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President's Message

It is hard to believe November and the start of the holiday season are already upon us. While COVID will continue to pose challenges and will certainly impact how we celebrate the holidays together, the need for traffic safety to play an important role in keeping everyone safe this season will remain constant. Fatal crashes and fatalities remain down slightly, a trend that will hopefully continue through the end of the year. The association will strive to keep you up to date with the most current information through our email blasts and the website. Be sure to check back regularly for any updates.

Stay safe, see everyone on Zoom for our November 4th meeting.

Thanks,
Nick

Association News

Monthly Business Meeting Zoom Online

The next regularly scheduled meeting is on Wednesday, November 4, 2020, at 10:00 am.

An invitation to the Zoom meetings will be emailed out the Monday before the meeting. If you do not receive an invitation email for the meeting, reach out to President Schock or Executive Director Maxwell for the link.

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!



TRAVEL ADVISORY

Travelers from states with significant spread of COVID-19 should voluntarily quarantine for 14 days. Take the travel survey to learn whether you need to self-quarantine:

SCAN THE QR CODE ----->
VISIT covid19.nj.gov/njtravel
TEXT NJTRAVEL to 898211



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Dues Notice for 2020

Just in case you are one of the 43 delinquent agencies (35 local, four county, three state, and one regional) that have not yet paid the annual association membership dues for 2020, they were due before June 30. This might be the last newsletter you receive until the dues are paid.

A complete list of the delinquent agencies can be found in the Appendix of this newsletter; check to make sure you are not on it

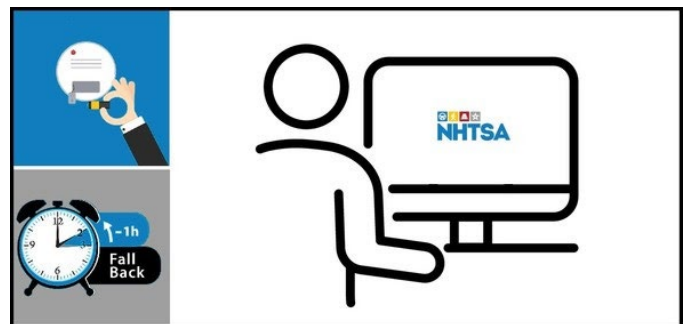
A copy of the dues invoice is also in the Appendix of this newsletter. The New Jersey Division of Highway Traffic Safety has authorized the use of Drunk Driving Enforcement Funds to pay for NJPTOA dues.

Quick Points of Interest

End of Daylight Savings Time

Did you remember to set **ALL** your clocks back an hour on Sunday, November 1st?

For most people, the end of Daylight Saving Time on November 1st means gaining an extra hour of sleep and maybe a reminder to change smoke detector batteries. However, NHTSA encourages you to add a new tradition to your safety essentials list when falling back and springing forward: Checking for vehicle safety recalls.



Don't put yourself, loved ones, or others on the road at risk by failing to fix any unrepaired vehicle recall. Taking a few minutes, maintaining the family car can help keep everyone safe on the road. Remember: "Safe Cars Save Lives."

Take these steps to protect yourself and your family:

Check for Recalls. Visit [NHTSA.gov/recalls](https://www.nhtsa.gov/recalls) and enter your vehicle's 17-digit vehicle identification number (VIN). In seconds, you'll know if your vehicle has an unrepaired safety recall.

Get It Fixed. If it does have a recall, contact your dealer to schedule a repair. Every recall is fixed for FREE.

Get Alerted. [Sign up for Recall Alerts](#). If your vehicle is included in a future recall, you'll receive an e-mail letting you know.

If you think your vehicle may have a safety-related defect that isn't part of a current recall, contact NHTSA. Even a single complaint is enough to trigger a recall. Contact NHTSA [online](#) or by calling the agency's Vehicle Safety Hotline at 888-327-4236.

Stay safe by checking for recalls, getting any open recalls fixed and encouraging your friends, family, and neighbors to do the same. For more information, visit [NHTSA.gov/Recalls](https://www.nhtsa.gov/Recalls).

Veteran's Day - November 11th

Brief History of Veterans Day - courtesy of the US Dept of Veteran's Affairs

World War I – known at the time as “The Great War” - officially ended when the Treaty of Versailles was signed on June 28, 1919. However, fighting ceased seven months earlier when an armistice between the Allied nations and Germany went into effect on the eleventh hour of the eleventh day of the eleventh month. For that reason, November 11, 1918, is generally regarded as the end of “the war to end all wars.”

In November 1919, President Wilson proclaimed November 11 as the first commemoration of Armistice Day.

A federal Act made the 11th of November in each year a legal holiday—a day to be dedicated to the cause of world peace and to be thereafter celebrated and known as "Armistice Day," which was primarily a day set aside to honor veterans of World War I. In 1954, after World War II and the Korean Conflict, Congress amended the Act of 1938 by striking out the word "Armistice" and inserting in its place the word "Veterans," which made November 11th a day to honor American veterans of all wars.

Veterans Day continues to be observed on November 11, regardless of what day of the week on which it falls. Veterans Day is a celebration to honor America's veterans for their patriotism, love of country, and willingness to serve and sacrifice for the common good.

We thank all Veterans, both young and old, for their service to our country and us!



NJ Law Revision Commission Looking for Input

The New Jersey Law Revision Commission is an independent Legislative Commission; the NJLRC is required, by N.J.S. 1:12A-1 *et seq.*, to engage in an ongoing review of New Jersey's statutes, and the cases construing the statutes, to identify areas of statutes that might benefit from modification.

The Commission is considering a proposal to modify N.J.S. 43:16A-7, to clarify the term “traumatic event” as it is used regarding accidental-disability pension benefits. An applicant for an accidental disability pension must demonstrate that the disabling injury resulted from a traumatic event. Still, the statute does not define the term, thus requiring courts to develop a workable definition.

Jennifer Weitz, Counsel with the NJLRC, seeks comments from knowledgeable individuals to determine whether modifying the statute to reflect several key judicial decisions would be helpful.

Please feel free to e-mail your comments to amf@njlrc.org or jdw@njlrc.org. If you would prefer to discuss the matter rather than submitting written comments, please let her know so a telephone or video conference can be arranged. Her office number is (973) 648-4575.

[Click here to view a copy of the tentative report from the NJLRC](#)

Governor Murphy and Superintendent Callahan Announce Administrative Order Clarifying Guidelines for Professional and College Athletic Competitions, Indoor Mall Services, Self-Service Food and Drink, and Private Tutoring Facilities

10/31/2020 — Governor Phil Murphy and Superintendent of the State Police Colonel Patrick Callahan today announced an Administrative Order clarifying restrictions on professional and college athletic competitions, indoor mall services, self-service food and drink, and private tutoring facilities. The order will take effect immediately.

The order clarifies that athletes, coaches, referees, trainers, and other individuals necessary to the performance of a professional or collegiate sporting event are not included in the number of individuals present at a gathering for purposes of the limits on indoor and outdoor gatherings.

The order also permits vending machines and stroller rentals to operate at malls, prohibits self-service food at retail businesses including grocery stores, and opens private tutoring facilities to students and clients.

A copy of the Administrative Order can be found [here](#).

Updates from the New Jersey Division of Highway Traffic Safety

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A few Words from the Director – Eric Heitmann

As we head into November and the beginning of the busy holiday travel season, the Division of Highway Traffic Safety wants to ensure that you and your loved ones always arrive to your travel destinations safely, seamlessly, and most importantly: ALIVE.

Keeping the importance of traffic safety in mind, our Division has a busy month of statewide awareness campaigns planned as we celebrate Veteran's Day, begin to approach winter driving conditions, and plan for safe holiday travel:

Our "**Congestion Suggestions**" campaign in partnership with the New Jersey Department of Transportation, New Jersey State Police, and New Jersey's Office of Emergency Management (launching 11/8) will suggest tips on how you can help us reduce traffic on New Jersey's roadways.

Traffic Incident Management Week (11/9-11/15) reminds us that the lives of motorists, responders, and workers depend on effective actions by drivers and the highway heroes who respond to save the lives of complete strangers.

Our "**Keep Right**" campaign (launching 11/16) creates awareness that it's the LAW in New Jersey to keep right unless you are passing in New Jersey. Keeping right also helps keep traffic flowing smoothly so everyone can get to where they are going safely. Remind your friends and family of this law, and please Share and Retweet our "Keep Right" social media posts on your pages this month to help us spread the message.

It's Deer Season! Please be extra cautious of deer entering the roadway, especially along parks or wooded roadways, to avoid collisions.

NHTSA's upcoming "**Click it or Ticket,**" "**Drive Sober or Get Pulled Over,**" and "**If You Feel Different You Drive Different**" campaigns create awareness on how we must practice safe driving behaviors, every trip, every time, especially during holiday celebrations. Our lives and stranger's lives depend on it.

I hope everyone enjoys a safe November and the beginning of a memorable holiday season. As always, please follow along with the New Jersey Division of Highway Traffic Safety social media pages for important messaging on the safety campaigns mentioned above and many others:

Facebook - @NewJerseyDivisionofHighwayTrafficSafety

Twitter - @NJTrafficSafety

Instagram- @NJTrafficSafety

For a wealth of information on a wide array of traffic safety topics, please visit the Division's frequently updated web site at www.NJSafeRoads.com.

I invite everyone to contact your Regional Supervisor or email HTSWebInfo@njoag.gov with questions, comments, or suggestions. We are listening and we are here to ensure that everyone gets where they are going and gets back to their loved ones SAFELY. With your help, we are well on the way to achieving our goal of zero fatalities.

I think most important would be the "Keep Right" campaign on 11/16. Eric is trying to get as many agencies on board with sharing "Keep Right Unless Passing" messaging the week of 11/16 for "thunderclap" effect.



Traffic Safety Campaigns for November

DHTS has a month full of important safety campaigns lined up and they are looking for all of us to help by getting involved. Below is a list of the campaigns along with information, graphics, and ways to get involved. If you have any questions related to any of these campaigns, contact your DHTS Regional Supervisor.

[Click here to download graphics and copy for use on websites and social media.](#)

"Congestion Suggestions" – start date 11/9

A social media campaign designed around daily social media posts to help show the public how they can reduce traffic and streamline travel, especially during the upcoming busy holiday travel season.

Campaign Start Date: November 9, 2020

Hashtag: #CongestionSuggestion

Dates and Text to post:



11/9 - #CongestionSuggestion: If there is a merge in the roadway, drivers should merge as soon as possible to avoid cutting in at the last minute, which causes further traffic disruption.

11/10 - #CongestionSuggestion: Obey speed limits and maintain a uniform speed on the highway. Heavy congestion forms when drivers go as fast as possible, then brake when finally, necessary to avoid hitting the car in front of them, triggering a chain reaction of stop and go traffic.

11/11 - #CongestionSuggestion: Travel "off-peak" when possible. If you don't have to be out at rush hour times, plan to run your errands when less cars are on the roadways to avoid adding to traffic.

11/12 - #CongestionSuggestion: Keep to the right lane except to pass. Not only is it the LAW in New Jersey, but keeping right helps traffic flow smoothly.

11/13 - #CongestionSuggestion: Notify the appropriate authorities when you see roadway debris, potholes, or obstructions in the road, which can cause disruptions.

11/14 - #CongestionSuggestion: Avoid distractions such as cell phones and pay attention to avoid last-minute "panic-breaking," which disrupts the flow of traffic.

11/15 - #CongestionSuggestion: Utilize mass transit whenever possible. The less cars there are on the road, the less traffic and congestion occurs.

11/16 - #CongestionSuggestion: Do not disrupt the flow of traffic by cutting in. Travel with the flow of traffic and only pass when there is plenty of room to do so.



Click it or Ticket – 11/9 to 11/29

NHTSA's upcoming "Click it or Ticket" mobilization

Click on the following links for more information:

» [Mobilization campaign materials](#) (including the 2020 CIOT Social Media Playbook)

Keep Right Campaign – the week of 11/16

DHTS is looking to get as many agencies as possible involved in this social media campaign. It is designed around daily social media posts to help remind the public about the law of keeping right except to pass.

Campaign Start Date: November 16, 2020

Dates and Text & Graphics to post:

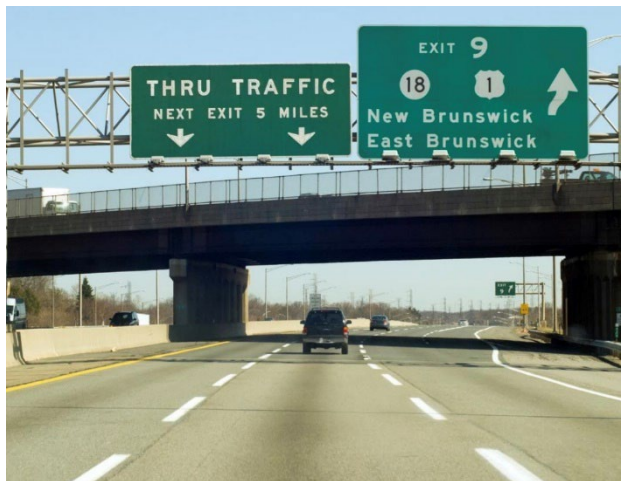
11/16 - Text: In New Jersey, you MUST keep right, except to pass. It's the law!

