \$2.4 million in Work Zone Data Exchange (WZDx) grants to promote the development of shared data feeds on work zones across America's states and localities. The information would also be available for in-vehicle applications allowing automated vehicles to learn about nearby work zones and navigate them safely.

"The goal of the program is to increase public safety on the roadway through the gathering and sharing of information on work zones nationwide," said Federal Highway Administrator Nicole R. Nason.

Up-to-date information about dynamic conditions occurring on roads – such as construction events – can help automated and human-driven vehicles operate more safely and efficiently, benefiting both travelers and roadway workers.

The WZDx project is part of the Department's Intelligent Transportation Systems Research Program that includes the testing of intelligent infrastructure systems. This program encourages the development, collection, and distribution of work zone information on dynamic road conditions.

Approximately 12 grants up to \$200,000 each is expected to be awarded to support state and local agencies in implementing open work zone data feeds.

The NOFO is available here <https://www.grants.gov/web/grants/view-opportunity.html?oppld=327731>

Updates from the NJ State League of Municipalities



Update on League Transition - Appointment of Lori Buckelew as Assistant Executive Director

James J. Perry, President, NJLM, Committeeman, Hardwick

Michael Darcy announced his intention to retire as of June 30, 2020. This follows over thirty years of dedicated service to the League, including the last five years as Executive Director. In April, the Executive Board unanimously appointed Mike Cerra to be the next Executive Director, effective July 1st.

On Friday, June 5th, the League Executive Board convened via a virtual meeting. It unanimously approved the appointment of Lori Buckelew to be the next Assistant Executive Director & Director of Government Affairs, effective July 1st.

Lori Buckelew joined the League in 2009 and is currently a Senior Legislative Analyst. Before that, Lori worked for several municipalities, including Maplewood as Deputy Municipal Clerk, Long Hill as Township Clerk, and

Lambertville as City Clerk. She also worked for the Division of Local Government Services. With over 25 years' experience in both state and local government, Lori is a Registered Municipal Clerk. She has a B.A. in Political Science and Criminal Justice as well as an M.P.A. in Public Administration from Kean University.

<https://www.njlm.org/ArchiveCenter/ViewFile/Item/1135>

ON THE ROAD THIS SUMMER STAY SAFE

ROAD TRIPS, WEEKEND GETAWAYS, DRIVES THROUGH THE COUNTRY—SUMMER DRIVING CAN BE LOTS OF FUN. BUT DRIVE BUZZED AND YOUR SUMMER COULD TAKE A WRONG TURN FAST.

If all 17 million people who admitted to driving drunk had their own state, IT WOULD BE THE FIFTH LARGEST IN THE U.S.

WHAT ARE THE DANGERS?

NEARLY TWICE AS MANY PEOPLE ARE KILLED IN AUTO ACCIDENTS DURING THE SUMMER MONTHS THAN DURING THE REST OF THE MONTHS COMBINED.

10,322 People killed in **ALCOHOL-IMPAIRED DRIVING CRASHES** in 2012

35% Percentage of all drivers in **NIGHTTIME FATAL CRASHES** who were alcohol-impaired

In fatal crashes in 2012 **THE HIGHEST PERCENTAGE OF ALCOHOL-IMPAIRED DRIVERS** was for drivers ages:

- 32%** 21 to 24
- 29%** 25 to 34
- 25%** 35 to 44

1 drunken-driving fatality occurred every **51 MINUTES** in 2012.

THE FINANCIAL TOLL

Crashes caused by drivers under the influence of alcohol cost the nation \$199 billion a year.

Getting caught buzzed driving could cost you up to \$10,000 in fines, legal fees and increased insurance rates.

That's more than three months' worth of income for the average working American.

HOW TO STAY SAFE

Prior to any drinking, designate a non-drinking driver when with a group.

If you have been drinking, get a ride home or call a taxi.

Don't let your friends drive impaired. Take their keys away.

Visit buzzeddriving.adcouncil.org for more information.

SOURCES: <http://www.onedui.com> - <http://buzzeddriving.adcouncil.org> - <http://www.nhtsa.gov/Impaired> - <http://www.rta.dot.gov> - <http://www.brad21.org> - <http://www.iinc.org> - <http://www.bls.gov>

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



U.S. Transportation Secretary Elaine L. Chao Announces First Participants in New Automated Vehicle Initiative to Improve Safety, Testing, and Public Engagement

The U.S. Department of Transportation announced on June 16th, nine companies and eight States that have signed on as the first participants in a new Department initiative to improve the safety and testing transparency of automated driving systems, the Automated Vehicle Transparency and Engagement for Safe Testing (AV-TEST) Initiative. The participating companies are Beep, Cruise, Fiat Chrysler Automobiles, Local Motors, Navya, Nuro, Toyota, Uber, and Waymo. The States are California, Florida, Maryland, Michigan, Ohio, Pennsylvania, Texas, and Utah.

“Through this initiative, the Department is creating a formal platform for Federal, State, and local government to coordinate and share information in a standard way,” said U.S. Transportation Secretary Elaine L. Chao.

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

Driver Training for Advanced Driver Assistance Systems

TR News

Steve Casner, a research psychologist at the National Aeronautics and Space Administration Ames Research Center, Moffett Field, California, has written an article on the trap that drivers could fall into by believing that autonomous vehicles are more capable than they are. As with traditional driving instruction, a solid understanding of the concepts of automation is important—not just knowing which buttons to press.

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

Self-Driving Startup Argo Completes \$2.6 Billion Tie-Up With VW

ttnews

Argo AI, the self-driving startup tightly aligned with Ford Motor Co., completed an expected tie-up with Volkswagen AG, involving a \$2.6 billion investment from the German automaker.

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

Michigan, Fiat Chrysler joins federal self-driving car initiative

Detroit News

Fiat Chrysler Automobiles is one of nine companies participating in a U.S. Department of Transportation initiative designed to improve the safety and testing transparency of self-driving cars, and Michigan is one of eight states also joining the effort. But safety advocates sharply criticized the transportation department for sticking with a voluntary approach to self-driving regulation that critics have described as toothless, citing fatal accidents involving partially autonomous cars that have been operated in recent years by companies such as Tesla and Uber.

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

Electrifying A Movement

Connectivity Solutions - From the Charging Inlet, Through the Battery, to the E-Motor.

TE Connectivity Ltd.

This paper was produced by TE Connectivity Ltd., a Switzerland based company that provides connectors. Even though it is a sales-oriented document, there is a lot of basic and interesting information explaining where the electric-powered vehicles are today and what is being looked at for the future. Below is an excerpt from the paper.

Handheld, battery-powered devices are pervasive in our daily lives. Cell phones, tablets, laptops, leaf blowers, webcams, and drones (to name a few examples) are a part of everything we do. What once seemed like magic, are now common and ordinary. These devices all have several things in common:

- 1) they need to be charged quickly and conveniently
- 2) they need to efficiently and safely store energy in a battery
- 3) they need to operate and function effectively and intelligently

The same story holds true for Battery Electric Vehicles (BEV's). Yet, they are not as pervasive as handheld devices because we are only at the early stages of making the necessary technological advances to meet their extremely demanding consumer and societal needs. This is because there is a fourth characteristic to the battery-powered electric vehicle: the need to operate flawlessly in extremely harsh environments and never leave an owner stranded.

Today's available BEV fast chargers, providing between 50 to 200 kilowatts of power, typically can add just under 200 miles of driving range in an hour. Currently, the industry is developing High-Power Charging to provide the same amount of charge (200 miles of range) in 10 minutes or less, producing an experience similar to filling up your gas tank in your internal combustion engine vehicle. Compared to a typical cell phone, this means that the requirements for charging an electric car are 1000 times more demanding today, and another order of magnitude of 10,000 times more demanding for tomorrow's concepts.

[Click here to view/download the TE Connectivity paper](#)

Self-Driving Vehicles Could Struggle to Eliminate Most Crashes

Will autonomous vehicles be better than humans at predicting, planning, and execution?

Insurance Institute for Highway Safety

Driver mistakes play a role in virtually all crashes. That's why automation has been held up as a potential game-changer for safety. But autonomous vehicles might prevent only around a third of all crashes if automated systems drive too much like people, according to a new study from the Insurance Institute for Highway Safety.

Conventional thinking has it that self-driving vehicles could one day make crashes a thing of the past. The reality is not that simple. According to a national survey of police-reported crashes, driver error is the final failure in the chain of events leading to more than 9 out of 10 crashes.

But the Institute's analysis suggests that only about a third of those crashes were the result of mistakes that automated vehicles would be expected to avoid simply because they have more accurate perception than human drivers and aren't vulnerable to incapacitation. To prevent the other two-thirds, they would need to be specifically programmed to prioritize safety over speed and convenience.

