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Governor's Conference on Highway Safety

Strategies Toward Zero

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We hope to see you in Wisconsin Dells at the Governor's Conference on Highway Safety. The TIME program has developed and will present 12 different presentations at the conference.

Please visit the conference website for details and registration.

Mike's Minute



I hope you are all having an enjoyable summer! The ETO/TIME team has been extremely busy promoting traffic incident management at numerous first responder conferences. So far in 2022, we have attended nine conferences with many of the conference sponsors being TIME Coalition members. We have met many supporters of traffic incident management and the WisDOT TIME program. As always, we appreciate your continued support! Looking forward to the WI Chiefs of Police and the WI Governor's Conference on Highway Safety in August!

A special thank you to all the agencies that have sponsored TIM training classes in 2022. We appreciate all that you have done for the TIME program. As of July 27, we have completed/scheduled "33" classes. Finally, a special thank you to all our volunteer instructors. Across the state we are very fortunate to have "100+" instructors dedicated to first responder safety.

Thank you for continuing to serve...stay safe, Mike

Wisconsin TIME Progress

Total to be Trained

39,698

July 2020 40.2%

July 2021 43.6%

July 2022 48.0%

National Goal is 55%

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Train-the-Trainer Course



The Wisconsin Department of Transportation's (WisDOT) Traffic Incident Management Enhancement (TIME) program is once again looking for new Traffic Incident Management (TIM) instructors.

Do you believe the proper application of TIM principles at an incident scene makes all responders safer? Do you believe that TIM principles result in the quicker clearance of an incident? Do you want to teach your fellow responders these valuable tools? Then the TIME program would like you to join their ranks of instructors. The program currently has 102 TIME trained instructors from every region of the state, but we can always use more – the more diverse the instructor pool, the better the training for the responders.

The requirements for becoming and remaining a TIME program Instructor are 1.) You must attend the eight-hour FHWA "Train-the-Trainer" instructor program, and 2.) You are asked to teach at least one four-hour responder class per year (to remain current with the material).

All TIM instructors are 100 percent volunteer. The program does not have any funds available to compensate instructors for their time or travel. That is why we value their dedication to the program. They are volunteering their time for one reason, to teach fellow responders how to make an incident scene the safest possible. We always try and have two instructors from different disciplines at each four-hour class, with one of the instructors being from the discipline of the requesting agency. That's why we need a large pool of instructors from all corners of the state.

The TIME program will be hosting a "Train-the-Trainer" course on **Saturday**, **October 8**, **2022 from 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.** at the **Administration Building of the Spooner Fire Department**, **located at 1407 N. Front Street**, **Spooner**, **WI 54801**. There is no **cost to attend the training**. The TIME program will provide lunch and all teaching materials. Please consider becoming a TIM instructor. It can be very rewarding!

Please submit an application to attend the training by September 26, 2022.

Traffic Management Center (TMC) - 2021 Annual Report

WRONG-WAY DRIVERS

Wrong-way driver (WWD) detection stations deployed in Milwaukee County are integrated into the advanced transportation management system (ATMS) at the TMC and operators and the Milwaukee County Sheriff Office receive notifications when WWDs are detected. In other parts of the state, first responders notify the TMC of WWD events. When the TMC receives such notifications, the operators leverage nearby dynamic message signs (DMS) and deploy messages for upstream motorist awareness that a vehicle is driving in the opposite direction of travel. This added awareness can help to reduce the likeliness of crashes. In 2021, there were 475 WWD events of which the TMC was aware and responded to, as applicable, which is a slight increase from 2020. Continued coordination with the regions and first responders through the Traffic Incident Management Enhancement (TIME) program will further improve awareness and response surrounding WWD events.



National Move Over Day





This year's National Move Over Day is on Saturday, October 15, 2022. Every minute of every day emergency responders across Wisconsin work tirelessly to help save lives at the scene of traffic incidents. Across the country every year hundreds of emergency responders representing fire, law enforcement, emergency medical services, towing and transportation agencies are struck and either injured or killed while responding. This day is a national effort to raise awareness about the need for the motoring public to move over for responders working on the side of our roads.

Since 2018, Wisconsin has participated in this national event. The TIME program requests that responders all across the state participate in the effort. All that is requested is that you take a photo of some of your staff, personalize a message to show the importance of moving over for responders working on the side of the road and then post the photo(s) on your social media sites on October 15. Some of the messages included in past years have been "Our lives depend on you to #MoveOver or #SlowDown," "Protect us so we can protect you!" and "I want to see my kids graduate." It is an easy and inexpensive way to show the public that there is a real person in that uniform. Please place a reminder on your calendar. We will also send you an email reminder as the date gets closer.

We have received some great photos with messages over past years and would like to see Wisconsin responders take it to the next level. We will also be asking the 18 member TIME Coalition to send this request to all of their membership. Altogether, that is over 39,000 responders in the state.

Crash Responder Safety Week

Crash Responder Safety Week (CRSW) is being held from November 14-18, 2022. This year's theme is "Respect Your Roadside Heroes." As in years past, WisDOT and the TIME program are supporting this effort to remind motorists nationwide of the dangers responders face every day while working in or around live traffic.