Graphic: Safe Passage Message Board



11/18 - Text: Keep to the right lane except to pass. Not only is it the LAW in New Jersey, but it helps keep traffic flowing smoothly so everyone can get to where they are going safely.

Graphic: Highway Photo



Winter Storm Messaging/Video – start date 11/18

New Jersey Department of Transportation's Commissioner Diane Gutierrez-Scaccetti, Colonel Patrick Callahan, Superintendent of the New Jersey State Police, and New Jersey Division of Highway Traffic Safety's Director Eric Heitmann joined together to remind motorists the importance of driving safely and staying off the roads during and directly after a winter storm.

[Click here to view the Winter Storm Driving PSA](#)

MADD “Top Cops” Awards – 11/19

This year the awards will be a remote format. Only the "Top Cops" (The highest in each County and highest within each state agency; about 33 in total) will have the opportunity to attend a small presentation/photo op. All other awardees will receive their awards (challenge coins & certificates) through a direct mailing from Madd. The total amount of nominees this year, which for the first time includes DRE nominees, is 387.

Deer Season Awareness – start date 11/20

Deer mating season is at its peak! Use extra caution and lower speeds, especially when driving along wooded areas and parks, to avoid colliding with deer who have entered the roadway. #StayAlert



Blackout Wednesday – 11/25

If You Feel Different, You Drive Different

» Click [here](#) and get your campaign materials now.

Ditch Danksgiving – 11/26

If You Feel Different, You Drive Different

[Click here for your campaign materials.](#)



**IF YOU FEEL DIFFERENT
YOU DRIVE DIFFERENT**

Thanksgiving Holiday Travel – 11/25 to 11/29

Buckle Up. Every Trip. Every Time

[Click here for your campaign materials.](#)

Black Friday – 11/27

Pre-Holiday Season – 11/30 to 12/15

Impaired/Buzzed Driving Messaging

» Click [here](#) and get your campaign materials.



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 8:00 pm, November 1, 2020

<i>Fatal Crashes</i>			<i>Fatalities</i>	
2020	445		2020	474
2019	448		2019	477
2018	431		2018	463

Difference in Fatalities from 2019 to 2020 = decrease of 3
Percentage of change between 2019 and 2020 = - 0.6%

Difference in Fatalities from 2018 to 2019 = decline of 14
Percentage of change between 2018 and 2019 = 3.0%

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

**Motorists:
Move over for
emergency
responders!**

When you see emergency lights, slow down and move over to keep working responders safe.

FEMA | U.S. Fire Administration | Fire & Emergency Fight

Updates from the New Jersey Motor Vehicle Commission



MVC Agency Closings

ELECTION DAY - ALL MVC facilities, including agencies, driver testing sites, and inspection stations will be closed on Tuesday, November 3, 2020, in recognition of the holiday.

PATERSON REGIONAL/LICENSING CENTER is closed and will reopen on Saturday, November 14 due to an employee testing positive for COVID-19.

WEST DEPTFORD REGIONAL/LICENSING CENTER is closed and will reopen on Thursday, November 12 due to an employee testing positive for COVID-19.

WASHINGTON VEHICLE CENTER is closed and will reopen on Saturday, November 7 due to an employee testing positive for COVID-19.

RAHWAY LICENSING CENTER is closed and will reopen on Saturday, November 7 due to an employee testing positive for COVID-19.

10 MVC Licensing Centers and Vehicle Centers are Now Appointment-Only

Due to the long lines and waits at many facilities, several services are now offered by appointment ONLY. The following Vehicle Centers are appointment only. Customers should only visit one of these locations if you have an appointment.

Cherry Hill	Medford
Hazlet	Somerville
Jersey City	Springfield
Lakewood	Turnersville
Manahawkin	Wallington



Appointments may be needed to visit other locations, based on the transaction needed. The following transactions require an appointment:

Vehicle Registration/Title	CDL Renewal	Driver knowledge test
Out of State Transfer	Registration Renewal	Road test

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

New Facilities Opens at Wayne MVC

Brand-new, upgraded MVC facilities opened in Wayne on October 19th, the New Jersey Motor Vehicle Commission announced today.

The new Wayne Licensing Center is nearly triple the size of the prior building, making it one of the largest MVC Centers in New Jersey, with more than four times the number of service counters as before.

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

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**



Stop. Trains Can't. - Railroad Crossing Safety Campaign 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.](#)

[Click here to go to NJ Highway Safety's webpage for railroad-safety-tips](#)





National Seat Belt Enforcement Mobilization – November 9-29, 2020

Seat belts have been proven to be one of the best ways to save your life in a crash. Yet many still don't buckle up. Worse still, not wearing a seat belt is a habit that will pass on to impressionable youth who, in turn, will think it is safe not to buckle up. The *Click It or Ticket* campaign focuses on safety education, strong laws, and law enforcement support to save lives.

Dates to Remember:

- Nov 9-29, 2020 (paid media)
- Nov 16-29, 2020 (enforcement mobilization)

This mobilization was created to crack down on violators 24-7. Still, a strong enforcement effort is urged between the nighttime hours of 6 p.m. and 5:59 a.m. due to the significant number of violators and fatal crashes during this time.

Click on the following links for more information:

- » [PEAK materials](#)
- » [Mobilization campaign materials](#) (including the 2020 CIOT Social Media Playbook)



Boycott Blackout Wednesday (impaired driving prevention) November 25, 2020

Excessive drinking is prevalent over the Thanksgiving weekend due, in part, to the cultural phenomena like “**Blackout Wednesday**”, which highlights, and even encourages, the heavy consumption of alcohol throughout this holiday. Impaired driving crashes spike during the Thanksgiving holiday season.

- From 2014 to 2018, 138 drivers involved in fatal crashes on Thanksgiving Eve were alcohol-impaired, and over the entire holiday period, more than 800 people died in alcohol-impaired crashes.
- During the 2018 Thanksgiving holiday period, more than three times as many drivers involved in fatal crashes were alcohol-impaired during nighttime hours than during the day.
- Additionally, throughout the Thanksgiving weekend, we will focus on raising awareness about the dangers of drug-impaired driving with the campaign message:

If You Feel Different, You Drive Different.

It doesn't matter what term you use: If a person is feeling a little high, buzzed, stoned, wasted, or drunk, he or she is impaired and should never get behind the wheel.

- » Click [here](#) and get your campaign materials now.





Thanksgiving Holiday Weekend November 25-29, 2020

Each year, the Thanksgiving holiday results in millions of travelers on the road, en route to and from their holiday destination. With your help, NHTSA wants to ensure drivers and their passengers are safe during this particular time of year.

During the Thanksgiving holiday weekend in 2018, there were 291 fatalities in traffic crashes across the nation.

[Click here for your campaign materials.](#)



2020 pre-Holiday Season Impaired Driving Prevention November 30 - December 15, 2020

The holiday season is right around the corner. As we prepare for festivities with family and friends, NHTSA wants to remind all drivers of the dangers of drunk driving.

Drug-impaired driving is also a problem on America's highways. Like drunk driving, *drug-impaired driving is impaired driving*, which means that it is dangerous and illegal. Whether the drug is obtained legally or illegally, driving while drug-impaired poses a threat to the driver, vehicle passengers, and to other road users.

**IF YOU FEEL DIFFERENT
YOU DRIVE DIFFERENT**

Now available: 2020 Social Media Playbook

These marketing tools can be distributed to fit your local needs and objectives while, at the same time, partnering with State, communities, and other traffic safety organizations on this pre-holiday season impaired driving prevention initiative.

» Click [here](#) and get your campaign materials.





2020 Holiday Season National Enforcement Mobilization December 16, 2020 - January 1, 2021

The Holiday Season is known for being merry and bright, but it's also known for being the deadliest season for impaired driving. Every holiday season, lives are lost due to drunk drivers.

Paid Media: December 16, 2020 - January 1, 2021

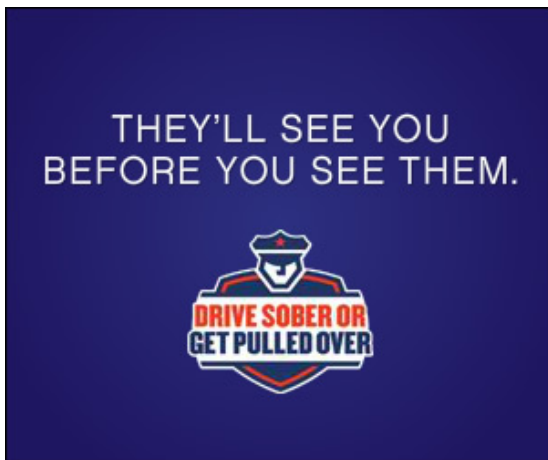
Mobilization: December 18, 2020 - January 1, 2021

Drug-impaired driving is also a problem on America's highways. Like drunk driving, **drugged driving is impaired driving**, which means that it is dangerous and illegal. Whether the drug is legally or illegally obtained, driving while drug-impaired poses a threat to the driver, the vehicle passengers, and other road users.

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

Use these marketing tools to fit your local needs and objectives while, at the same time, partnering with State and other traffic safety advocates:

- » [Drive Sober or Get Pulled Over](#)
- » [Drive High - Get a DUI](#)





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

The latest edition of the [FBI Law Enforcement Bulletin](#) is now available online.

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](#)

myFBI Dashboard app

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Quickly access customizable website and social media content from the FBI in one convenient spot on your mobile device with the myFBI Dashboard app. From catching up on the Bureau's latest stories and podcasts to following FBI social media feeds and learning about wanted fugitives, the myFBI Dashboard app brings everything to your fingertips.

Key Features

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Department of Justice Announces the Use of Body-Worn Cameras on Federal Task Forces

The Justice Department announced that it will permit state, local, territorial, and tribal task force officers to use body-worn cameras on federal task forces around the nation.

[Full Article](#)

FBI New Jersey News

Monmouth County Man Admits Unlawfully Possessing a Firearm

Ahmed A-Hady admitted to illegally possessing a firearm and faces a maximum potential penalty of up to 10 years in prison and a maximum fine of \$250,000.

[Full Press Release](#)

Two Former New Jersey Public Education Employees Sentenced in Connection with Health Care Fraud Conspiracy Targeting State Health Benefits Programs

Richard McAllister and James Wildman, two former New Jersey state public education system employees, were sentenced to prison terms for defrauding New Jersey state health benefits programs.

[Full Press Release](#)

Bergen County Man Charged with Conspiring to Steal More Than \$7.8 Million Worth of HIV Medication From Veterans Affairs Medical Center

Wagner Checonolasco was charged for his role in stealing prescription HIV medication from the pharmacy of the East Orange VA Medical Center.

[Full Press Release](#)

Former Inmate Arrested in Scheme to Use Drones to Smuggle Contraband Into Fort Dix Federal Prison

Jason Arteaga Loayza was arrested for conspiring to use drones to smuggle contraband into the federal correctional facility at Fort Dix.

[Full Press Release](#)

Two Passaic County Men Indicted for Committing Multiple Armed Bank Robberies

A federal grand jury indicted Nicholas Ortiz and Jose Soto for their roles in two armed bank robberies in Passaic and Little Falls, New Jersey, respectively.

[Full Press Release](#)

Passaic County Man Sentenced to Five Years in Prison for Role in Business Email Compromise Scheme

Lawrence Espailat was sentenced to 60 months in prison for his role in a business email compromise scheme in which he and others opened bank accounts to function as conduits for stolen funds.

[Full Article](#)

Medical Device Maker to Pay \$18 Million to Settle Allegations of Improper Payments to Physicians

A medical device maker has agreed to pay \$18 million to resolve allegations that the company caused the submission of false claims to the Medicare, Medicaid, and TRICARE programs.

[Full Article](#)

Union County Man Admits Making Corrupt Payments to City of Orange Public Official

Jeanmarie Zahore admitted to making corrupt payments to a public official of Orange Township as a reward for that public official's favorable treatment in connection with a municipal project.

[Full Press Release](#)

New Jersey Man Charged with Fraudulently Obtaining Unemployment Insurance Benefits

Jefferson Robert made his initial appearance on charges of engaging in fraud by illegally obtaining unemployment insurance benefits.