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

Self-Driving Sector Contends Its Cars Can Prevent Many More Crashes Than IIHS Study Says

Reuters

Companies working on self-driving vehicles have criticized an insurance industry study suggesting that only a third of all U.S. road crashes could be prevented by driverless cars, arguing that the investigation has underestimated the technology's capabilities.

The study by the Insurance Institute for Highway Safety (IIHS), released on June 4th, analyzed 5,000 U.S. crashes and concluded that likely only those caused by driver perception errors and incapacitation could be prevented by self-driving cars.

The autonomous vehicle industry quickly responded that its cars were programmed to prevent a vastly higher number of potential crash causes, including more complex errors caused by drivers making inadequate or incorrect evasive maneuvers.

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

Utilities Need to Play Bigger Role in Electrifying Transportation Sector, Industry Officials Say

njspotlight

Board of Public Utilities urged to include heavy-duty trucks and buses in the electrification program, as they are major sources of urban air pollution.

If the state wants to achieve its goal to electrify the transportation sector, then it needs to broaden the role utilities play in building out the infrastructure for electric vehicles, according to industry officials. In a wide-ranging webinar on June 3rd, the staff of the New Jersey Board of Public Utilities (BPU) also heard criticism that its straw proposal for electrifying the sector is too narrowly focused on light-duty vehicles and ought to be expanded to include heavy-duty trucks and buses, major sources of air pollution in many urban areas.

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

Self-Driving Trucks Coming to I-70 in Ohio

spectrumnews1

COLUMBUS, Ohio — Look out your passenger window on I-70, and you may soon see a self-driving truck, thanks to a new partnership that hopes to put Ohio at the forefront of automated trucking research.

What You Need To Know

- The project will allow freight companies to deploy self-driving trucks on I-70 between Columbus and Indianapolis
- The initiative has secured a total of \$8.9 million in funds, with partners matching \$4.5 million
- Universities, companies, and government departments are partnered on the project

The Department of Transportation's Federal Highway Administration awarded \$4.4 million to the Ohio Department of Transportation's DriveOhio initiative, which focuses on automated transportation, for its I-70 Truck Automation Corridor project.

[Click here to read the full spectrumnews1 article](#)

GM Plans Electric Van for Business Users in Bid to Pre-Empt Tesla

reuters.com

General Motors Co is developing an electric van, code-named BV1, aimed at business users, joining a growing list of carmakers planning EVs for the same segment, which includes customers such as Amazon.com Inc and United Parcel Service Inc, five people familiar with the plans told Reuters. It is due to start production in late 2021 at GM's Detroit-Hamtramck plant.

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

Experts Dispel 5 Common AV Myths

In a webinar hosted by Partners for Automated Vehicle Education, leaders from self-driving tech companies Aurora and Zoox candidly debunked consumers' top AV misconceptions.

smart-cities dive

In a June webinar, former National Highway Traffic Safety Administration head Mark Rosekind shared a stark statistic: Approximately 36,120 people died in motor vehicle accidents on U.S. roadways in 2019, with 94% of the crashes related to human choice or error.

The statistic set the stage for a conversation around autonomous vehicles (AV) and their potential to drastically reduce roadway accidents. The conversation, hosted by Partners for Automated Vehicle Education (PAVE), featured Rosekind — now the chief safety innovation officer at AV startup Zoox — and Chris Urmson, CEO of AV startup Aurora.

At the core of the conversation was an understanding that the success of self-driving vehicles will rely mainly on consumer education and comprehension of the technology. In this respect, Rosekind and Urmson spoke candidly on the topics of technical development, cybersecurity, regulation, and even the new coronavirus disease (COVID-19) to dispel common misconceptions regarding AVs.

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

Kodiak Offers First Inside Look at Safety Assessment

ttnews

Kodiak Robotics Inc. may not sound like a typical freight carrier's name. Still, the company recently made its 350th commercial delivery and detailed, for the first time, how it is approaching the challenge of providing its long-haul trucks with self-driving technology. This pulling-back-the-curtain moment is meant to overcome the public's understandable skepticism and build trust with fellow motorists, according to the San Francisco-based company.

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

Automated Vehicles Symposium 2020

In collaboration with Association for Unmanned Vehicle Systems International (AUVSI), TRB is jointly hosting the [Automated Vehicles Symposium](#) from July 27-30, 2020. Initially scheduled for San Diego, the event will now be held online. This symposium will provide updates on the current research and development, advanced engineering progress.

<https://www.automatedvehiclessymposium.org/home>

Miscellaneous Traffic Safety Points of Interest



Why We Should Use the Term “Crash” Instead of the Good Old Traffic “Accident” in Law Enforcement

Accident: Something unforeseen, an event that could not have been anticipated and for which no one can be blamed.

But that is not the way highway injuries and deaths happen. Almost always, the event could have been prevented. The driver could not be texting; they could not be distracted; they were speeding; they could not be drunk; the list goes on and on...

A recent article in the Prosecuting Attorneys Association of Michigan makes a case for never using the word "accident" when testifying in court (traffic or criminal), or in any other venue for that matter.

"Accident" gives the perpetrator a pass on his/her personal responsibility for acting in an unsafe manner and endangering others. "Members of the jury, my client, didn't mean to run over the people in the crosswalk, it was just an ACCIDENT! Haven't we all been in an ACCIDENT or two in our lifetime?"

This is another reason the title of the NJTR-1 was changed to a "Crash Report" several years ago.

Every motor vehicle crash deserves a thorough and accurate investigation of the facts to determine the cause for all involved because it is not just an accident.

The St. Michael's Shield Project

Free Bullet Proof Vests Program for Law Enforcement Officers

The Armor of God Project began in 2009 and is dedicated to protecting those that protect us. We will recycle used ballistic vests and provide to officers.

Thousands of law enforcement professionals in the United States and around the world are working in dangerous environments, and they do not have a ballistic vest to protect them. Also, thousands of officers are graciously provided new ballistic vests every five years. While the manufacturer warranty may be expired, often the vest will still effectively protect those that do not have one. The Armor of God Project began in 2009 and is dedicated to protecting those that protect us. We will recycle used ballistic vests and provide them to officers that need them.

We encourage you to assist us in any way that you are able so that we may be able to provide every law enforcement officer with this basic safety equipment free of any costs. Through the efforts of a small cadre of volunteers, financial supporters, and those praying daily, thousands of ballistic vests have been given out, and lives have been saved.

[Click here to go to their website](#)

COVID-19's Impact on Travel, Safety Varies by Region, Traffic Experts Say

ttnews

Statewide stay-at-home orders prompted by the coronavirus pandemic have resulted in various trends related to traffic volume and safety, according to transportation experts.

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

Cranbury notified by DOT of a reinvestigation into Monroe truck ban ordinance

centraljersey.com

The New Jersey Department of Transportation (DOT) will reexamine Monroe Township's potential weight restriction for Cranbury Station Road. The weight restriction is part of Monroe's truck ban ordinance enforcing no more than 8 tons on commercial trucks that are permitted to travel on Cranbury Station Road. For the ban to go into effect, it needs both county and state approval.

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

Distracted Walking Can Be Dangerous

Dispatch-Argus

Distracted pedestrians can suffer sprains, strains, fractures, lacerations, brain injury, spinal cord injuries, and death when they are not aware of their surroundings. Still, when a distracted pedestrian steps into traffic and a driver is also distracted, the consequences can be fatal.

[Click here to read more](#)

Amazon to Open 14 Garden State Delivery Stations in 2020

jerseydigs.com

Amazon Logistics recently announced that they have signed lease agreements to build 14 new delivery stations in New Jersey this year. Their latest facility in Mahwah, opened in early May and joined the more than 150 delivery stations that the company runs across the United States.

Amazon's delivery stations power the last mile of their order fulfillment process, as packages are transported there to be sorted before getting loaded into vehicles for delivery. Some of the other towns the company will be opening facilities include Avenel, Budd Lake, Carlstadt, Logan Township, West Deptford, Jersey City, Newark, Edison, while the other spots the company has targeted are known for their warehousing.

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

A salty old veteran pulls over a young speeder, with an attitude, who's driving a BMW:

Old-Salt: License, registration, and insurance card, please.

Speeder: Do you know who my father is?

Old-Salt: No, didn't your mother tell you?

Legal Update Traffic & Police Related



Some information in this newsletter is courtesy of:

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Assembly Bill A4275 - Expands lists from which juror source list is compiled

A recent bill ([A4275](#)) that has passed the Assembly on June 18th (76 – 0) will expand the sources from which the courts will draw from to make prospective jury pool lists.