CRSW is a chance for all responder communities to make a difference individually and jointly by teaching each other, and the motoring public, about our common goals and responsibility to one another. Public education and effective TIM practices that alert drivers and prepare them to react properly when encountering emergency scenes, including moving over and slowing down, keep motorists safe, reduce needless secondary crashes, and save lives. The goal of Crash Responder Awareness Week is to reach out to every emergency responder, every driver, and every passenger, to educate them in how to play their part in ensuring safe responses at roadway incident scenes.

In Wisconsin, WisDOT and our first responder agencies and organizations are marking CRSW with:

Governor's Proclamation, Targeted DMS Messaging, Social Media, Podcasts, Ride Alongs, TIM Training Classes,
 First Responder Experiences and possibly, the lighting of the Hoan Bridge

Wisconsin Department of Transportation Internal Connected and Automated Vehicle Law Enforcement and First Responder Subcommittee Update

The Wisconsin Department of Transportation (WisDOT) Internal Connected and Automated Vehicle (iCAV) Law Enforcement and First Responder Subcommittee has been working on initiatives to support the need to provide information on connected and automated vehicles (CAVs) to our first responder partners.

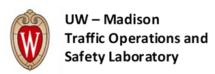
Department of Justice Law Enforcement Update Training

The WisDOT has been working on a recorded module to help support the Department of Justice law enforcement update training, which will be available later this summer. The goal is to create a module to provide basic information on CAVs, information on existing Wisconsin CAV-related laws, and to show current infrastructure initiatives to prepare for future CAVs.



CAV First Responder Training and Racine Badger Shuttle Demonstration

The WisDOT is partnering with the University of Wisconsin Traffic Operations and Safety Laboratory (UW TOPS Lab) to pilot a CAV training session, which will include CAV background information, legal status of CAVs, and managing incident scenes that include a CAV. In addition to the training, the UW TOPS Lab will provide background information on the Racine Badger Shuttle, also known as the "Badger," the first fully automated vehicle deployed in Wisconsin. Participants will also have the opportunity for a short ride in the Badger to see how the technology operates.





WisDOT will ask the participants to provide feedback on the training from the perspective of first responders. The goal of this training is to ultimately include a CAV component into the statewide traffic incident management (TIM) training that WisDOT hosts.

The Badger Shuttle is headquartered at the Gateway Technical College in Racine and cannot be transferred to other locations. Therefore, the goal is to also incorporate a video as part of the TIM training so other first responders can get a better understanding of how an automated vehicle operates.

Governor's Conference on Highway Safety

The WisDOT iCAV Law Enforcement and First Responder Subcommittee will also be presenting at the Governor's Conference on Highway Safety at the end of August. The presentation will include updates on current and future CAV initiatives.



New Car Safety Technology and an Aging Driver Population

A short personal experience from ETO/TIME PM Mike Jungbluth...

Well after waiting six months, I finally took delivery of my new vehicle that is loaded with safety options. The salesman spent over an hour teaching me how to use all the safety options and how to adjust their settings. While I am comfortable with technology, some of the safety features take a little time getting used to. Being a driver for 47 years, checking a blind spot before a turn is now replaced by cameras feeds to instrument cluster. Lane keep assist and lane follow assist keep me at a safe distance, adjust my speed, and keep me in my lane. I must admit - it's a strange feeling having the steering wheel move and the brakes/acceleration applied automatically! As I drive this vehicle, I am fortunate to enjoy technology and this enhances my driving experience, but what about the aging population that struggles with technology (i.e. my wonderful wife)? When a crash occurs, how does this new technology and the failure to understand how to use it impact our first responders? A quick FYI—this vehicle also has cameras embedded in the dash to monitor my level of distraction (i.e. attention level). More experiences in our next newsletter....

2022 Fall Regional TIME Meetings



October 19, 2022 9:00 a.m. – 11:30 a.m. Southwest Region Microsoft Teams Meeting





October 20, 2022 9:30 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. Northwest Region Microsoft Teams Meeting



October 27, 2022 9:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m. Southeast Region Microsoft Teams Meeting



November 3, 2022 9:00 a.m. – 11:30 a.m. Northeast Region Microsoft Teams Meeting



November 10, 2022 9:30 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. North Central Region Microsoft Teams Meeting

The meeting agendas will be sent out a week before the meeting. If you are unable to attend the meeting in your region, please feel free to join another region's TIME meeting. We look forward to your participation!

Special Events and Conferences



July 2022
No events or conferences

August 2022

Wisconsin Chiefs of Police Conference (8/7-8/10) Governors' Conference on Highway Safety (8/29-8/31)

September 2022

National Preparedness Month
Drive Sober or Get Pulled Over National Mobilization (8/17-9/5)
Towing Industry Awareness Week (9/5-9/9)
Child Passenger Safety Week (9/18-9/24)
Rail Safety Week (9/19-9/25)
Mutual Aid Box Alarm System Conference (9/22-9/24)

October 2022

Wisconsin Towns Association Conference (10/9-10/11)
National Move Over Day (10/15)

November 2022

Crash Responder Safety Week (11/14-11/18)
Winter Awareness Week (11/14-11/18)
Snowplow Driver Appreciation Day (11/28)

December 2022

Impaired Driving Prevention Month

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