[Full Press Release](#)

Newark City Council Member Charged with Scheming to Obtain Bribes and Kickbacks; Co-Schemer Admits Wire Fraud Conspiracy

Joseph A. McCallum, Jr., a member of the Newark Municipal Council and the NCEDC, and Malik Frederick, a participant in the conspiracy, were charged with scheming to obtain bribes and kickbacks.

[Full Press Release](#)

Doctor Admits Role in Illegal Kickback Scheme

Mark A. Filippone admitted participating in a conspiracy to violate the federal anti-kickback statute and faces a maximum of five years in prison and a \$250,000 fine.

[Full Press Release](#)

Medical Assistant Admits Role in Genetic Testing Kickback and Bribery Scheme

Shanelyn Kennedy, a Pennsylvania medical assistant, admitted participating in a conspiracy to receive bribes and kickbacks in exchange for ordering genetic tests.

[Full Press Release](#)

South Jersey Member of Philadelphia Crime Family Sentenced to 15 Years in Prison for Selling Illegal Drugs

Joseph Servidio was sentenced to 180 months in prison for distributing approximately 300 grams of crystal methamphetamine, and other drugs.

[Full Press Release](#)

Fourth Employee in Cash Flow Partners' Bank Fraud Conspiracy Admits Role in Multi-Million-Dollar Loan Scheme

Gladys Collins of Wayne, New Jersey, admitted participating in a scheme that involved the creation of false documentation to secure over \$4 million in bank loans

[Full Press Release](#)

Union County Man Charged with Additional Counts of Coercing and Enticing Victims for Purpose of Prostitution

A federal grand jury indicted Jose Torres for allegedly persuading, inducing, and enticing numerous female victims to engage in prostitution.

[Full Press Release](#)

Leader of Atlantic City Drug Trafficking Organization Sentenced to 135 Months in Prison

Khalif Toombs, the leader of an Atlantic City drug-trafficking organization, was sentenced to 135 months in prison for conspiring to distribute heroin

[Full Press Release](#)



[Updates from the New Jersey Attorney General's Office](#)

Division of Criminal Justice Top 12 Most Wanted Fugitives

[Click here to go to the dcj's 12 wanted list](#)

NJ Attorney General's 2020 Conducted Energy Device Survey Percentage of Departments with Conducted Energy Devices by County

The Attorney General's Office released the results of their survey of agencies equipped with tazer guns on October 23rd. Results of survey shows 40% of New Jersey's Law Enforcement Agencies now have conducted energy devices. Use of the devices by police in New Jersey is carefully restricted by a statewide AG Policy. Used properly, they can be a lifesaving tool in a crisis that might otherwise lead to deadly force.

[Click here to view the interactive report](#)

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

Directive 2020-11 - Attorney General Grewal Issues Statewide Directive to Prosecutors Regarding Testimony of Jailhouse Informants

Attorney General Gurbir S. Grewal today issued a statewide directive to law enforcement to ensure that best practices are followed by prosecutors in evaluating testimony from jailhouse informants and deciding when to call them as witnesses.

Directive 2020-11 states that prosecutors have a special obligation to ensure that testimony they elicit from witnesses is honest and accurate. The Directive notes that jailhouse informants warrant special attention because they generally do not have firsthand knowledge of a crime and instead have heard a suspect make incriminating statements while in jail or prison.

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

[Click here to view Directive 2020-11 Jailhouse Informants](#)

AG Grewal Issues Guidance on Law Enforcement Involvement in Election Activities and Protections Against Unlawful Voter Intimidation

Oct 16th - Attorney General Gurbir S. Grewal today issued guidance to New Jersey's law enforcement leaders to ensure that voters can cast their ballot in the upcoming election safely and without fear of intimidation. The guidance marks the latest step by the Attorney General's Office to bolster public confidence in New Jersey's election process.

Today's guidance—addressed to the state's police chiefs, sheriffs, and county prosecutors—emphasizes both specific rules regarding law enforcement activity at polling places, as well as the importance of protecting the state's voters from intimidation and coercion as they exercise the right to vote. The document expresses concern about reports of voter interference in other states, while noting that significant incidents of similar conduct have not been verified in New Jersey.

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

[Click here to view the AG's Guidance](#)

Division of Criminal Justice News

Click on the links below to read more:

[11/02 - AG Grewal Announces ShopRite, Wakefern to Pay \\$235,000 and Improve Data Security in Settlement over Privacy Lapses at Supermarket Pharmacies - Improper Disposal of Electronic Signing Devices from Supermarkets in Millville, NJ and Kingston, NY Potentially Exposed Medical Information Belonging to NJ Residents](#)

[10/30 - NJ Kicks Off "Lock It or Lose It" Public Awareness Campaign Raising Awareness for New Jersey Residents Who Leave Cars Unlocked With Key Fobs Inside - Ads Warn That Stolen Cars May Be Used to Commit Violent Crimes in NJ](#)

[10/29 - Attorney General Grewal Recognizes Groundbreaking Anti-Fraud Efforts of Sandy Fraud Task Force on Eighth Anniversary of Superstorm Sandy - Over 240 Defendants Were Charged in Historic, Collaborative Anti-Fraud Program Involving New Jersey Division of Criminal Justice, State & Federal Partners, and County Prosecutors](#)

[10/28 - AG Grewal, NJ Bureau of Securities Sue Union County-based Financial Consultant for Allegedly Selling Unregistered Securities and Defrauding Investors](#)

[10/28 - Board of Medical Examiners Permanently Revokes License of Physician Who Traveled Weekly from Rhode Island to Prescribe Large Quantities of Opioid Pain Medications to New Jersey Patients Without a Medical Basis](#)

[10/23 - Attorney General's Office Investigating Fatal Accident in which Police Vehicle Struck Pedestrian in Clifton](#)

[10/23 - AG's Office Releases Recordings From Body-Worn Cameras and Mobile Video Recorder in Connection With Death Following Arrest in Totowa on June 27](#)

[10/23 - Man Sentenced to Nine Years in State Prison for Soliciting Sexually Explicit Photos of Underage Girl via Chat Apps](#)

[10/23 - Juvenile Justice Reform Continues in New Jersey New Data Shows 70% Drop in Use of Secure Detention for Young People](#)

[10/22 - AG Grewal, Division of Consumer Affairs Recover Over \\$150,000 in Penalties from Two Used Car Dealers for Defrauding Consumers](#)

[10/22 - Twelve Arrested in Takedown of Gang-Related Drug Ring that Sold Large Amounts of Heroin and Cocaine out of Drug Mills in Paterson - Division of Criminal Justice and Paterson Police Department led "Operation 42-50" targeting a local set of the Crips street gang that was trafficking drugs in a violent neighborhood](#)

[10/21 - Two Indicted on 1st-Degree Charges of Human Trafficking and Promoting Organized Street Crime for Allegedly Trafficking Underage Girl for Sex - Third defendant named in indictment on charges he paid to have sex with the 14-year-old victim](#)

[10/16 - AG Grewal Issues Guidance on Law Enforcement Involvement in Election Activities and Protections Against Unlawful Voter Intimidation](#)

[10/16 - Statement of Attorney General Gurbir S. Grewal Regarding Today's Court Ruling Upholding "Major Discipline Directives" Requiring Release of Police Disciplinary Records](#)

[10/14 - Clinical Social Worker's License Permanently Revoked for Sexual Misconduct with Teenage Student She Counseled](#)

[10/9 - Salem County Man Pleads Guilty to Distributing Child Sexual Abuse Materials on the Internet](#)

[10/8 - Owners of School Bus Company Charged With Contract Fraud for Covering Up Their Use of Unqualified Drivers and Unsafe Buses to Transport Children - Attorney General's Office and New Jersey State Police filed similar charges in June 2020 against a Paterson-based school bus company, A-1 Elegant Tours, Inc.](#)

[10/6 - AG Grewal and Education Commissioner Dehmer Announce Statewide "Handle With Care" Program to Protect Children Who Experience Traumatic Events - G Showcase Program in Videos with Middle Township Police Chief Christopher Leusner and Special Agent in Charge Susan Gibson of DEA's NJ Division, Who Pioneered Program in State](#)

[10/2 - Attorney General Grewal and Colonel Callahan Announce Takedown of Major Drug Mill in Paterson - Stamps Used to Brand Drugs at Mill Linked to 19 Deaths - Arrests made in investigation led by New Jersey State Police Opioid Enforcement Task Force, N.J. Division of Criminal Justice, and Law Enforcement Partners](#)

[10/1 - Division of Alcoholic Beverage Control Announces Settlement with Landmark Americana Bars in Ewing and Glassboro Linked to Fatal Drunk Driving Crashes in 2018 and 2019](#)

[Updates from the New Jersey Dept of Transportation](#)



NJDOT, DEP remind drivers to be extra cautious as deer mating season begins, daylight hours get shorter

As deer mating season is approaching and daylight savings is underway, the New Jersey Department of Transportation and the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection's Division of Fish and Wildlife are reminding motorists to drive with extra caution and watch for white-tailed deer.

Deer are more likely to suddenly run onto roadways during this time of year – known as the fall rut – as bucks pursue does, risking the possibility of colliding with a vehicle. Increased deer activity is more likely to occur in the early morning and around sunset, when visibility may be difficult.

“Deer are involved in thousands of collisions with motor vehicles in New Jersey each year, with the highest number occurring during the fall mating season,” Division of Fish and Wildlife Director Dave Golden said. “We urge all drivers to be especially alert to the possibility of deer suddenly darting onto roadways and to be aware of things they can do to reduce the risk of a collision and possible serious injury to themselves or their passengers.”

Peak mating season for deer in New Jersey runs from late October throughout November and into mid-December in all areas of the state.

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

NOCoE Case Studies

New Jersey DOT

511NJ.org Newer and Improved

By: New Jersey Department of Transportation

IN THIS CASE STUDY YOU WILL LEARN:

- How an existing 511 website was brought up to current web design standards in order to continue to meet the growing demand for the real-time traffic and travel information.
- How the updates provide access to New Jersey Department of Transportation (NJDOT) and the New Jersey (NJ) Turnpike traffic monitoring cameras on Windows and Mac operating systems, as well as Apple and Android devices.
- How the new website has been designed with the capability to adapt and transform as the demand and methodology used by visitors to access traffic and traveler information changes over the next several years.

[Read the full case study.](#)



Beyond New Jersey Traffic Incident Management Strategic Plan: A Road to Implementation

By: New Jersey Department of Transportation

IN THIS CASE STUDY YOU WILL LEARN:

- How the New Jersey Department of Transportation (NJDOT) formalized a coordinated advancement of their Traffic Incident Management (TIM) program through a statewide steering committee including 26 public and private agencies and stakeholders.
- How working groups were used to bring together stakeholders focusing on specific aspects of TIM.
- How NJDOT used the initiative on NJTIM.org to host over 390 classes that resulted in 7,200 trained first responders, and over 410 new trainers ready to educate the new class of first responders.

[Read the full case study.](#)





Virtual Summit December 8-10, 2020



Join FHWA for the EDC-6 Virtual Summit

[Registration](#) is open for the EDC-6 summit. This year's event will be held virtually in three half-day sessions on December 8, 9, and 10.

The summit brings together transportation leaders and frontline professionals responsible for developing and delivering highway projects. We welcome participation from all of our partners—State transportation departments, local agencies, federal land management agencies, tribes, and industry.

The [seven initiatives](#) featured at the summit include strategies to increase engagement with people, new applications of products to preserve and repair infrastructure, and improved processes to save time on project delivery and incident management. This event will also feature an innovation showcase that will highlight homegrown ideas being deployed across the country.

At this event, you will learn about the featured EDC-6 innovations such as [e-Ticketing and digital as-builts](#). This innovation improves the tracking, exchange, and archiving of materials tickets and enhances the future usability of as-built plans for operations, maintenance, and asset management. This process can result in increased project safety and quality through efficient data gathering and sharing.

To learn more about the featured innovations and other events that will take place during the event, [view the draft agenda here](#).

New D-I-Y Website Gives Life-Saving Tools to Local Agencies

Did you know approximately 40 percent of the nation's fatalities occur on locally-owned roads, an average of 12,000 deaths each year? [Local Road Safety Plans](#) (LRSPs) are a [proven safety countermeasure](#) that local agencies can use to identify and address at-risk locations and deploy cost-effective safety solutions.

FHWA is proud to announce that during the 3rd National Summit for Rural Road Safety, Administrator Nason announced the creation of the [Local Road Safety Plan Do-It-Yourself website](#). Her announcement can be viewed [here](#).