The proposes that the names of persons eligible for jury service shall be selected from a single juror source list of county residents whose names and addresses shall be obtained from a merger of the following files:

- registered voters
- non-driver identification cards
- licensed drivers
- NJ Family Care Program eligibility identification cardholders
- welfare plan identification cardholders
- public utility customers
- filers of State gross income tax returns
- filers of homestead rebate or credit application forms
- persons applying for or receiving
 - unemployment insurance
 - cash assistance
 - housing assistance
 - medical assistance
 - home energy assistance
 - food stamps

On June 22nd, the bill was introduced into the Senate and referred to Senate Judiciary Committee. The Senate Bill Number is [S2587](#).

A Suspect's Mere Possession of a Firearm Does Not Permit an Officer's Use of Deadly Force

U.S. Court of Appeals for the Eighth Circuit [Cole v. Hutchins US Eight Circuit 19-1399](#)

In October 2016, Little Rock, AR Police Officer Dennis Hutchins shot and killed Roy Lee Richards, Jr. The U.S. Court of Appeals for the Eighth Circuit recently found that Officer Hutchins's shooting of Richards, who possessed a pellet gun, was unreasonable under the Fourth Amendment, and denied Officer Hutchins qualified immunity.

At the time of the incident, Richards was intoxicated and got into two altercations with his uncle. During the second altercation, Richards displayed a long gun, which turned out to be a pellet gun. Richards retrieved the pellet gun from his car and approached his uncle's porch, and held the pellet gun vertically, never pointing it at anyone. He walked up steps of his uncle's home, at which time his uncle went inside and slammed the door. Officer Hutchins then fired five shots at Richards without warning, killing him.

Richards's estate sued Officer Hutchins under 42 U.S.C. § 1983, alleging he used excessive force in violation of the Fourth Amendment. Officer Hutchins moved for summary judgment based on qualified immunity. The district court denied the officer's motion, stating the law was clearly established that an officer could not use deadly force against a person who posed no imminent threat to cause serious physical injury or death, which Richards did not.

Officer Hutchins appealed. The court addressed the question of whether the officer had qualified immunity as a matter of law. Per the court, an officer's use of deadly force against a suspect is a "seizure" under the Fourth Amendment and is subject to the Fourth Amendment's reasonableness requirement. Excessive force, which is prohibited under the reasonableness requirement, asks "whether the amount of force used was objectively reasonable under the particular circumstances."

The court stated that "an individual's mere possession of a firearm is not enough for an officer to have probable cause to believe that the individual poses an immediate threat of death or serious bodily injury; the suspect must also point the firearm at another individual or take similar 'menacing action.'" The court also stated that if the threat has passed, "so too has the justification for the use of deadly force."

The court found Officer Hutchins's use of deadly force was not reasonable. In the moment with his gun pointed vertically, the court found that Officer Hutchins did not have probable cause to believe Richards posed an immediate threat of serious physical harm to anyone. Additionally, the court noted that Officer Hutchins chose to "stand silent before shooting," despite having five to ten seconds when he saw Richards emerge from his vehicle. The Eighth Circuit affirmed the district court's decision.

[Click here to read the fedagent article on this case](#)

NJ Justices Nix Privacy Suit Over Office Building Cameras

Law360 (June 16, 2020)

The New Jersey Supreme Court on Tuesday tossed an invasion-of-privacy suit by 30 women who sued over surveillance equipment planted in an office building's bathroom and locker room by a janitor, reasoning that the women didn't show they had used the facilities when the cameras were rolling. The unanimous court reasoned that while the women didn't have the burden of showing they'd actually been recorded, they did have to show that they were in the restroom or locker room where the devices were installed and at the same time they were recording.

7-Eleven Freed From NJ Injury Suit Over Armed Robbery

Law360

A New Jersey federal judge on Thursday freed 7-Eleven Inc. and a commercial building owner from a negligence lawsuit by an employee of the convenience store who was seriously injured during an armed robbery, ruling that the corporation and landlord didn't exercise control over the store's daily operations.

[Click here to read the law360 article](#)

New Mexico:

Motorist Sues After Police Conduct Prostate Exam for Failure to Signal

[TheNewspaper.](#)

Jun 10, 2020

An innocent motorist may pursue his lawsuit against hospital personnel who, at the direction of police, conducted a "digital rectal examination" after he was pulled over for allegedly failing to signal a turn. The New Mexico Court of Appeals last week gave a partial green light to Timothy Young to go after the Gila Regional Medical Center (GRMC) doctor who conducted an invasive bodily search on behalf of the Hidalgo County Sheriff's Department.

Deputy Javier Peru stopped Young in Lordsburg on October 13, 2012, claiming the man's blue Dodge pickup truck failed to signal a turn. During the stop, the deputy asked for consent to search the truck. Young agreed as he had nothing to hide. After a team of deputies searched for two-and-a-half hours, they came up empty.

"This is the part that I'm like, ahh, I feel there's something in here -- but where?" Deputy Peru said, as recorded on his body camera. The officers decided to bring in a drug dog to sniff the truck. Deputy David Arredondo asked Young whether the dog would alert on his truck. "I don't know what the dog is going to do," Young replied. "If you want it to, I guess it could."

The dog did alert, so the officers strip-searched Young and again came up empty. So, the officers obtained a warrant to search the truck, though they incorrectly claimed the warrant also authorized a body cavity search. They went to the hospital and told the on-duty emergency physician, Doctor Bryant Beesley, that they believed Young had swallowed drugs, and they had a warrant to conduct an invasive exam to find them.

Beesley "skimmed through" the warrant and did not check the details, believing the officers were telling the truth. Young pleaded with the doctor, saying he was not carrying any drugs, but the doctor proceeded. The search found nothing, and a subsequent x-ray also found nothing. After seven hours, Young was released, and later the hospital billed him \$814 for the exam. Young has already received \$925,000 in compensation from Hidalgo County, but he wants \$707,000 from the doctor, who had been shielded from the lawsuit by a lower court judge.

Young's lawyer pointed out the doctor cannot claim immunity for his conduct on behalf of law enforcement because there was no warrant for the invasive bodily search he conducted. The three-judge appellate panel agreed.

"An attending physician is required to learn the constitutional requirements of invasive body searches," Judge Briana H. Zamora wrote for the appellate court. "For this reason, a reasonable physician should have known that a manual rectal cavity search and abdominal x-ray were unconstitutional unless authorized by a valid, particularized warrant."

The appellate judges concluded that the case should be sent back to trial to sort through the conflicting testimony about what the officers told the doctor about the warrant. If it can be shown that the officers directly and specifically told him the invasive exam was authorized, then Beesley could escape liability under the ruling.

A copy of the ruling is available by clicking [Source](#)

Interlock Required Even for Out of State Drivers with Refusal to Take Breath Test ***State v. Colson, N.J. Super. App. Div (NOT APPROVED FOR PUBLICATION)***

Defendant appealed the order directing him to install an ignition interlock device. The defendant was charged with DWI, refusal to submit to breath testing, and reckless driving. He pled guilty to the refusal to submit to a breath test, and the other charges were dismissed. He was sentenced to loss of driving privileges, installation of an ignition interlock device, and to attend 12 hours at the Intoxicated Drivers Resource Center. Municipal court judge rejected the defense argument that the ignition interlock device installation did not apply to out-of-state drivers. Defendant appealed, and the trial judge imposed the same sentence as the municipal court judge.

Defendant renewed his argument that the interlock device requirement did not apply to him because he was licensed in Pennsylvania. He argued N.J.S.A 39:4-50(c) showed the legislature intended to differentiate between New Jersey drivers and out-of-state drivers and the ignition interlock requirement applied when a driver's license was suspended not when his driving privileges were revoked. The court was not persuaded and noted the plain language of the refusal statute did not exempt out-of-state drivers from the ignition interlock device requirement and punished "any person" who violated the statute.

Source Daily Briefing - 03/16/20 14-2-4053

Statement from US Attorney General Barr on Introduction of Lawful Access Bill in the US Senate

On June 23rd, Attorney General William P. Barr issued the following statement on the introduction of a bill that would give law enforcement access to critical digital evidence if permitted by a court while also protecting privacy. The legislation is sponsored by Senators Lindsey Graham, Tom Cotton, and Marsha Blackburn.

"Passing legislation that allows warrant access to encrypted data will allow law enforcement to further provide for the safety and security of the American people. I applaud Chairman Graham and Senators Cotton and Blackburn for introducing the first-ever bill to address this issue.

While strong encryption provides enormous benefits to society and is undoubtedly necessary for the security and privacy of Americans, end-to-end encryption technology is being abused by child predators, terrorists, drug traffickers, and even hackers to perpetuate their crimes and avoid detection. Warrant-proof encryption allows these criminals to operate with impunity. This is dangerous and unacceptable.

Indeed, the danger is particularly great for children who are targeted online for sexual exploitation, especially during this time of coronavirus lockdowns. Survivors of child sexual abuse and their families have pleaded with technology companies to do more to prevent predators from exploiting their platforms to harm children. We cannot allow these companies to elevate their profits and the privacy rights of these abusers over the safety and security of children.

