

The Wisconsin Responder



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Interested in hosting a free Traffic Incident Management class?

This 4-hour class is recommended for ALL incident responders. It will include training on WisDOT's Emergency Traffic Control and Scene Management Guidelines. These Guidelines provide incident responders within the state of Wisconsin a uniform approach to emergency traffic control and scene management. Having a uniform approach will help provide the safest possible work environment for all incident responders, minimize the risk for secondary crashes and aid in clearing an incident in a quick and effective manner.



Please contact Sr. Program Assistant Naydene Olson at naydene.olson@dot.wi.gov if you are interested in setting up a training.

Mike's Minute



MICHAEL JUNGBLUTH
ETO/TIME Program Manager

2023 is off to a very productive start! Requests for TIM classes are getting back to pre-pandemic levels. As always, we appreciate the ongoing support of our volunteer instructors. They are extremely committed to the TIME Program mission, and their dedication should not go unnoticed or unrecognized. We hope that with your assistance, we will reach the national goal of 55 percent of first responders trained by the end of 2023.

Over the next three months, I will be attending six first responder conferences. These conferences give the TIME Program valuable opportunities to meet our first responders, share experiences and discuss future training topics. Many of these interactions have led to the building of valuable relationships and training opportunities. If you are in attendance, please stop by—let's talk about your TIM program.

The TIME team will utilize different formats to improve our newsletters by keeping them informative and concise. At the top of pages 2 & 3, you will find snapshots of our 2022 successes. Finally, the TIME program has instructed 90 percent of Wisconsin counties. In 2023, we would like to reach 100 percent! If you are from a first responder organization in Buffalo, Burnett, Crawford, Menominee, Pepin, Richland or Rusk counties, we would appreciate it if your organization sponsored a TIM class.

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

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2022 TIME Program Snapshot



12 conferences attended
reaching approximately
2,000 first responders



10 virtual regional TIME meetings
with **554** attendees



2 TIM train-the-trainer
classes with **25** new
instructors taught

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 120 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.
- 2) You are asked to teach at least one four-hour responder class annually (to remain current with the material).

All TIM instructors are 100 percent volunteers. The program does not have any funds available to compensate instructors for their time or travel. They're passionate about incident scene safety and want to share their knowledge and experience with fellow responders. We try to have two instructors from different disciplines at each four-hour class, with one having the discipline from the requesting agency.

Mark your calendars for the next Train-the-Trainer course on **Saturday, May 6, 2023, from 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.** at the **Grand Chute Fire Department, located at 2250 Grand Chute Boulevard, Grand Chute, WI 54913.** The training is free, and 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 April 24, 2023.

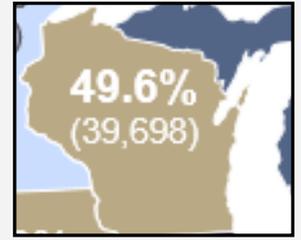


2022 TIME Program Snapshot

73 TIM responder courses including law enforcement recruit academies with 1,919 first responders taught



49.6% of Wisconsin's first responders trained as of 12/19/22



Green Light Legislation

Flashing GREEN Means Slow

Green lights:

- ✓ Better visibility creates safer roads
- ✓ Alerts drivers to proceed with caution
- ✓ Slow down and give room to snowplows

April 15th of 2022, Wisconsin Legislature passed the 2021 Wisconsin Act 255 which made changes to Wis. Stat. 347.26 (7) allowing green lamps. Please note 347.26 applies to Warning Lights on Certain Highway Vehicles. Specifically, any vehicle of the Department of Transportation or a County or a Municipal highway department that by reason of its use creates a vehicular traffic hazard may be equipped with flashing red, amber, or green lamps.

The allowance of green lights are specific to State, County, and Municipal (town, village, city) vehicles ONLY.

Thirty-four Wisconsin counties reported to Wisconsin County Highway Association that they had either their equipment or employees hit while working in traffic over the past ten years. In Columbia County since 2020, we have had four vehicles hit by vehicles and have had an additional four accidents within our flagger work zones. We hope adding the “green” lighting will make people pay more attention by saying: “Work Zone on the road, proceed with caution!!!”

Our Goal: Good, Safe Roads!
Chris Hardy, P.E.

Columbia County Highway Commissioner

Autonomous Pizza Delivery

Some images of the pizza delivery autonomous vehicles currently being deployed in some areas in Ann Arbor (MI) - Ford and Houston (TX) - Nuro. The Pizza Hut vehicle is a concept in partnership with Toyota that will cook and deliver your pizza.



Just a small example of how connected and automated vehicles will be part of our future on a local level.

Remember to develop agency expertise in CAV!

THE FUTURE OF DELIVERY IS SELF-DRIVING
x nuro



2023 Spring Regional TIME Meeting Schedule

Construction Projects * Connected and Automated Vehicle Workgroup Updates *
Review of Traffic Crashes * Specialized Training Topics

				
NWR Counties	NCR Counties	NER Counties	SWR Counties	SER Counties
<p>Douglas, Bayfield, Ashland, Burnett, Washburn, Sawyer, Polk, Barron, Rusk, St. Croix, Dunn, Chippewa, Taylor, Pepin, Eau Claire, Clark, Buffalo, Trempealeau, Jackson & Pierce</p>	<p>Iron, Vilas, Florence, Price, Oneida, Forest, Lincoln, Langlade, Marathon, Shawano, Menominee, Wood, Portage, Waupaca, Adams, Waushara, Marquette & Green Lake</p>	<p>Marinette, Oconto, Door, Outagamie, Brown, Kewaunee, Winnebago, Calumet, Manitowoc, Sheboygan & Fond du Lac</p>	<p>La Crosse, Monroe, Juneau, Vernon, Sauk, Columbia, Dodge, Crawford, Richland, Grant, Iowa, Dane, Jefferson, Lafayette, Green & Rock</p>	<p>Washington, Ozaukee, Waukesha, Milwaukee, Walworth, Racine & Kenosha</p>
<p>Southwest Region: April 25, 2023 from 9:00 a.m. – 11:30 a.m. Hybrid</p>				
<p>Northwest Region: April 26, 2023 from 9:00 a.m. – 11:30 a.m. Hybrid</p>				
<p>Northeast Region: April 27, 2023 from 9:00 a.m. – 11:30 a.m. Hybrid</p>				
<p>Southeast Region: May 4, 2023 from 9:00 a.m. – 11:30 a.m. Virtual Only</p>				
<p>North Central Region: May 9, 2023 from 9:00 a.m. – 11:30 a.m. Hybrid</p>				

The meeting invites will be sent out a month before each 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



February 2023

- Wisconsin EMS Association Conference (2/1-2/4)
- Wisconsin Police Leadership Foundation Conference (2/5-2/8)
- Wisconsin Sheriffs & Deputy Sheriffs Association Conference (2/12-2/15)
- Governors' Conference on Emergency Management & Homeland Security (2/27-3/1)

March 2023

- Flood Safety Awareness Week (TBD)
- Wisconsin State Firefighters Association Conference (3/9-3/11)

April 2023

- National Public Safety Telecommunications Week (4/9-4/15)
- National Work Zone Awareness Week (4/17-4/21)
- Tornado & Severe Weather Awareness Week (TBD)

May 2023

- WIPSCOM Conference (5/7-5/10)
- Emergency Medical Services Week (5/21-5/27)

June 2023

- National Safety Month
- WI Towing Association Conference (6/16-6/18)
- Wisconsin State Fire Chief's Association Conference (6/22-6/25)
- Wisconsin County Highway Association Conference (TBD)

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