The LRSP DIY site includes resources local agencies and their supporting partners can use to develop these lifesaving plans themselves, beginning with an introduction page to orient users and follows with subsequent pages that walk users through the steps of the LRSP process. The site contains training videos, downloadable templates, "local agency insights" videos where practitioners can learn from their peers, and example plans from other local agencies. Particularly during this period of limited travel, we believe this site

can maintain and even enhance FHWA's connection to America's nearly 3,100 counties and over 20,000 cities and towns.

We encourage you to share [this site](#) with your local, state, and tribal agency partners. If you have any questions on creating a Local Road Safety Plan, please contact [Hillary Isebrands](#) with the FHWA Resource Center or [Jerry Roche](#), FHWA Office of Safety.

Unmanned Aerial Systems – Flood Response Tech Brief

Have you read the FHWA [Tech Brief](#) highlighting how [unmanned aerial systems](#) (UAS) are being used to respond to flooding events? UAS serve seven mission categories during flood events including:

- Strategic situational awareness, survey, and reconnaissance
- Detailed or structural inspection
- Ground search and rescue
- Water search and rescue
- Debris, flood estimation, and damage assessment
- Tactical situational awareness
- Material delivery

In the brief, you will learn more about these categories and primary use cases for UAS during flooding events.

To learn more about UAS and other innovative ways they are being used to support transportation agencies across the country, visit the [UAS](#) web page or contact [James Gray](#) of the FHWA Office of Infrastructure.

RRFBs Shed Light at Pedestrian Crossings

The [Safe Transportation for Every Pedestrian \(STEP\)](#) program promotes Rectangular Rapid Flashing Beacons (RRFBs) as well as other proven safety countermeasures for pedestrian crossings. STEP released an informational [video](#) summarizing the safety benefits of RRFBs and highlighting installations in Fayetteville, North Carolina. [A short interview](#) with staff from the North Carolina DOT provides an excellent overview of RRFB benefits. Also available is a STEP [tech sheet](#) that describes RRFBs and each of the STEP countermeasures.

If you would like more information on the [STEP](#) program, contact [Becky Crowe](#) with FHWA's Office of Safety or [Peter Eun](#) with the FHWA Resource Center.



Safe System—An Approach Toward Zero Traffic Deaths

By: Mark Doctor, FHWA Resource Center; Chimai Ngo, Norah Ocel, Karen Scurry, and Jeff Shaw, FHWA Office of Safety

Traffic fatalities in the United States have remained fairly constant since 2015. To reach our goal of zero traffic deaths, we need to change the way we think about traffic safety.

We need to adopt a Safe System approach.

The Safe System approach was founded on the principle that no one should be killed or injured when using the road system. While no roadway crash is desirable, the Safe System approach focuses on crashes that result in deaths and serious injuries.

The approach is gaining momentum through parallel initiatives around the country, including [Vision Zero](#), [Toward Zero Deaths](#), and [Road to Zero](#). Although comprised of different stakeholders, all three efforts share the vision of eliminating fatalities and serious injuries on the Nation's roads, and they are beginning to implement the Safe System approach in different contexts. With Vision Zero, local communities are applying the Safe System approach with a focus on speeds, especially for vulnerable road users. States have adopted zero-deaths goals in their Strategic Highway Safety Plans (SHSP), using the Safe System framework from the report, [Toward Zero Deaths: A National Strategy on Highway Safety](#). Under the leadership of the National Safety Council, the Road to Zero Coalition adopted three strategies; among them is "prioritize safety," which addresses the Safe System approach and safety culture.



At the core of the Safe System approach is acknowledgement that road users will inevitably make mistakes, and those mistakes can lead to crashes. Foundational to the Safe System approach is the expectation that the roadway system is planned, designed, and operated to be forgiving of inevitable human errors so that injury outcomes are unlikely to occur. This requires understanding that the human body has limits on its ability to withstand crash impacts before deaths and serious injuries occur.

Applying the Safe System approach involves anticipating human mistakes by designing and managing the road infrastructure to keep the risk of mistakes low, and to ensure that when mistakes lead to a crash, the impact energy on the human body stays at tolerable levels. There are six principles of the Safe System approach:

Deaths and serious injuries are unacceptable – No one should be killed or injured when using the road system. The Safe System approach attempts to bring a public health-type focus to road safety, with emphasis on minimizing the harm of crashes. Successfully adopting the Safe System approach requires a safety culture that unequivocally places safety first and foremost in our road system investment decisions.

- **Humans make mistakes** – People will inevitably make mistakes, and those mistakes can lead to crashes. The Safe System approach expects the road system is planned, designed, and operated to be forgiving of inevitable human errors, so that injury outcomes are unlikely to occur.
- **Humans are vulnerable** – People have a limited ability to tolerate crash impacts. Although the exchange of kinetic energy in collisions among vehicles, objects, and people has multiple determinants, applying the Safe System approach largely depends on managing the kinetic energy of crashes to avoid injury outcomes.
- **Responsibility is shared** – Road users, vehicle manufacturers, road designers and operators, law enforcement, and post-crash care providers all share responsibility to ensure that crashes do not lead to fatal or serious injuries. As part of a shared responsibility for safety, road users are expected to comply with traffic laws. Education, enforcement, and vehicle feedback components (e.g., speedometer and automated driving systems) are all critical in enabling and encouraging safe road use.
- **Safety is proactive** – Tools can be used to identify and mitigate risks in the road system to proactively prevent crashes, rather than react after crashes occur.

- **Redundancy is crucial** – With shared responsibility comes inter-relationships and opportunities for synergy. Weaknesses in one area of the system may be compensated with enhancements in other areas. For example, intersection geometry design could correlate to occupant-protection features offered in current vehicle design. Timely and effective emergency response when crashes do occur is also a critical element of a Safe System. Redundancy helps ensure that if one part of the system fails, other parts still protect road users from death or serious harm.

A commitment to zero traffic deaths also means addressing all aspects of safety through the following five elements that, together, create a holistic approach with layers of protection for road users:

- **Safe Road Users** – The Safe System approach addresses the safety of all road users, including those who walk, bike, drive, ride transit, and travel by other modes.
- **Safe Vehicles** – Vehicles are designed and regulated to minimize the frequency and severity of collisions using safety measures that incorporate the latest technology.
- **Safe Speeds** – Humans are unlikely to survive high-speed crashes. Reducing speeds can accommodate human-injury tolerances in three ways: reducing impact forces, providing additional time for drivers to stop, and improving visibility.
- **Safe Roads** – Designing to accommodate human mistakes and injury tolerances can greatly reduce the severity of crashes that do occur. Examples include physically separating people traveling at different speeds, providing dedicated times for different users to move through a space, and alerting users to hazards and other road users.
- **Post-Crash Care** – People who are injured in collisions rely on emergency first responders to quickly locate and stabilize their injuries and transport them to medical facilities. Post-crash care also includes forensic analysis at the crash site, traffic incident management, and other activities.

We all have a role in implementing the Safe System approach to save lives and reach our shared goal of zero deaths. Consider applying a Safe System lens to upcoming projects and plans in your community. Put safety at the forefront and design to accommodate human mistakes and injury tolerances.

FHWA has several efforts underway to help you on your Safe System journey, including:

- **Developing marketing materials** to help raise awareness of Safe System in the United States. The materials include a [flyer](#), presentation (available fall 2020), and video (available winter 2021).
- **Exploring the relationship** between Safe System and the Highway Safety Improvement Program (HSIP). A final report (available fall 2020) will identify areas of alignment, as well as opportunities and noteworthy practices to help States integrate Safe System with our existing safety programs.
- **Assisting Vision Zero communities and States to coordinate their zero-deaths efforts** through the Safe System approach. A report (available fall 2020) will present strategies to coordinate zero-deaths efforts among State, regional, and local agencies.
- **Assisting Vision Zero communities to integrate the Safe System approach** in their action-planning process. A report (available winter 2021) will document the Vision Zero communities' safety planning processes.
- **Establishing a Safe System framework** for intersections. This project, A Safe System Approach to Intersection Planning and Design in the United States (to be completed in winter 2021), will present a methodology that explicitly incorporates Safe System principles to vet different intersection design and control alternatives. The methodology will be sensitive to exposure, severity, and complexity, and it will rely on inputs commonly available during project development. This initial framework will dovetail with stage 1 of [Intersection Control Evaluation \(ICE\)](#) procedures, which is typically the planning or scoping stage of an intersection project.
- **Partnering with the Institute of Transportation Engineers** to develop a *Safe System Strategic Plan for the United States* (to be completed in winter 2021).
- **FHWA is continuing to advance the Safe System approach**, through these and other efforts, to reach zero deaths. Visit <https://safety.fhwa.dot.gov/zerodeaths/> to keep up to date on current and future Safe System activities.

For more information, please contact Chimai Ngo at chimai.ngo@dot.gov.

FHWA's Intersection Safety Program

New Intersection Safety Outreach and Education Products

By: Jeffrey B. Shaw, P.E., FHWA Office of Safety

FHWA's Intersection Safety Program is pleased to announce several new outreach and education products to assist our State, local, and Tribal partners in advancing intersection safety efforts in their communities. These products were identified based on feedback from stakeholders in our Intersection Focus States.

Public Service Announcements (PSA)

Two new PSAs are 30-second audio clips intended for over-the-air or streaming broadcast. They are designed to inform the public about the safety benefits of roundabouts and restricted crossing U-turn (RCUT) intersections, in hopes that when proposed in a community, members of the public will recall that these intersection types are safer. The roundabouts PSA uses a twist on the familiar "The Wheels on the Bus" sing-along, and the RCUT PSA drives home the "RCUTs are cutting" theme of reducing crashes and delay.

- [Roundabouts PSA](#).
- [RCUTs PSA](#).

Informational Videos

Three new videos have been produced to help advance efforts to implement intersection solutions that also reflect the Safe System approach. For intersections, this approach involves separating users in space, separating users in time, modifying conflict angles, and reducing speed through conflict areas—all to manage the kinetic energy involved in a potential collision. Each video is 3–5 minutes, and is intended to help State, local, and Tribal agencies explain these intersections to their communities.

- [Alternative Intersections — Common Safety Principles](#).
- Roundabout Rules — Slow Down, Look Around, Be Ready to Yield.
- [RCUTs – A Guided Tour of How They Work](#).

Informational One Pagers

This suite of one-pagers will undoubtedly become the hot handout at your next conference booth, training, or public meeting! According to our Intersection Focus State stakeholders, a "print-on-demand" product that can be handed out to internal and external audiences is expected to help advance intersection safety efforts in their jurisdictions.

- [High Friction Surface Treatment for Intersections](#).
- [Intersection Control Evaluation \(ICE\) Policies and Procedures](#).
- Roundabout Rules — Slow Down, Look around, Be Ready to Yield.

For more information, contact Jeff Shaw at Jeffrey.shaw@dot.gov.





Airline Passenger Pleads Guilty to Interfering with Flight Attendant

On October 5, 2020, in the U.S. District Court for the District of New Jersey, Matthew Dingley pleaded guilty to one count of interfering with flight crew members and attendants. The guilty plea relates to a January 9, 2020, incident in which Dingley—a passenger on a United Airlines flight from Dulles International Airport to Newark Liberty International Airport—interfered with a flight attendant’s ability to perform her duties by physically striking and intimidating her.

DOT-OIG is conducting the investigation with assistance from the Federal Bureau of Investigation and the Port Authority of New York and New Jersey Police Department

[Read the full article](#)

Audit Initiated of FAA's Oversight of Counter-Unmanned Aircraft Systems

Unmanned Aircraft Systems (UAS), often referred to as drones, serve diverse sectors of the economy such as entertainment and recreation, agriculture, real estate, and local and Federal government. However, their unauthorized use can pose safety and security threats. As such, private industry has developed technologies, referred to as counter-UAS, to detect, monitor, and track UAS.

The Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) is responsible for coordinating with other Federal agencies to ensure that UAS technology does not adversely affect aviation safety. Further, the FAA Reauthorization Act of 2018 requires FAA to develop a plan for certifying and authorizing counter-UAS systems.

The Ranking Members of the House Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure and its Subcommittee on Aviation requested that we assess FAA’s coordination with other agencies pertaining to counter-UAS.

Accordingly, our audit objectives will be to assess:

- FAA’s process for coordinating with other Federal agencies to implement and issue guidance on the use of counter-UAS technologies and
- Strategies undertaken by FAA to ensure that the use of counter-UAS technologies by other agencies do not adversely affect aviation and aerospace safety

[Click here to read the Audit Announcement](#)

Updates from the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration



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

FMCSA Updates SMS Website

FMCSA has updated the [SMS Website](#) with the September 25, 2020 results. With this snapshot, FMCSA has aligned the violations used in SMS to reflect the latest changes to violations recorded as part of the roadside inspection program. A summary of the violation changes is available in the [SMS Appendix A spreadsheet](#).