The bill balances the privacy interests of consumers with the public safety interests of the community by requiring the makers of consumer devices to provide law enforcement with access to encrypted data when authorized by a judge. I am confident that our world-class technology companies can engineer secure products that protect user information and allow for lawful access. Data security and public safety are not mutually exclusive. Encryption should keep us safe and secure, not provide an impenetrable safe haven for predators, terrorists, and criminals."

Department of Justice Applauds Congressional Passage Of Reauthorization Of The Antitrust Criminal Penalty Enhancement And Reform Act

06/26/2020 12:00 AM EDT

On June 25, the U.S. House of Representatives and Senate passed identical bills, H.R. 7036 and S. 3377, to repeal the sunset provision of the Antitrust Criminal Penalty Enhancement and Reform Act (ACPERA).

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

U.S. Police Reform Whitehouse Executive Order and Proposed Federal Legislation

Whitehouse Executive Order on Safe Policing for Safe Communities

<https://www.whitehouse.gov/presidential-actions/executive-order-safe-policing-safe-communities/>

US Senate GOP Justice Act

<https://apps.npr.org/documents/document.html?id=6950175-Senate-Republicans-Justice-Act>

US House Democrats Police Reform Bill

https://judiciary.house.gov/uploadedfiles/justice_in_policing_act_of_2020.pdf



Blue Line Becoming an Issue in Some Towns Around the State



Flemington's Mayor Driver Tweeted this on June 6th



Flemington's Main Street Blue Line before is was painted over

Linden Officers Earn Certification as Traffic Safety Specialists

Officers are approved based on documented training, employment records, service awards, and sponsorship of employers.

Patch Clark-Garwood NJ Jun 13, 2020

Linden – Lieutenant Christopher Guenther, Sergeant Monika Oliveira, and Investigator Jimmy Solano of the Linden Police Department were awarded the Traffic Safety Specialist, Level – I, Leadership designation during the New Jersey Police Traffic Officers Association online event held on Wednesday, June 3, 2020.

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

In Case You Missed This in the June 26th Email Update

Pennsylvania Man Jumps Into Action, Saves Police Officer From Burning Car

FAYETTE COUNTY, Pa. (KDKA) — A Fayette County man is being credited with saving the life of a police officer after he pulled the officer from a burning patrol car on Father's Day. The police officer was flown to a hospital in Morgantown, W. Va. after a two-vehicle accident in Uniontown on East Fayette Street.

Daylan McLee was at a family Father's Day cookout when he looked outside and saw the police officer pinned in his cruiser following the crash. "I know this man is my brother through Christ, and I couldn't leave him behind," McLee told KDKA. "There were people outside screaming..."

Bystanders say at the moment, McLee had Herculean strength, dragging the police officer from the car before it caught fire. McLee says he had one thought. "I haven't had the best past with law enforcement, just to know there's still good people out there," McLee said.

[Click here to see the TV News Story](#)

Pennsylvania Turnpike Lays Off 500 Toll Collectors, Going All Cashless Permanently

An E-ZPass or TOLL BY PLATE invoice will now be used.

KDKA Radio

The PA Turnpike is laying off 500 fare-collectors amid the coronavirus pandemic and will utilize the cashless, All-Electronic Tolling system permanently. The decision was unanimously approved by Turnpike commissioners on Tuesday, June 2, 2020. Also, cash will no longer be accepted on the turnpike. Drivers will either have to use an E-ZPass or a PA Turnpike TOLL BY PLATE invoice that will be sent in the mail. Employees were informed of the move earlier on Tuesday the 2nd, and the layoff process began the first week of June.

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

Long Beach Township Lowering Speed Limit on Ocean Roads

The sandpaper

Ocean Boulevard, Beach Avenue, and Atlantic Avenue – the ocean roads that run through Long Beach Township – will have a speed limit of 15 mph for the summer effective June 30th. The municipality replaced the 25 mph signs with 15 mph signs. The speed limit, which applies to both vehicles and bicycles, will remain lowered on those roads until Oct. 15.

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

Chicago To Pay \$5M Over Improper Vehicle Impoundments

Law360

Chicago has agreed to pay \$4.95 million to a proposed class of vehicle owners who claimed drug use-related vehicle impoundments violated their due process rights; the car owners told an Illinois federal court. The city was accused of unlawfully coercing lienholders to repossess 356 vehicles impounded over a state drug offense without first notifying their registered owners or sending their case through statutorily required forfeiture proceedings. Proposed class members include the named owners of those vehicles, who had been either permanently or temporarily deprived of the use of their property between March 28, 2013, and Aug. 1, 2015...

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

[Governor Murphy Announces Plan to Develop the New Jersey Wind Port: First Purpose-Built Offshore Wind Port in the U.S.](#)

\$300-400 Million Green Infrastructure Project Will Be the Biggest Investment in Salem County in a Generation and Has The Potential to Create Up to 1,500 jobs and \$500 Million in Economic Activity

Governor Murphy announced on June 16th plans to develop the New Jersey Wind Port, a first-in-the-nation infrastructure investment that will provide a location for essential staging, assembly, and manufacturing activities related to offshore wind projects on the East Coast. The Wind Port has the potential to create up to 1,500 manufacturing, assembly, and operations jobs, as well as hundreds of construction jobs in New Jersey. Manufacturing and marshaling projects supported by the Wind Port will drive economic growth in Salem County, in South Jersey, and throughout the state. The State is committed to using union labor to construct the Wind Port and intends to set a new standard for inclusion of minority and women workers and business owners. Construction is targeted to begin in 2021.

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

[Click here to read a Washington Post article on this story](#)

[Ford Recalls About 2.5 Million Vehicles for Latch, Brake Troubles](#)

ttnews

Ford is recalling about 2.5 million vehicles in the U.S., Canada, and elsewhere because of a nagging door latch problem and a brake fluid leak. The door latch recall covers more than 2.1 million cars, SUVs, and vans in the U.S. The latches can fail and cause the doors to open while the vehicles are moving. It's the third recall for the same problem.

Ford also is recalling nearly 344,000 F-150 pickups in the U.S. and Canada to fix a fluid leak from the brake master cylinder. The company says the problem has caused seven low-speed crashes with two injuries

The recall covers vehicles in the U.S. and includes the 2012 to 2015 Ford Focus, the 2013 to 2014 Ford Fusion, the 2011 to 2014 Ford Fiesta, and the 2013 to 2015 Ford Escape and C-Max. Also covered are the 2013 and 2014 Lincoln MKZ, the 2015 Lincoln MKC, the 2015 Ford Mustang and the 2014 to 2016 Ford Transit Connect van. Not every recalled vehicle from those model years will be included. The brake fluid recall covers certain 2014 through 2017 F-150s in the U.S. and Canada.

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

[Segway To End the Production of Its Iconic Personal Transportation](#)

NPR's All Things Considered

Click the headline to hear the NPR story.

[Screening Student Health Before Boarding School Bus Rife with Complexities](#)

School Transportation News

Among the biggest questions facing the industry as it proceeds into the new school year are how to determine if students have COVID-19 symptoms before they board the school bus and if they do, what then?

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

[Speed cameras in Pennsylvania work zones: 30,000 violations issued so far](#)

York Daily Record

[With No Mask Rules, TSA Balances Security With Virus Risk](#)

Bloomberg

U.S. States & Counties with the Worst Speeding Problem

fox41yakima

When lockdown orders from the COVID-19 pandemic went into effect across the country, car traffic declined significantly. But research from the [Governors Highway Safety Administration \(GHSA\)](#) shows that even though there were fewer cars on the road during this time, speeding and reckless driving increased. While the relatively empty streets might lull drivers into a false sense of security, speeding is still dangerous and claims the lives of nearly 10,000 Americans every year. Speeding is responsible for more than a quarter of all traffic fatalities in the U.S. The National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) considers a crash to be speeding-related if one of the drivers is cited for a speeding-related offense or if an officer determines that driving too fast for conditions, racing, or exceeding the speed limit was a contributing factor in the crash.