Complete SMS results are available to enforcement users and motor carriers that are [logged into the SMS Website](#).

[Click here to go to the SMS Website](#)



Two Months Left to Meet Clearinghouse Annual Query Requirements

If an employer has not yet conducted queries in the Drug and Alcohol Clearinghouse on any CDL drivers they currently employ, time is running out. The deadline to meet the annual query requirement (per [§ 382.701](#)) is January 5, 2021.

This annual query requirement is tracked on a rolling 12-month basis. For instance, if an employer conducts a query of a CDL driver on October 9, 2020, the employer will not need to query that driver again until October 9, 2021.

Employers must purchase a query plan to ensure they and their designated consortia/third-party administrators (C/TPAs) can conduct queries on prospective and current drivers. [Learn more about query plans](#).

Be sure to [register for the Clearinghouse](#) and conduct your annual queries today. To learn more, download the [queries and consent requests factsheet](#).



FMCSA Plans Information Collection on Automated Driving Systems

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The Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration will announce plans to submit an Information Collection Request associated with a project to learn more about trucking industry representatives' opinions of automated driving systems.

An Information Collection Request is a set of documents that details the information a federal agency is looking to gather from a certain sector. The Office of Management and Budget must approve the request before the collection can begin.

According to a document scheduled for publication in the Federal Register on Nov. 3, FMCSA is announcing plans to submit the request to OMB and inviting public comment on the information collection project. Titled "Trucking Fleet Concept of Operations for Managing Mixed Fleets," the project involves a survey study designed to collect opinions of ADS before and after hands-on demonstrations of the technologies.

The survey study will assess the self-reports of approximately 2,000 respondents, including commercial motor vehicle fleet managers, sales representatives, truck drivers, government officials, engineers, and researchers.

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Updates from the USDOT Volpe Center



BUILD Discretionary Grant Program: Technical, Cost-Effectiveness, and Readiness Evaluations

Since 2009, the [Better Utilizing Investments to Leverage Development](#) (BUILD) Transportation Discretionary Grant program (formerly known as TIGER) has provided an opportunity for the U.S. Department of Transportation (U.S. DOT) to invest in road, rail, transit, and port projects that have the potential to achieve national objectives.

As the largest discretionary grant program within U.S. DOT, the BUILD program supports surface transportation infrastructure investment in local communities, with funding of \$1.5 billion in 2018, \$900 million in 2019, and \$1 billion in 2020.



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Positions Available

- Computer Scientist
- Data Scientist
- Economist
- Engineering Psychologist
- Budget/Financial Analyst
- Program Support Assistant
- Policy Analyst
- Operations Research Analyst
- Variety of General Engineers

The U.S. DOT Volpe Center is now recruiting talented and diverse individuals to fill the following positions as part of its [Pathways Internship Program](#):

- Budget Analysts
- Computer Scientists
- Data Scientists
- Economists
- Engineering Psychologists
- General Engineers
- Policy Analysts
- Program Support Assistants
- Operations Research Analysts

Everyone at the U.S. DOT Volpe Center has a role to play in advancing transportation innovation for the public good. Most Pathways positions will begin May 2021. Applications will be accepted through November 10, 2020.

[Learn more here](#), and [apply to be a part of the Pathways Internship Program here](#).



Updates from the Federal Railroad Administration



\$291 Million in ‘State of Good Repair’ Grants to Improve the Reliability and Safety of America’s Rail Network

Wednesday, October 28, 2020

WASHINGTON – U.S. Secretary of Transportation Elaine L. Chao today announced an investment of more than \$291 million in grants for 11 intercity passenger rail projects in nine states through the Federal-State Partnership for State of Good Repair Program (Partnership Program).

“This \$291 million in federal grants will upgrade rail infrastructure and enhance railroad safety and reliability in communities across America,” said U.S. Transportation Secretary Elaine L. Chao.

New Jersey — Trenton Transit Center Station Improvements, Up to \$18,281,313 to New Jersey Transit Corporation

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Updates from New Jersey Transit



NEW JERSEY TRANSIT POLICE EXPAND COMMUNITY OUTREACH PROGRAM

October 28, 2020

The New Jersey Transit Police Department has expanded its Community Outreach Unit from two to five officers, allowing for more ways to help those in need and to help maintain a safe and healthy environment for all.

“The New Jersey Transit Police Department is one of the best trained and most professional police departments in the country, and a community-based policing approach brings help to the people who need it the most,” said NJ TRANSIT President & CEO Kevin Corbett. “NJ TRANSIT is not only committed to providing safe and essential transit services throughout the state for those who depend on us, we are equally committed to being good community partners.”

Officer Sean Pfeifer has been with the Community Outreach Unit for three years, serving those in the Newark Transit District. Joining Pfeifer on the expanded team, and the transit districts they will be assigned to, are Michael Coletta, Hoboken and Secaucus; Robert Furlong, Trenton; Megan Ninkovic, Atlantic City; and Kayla Yong,

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NJ TRANSIT ADOPTS FISCAL YEAR 2021 OPERATING BUDGET AND A FIVE-YEAR CAPITAL PLAN

October 21, 2020

The NJ TRANSIT Board of Directors today adopted a Fiscal Year 2021 (FY 2021) operating budget and *A Five-Year Capital Plan* that supports continued investments in frontline personnel, infrastructure and equipment to maintain the system in a state-of-good repair, helps advance its 10-year Strategic Plan (*NJT2030*) and includes additional spending due to the ongoing effort to reduce the spread of COVID-19, all without raising fares for a third straight fiscal year.

The Board adopted a \$2.6 billion FY21 operating budget and *A Five-Year Capital Plan* consisting of \$11.21 billion worth of projects already funded, including \$1.4 billion in funding appropriated in FY2021 to various projects throughout the Five-Year Capital Plan, and another \$5.78 billion worth of proposed projects for which funding has yet to be identified but vital to NJ TRANSIT's service delivery.

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Updates from the Federal Aviation Administration



US Department of
Transportation
**Federal Aviation
Administration**

FAA Announces Successful Completion of Drone Pilot Program, Announces New Program Called BEYOND

U.S. Secretary of Transportation Elaine L. Chao today announced the three-year Unmanned Aircraft Systems (UAS) Integration Pilot Program (IPP) successfully concluded on Oct. 25. Eight of the nine state, local and tribal governments that participated in the program have signed new agreements with the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) to continue to tackle remaining UAS integration challenges.

"The three years of information gathered under the drone Integration Pilot Program will be applied to a [new initiative called BEYOND](#), which will further advance the safe integration of drones into our national air space," said U.S. Transportation Secretary Elaine L. Chao.

"The IPP propelled the American drone industry forward, allowing for unprecedented expansions in testing and operations through innovative private-public partnerships across the country. Now, the [BEYOND program](#) will build upon this success, tackling the next big challenges facing drone integration. The Trump Administration remains committed to the safe and innovative development of drone technologies for the benefit of the American people," said U.S. Chief Technology Officer Michael Kratsios.

A Presidential Memorandum launched the IPP in October 2017, setting off a competitive selection process from 149 applicants. Using innovative strategies, the IPP participants and their industry partners crafted successful safety cases to operate under the FAA's existing regulations. Participants used the regulations to conduct package delivery, inspect pipelines and power lines, assess flood damage, count cattle, respond to 911 calls, inspect aircraft and many other missions. The data from these flights has informed ongoing rulemaking, policy and guidance, and will continue to support future efforts.

“At the onset of the public health emergency, many of the IPP participants were able to pivot from their original missions to support the COVID-19 response and recovery, demonstrating the increasing value of drone operations in this new environment,” said FAA Administrator Steve Dickson.

Eight of the nine participants selected for IPP will participate in BEYOND, including:

- Choctaw Nation of Oklahoma
- Innovation and Entrepreneurship Investment Authority of Virginia
- Kansas Department of Transportation
- Memphis-Shelby County Airport Authority
- North Carolina Department of Transportation
- North Dakota Department of Transportation
- City of Reno, Nevada
- University of Alaska-Fairbanks

Visit our website [for additional information on BEYOND](#).

[Updates from the Drug Enforcement Administration](#)



DEA and USPS unveiled Drug-Free USA Forever stamp

The Drug Enforcement Administration’s Acting Administrator Timothy Shea welcomed U.S. Postal Service Postmaster General and Chief Executive Officer Louis DeJoy, Miss America 2020 Camille Schrier, and National Family Partnership President Peggy Sapp for the unveiling of the Drug-Free USA Forever stamp at DEA headquarters in October. The stamp promotes drug abuse prevention and helps raise awareness about the dangers of drug abuse.

“With this powerful image and message, the U.S. Postal Service has given us another means to promote the battle against drug abuse,” said Acting Administrator Timothy J. Shea. “In America alone, 70,000 lives are lost to drug overdoses every year, with countless others impacted by the actions of violent drug traffickers and the scourge of illegal drug use. We urge the public to engage in this fight against illegal drug use and to use the Drug-Free USA stamp to signify their support for safer, drug-free communities.”

DEA and partners collect a record amount of unwanted medications during National Drug Take Back Day

DEA brings in nearly a million pounds of prescription medications

DEA’s National Prescription Drug Take Back Day brought in nearly a million pounds of unused, expired, and unwanted medications across the country, the largest amount ever collected in the program’s ten years. Americans once again showed their dedication to remove prescription pills from their homes to prevent addiction before it starts.

DEA, along with its law enforcement partners, has now collected nearly 13.7 million pounds of expired, unused, and unwanted prescription medications since the inception of the National Prescription Drug Take Back Initiative in 2010. On Oct. 24, the public turned in 985,392 pounds – almost 493 tons – of medication to DEA and 4,153 of its community partners at 4,587 collection sites nationwide, including 33 Bureau of Indian Affairs sites.

DEA announces launch of Project Safeguard

Operation intensifies DEA's efforts to combat drug-related violent

Drug Enforcement Administration Acting Administrator Timothy J. Shea announced in October that the DEA will direct resources to help reduce violent crime in communities throughout the country. Under this initiative, called Project Safeguard, DEA will identify and prioritize ongoing drug trafficking investigations with a nexus to violent crime.

“Drug trafficking and violent crime are inextricably linked,” said Acting Administrator Shea. “From the extreme levels of violence in Mexican cartels, to the open air drug markets in American cities, drug traffickers employ violence, fear, and intimidation to ply their trade. Neighborhoods across our country are terrorized by violent drug trafficking organizations that have little regard for human life, and profit from the pain and suffering of our people. Along with our law enforcement partners, DEA is committed to safeguarding the health and safety of our communities.”

Working in collaboration with our federal, state, and local partners, including the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives and the U.S. Marshals Service, DEA's Project Safeguard will comprise three focus areas to address the growing violent crime threat in many cities across the United States:

- Disrupting, dismantling, and destroying the most significant violent drug trafficking organizations throughout the United States;
- Increasing collaboration with ATF to ensure effective federal prosecution of firearms traffickers associated with drug trafficking organizations; and
- Prioritizing the capture of DEA fugitives who employ violence as part of drug trafficking.

Updates from the Port Authority of NJ & NJ

Founded in 1921, the Port Authority of New York and New Jersey builds, operates, and maintains many of the most important transportation and trade infrastructure assets in the country. The agency's network of aviation, ground, rail, and seaport facilities is among the busiest in the country, supports more than 550,000 regional jobs, and generates more than \$23 billion in annual wages and \$80 billion in annual economic activity. The Port Authority also owns and manages the 16-acre World Trade Center site, where the 1,776-foot-tall One World Trade Center is now the tallest skyscraper in the Western Hemisphere. The Port Authority receives no tax revenue from either the State of New York or New Jersey or from the City of New York. The agency raises the necessary funds for the improvement, construction or acquisition of its facilities primarily on its own credit. For more information, please visit <https://www.panynj.gov>.



Port Authority Doubles Electric Shuttle Bus Fleet at Airports, Becoming the Largest All-Electric Fleet on the East Coast

6 electric buses and 19 accompanying charging stations now operational at LaGuardia, Newark Liberty, and JFK airports

Agency electric bus fleet to eliminate over 1,600 tons of greenhouse gas emissions per year

The largest airport electric bus fleet on the east coast, comprising 36 buses and 19 chargers, is now fully operational three months ahead of schedule at Newark Liberty, John F. Kennedy International, and LaGuardia airports. In 2018, the Port Authority became the first public transportation agency to embrace the Paris Climate Accords and pledged to take aggressive steps to reduce greenhouse gas emissions. The Port Authority pledged then to convert its airport shuttle buses to all-electric buses by the end of 2020.

[Click here to read more](#)

Port Authority to Impose Fines for Failure to Wear Mask or Face Covering at Agency Facilities

Travelers Who Fail to Wear a Mask or Face Covering Subject to Recommended \$50 Fine Starting Monday, November 2nd.

Face Coverings Are Required at Port Authority Facilities – Including Airport Terminals, PATH Stations and Trains, AirTrain Stations and Trains, Midtown Bus Terminal, GWB Bus Station and Oculus – to Help Protect Fellow Passengers and Employees from the Spread of COVID-19

Today the Port Authority of New York and New Jersey announced that it will impose a fine for failure to wear a mask or face covering appropriately in Port Authority facilities. Travelers could be liable for the new recommended fine of \$50 effective Monday, November 2, 2020. This move is part of agency's commitment to supporting the New York and New Jersey state requirements on mask wearing in transportation facilities.

The Port Authority will continue to put primary emphasis on voluntary compliance. Since March, the agency has used public announcements, posters and digital signage, mask giveaways and education days, and one-on-one interaction to make travelers aware of the health and safety protocols established by the states of New York and New Jersey in response to the COVID-19 pandemic. For more information on the Port Authority's COVID-19 response, please visit: <https://www.panynj.gov/port-authority/en/alerts/coronavirus-updates.html>

Updates from the World of Work Zone Safety & Traffic Incident Management



Work Zone Crashes Climb During Pandemic, Even as Traffic Ebbs

pewtrusts.org - Stateline Article - October 6, 2020

Work zone crashes and fatalities have spiked in some states during the COVID-19 pandemic, despite the drop in traffic, alarming transportation and highway safety officials.

Workers patching potholes, striping roads, directing traffic or building highways are more at risk than ever, they say, as drivers zoom through work zones or are preoccupied chatting or texting on their phones.

Travel on all roads and streets dropped 40% in April and 26% in May, compared with last year, according to the Federal Highway Administration. But fatal crashes increased in some states. And while traffic volume has picked back up in recent months, work zone crews still are encountering speeders and more-distracted drivers.

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



National Traffic Incident Response Awareness Week will take place from November 9 - 15, 2020. This week is a chance for all responder communities to make a difference by educating peers and the motoring public about our common goal and responsibility for safe practices around traffic incidents.

New Jersey National TIM Awareness Week Material

Click on the links below to download the item

[TIM poster mini with dates 2020 FINAL.pdf](#)

[TIM poster mini without dates 2020 FINAL.pdf](#)

[TIM poster large with dates 2020 FINAL.pdf](#)

[TIM poster large without dates 2020 FINAL.pdf](#)

Canadian Coalition on Distracted Driving focuses on safety at crash scenes and prevention of first responder critical incident stress

OTTAWA, October 28, 2020 – The [Traffic Injury Research Foundation](#) (TIRF) released *Anatomy of a Road Crash* and *The Impact of Road Crashes on First Responders & Communities: Post-Traumatic Stress Disorder & Critical Incident Stress* in acknowledgement of National First Responders Day. These fact sheets were produced by the Canadian Coalition on Distracted Driving (CCDD), an initiative of TIRF, [Drop It And Drive®](#) (DIAD) and [The Co-operators](#). [Click here to read the full report](#)

Slow down. Move over. Be safe.

National Traffic Incident Response Awareness Week

November 9th - 15th, 2020

Make a Difference

National Traffic Incident Response Awareness Week 2020 is a chance for all responder communities to individually and jointly make a difference by teaching each other, and the motoring public, about our common goals and responsibility to one another.

In the past three years, state DOTs, Turnpike Authorities, and responder agencies and organizations marked Incident Response Week with:

- Targeted DMS messaging
- Ride-along opportunities
- Video Sharing
- Social media campaigns
- Open houses
- Special exercise activities
- Events marking the lives wasted in preventable crashes

Also, please consider an online training program from National Highway Institute (NHI) or Responder Safety Learning Network at no cost to responders!

What Are You Putting Together?

What is your police department doing? Are you working with your local fire department and emergency medical services folks? Maybe your 911 center is planning an event. We know there are towing companies and associations hooked up with partners to call attention to their shared interests! Is your AAA office or



TIM Network Has The Resources You Need
Visit timnetwork.org to for resources and ideas on:

- Opportunities for media to ride with responders or safety patrols
- Tours of your fire house, police station, EMS garage, or tow truck yard
- Set a training goal and conduct multiple TIM Responder Training courses
- Distribute outreach materials in every venue you can think of

Please tell us what you plan and share your success stories after the events by emailing Chuck Yorks at corks@gfnet.com

trucking association involved? How about the folks at your TMC?

A toolkit focused on community outreach is on the TIM Network website at: <http://timnetwork.org>.

Millions of responders are working on the roadway at traffic incident scenes, 24/7/365. Millions more motorists are passing near or through that TIM work zone. Slow down. Move Over. Be Safe.



Join the monthly planning calls! Visit: transportationops.org/tim for more details.

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



Who needs a car? Electric unicycles among new forms of micro-urban transportation

Vancouver Sun, Sept. 27, 2020 -Saville's electric unicycle is one of the new kinds of vehicles appearing more and more on streets, bike lanes, and sometimes sidewalks in the region. In the last decade, they've been joined by a whole range of new vehicles that include electric bicycles, electric skateboards with one and two wheels, electric scooters, and electric hoverboards.

Next step for a green NJ: electric trucks

njspotlight.com

A new study recommends that New Jersey ramp up the number of electric medium- and heavy-duty diesel vehicles, a step that could curtail tailpipe air pollution, especially for vulnerable populations in urban areas; save businesses money; and potentially bring down electric rates for customers.

The analysis, prepared for ChargeVC by Gabel Associates, follows on the heels of a study done two-and-a-half years ago by the same consulting firm that led the state to adopt a comprehensive program to push consumers to buy light-duty electric cars.

Reducing emissions from the transportation sector, the biggest single source of both global-warming pollution and other unhealthy air pollutants, is a key element of the state's efforts to advance its clean-energy agenda.

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

Miscellaneous Traffic Safety Points of Interest



Asbury Park Announces 'Design of Traffic Calming Measures'

patch.com

Asbury Park has been authorized by the New Jersey Department of Transportation to begin design work on "traffic calming measures" for 3rd and 4th Avenues.

The improvements are funded by \$500,000 in federal grants under the Safe Routes to School (SRTS) program in partnership with the North Jersey Transportation Planning Authority (NJTPA).

The design effort, which will be led by consulting engineering firm NV5, is anticipated to be completed by summer 2021, with construction beginning soon thereafter. Pedestrian safety measures will be focused on three main areas of resident concern:

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

New Michelin and GHSA Teen Driver Survey Data Released

A new survey of parents of U.S. teens conducted by Michelin North America Inc. and the Governors Highway Safety Association (GHSA) reveals that 62% say their child has experienced a COVID-19-related disruption in driver education and licensing, but 35% don't have a backup plan for replacing lost learning.

[Read GHSA's News Release >>](#)

Legal Update Traffic & Police Related



Some information in this newsletter is courtesy of:
Muni-Mail, 2000 Hamilton Ave. Hamilton, NJ
Kenneth Vercammen & Associates, 2053 Woodbridge Ave, Edison, NJ www.njlaws.com
<https://www.justia.com/>
<https://law.justia.com/>
Oyez
International Law Enforcement Educators and Trainers Association
Legal Information Institute, 477 Myron Taylor Hall, Cornell Law School, Ithaca, NY
Police Chief Magazine
J. Harris Academy of Police Training www.JHARRISTRAINING.com
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State v. RADEL, NJ: Appellate Div. 2020

[Docket No. A-2503-18T3.](#) [Click Here to View This Case](#)

Argued September 15, 2020. Decided October 20, 2020.

On appeal from the Superior Court of New Jersey, Law Division, Passaic County, Ind No. 16-08-0697.

Protective Sweep of a Residence

See the training section for Roll Call Training, courtesy of J. Harris Academy of Police Training, on this case

State v. Konecny Appellate Division, unpublished.

Jail always applies to criminal driving while suspended,

Defendant appealed his sentence for fourth-degree operating a motor vehicle during a period of license suspension, N.J.S.A. 2C: 40-26(b). In 1986 and 1999, defendant was convicted of driving while under the influence, N.J.S.A. 39:4-50. He was convicted in 2016 of refusing to submit to testing, N.J.S.A. 39:4-50.4a, and his driver's license was suspended for two years. While his license was suspended, he was stopped three separate times for driving with a suspended license. On April 16, 2018, defendant pled guilty to three charges of operating a motor vehicle during a period of license suspension, N.J.S.A. 2C:40-26(b). For each offense, defendant acknowledged that at the time he operated his vehicle, he knew his license was suspended. Defendant sought post-conviction relief (PCR) regarding the 1999 DWI and 2016 refusal conviction pursuant to State v. Laurick, 120 N.J. 1 (1990), arguing an uncounseled prior DWI conviction could not be used to increase a custodial term for subsequent DWI convictions. Defendant was granted PCR relief for both convictions on the basis that a DWI conviction may not be used to enhance any subsequent conviction of N.J.S.A 39:3-40 or N.J.S.A. 2C:40-26 pursuant to Laurick. On October 23, 2018, defendant was

sentenced on the driving while suspended offenses to concurrent terms of two years' probation and 180 days in jail with 180 days of parole ineligibility on each offense, plus appropriate fines and penalties.

The trial judge rejected defendant's request that he apply Laurick on the N.J.S.A. 2C:40-26(b) charges. The judge found Laurick was inapplicable as N.J.S.A. 2C:40-26 was a mandatory minimum sentence, and not an enhanced sentence. On appeal, the court affirmed the lower court's decision. The court found Laurick did not apply to convictions under N.J.S.A. 2C:40-26. The elements of the statute were satisfied and the mandatory period of incarceration applied. Source Daily Briefing 8/24/2020



[What's Happening In the News ???](#)

40% of N.J. Police Departments Carry Tasers, But Many Only Have a Few, Survey Finds

nj.com - Posted Oct 23, 2020

Roughly 40% of the state's police forces now have at least some officers carrying Tasers, according to new data released by the Office of the Attorney General.

It's the first formal survey regarding law enforcement agencies' Taser usage [since 2016](#) when only about one-quarter of them carried stun guns. The number of Tasers in the state has more than doubled during that period, from roughly 1,200 to 3,184.

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

CVSA Releases 2020 Brake Safety Week Results

During the week-long commercial vehicle safety campaign, 12% of the 43,565 commercial motor vehicles inspected were removed from service for brake-related violations

[Read more >>](#)

Congressional Research Service Report: Safety Impact of Speed and Red Light Cameras

This in-depth report looks at the use of Automated Traffic Enforcement (ATE) tools for the purpose of increasing traffic safety

[Read the report >>](#)

Everyone is a Pedestrian' Resources

A series of support resources have been developed to support the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration webinar presentation for the first Pedestrian Safety Month. [Access the resources here >>](#)



Training Events

*****Note – The list of training classes is 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



Today's Tip for October 27, 2020 Passenger Side Approaches on Traffic tops

Gordon Graham here with Today's Tip from Lexipol.

Gordan Graham here with Today's Tip from Lexipol. Today's Tip is for my law enforcement friends and deals with passenger-side vehicle approaches. [Click here to access this tip of the day](#)



Today's Tip for October 20, 2020 Social Media Best Practices for Public Safety

Gordon Graham here with Today's Tip from Lexipol.

Today's tip is for all public safety members during the upcoming election. An unbiased reputation is key to maintaining trust and confidence. Don't let the drama affect your professional reputation or the reputation of your agency. [Click here to access this tip of the day](#)



Today's Tip for October 13, 2020 How to Combat First Responder Burnout

Gordon Graham here with Today's Tip from Lexipol.

Today I am talking to my friends in [law enforcement](#). I am talking about [burnout](#). And I'm going to offer some suggestions on how you can combat it. This is something that affects the quality of your life both during and after your career. [Click here to access this tip of the day](#)



Today's Tip for October 6, 2020 Law Enforcement Use of Recording Devices

Gordon Graham here with Today's Tip from Lexipol.

Today's Tip is for all my friends in law enforcement. It has to do with using portable recording devices. Whether using in-car video systems or body-worn cameras, these devices should be utilized to document interactions with the public early and often. [Click here to access this tip of the day](#)



J. Harris Academy of Police Training Roll Call Training: State v. RADEL, NJ 2020 Protective Sweep of a Residence

The Scenario:

Your officers arrive at a residence to serve an Order of Forfeiture. The order was issued to seize a handgun due to a conviction for "unlawful possession of a weapon".

During the preparation for service, it was also discovered that the party named in the order has two, outstanding municipal court warrants.

The team of officers arrive at the residence and execute the warrants. The named party named was arrested as he exited his home and placed a laundry basket in his car. Throughout the incident, the arrestee was compliant.