Counties With the Most Speeding-Related Fatalities

COUNTY	SHARE*	COUNTY	SHARE*
1. Washington County, RI	61.7%	16. Honolulu County, HI	47.2%
2. Rockingham County, NH	60.0%	17. Chester County, PA	47.1%
3. Fayette County, PA	60.0%	18. LaSalle County, IL	46.8%
4. Will County, IL	51.8%	19. Sandoval County, NM	46.7%
5. Wyandotte County, KS	51.3%	20. Berks County, PA	46.4%
6. Washington County, PA	50.8%	21. Hillsborough County, NH	46.4%
7. Merrimack County, NH	50.0%	22. Dauphin County, PA	45.1%
8. District of Columbia, DC	49.6%	23. DuPage County, IL	45.1%
9. Monroe County, PA	48.8%	24. Cook County, IL	44.9%
10. Milwaukee County, WI	48.3%	25. Jefferson County, MO	44.6%
11. Blair County, PA	48.1%	26. Adams County, PA	44.6%
12. Westmoreland County, PA	47.8%	27. Spartanburg County, SC	44.3%
13. St. Louis City, MO	47.5%	28. Aiken County, SC	44.0%
14. Strafford County, NH	47.5%	29. Cumberland County, PA	43.9%
15. Cambria County, PA	47.3%	30. Jackson County, MO	43.9%

*Share of all traffic fatalities that involve speeding (2014-2018)

[Click here to read the full fox41yakima story](#)



Training Events



*****Note – The list of training classes in four categories:**

- **Online / On-Demand training videos/roll call videos – are listed first**
- **Webinar Training Events – are listed second**
- **Online Training Conferences – are listed third**
- **Person to Person - Live Training Events – are listed last**

Online / On-Demand Training Videos – Roll Call Videos



[FHWA-NHI-151055](#)

Statewide and Metropolitan Transportation Programming

The National Highway Institute (NHI) is pleased to announce the launch of the new transportation planning course

Cost – Free

This new course provides introductory-level information on the process and requirements for developing and implementing Metropolitan Transportation Improvement Programs (TIPs) and Statewide Transportation Improvement Programs (STIPs). This training includes administrative modifications and amendments, public involvement, financial planning, and performance-based planning and programming (PBPP).

The training highlights the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA)/Federal Transit Administration (FTA) requirements for statewide, non-metropolitan, and metropolitan transportation planning and programming processes.

The three-hour, web-based training (WBT), will help you to learn the following:

- Recognize how metropolitan areas and States reach decisions on transportation policies, plans, and programs.
- Identify major funding sources and the flexibility to use funds in addressing metropolitan and statewide transportation needs.
- Identify the role of key documents in transportation decision-making.
- Define the concept of fiscal constraint in relation to financial planning and programming.
- Identify how projects are selected and programmed in the STIP/TIP.
- Identify processes related to transportation program approval and implementation.

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



NJCLES Presents:

*Garden State
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Garden State CLE New Criminal Law Review

"Garden State CLE New Criminal Law Review" is free-to-watch 100% courtesy of MuniMail and Garden State CLE.

Recorded in front of a live audience late last year, senior instructors Robert Ramsey and Joseph P. Rem, Jr. discuss updates and reviews of several laws. Some of the interest to traffic officers are jury trial required on DWI associated with reckless vehicular homicide; civil reservations in Superior Court criminal cases; hindering the administration of law (NJSA 2C:29-1); informing a criminal suspect of active warrants; failure to provide *Brady* materials; prior DWI convictions as proof of recklessness in a vehicular homicide case; the need for NIST-certified thermometers in Alcotest; scientific reliability of CSAAS; and more. Bob & Joe dive into recent case law, looking at last year's decisions.

[Click here to go to the garden state cle criminal law review website](#)



LEXIPOL On-Demand Video - COVID-19 for Local Government Personnel Training Course

On-demand videos offered by Lexipol to police officers and other first responders at no cost. Click the link below to see what they have to offer. If you have not already done so, you will be asked to "sign up" for a free account with Lexipol to view and register for the courses.

[Access these & other Lexipol courses for free](#)



LEXIPOL On-Demand Video - When Error Is Not Acceptable: How to Make Safer Decisions When Lives & Minutes Count

The necessity to prevent error under pressure unites all high-risk industries, from aviation to public safety. Organizations that keep errors low save lives, reduce resources, and protect their reputations.

But how to optimize human performance is not apparent. Sometimes, the lack of error is merely a coincidence, rather than the result of a conscious effort to build reliability into the organizational culture.

In this [exclusive recording](#), nationally renowned speakers Dr. Tony Kern and Gordon Graham, discuss how leaders in high-risk industries can better understand the factors that lead to human error and develop strategies to help personnel make safer decisions under time pressure.

You'll learn:

- Common threats to decision-making in high-risk environments
- The relationship between violations and errors
- The importance of individual readiness and accountability in reducing errors
- Ideas for capturing and sharing institutional knowledge

[Click here to view the video](#)



Today's Tip for June 2, 2020 "Medical Attention for Drug Ingestion"

Today I want to talk about what to do when you think that someone in your custody may have swallowed drugs to destroy evidence. Maybe you saw it, or perhaps it happened before you arrived.

[Click here to view the lexipol.com tip of the day for June 2nd](#)

Featuring Lexipol co-founder Gordon Graham



Today's Tip for June 9, 2020 "Vehicle Ramming – Security"

Gordon Graham with Today's Tip from Lexipol. Today's Tip concerns strategies designed to disrupt vehicle attacks. Vehicle ramming suspects will look for soft targets. You've heard about target hardening. Let's look at how it applies here.

[Click here to view the lexipol.com tip of the day for June 9th](#)

Featuring Lexipol co-founder Gordon Graham



Today's Tip for June 16, 2020 "Own Up to Your Mistakes"

Gordon Graham here with Today's Tip from Lexipol. Today's Tip is for everyone in public safety. It is about owning up to your mistakes. Admitting when we've made a bad decision or used poor judgment takes great personal strength. It requires strength to admit an error and take responsibility when we're wrong.

[Click here to view the lexipol tip of the day for June 16th](#)

Featuring Lexipol co-founder Gordon Graham



Today's Tip for June 23, 2020 "Safe Volunteer Firefighter POV Response"

Gordon Graham here with Today's Tip from Lexipol. Today's Tip is for my friends in the fire service and deals with responding safely in your privately-owned vehicle (POV). The fire service is unique in public safety because of how much volunteers are used to help protect the community. Safely arriving at the scene of an emergency is critical to fulfilling your mission of protecting the community.

[Click here to view the tip of the day for June 23rd](#)

Featuring Lexipol co-founder Gordon Graham



Roll Call Training Segment: **Use of Force Reporting & Defunding of Law Enforcement**

This Roll Call Training Segment will take a brief look at how important proper documentation for Use of Force Incidents are.

[Click Here to See: Roll Call Training - Use of Force Reporting & Defunding the Police](#)



Roll Call Training Segment: **Use of Force & the Back-Up Officer**

This video will take another look at the United States Supreme Court Case of White v. Pauly and how this current case law standard that law enforcement must adhere to, should be utilized when examining the actions of our officers in the use of force situations.

[Click Here to See: Roll Call Training - Use of Force & the Back-Up Officer](#)



The National Highway Institute: Distance Learning Resources

Take the next step in your career, from anywhere.

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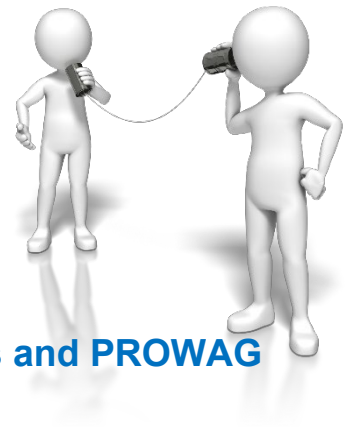
The National Highway Institute is committed to supporting law enforcement's training needs. NHI has over 200 online courses to keep you current on your transportation training, professional development, and IACET-accredited continuing education units (CEUs). Self-paced courses allow you to complete them on your schedule. As long as you pass all modules and tests within three months, you will earn your completion certificate, and any CEUs indicated for the course.

Click the button below to view all the online courses that NHI has to offer. These courses are available remotely, so you can participate from your home or office as long as you have internet access.

[Click here to search their course listings](#)

<https://www.nhi.fhwa.dot.gov>

Webinar Training Events



Self-Evaluations & Transition Plans and PROWAG Overview Webinar Series

Date: July 1, 2020 and July 2, 2020
Time: 10:00 am ET to 11:30 am ET 10:00 am ET to 11:30 am ET
Cost: Free Free

With the 30th anniversary of the passage of the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA), local governments must recognize their obligation to upgrade streets, sidewalks, and facilities for accessibility. ADA requires that public agencies perform self-evaluations and prepare transition plans. The plans were to have been completed by July 26, 1992, and be updated periodically. This webinar series examines the background to, contents of and enforcement of the self-evaluation and transition plan requirements. Several landmark court cases are highlighted. A case study is presented to illustrate these items. Participants will leave the webinar series with a "To Do" list of next steps they need to take and a toolkit of helpful resources.

Current criteria for accessible public rights-of-way, including the pedestrian access route, curb ramps and detectable warnings, accessible pedestrian signals, street furniture, on-street parking, and temporary traffic control requirements for pedestrians, are also reviewed in the webinar.