Once the party was safely taken into custody, the police conducted a protective sweep of his home out of a concern there might be others inside, along with the handgun they had come to retrieve.

After entering the dwelling, police observed in plain sight a black handgun in a glass cabinet, a ballistics vest, and drug paraphernalia. No other person was inside. Some officers then left to seek out a search warrant while others remained behind to secure the premises until the warrant was obtained. A judge issued a search warrant, and the subsequent search led to the seizure of weapons and other evidence.

The Question:

Was the entry of the home to conduct a "protective sweep" permissible?

[Click Here to View This Case](#)

The Answer:

The Court Decision:

In order to justify a protective sweep, the following criteria must be satisfied:

- (1) law enforcement officers are lawfully within the private premises for a legitimate purpose, which may include consent to enter; and
- (2) the officers on the scene have a reasonable [and] articulable suspicion that the area to be swept harbors an individual posing a danger.

Since the arrest of the suspect occurred outside, the first prong to justify a protective sweep was not met; therefore, the entry was not proper.

Remember:

State mandates may vary in similar situations based on specific case law relative to your specific state. Officers must also follow their own policy and procedure in these situations.

These Roll Call Training Segments should be utilized by supervisors and officers as discussion points. Find specific case law for these situations that are specific to your state and/or agency.

Webinar Training Events



Talking TIM Webinar Series: November 2020

Date: November 2, 2020
Times: 1:00 pm to 3:00 pm EDT
Cost: Free

The Committee on Transportation Systems Operations (CTSO) and the National Operations Center of Excellence (NOCoE) are pleased to announce a new CTSS TSMO Roundtable Webinar hosted by NOCoE. The next roundtable, TSMO Project Selection & Prioritization Best Practices.

The roundtable will provide peers an opportunity to share experiences on how specific TSMO projects are selected to meet the root needs of mobility, safety, and congestion (recurrent versus nonrecurrent). Key questions that will be considered will include: Of the many TSMO strategies that exist, which ones should be applied? How can I maximize the effectiveness of TSMO strategies I currently employ? What strategies produce greater (synergistic) benefits when combined with other strategies?

The panel will be moderated by Monica Harwood from the Washington State DOT. Panelists include:

- » Kelli Raboy, DC DOT
- » Jed Falgren, Minnesota DOT
- » Rod Schilling, Nevada DOT
- » TBD, Wisconsin DOT

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

At the Intersection of Safety + Race + Transportation

Date: November 6, 2020
Time: 2:30 pm to 3:30 pm ET
Cost: Free

Organization: Transportation Research and Education Center (TREC)

Transportation policies at the local, regional, state and national levels have a direct impact on urban land use and development patterns.

Transportation intersections with multiple areas including public health, education, climate change, physical activity, health outcomes, build environment, violence, safety, social cohesion and the wellness of communities. For the health outcomes influenced by transportation, disparities exist by race, ethnicity, and socioeconomic status in Multnomah County.

Disproportionate exposure to injury, air pollution, and noise contributes to inequitable burdens of injuries and chronic disease among race and ethnic groups. This is exacerbated by lack of access to safe places for active transportation and lack of safe access to destinations that support health such as jobs, schools, and healthcare.

According to an analysis conducted by the Health Department, the REACH focus population faces safety issues from both traffic crashes and concerns for personal security. These exposures result in a disproportionate burden of injury and chronic disease. Black/African Americans residents in Multnomah county die from traffic crash injuries at higher rates than white residents, about 1.8 times higher from 2013-2017. Compared to their White counterparts, more deaths are observed from chronic diseases among African Americans than expected: 24% more from heart disease, 68% more from stroke, and 32% more from cancer.

The cost of health inequalities in Multnomah County is an estimated \$442 million annually, including \$332 million from premature death, \$92 million in direct health care costs, and \$18 million in indirect costs of illness.

The Oregon Health Authority estimated that implementing Metro's Climate Smart Strategy would avoid \$100 million in treatment costs annually.

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

Link: <https://trec.pdx.edu/events/professional-development/friday-transportation-seminar-11062020>



CARMA Webinar Series: CARMA Cloud and CARMA Streets

Date: November 10, 2020
Times: 1:00 pm to 2:30 pm EDT
Cost: Free

CARMA is a United States Department of Transportation (USDOT) program developed by the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) involved in advancing research and development of cooperative driving automation (CDA) with the objective of accelerating market readiness and deployment. CDA enables automated vehicles (AVs) to communicate between vehicles, infrastructure devices, and road users, such as pedestrians and cyclists. The webinar will introduce two products of the CARMA Ecosystem, CARMA Cloud, and CARMA Streets. CARMA Cloud is a cloud-based management of transportation systems. CARMA Streets is a vehicle-to-infrastructure roadside platform. The webinar also presents what is next in the CARMA program. Register today to learn how your organizations can implement CARMA products to enrich your transportation research. [Click here to register for this webinar](#)

Date: November 12, 2020
Times: 1:30 pm to 3:00 pm EDT
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. This month we will cover the following:

- ***The National Sheriff's Association Role in TIM*** – Sheriff John Whetsel, the Chair of the National Sheriff's Association (NSA) Traffic Safety Committee, will highlight local law enforcement roles and challenges in the practice of TIM. He will also discuss NSA efforts to advance responder safety. This is a part of the "Meet the Executive Leadership Group" series.
- ***Slow Down, Move Over State Legislation, a Firsthand Perspective*** – Linda Unruh was instrumental in New Mexico expanding the Slow Down Move Over Law through Bobby's Law, named in honor of her son, who was killed in the line of duty in 2017. Her mission is to save lives through education, awareness, and training, and to establish a National Slow Down Move Over law to unite and highlight the need for public education and safety for first responders in all 50 States.
- ***Highlights from National Traffic Incident Response Awareness Week*** – Jim Austrich, FHWA Program Manager, will highlight innovative efforts to commemorate National Traffic Incident Response Awareness Week and bring greater awareness to the motoring public.
- ***The TIM Benefit Cost Tool*** – Traffic Incident Management Benefit-Cost (TIM-BC) Tool can be applied to assess the cost and benefits of various traffic incident management (TIM) strategies such as safety service patrols. Learn more about how this tool can help your TIM program demonstrate value.

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

[Paul Jodoin](#) and [Jim Austrich](#), FHWA Office of Operations, organize and moderate this webinar series hosted by the National Operations Center of Excellence (NOCoe). To view previous topics in this webinar series, please visit the FHWA sponsored [Talking TIM](#) webinar site.

Too Fast for Conditions: A Conversation on Speeding

Date: November 12, 2020
Times: 3:00 pm to 4:00 pm EST
Cost: Free

Join the Governors Highway Safety Association for a roundtable discussion on speeding trends during the pandemic, state and local efforts to address this issue and the opportunities and challenges presented by automated speed enforcement.

[Register here >>](#)

National TSRP “Traffic Tuesday” Sessions: Common Defense Challenges in DUI Cases & How to Combat Them

Date: November 17, 2020
Times: 2:00 pm to 3:30 pm
Cost: Free

This presentation will train and expose prosecutors and officers on the most common defense challenges to DUI cases. It will discuss case law regarding DUI cases in general and explain how to effectively argue against and or avoid these common defense challenges in DUI cases. Finally, it will provide a legal basis for the argument against such common defense issues and teach both prosecutors and officers how to overcome these challenges and be more successful in DUI trials.

<https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/7712976618891246094>



NHTSA Office of EMS - Staying Safe on the Road: How You Can Help Make Ambulances Safer and Prevent Crashes

Date: November 18, 2020
Times: 2:00 pm 8
Cost: Free

Too often, EMS clinicians and patients are injured or killed in crashes involving ambulances. Even when no one is hurt, crashes or mechanical problems can cause delays in care when patients need it most. Finding ways to prevent these issues is critical to making EMS as safe as possible for clinicians, their patients and the public, and sharing information about crashes or problems with ambulances can help prevent future incidents.

In this webinar, you'll have a chance to hear about two programs at NHTSA that are working to make ambulances and other emergency response vehicles safer. You'll learn:

- How to report possible defects with ambulances and other vehicles to make sure they are cataloged, analyzed and addressed before causing serious harm
- What NHTSA has learned from decades of investigating serious ambulance crashes
- How you can access previous crash investigations and request help from NHTSA's team of crash investigators

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



Using GIS for Data Dashboards - Oregon Transportation Safety Data Explorer

Date: November 18, 2020
Time: 1:00 pm to 2:00 pm ET
Cost: Free

Members of the Oregon Department of Transportation (DOT) will discuss their efforts to develop the Oregon Transportation Safety Data Explorer (OTSDE). OTSDE is an interactive web based GIS tool, accessible both internally and externally, designed for users of every skill level. OTSDE provides the users with information about transportation safety in Oregon. Available data include recorded transportation problem areas, current and future safety improvement projects, bicycle and pedestrian safety information, and the most recent five years of reported vehicle crash data.

OTSDE has three main areas of business use: identifying corridors, filtering and extracting crash data, and multi-modal active transportation projects. The tool uses ESRI “out of the box” functionality to create a user interface that does not require ArcGIS skills, instead providing users with the power to interact with data through the use of “widgets”. Users can view and filter crash data, screen network data, and access transportation data for crash data analysis, traffic safety investigations, multi-modal analysis, and TSP (Transportation System Plan) reviews.

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

Link: <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/using-gis-for-data-dashboards-oregon-transportation-safety-data-explorer-registration-125320628373>



UAS for Traffic Monitoring Applications

Date: December 3, 2020
Times: 2:30 pm to 4:00 pm
Cost: Free

The objective of this webinar is to explore emerging uses of UAS to support traffic management functions. UASs are being increasingly used by DOTs nationwide to perform various traffic management functions including enhancing traffic counts and classification, incident detection and monitoring, fixed site performance monitoring (e.g., intersections), “hot spot” traffic surveillance, enhancing traffic management center functions, etc. In this webinar, some example applications of UAS from some of these agencies will be presented.

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

Date: December 9 & 10, 2020
Times: 8:00 am to 10:00 am
Cost: Free

Using a multi-discipline approach, first responders in New Jersey will learn how to operate more efficiently and collaborate. The training covers topics including TIM guidelines, fundamentals, and terminology; notifications and scene size up; scene safety and risk management; traffic management; special circumstances; clearance; and termination.

This course is open to all traffic-incident first responders, including personnel in law enforcement, fire fighting, emergency medical services (EMS), public safety, public works, towing and recovery, and hazardous materials (HAZMAT).

<https://cait.rutgers.edu/event/njltap-traffic-incident-management-training-for-emergency-responders-december/>

National TSRP “Traffic Tuesday” Sessions: EDR Basics for Prosecutors & Law Enforcement

Date: December 15, 2020
Times: 2:00 pm to 3:30 pm
Cost: Free

In DUI Manslaughter & Vehicular Homicide Cases, some of the most critical information in determining causation is related to a suspect’s vehicle and the dynamics of that vehicle’s motion and speed. Such information is often readily available to prosecutors, and law enforcement as most modern vehicles are equipped with a “black box” known as an “Electronic Data Recorder” or EDR. However, many prosecutors and law enforcement are unfamiliar with the specifics of this technology and how it can assist in these important cases.

This session will explain the basics of EDR technology so that both prosecutors and law enforcement will be familiar with the types of data such devices record, which vehicles are equipped with such devices, and how one is able to accurately and reliably obtain this crucial information from EDRs. It will also examine case studies to explain how such EDR technology and the data provided by such technology can be useful to both prosecutors and law enforcement to enhance the investigation and prosecution of DUI Manslaughter & Vehicular Homicide Cases.

<https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/4186574547929151502>

Date: December 15, 2020
Times: 1:30 pm to 3:00 pm EDT
Cost: Free

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



Moving FoRRRwD with Safety Action Plans: Statewide, Regional, and Local

Date: December 17, 2020
Times: 1:00 pm to 3:00 pm EDT
Cost: Free

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Registration: <https://collaboration.fhwa.dot.gov/dot/fhwa/WC/Lists/Seminars/DispForm.aspx?ID=2562>

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There is a flyer with more information in the Appendix of this newsletter.

National TSRP “Traffic Tuesday” Sessions: The Opioid Epidemic & Impaired Driving

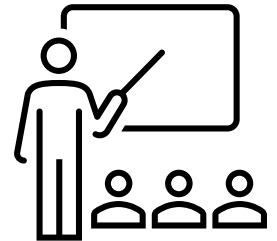
Date: January 19, 2020
Times: 2:00 pm to 3:30 pm
Cost: Free

The U.S. federal government declared a national public health emergency in October 2017, to address the national opioid crisis. This was a result of the unprecedented number of deaths due to drug overdoses in 2015 and 2016 with a majority of those involving opioids. While drug overdose deaths due to the opioid epidemic have been extensively covered, relatively little has been reported on the impact to drug impaired driving. Data on the rise of fentanyl and other opioids in impaired driving casework will be presented along with a review of toxicology analysis, opioid impairment, case reports and the poly-pharmacy commonly observed with these cases.