Wednesday, July 1, 2020, 10:00 AM to 11:30 AM EDT
Registration: <https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/7319435019512583179>
Thursday, July 2, 2020, 10:00 AM to 11:30 AM EDT
Registration: <https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/2738655173430357771>



Lifesavers National Conference on Highway Safety Priorities Webinar: Innovative Campaigns that Get Results

Date: July 1, 2020
Time: 3:30 pm to 4:30 pm ET
Cost: Free

From disruptive marketing in South Dakota to an innovative, research-driven campaign in Oklahoma, these approaches have one thing in common - to get results. Contrasting campaigns from Iowa and Missouri will help you decide what type of campaign is right for your state. Also, explore active forms of engaging the public in the field to help kick start your PR program. Don't miss this fast-paced workshop loaded with ideas for traffic safety campaigns of all sizes.

For more information about this training, click [here](#).
Link: https://us02web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_ijGe8D1AQmus9BICxykHJw



Lifesavers National Conference on Highway Safety Priorities Webinar: Surveying Communities for Alcohol Problem Identification

Date: July 2, 2020
Time: 11:00 am to 12:00 pm ET
Cost: Free

Whether you're a seasoned program manager seeking a refresher on alcohol problem identification or a staff member who is new to impaired driving, this session will address the basic epidemiology of alcohol-impaired crashes. It will also highlight variations in drinking and driving patterns that may be the result of local conditions, such as college town or urban and rural locations. Information on epidemiology and variations would be accompanied by a discussion of the need to align alcohol-impaired driving interventions with the specific local problem. For more information and to register for this training, [click here](#).



Webinar - Cops and Cameras

Date: July 2, 2020
Time: 8:00 pm EDT
Cost: Free – for a limited time

Learn about the First Amendment and how to handle First Amendment Auditors, and more!
[Click here to register](#)



Webinar - Duty to Intercede: Conceptual, Cultural, and Legal Aspects

Date: July 7, 2020
Time: 1:00 pm EDT
Cost: Free – for a limited time

The duty to intercede when observing excessive force or otherwise unethical or illegal officer behavior has long been a bedrock component of law enforcement policy. Despite this, confusion remains among officers and leaders about what this concept means and how to intercede effectively. And recent scrutiny of police tactics has brought the term into the public discourse, creating even more urgency that agencies have clear policies and training on duty to intercede.

In this webinar, attorneys and law enforcement policy experts Chief (Ret.) Mike Ranalli and Laura Scarry will explore the duty to intercede from a cultural, conceptual, and legal perspective.

You'll Learn:

- When and to whom “duty to intercede” applies
- Important case law showing officers’ obligation to step in or face individual liability
- How law enforcement leaders can and must build the duty to intercede into agency culture
- Communication tactics officers of any rank can use to intercede quickly, professionally and effectively

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



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

FHWA Webinar Data Business Planning National Workshop

Date: July 8, 2020
Time: 1:00 pm to 3:00 pm ET
Cost: Free

The Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) developed a Data Business Plan Guide for Metropolitan Planning Organizations (MPOs), Departments of Transportation (DOTs), and regional agencies to assist them with organizing their mobility data – including addressing technology and institutional issues associated with sharing and integrating operations and planning data.

The Guide includes techniques to develop data partnerships and governance, address gaps, conduct capability maturity assessments, and get ready for regional data platforms. FHWA assisted three agencies in developing pilot Data Business Plans to address mobility data challenges. These are Hillsborough MPO, Maryland State DOT, and Mid America Regional Council (MARC). FHWA has also sponsored training and facilitated workshops for regional agencies interested in working on improving mobile data access and partnering. These agencies include The San Diego Association of Governments (SANDAG) and The Atlanta Regional Commission (ARC). A workshop is being planned for The Greater Buffalo-Niagara Regional Transportation Council (GBNRTC).

This webinar will provide information about the Guide and features presentations from many of the agencies listed above, where they will share best practices and lessons learned in mobility data business planning and governance. The guide can be accessed [here](#).

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



Lifesavers National Conference on Highway Safety Priorities Webinar: Getting Them to Buckle Up in the Rear Seat

Date: July 8, 2020
Time: 11:00 am to 12:00 pm EDT
Cost: Free

Overcoming the perception that people are safer in the rear seat and don't need to buckle up is critical for preventing serious injuries and fatalities. And recognizing the gains states have made in front seat belt use, this is a winnable safety issue. Learn who isn't buckling up in the rear seat and hear about several approaches to encourage belt use in the back seat of passenger vehicles, including ride-share partnerships publicizing the dangers of riding unrestrained.

[Click here to register](#).



Webinar - Utilizing a LASER Mapping System to Take Detailed Vehicle Profile & Crush Measurements

Date: Thursday, July 9, 2020
Time: 12:00 noon to 1:00 pm EDT
Cost: Free

Crash reconstruction methods based on crush or energy analysis are a valuable tool for identifying an object's speed. By focusing on the scientific process to quantify energy, reconstructionists determine the required amount of energy needed to cause the damage to the vehicle in question.

Crush analysis can be a time-consuming process. This webinar will show you how to reduce your time in the field while achieving +/- 1mm accuracy needed for your reports.

Join Laser Technology Inc's Vinny Alvino and Rich Maxwell for an interactive webinar as they explain and reveal a straightforward procedure for taking detailed profile measurements of a crashed vehicle utilizing the LTI TruPoint™ 300 Total Station - Laser Mapping System. They will then review how to use that profile in a CAD program to obtain precise crush measurements of the damaged portion of the vehicle.

Contact Vinny Alvino vlavino@lasertech.com if you have any questions.

[Click here to register for this LTI Webinar](#)



TRB Webinar: Enhance Work Zone Safety with New Technologies

Date: Thursday, July 9, 2020
Time: 2:00 pm to 3:00 pm EDT
Cost: Some registrants will need to pay \$95

Work zone safety for road workers remains a challenge. This webinar will explore several technologies for safer work zones. Presenters will discuss technologies that mitigate work zone intrusion, such as the Autonomous Truck Mounted Attenuator. They will also discuss intrusion alert technologies and identify how artificial intelligence applications may help improve work zone safety.

This webinar was organized by the TRB Standing Committee on Maintenance and Operations Management. Some registrants will need to pay \$95 to attend this webinar. Sign in to MyTRB.org to view registration information.

At the end of this webinar, participants will be able to:

- List current technologies to mitigate work zone intrusion
- Discuss how ATMA may help minimize work zone injuries
- Discuss the potential role of AI in improving work zone safety

[Click here for more info and to register](#)



Webinar Solving 5 Common Fleet Problems with a Triple Play Approach

Date: July 9, 2020
Times: 2:00 pm ET
Cost: Free



Ready to solve your fleet's problems? This webinar focuses on common problems in fleet management and how you can solve them with a triple play approach. Discover the innovative and integrated technology mix that helps you achieve your goals and see how long-term ROI in terms of fuel savings, driver safety, and vehicle upgrades.

In this webinar with Derive, you'll learn: How to solve common fleet problems, How to use today's technology to your advantage, How to future-proof your operations [Click here to register for this webinar](#)



Webinar: NJDHTS - Police Work Zone Safety Train-The-Trainer



Dates: July 14 to 16, 2020
Times: 8:00 am – 4:00 pm
Cost: Free This course is open to **LAW ENFORCEMENT PERSONNEL ONLY**.

PLEASE NOTE: Registration closes July 01, 2020, to allow for the distribution of training materials before the webinar.

This three-day webinar is designed for experienced police personnel who seek to become trainers in work zone traffic control. The NJDOT and other agencies require enforcement personnel to be trained when working on roadway construction projects. Those participants who successfully complete this series will be eligible to serve as Police Work Zone Safety Instructors for their agency. This virtual course is developed around typical long-term and short-term road work activities that occur on municipal, county, or state roadways. The training covers the standards of work zone protection as specified in the Manual of Uniform Traffic Control Devices (MUTCD).

Please register using the address you would like the materials delivered to. Officers will receive the following training materials in the mail before the start of the webinar:

- A flash drive containing course handouts and applicable PowerPoint presentations for training
- The MUTCD (Part VI), ATSSA Flagger Handbook, and NJDOT Maintenance Flip Guide

To successfully complete this webinar and be permitted to conduct work zone training for your department, you must:

- Have an electronic device with internet access capable of receiving both an audio & visual feed from the Rutgers Webex platform
- Attend all three webinars from 8a-4p which will contain several breaks to facilitate online learning
- Complete an online survey after the training

The class schedule is as follows:

Day 1: The MUTCD (Part VI)

Day 2: NJ DOT Projects/Municipal v. State Roadways (State Police)

Day 3: Legal Liabilities/OSHA/Local Law Enforcement in Work Zones

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



Webinar - FoRRRwD on All Public Roads - Systemic Approach: Prioritizing Locations and Projects

Date: July 14, 2020
Times: 1:00 pm ET to 3:00 pm Et
Cost: Free

Discussions will include:

- An overview of Caltrans' Systemic Safety Analysis Report Program (SSARP)
- How Caltrans is prioritizing systemic roadway departure projects using benefit-cost analyses.
- ODOT's systemic screening process for Roadway Departure using the safety priority index system and the use of benefit-cost ratios to prioritize systemic projects.
- The systemic approach to roadway departure crashes in Maine and how they utilized risk factors and exposure to determine countermeasure cost-effectiveness and the most appropriate sites for treatment

[Click here to register](#)



TRB Webinar: Accelerating Automated Vehicle Acceptance

Date: July 14, 2020
Times: 1:00 pm EDT to 3:00 pm EDT
Cost: Free

To accelerate automated vehicle (AV) technology deployment, practitioners must set, measure, and monitor key AV safety and performance goals. TRB will conduct a webinar that will explore how to set and measure these goals to ensure public safety.