<https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/5131372796284240655>

Person to Person – Live Training Events

*****Please check with the training provider to ensure that the scheduled classes are still taking place.***



DCJ - Police Traffic RADAR Instructor Refresher Courses

<u>Date</u>	<u>Location</u>
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](#)



LIDAR Operators Class LASER Speed Enforcement Operators Course

Measurably Superior®

Date: Tuesday, December 1, 2020
Location: Passaic County Police Academy, Wayne
Start time: 9:00 AM
Cost: Free

Class size is limited due to COVID Restrictions. This is a LASER Speed Enforcement Operator's Course (also known as LIDAR). It is a one-day course involving both classroom and hands-on practical exercises outside.

The course is geared for the Laser Technology Inc (LTI) 20-20 products such as the UltraLyte, TruSpeed®, and TruSpeed® S and TruSpeed® SX series of laser units. It follows the New Jersey case law regulating Laser Speed Enforcement. Each student will receive a workbook at the class.

Upon completion of the 80 hours of unsupervised operation of your lidar device and submission of documentation, operator's cards from LTI will be issued. The prerequisite for this course is that you be a certified RADAR operator.

This class is co-hosted by the Passaic County Police Academy and the Passaic County Traffic Officers Association. It is sponsored by LTI (Laser Technology Inc) and is free of charge.

Contact the Academy to register for this class. You must pre-register and receive a confirmation to attend this class. No walk-ins are allowed



LIDAR Operators Class LASER Speed Enforcement Operators Course

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Date: Tuesday, December 8, 2020
Location: Morris County Public Safety Training Academy, Morristown
Start time: 9:00 AM
Cost: Free

Class size is limited due to COVID Restrictions. This is a LASER Speed Enforcement Operator's Course (also known as LIDAR). It is a one-day course involving both classroom and hands-on practical exercises outside.

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Upon completion of the 80 hours of unsupervised operation of your lidar device and submission of documentation, operator's cards from LTI will be issued. Prerequisite for this course is that you be a certified RADAR operator.

This class is hosted by the Morris County Public Safety Training Academy and sponsored by LTI (Laser Technology Inc) and is free of charge.

To register for this class, contact Rich Maxwell at rmax@att.net or (732) 567-7431

You must pre-register and receive a confirmation to attend this class. No walk-ins are allowed.

Patch / Department of the Month

This is a new section of our monthly newsletter. If you would like your agency's patch highlighted here, please forward a digital image of the patch along with some background information on the patch and your agency to Rich Maxwell at rmaxwell@njptoa.org

History of the South Brunswick Police Department

The following is an excerpt for the South Brunswick Township's website.

In the early 1930s, the township started with a non-paid constable. In 1935, they appointed police officers and a part-time Chief. The officers would patrol the township in their own cars and supplied their own uniforms and sidearm.

Police Headquarters was in the Chief of Police's home until 1951 when it was moved to the old Monmouth Junction School, sharing space with the court and first aid squad.

On June 15, 1960, the police department acquired two police cars.

On December 19, 1962, by ordinance, the township started a full-time police department

On August 22, 1968, the police acquired RADAR to intercept speeders.

In October 1969, the police dept received a federal grant of over \$45,000.00 for training officers in traffic investigations and other duties. The fund was labeled "Traffic Safety Operation."

On February 16, 1970, the police department received a Stephenson Model 900 Breathalyzer.

On January 28, 1971, the police department received another federal grant for "Traffic Safety Operation," which is when they formed their Traffic Safety Bureau.

On September 13, 1972, two police cars had VASCAR installed in them for speed enforcement.

[Click here to go to the department's history web page for much more detail](#)



Quote of the month

"When it comes to public safety, I listen to police chiefs and cops, not to a cable-news station." Eric Garcetti

Eric Garcetti is an American politician serving as the 42nd and current mayor of Los Angeles since 2013. A member of the Democratic Party.

Next scheduled meeting is on November 4th

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 & Healthy

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.

Appendix

Newsletter Information

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

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NJPTOA Member Agencies Delinquent 2020 Due List

Local Agencies

Berkley Hts. PD	Union County	Region 4
Berlin Twp. PD	Camden County	Region 6
Carteret PD	Middlesex County	Region 4
Clinton Twp. PD	Hunterdon County	Region 4
Dunellen PD	Middlesex County	Region 4
East Windsor PD	Mercer County	Region 4
Elizabeth PD	Union County	Region 4
Freehold Twp. PD	Monmouth County	Region 5
Frenchtown PD	Hunterdon County	Region 4
Gibbsboro PD	Camden County	Region 6
Lacey Twp PD	Ocean County	Region 5
Laurel Springs PD	Camden County	Region 6
Lower Alloways Creek PD	Salem County	Region 6
Maplewood PD	Essex County	Region 2
Margate City PD	Atlantic County	Region 7
Matawan Borough PD	Monmouth County	Region 5
Mendham Twp PD	Morris County	Region 3
Metuchen PD	Middlesex County	Region 4
North Haledon PD	Passaic County	Region 3
Northfield PD	Atlantic County	Region 7
Old Bridge Twp PD	Middlesex County	Region 4
Paterson PD	Passaic County	Region 3
Penns Grove PD	Salem County	Region 6
Pennsauken Twp. PD	Camden County	Region 6
Perth Amboy PD	Middlesex County	Region 4
Rahway PD	Union County	Region 4
Robinsville Twp. PD	Mercer County	Region 4
Roseland Boro PD	Essex County	Region 2
Rumson Twp. PD	Monmouth County	Region 5
South Bound Brook PD	Somerset County	Region 4
Springfield PD	Union County	Region 4
Washington Twp. PD	Warren County	Region 3
Wayne Twp PD	Passaic County	Region 3
West Milford PD	Passaic County	Region 3
West Orange PD	Essex County	Region 2

County Agencies

Morris County Park PD	Morris County	Region 3
Morris County Sheriff's Dept	Morris County	Region 3
Passaic County Sheriff Dept.	Passaic County	Region 3
Somerset County Sheriff Dept	Somerset County	Region 4

State Agencies

NJ Institute of Technology PD	Essex County	Region 2
NJ Department of Transportation		Region 8
NJ Motor Vehicle Commission		Region 8

Regional Agency

Delaware River Port Auth PD	Camden County	Region 6
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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.**

Copies of purchase orders can be mailed, faxed to 856-783-0012, or scanned and emailed to MWILSON@NJPTOA.ORG

30 People will die today in a Rural Roadway Departure – Let's save the people behind the numbers



Moving FoRRRwD with Safety Action Plans: Statewide, Regional, and Local

An FHWA EDC-5 Webinar in collaboration with NLTAPA and the National Center for Rural Road Safety

December 17, 2020

1:00-3:00 pm ET/10:00 am-12:00 pm PT

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

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****FHWA recommends using Microsoft Edge or Internet Explorer for optimal registration experience.****

Questions? Please do not hesitate to contact support contractor, Jennifer Symoun, *toXcel*, jennifer.symoun@toxcel.com



UPDATED Wednesday, October 28, 2020

LICENSING CENTERS AND VEHICLE CENTERS

Many services are now offered by appointment ONLY.

The following Vehicle Centers are appointment only. You should only visit one of these locations if you have an [appointment](#).

Cherry Hill	Hazlet
Jersey City	Lakewood
Manahawkin	Medford
Somerville	Springfield
Turnersville	Wallington

Do I need an appointment to visit other locations?

It depends on what transaction you need. The following transactions **require** an appointment:

- [Vehicle Registration/Title](#) (use [this link](#) if you are over 65 for more options)
- [Out of State Transfer](#) (license and/or registration)
- [CDL Renewal](#)
- [Registration Renewal](#) (if ineligible to renew online)
- [Driver knowledge test](#)
- [Road test](#)

Other transactions that require an in-person visit can be done by going to either a Vehicle Center (for vehicle transactions) or a Licensing Center (for license transactions). Check NJMVC.gov to determine where you should go.

What are “Licensing Centers” and “Vehicle Centers”?

In order to maintain social distancing, some agencies have been designated as [Licensing Centers](#) and some as [Vehicle Centers](#).

In **Vehicle Centers**, we are processing **vehicle transactions only**:

- New registrations/titles (including transfers) for individuals – [requires an appointment](#).

- Dealer & Salvage registrations/titles in bulk.
- License plate transactions.
- Renewals for registrations that expired more than 6 months ago – [requires an appointment](#).
- **No renewals for unexpired registrations**, that can be done online at NJMVC.gov.
- **No license transactions.**

In **Licensing Centers**, we are processing **license transactions** only:

- First-time licenses and permits (REAL ID will be an option).
- Out-of-state transfers – [requires an appointment](#).
- CDLs, TVRs (temporary visa restricted licenses), and any license renewals not eligible for online renewal.
- REAL ID, only if:
 - You have an email verifying your appointment was cancelled;
 - You are due for renewal of your standard license;
 - You are transferring your license to NJ from another state; or
 - You are a first-time licensee.
- **No other REAL ID walk-ins will be allowed.**
- **No renewals, replacements, or changes of address.** Those can be done online at NJMVC.gov.
- **No vehicle transactions: no registration or title work.**

Everyone who enters an MVC facility will be required to wear a face covering. If a customer cannot wear a face covering, MVC will make other arrangements for their transaction.



For Immediate Release:

October 29, 2020

Contact: Steve Schapiro (NJDOT) (609) 963-1975

Caryn Shinske (DEP) (609) 984-1795

NJDOT, DEP remind drivers to be extra cautious as deer mating season begins, daylight hours get shorter

(Trenton) – As deer mating season is approaching and daylight savings is underway, the New Jersey Department of Transportation and the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection’s Division of Fish and Wildlife are reminding motorists to drive with extra caution and watch for white-tailed deer.

Deer are more likely to suddenly run onto roadways during this time of year – known as the fall rut – as bucks pursue does, risking the possibility of colliding with a vehicle. Increased deer activity is more likely to occur in the early morning and around sunset, when visibility may be difficult.

“Deer are involved in thousands of collisions with motor vehicles in New Jersey each year, with the highest number occurring during the fall mating season,” Division of Fish and Wildlife Director Dave Golden said. “We urge all drivers to be especially alert to the possibility of deer suddenly darting onto roadways and to be aware of things they can do to reduce the risk of a collision and possible serious injury to themselves or their passengers.”

Peak mating season for deer in New Jersey runs from late October throughout November and into mid-December in all areas of the state.

Being extra vigilant for deer will become even more important when daylight saving time ends at 2 a.m. on Sunday, Nov. 1. Many commutes will then align with the periods when deer are most active, and lighting conditions may be the most difficult for driving.

Reduced lighting as well as sun glare can make it very difficult for drivers to see deer that are about to cross the road. In addition, multiple deer may cross the road at any moment, usually in single file.

These tips can help motorists stay safe during the fall rut:

- Slow down if you see a deer and watch for possible sudden movement. If the deer is in the road and doesn’t move, wait for the deer to cross and the road is clear. Do not try to drive around the deer.
- Watch for “Deer Crossing” signs. Slow down when traveling through areas known to have a high concentration of deer so you have enough time to stop, if necessary.
- Use high beams after dark if there is no oncoming traffic or vehicles ahead. High beams will be reflected by the eyes of deer on or near roads. If you see one deer, assume that others may be in the area.
- Don’t tailgate. The driver ahead might have to stop suddenly to avoid colliding with a deer.
- Always wear a seatbelt, as required by law. Drive at a safe and sensible speed, factoring for weather, available lighting, traffic, curves and other road conditions.

- Do not swerve to avoid impact if a collision appears inevitable. The deer may counter-maneuver suddenly. Brake appropriately and stay in your lane. Collisions are more likely to become fatal when a driver swerves to avoid a deer and instead collides with oncoming traffic or a fixed structure along the road.
- Report any deer-vehicle collision to a local law enforcement agency immediately.
- Obey the state’s hands-free device law or refrain from using cellular devices while driving.

For NJDOT news, follow us on Twitter [@NJDOT_info](#) and on our [Facebook page](#).

For more information about white-tailed deer in New Jersey, visit www.njfishandwildlife.com/deer.htm.

Like the Division of Fish and Wildlife’s Facebook page at www.facebook.com/NJFishandWildlife/.

Follow the Division of Fish and Wildlife on Instagram @newjerseyfishandwildlife.

Follow the DEP on Twitter @NewJerseyDEP.

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