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



TRB Webinar: Transportation Asset Management in a COVID-19 World

Date: July 15, 2020
Time: 11:00 am EDT
Cost: Free

Over the past two decades, transportation asset management principles have become key tools in investment decisions. With the significantly constrained revenues suddenly realized due to the coronavirus pandemic (COVID-19), the orderly implementation of these principles has been disrupted.

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



Managing Distracted Driving in the New Normal

Date: July 15, 2020
Time: 2:00 pm EDT
Cost: Free

The global coronavirus pandemic has transformed life as we know it. But, in addition to the new COVID-19-related risks that drivers now face, the previous well-known risk factors such as distraction, speeding, and impairment still exist and have the potential to pose even more significant threats as we shift towards a new normal. Distracted driving was already considered one of the biggest dangers to drivers, and there are many reasons why it could become even more problematic over the coming weeks and months, as more people return to the road with so much on their minds.

In this webinar, eDriving's Brain Scientist Advisor, Dr. Paul Atchley, will explain why distracted driving could be more prevalent in today's changing world. He'll be joined by Jim Noble, eDriving's Senior VP of Risk Engineering, who will provide guidance to help your fleet reduce distracted driving-related collisions.

You will learn:

- What is distraction?
- Why drivers might be more distracted today
- How relationships with technology have changed in the new remote world
- Why managing distracted driving is so important for fleets
- How to create a company culture committed to reducing distracted driving

[Click here to register](#)



Transit Advisory Committee for Safety (TRACS)

Date: July 21 & 22, 2020
Time: 11:00 am to 5:00 pm EDT

The Federal Transit Administration will hold a virtual public meeting of the Transit Advisory Committee for Safety (TRACS). Anyone wishing to participate or submit written materials for review during the meeting should notify FTA at TRACS@dot.gov by July 7, 2020. A virtual meeting link and conference call number will be available on the TRACS website on or after July 17, 2020.



Webinar - UAS Applications for Traffic Safety



Dates: July 22 & 23, 2020
 Times: 8:00 am–10:00 am
 Cost: Free – Registration is required

Hosted by Rutgers CAIT and sponsored by the Division of Highway Traffic Safety, this is a 2-day (2 hours each session) program. Make sure to sign in with full name to receive credit. Log on instructions for **both** sessions will be in your registration confirmation.

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, UAS case studies will be explored with emphasis placed upon personal safety and awareness.

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



National Center for Rural Road Safety Webinar The Human Trafficking Tie to Transportation

Date: July 22, 2020
 Time: 1:00 pm to 2:30 pm ET
 Cost: Free

Human traffickers exploit legal systems within multiple business sectors for their profits. Traffickers are using resources within the transportation sector to move their victims. Transportation is also a way out for survivors. This webinar will feature research-based data, survivor-informed messaging, practical ways that you can identify potential incidents of human trafficking, what to do with what you observe safely, and how you can encourage others to join you in the fight to end modern-day slavery.

[Register here](#)



Webinar: Talking TIM Webinar Series: July 2020

Date: July 22, 2020
Times: 1:30 pm to 3:00 pm ET
Cost: Free

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.

- Brief FHWA Introduction & TIM Training Updates
- Unmanned Aircraft Systems Use for TIM
- National scan of good practices in the use of drone technology and recommendations for TIM
- San Francisco Metropolitan Transportation Commission Traffic Incident Dashboard tool
- The MTC will demonstrate useful and creative features of its new Traffic Incident Dashboard tool.
- TIM program within the State of California and its future direction.
- Hot Off the Press: Next Generation TIM and New Responder Safety-related Research

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



GHSA2020 Webinar Series: Speeding: Diverse Approaches to Achieving Culture Change

Date: July 22, 2020
Times: 3:00 pm EDT
Cost: Free

The next session of the Governors Highway Safety Association (GHSA) webinar series will examine behavioral approaches to speed management, including pandemic speeding trends and highway safety community countermeasures. Panelists will discuss automated enforcement, as well as an upcoming speed management pilot project sponsored by GHSA, the Insurance Institute for Highway Safety, and the National Road Safety Foundation.

[Click here to learn more and register](#)

FHWA-FRA Joint Webinar: Innovative Technologies in Rail Crossing Safety

Date: July 29, 2020
Times: 2:00 pm ET
Cost: Free



Limited information is out for this webinar; more information will be disseminated after it becomes available

[Click here to register](#)



Webinar - UAS Applications for Traffic Safety



Dates: August 12 & 13, 2020
Times: 8:00 am–10:00 am
Cost: Free – Registration is required

Hosted by Rutgers CAIT and sponsored by the Division of Highway Traffic Safety, this is a 2-day (2 hours each session) program. Make sure to sign in with full name to receive credit. Log on instructions for **both** sessions will be in your registration confirmation.

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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, UAS case studies will be explored with emphasis placed upon personal safety and awareness.

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



Webinar: Talking TIM Webinar Series: August 2020

Date: August 26, 2020
Times: 1:30 pm to 3:00 pm ET
Cost: Free

State and local Traffic Incident Management (TIM) programs cover a broad range of maturity from emerging programs 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 webinar agenda will be published soon.

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

Online Training Conferences



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USDOT Summit on Pedestrian Safety: Virtual Series



The U.S. Department of Transportation Summit on Pedestrian Safety will take place virtually through a series of webinars on July 8th, 15th, and 28th.

USDOT invites you to participate in the Pedestrian Safety Summit. The purpose of this webinar series is to provide a virtual platform for dialogue and an opportunity to discuss pedestrian safety issues and priorities. The webinars will include remarks from FHWA's Administrator Nicole R. Nason and NHTSA's Deputy Administrator James C. Owens in addition to other guest speakers from leading transportation safety organizations.

Registration: This webinar series will include three parts (listed below by the dates they occur), please register for each part separately. Participants must register in advance as space is limited.

Please Note: Non-USDOT employees who have never participated in an FHWA webinar must create an account at <https://collaboration.fhwa.dot.gov/FBA/MembershipRequest.aspx> to register for this webinar. Please contact webconferencing@dot.gov if you have any questions or difficulty registering. For continuous updates and to review read-ahead materials, please visit <http://www.pedestriansafetysummit.com/>

[Click here for the Summit Agenda](#)

[Click here to go to the Summit Home Page](#)



USDOT Summit on Pedestrian Safety - Acting on Pedestrian Safety Part 1: Introduction and Safe System Approach

Date: July 8, 2020
Time: 1:00 pm – 2:30 pm EDT

In this event, FHWA Administrator Nason and NHTSA Deputy Administrator Owens will be joined by leading State transportation experts to discuss the current state of pedestrian safety and issues surrounding this problem. Also, they will identify potential actions that can be taken to enhance pedestrian safety in the US and receive feedback from attendees on those solutions. USDOT will give a safety data overview and provide a glimpse at the 2019 preliminary data release. Lastly, they will present a draft of the USDOT Pedestrian Safety Action Plan and hear from safety stakeholders on the Safe System Approach and its application to pedestrian safety.

[Click here to register for Part 1](#)



USDOT Summit on Pedestrian Safety - Acting on Pedestrian Safety Part 2: Consider Risk: When, Where, Who, How?

Date: July 15, 2020
Time: 1:00 pm to 2:30 pm EDT

This event will focus on risk factors that impact pedestrian safety. “When, Where, Who, How?” refers to the time of day, the type of road, the demographics, and the behaviors that heighten pedestrian risk. This session will provide attendees the opportunity to hear from USDOT leaders and key safety stakeholders and then collaborate on joint solutions to address these high-risk pedestrian safety issues.

[Click here to register for Part 2](#)



USDOT Summit on Pedestrian Safety - Acting on Pedestrian Safety Part 3: Next Steps

Date: July 28, 2020
Times: 1:00 pm to 2:00 pm EDT

This closing session will discuss the planned efforts of USDOT and leading safety stakeholders to address pedestrian safety. This dialogue will gather input from safety professionals regarding opportunities and challenges in improving pedestrian safety, as well as successes and lessons learned, which will help to inform future actions. They will revisit the USDOT Pedestrian Safety Action Plan, providing attendees an opportunity to submit feedback. They will include closing remarks from FHWA’s Administrator, Nicole R. Nason, and NHTSA’s Deputy Administrator, James C. Owens.

[Click here to register for Part 3](#)

Conference: Joint ITE International and Southern District Annual Meeting and Exhibition

Dates: August 4-6, 2020, August 11-13, 2020, August 18-20, 2020
Location: Online
Organization: Institute of Transportation Engineers (ITE)

Join ITE this August for a highly educational online experience featuring access to [more than 30 technical sessions](#), thought leader perspectives on key topics such as equity in transportation and the utilization of big data/data analytics, [more than 65 exhibitors showcasing products and services](#) that help you serve your communities better. Also, you will be able to share insights with more than 40 poster presenters and take a deeper looker at transportation topics through eight two-hour workshops.

The program for the National Rural ITS Annual Conference will be integrated into this meeting with a track focusing specifically on topics relating to rural intelligent transportation systems.

Tuesday, August 4 - Thursday, August 6

Plenary and Technical Sessions, Poster Presentations

Tuesday, August 11 - Thursday, August 13

Plenary and Technical Sessions, Poster Presentations, and Workshops

Tuesday, August 18 - Thursday, August 20

ITE Council and Committee Meetings

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

Link: <https://www.ite.org/events-meetings/ite-virtual-annual-meeting-and-exhibition/>

CARSP/PRI 2020 Joint Conference The 30th CARSP Conference and the 14th PRI World Congress

Theme - Equitability: Road Safety for all through Vision Zero and Sustainable Safety



Free Webinar Series Announced

Canadian Association of Road Safety Professionals (CARSP), La Prévention Routière Internationale (PRI) in partnership with Traffic Injury Research Foundation (TIRF), and platinum sponsor, Desjardins, are pleased to announce a special webinar series in advance of the 2021 conference. The 2020 in-person conference has been canceled. This free series of webinars allows for a unique opportunity to attend an international training conference without leaving your office or home.



All webinars are presented in English unless otherwise noted and are free of charge. However, online registration is limited. Please register early to ensure a spot. If unable to attend, please cancel your registration to allow others to register.



Save the dates (*registration information will be available as we get closer to the webinar dates*). All webinar times are 12:00 pm-1:30 pm Eastern Time [Click here to go to the conference website](#).

The remaining five webinar series are scheduled for July, September, and October 2020; each webinar consists of three separate presentations. Webinars are organized under five categories:

Jul. 23, 2020: Vulnerable Road User Safety

- Correlation of Injury Patterns in Pedestrian Fatalities with Motor Vehicle Collision Dynamics and Pedestrian Kinematics
- Ontario's Pedestrian Crash Causation Study: A Focus on the Impact of Large-Scale Trends on Road Safety

Sept. 3, 2020: Alcohol and Drug-Impaired Driving

- The ability to drive weakened by alcohol in Arab-Muslim countries: the importance of laws and consumption habits (*presented in French*)
- Measuring the Impact of Drug-Impaired Driving in Canada: Developing National Indicators
- Marijuana Use Among Drivers in Canada

Sept. 17, 2020: Road Safety Plans and Creating a Traffic Safety Culture

- Move Commute Connect. How the Province of British Columbia is prioritizing active transportation and road safety

- Equip professionals and decision-makers for safer and more user-friendly redevelopments (presented in French)
- Quebec City Road Safety Strategy 2020-2024 (presented in French)

Oct. 1, 2020: Advanced Vehicle Design, Autonomous, and Connected Vehicles

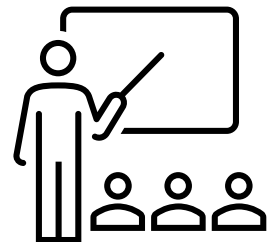
- Safety and Traffic Study of Automated Shuttle Interactions in City Traffic
- Assessing the performance of vehicular sensors to improve road safety for vulnerable users (presented in French)
- Road safety and autonomous vehicles: the positioning of the issue in France (presented in French)

Oct. 16, 2020: Driver Education and Acceptance

- Driver Acceptance and Experience with Vulnerable Road User Collision Avoidance Systems while Operating Heavy-Duty Vehicles
- The Mind Behind the Wheel
- Are Truck Driver Training requirements meeting the Safety Needs of the Transportation Industry?

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 20th and the Governor closed all the universities in the state too.***



DCJ - Police Traffic RADAR Instructor Refresher Courses

<u>Dates</u>	<u>Locations</u>
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](#)

NAPARS 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 5th, and 6th by T.J. Tennant, \$250 per person - separate registration at <https://www.napars.org/events>

ACTAR Test Prep class, Oct 5th

ACTAR Test, Oct 6th

New Jersey Traffic Safety Symposium 2020 Rescheduled

If you didn't get the email, the new date is all set for the New Jersey Division of Highway Traffic Safety & the AAA North Jersey Foundation for Safety 2020 Traffic Safety Symposium.

Date: Tuesday, October 27, 2020
Location: Ocean Place Resort
One Ocean Boulevard
Long Branch, New Jersey 07740
Times: 8:00 AM – 3:00 PM
Cost: Free



As more information becomes available, it will be posted on the association's website under the training section.

Quote of the month

*“Do what you can with all you have,
wherever you are.”*

—Theodore Roosevelt

There are no meeting for July & August

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; 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 association's officers.

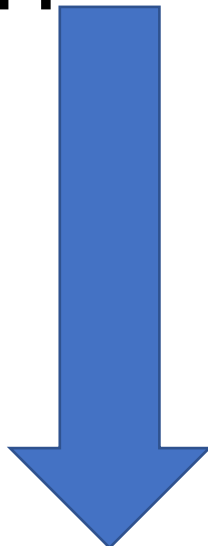
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If any member would like to submit an article, information about events and training, or anything you want to spread the word about dealing with traffic safety, please email it to Rich Maxwell at rmaxwell@njptoa.org

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2020 MEMBERSHIP DUES INVOICE

DATE	ITEM	AMOUNT
1/1/2020	2020 Annual Membership Dues for Police Department	50.00
NJPTOA Tax ID number:		
22-2344113		
TOTAL:		\$50.00

DATE: 1/1/2020

SIGNED:

Sgt. Nicholas Schock

**Sgt. Nicholas Schock
President.**

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SPECIAL OFFER for First Responders

AAA Discounted Membership Offer

Thank you for everything you're doing to keep us safe.
We want to help keep you safe too.



AAA is introducing a new product to offer our local heroes a little peace of mind as they work to keep our communities safe and healthy. The new offer for first responders and healthcare professionals includes 50% off primary dues for new Members and Car Care savings and one free associate membership for existing Members.

- 50% off Primary dues (*all membership levels*)
Classic Primary 50% OFF and 1 FREE associate
Plus Primary 50% OFF and 1 FREE associate
Premier Primary 50% OFF and 1 FREE associate
- First associate membership FREE
- 50% off second or more associate memberships
- Standard renewal dues at first renewal

ALREADY A MEMBER?

- One FREE associate membership (*all membership levels*)
- Standard renewal dues at next renewal

NEW MEMBERS

Join AAA Today

Call 866-MEMBERS (866-636-2377) Offer expires: 12/31/20

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23 Licensing Centers, 16 Vehicle Centers

LICENSING CENTER	Written Testing	Permit	Licenses /IDs
Newark*	X	X	X
Paterson*	X	X	X
Wayne*	X	X	X
Bayonne	X	X	X
North Bergen	X	X	X
Lodi	X	X	X
Oakland	X	X	X
Rahway	X	X	X
Randolph	X	X	X
Eatontown*	X	X	X
W. Deptford*	X	X	X
Bakers Basin	X	X	X
Camden	X	X	X
Delanco	X	X	X
Freehold	X	X	X
Toms River	X	X	X
Edison	X	X	X
S. Plainfield	X	X	X
Rio Grande	X	X	X
Salem	X	X	X
Vineland	X	X	X
Flemington	X	X	X
Cardiff	X	X	X

VEHICLE CENTER	Registration	Title	Dealer
Jersey City	X	X	X
East Orange	X	X	X
Wallington	X	X	X
Springfield	X	X	X
Somerville	X	X	X
Newton	X	X	X
Washington	X	X	X
Trenton*	X	X	X
Cherry Hill	X	X	X
Runnemede	X	X	X
Medford	X	X	X
Hazlet	X	X	X
Lakewood	X	X	X
Manahawkin	X	X	X
South Brunswick	X	X	X
Turnersville	X	X	X

North
South

REGIONAL CENTER	Scheduled Hearings	Suspensions & Restorations
Newark		X
Paterson	X	X
Wayne	X	X
Eatontown	X	X
W. Deptford	X	X
Trenton	X	X

