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OVERVIEW

The Virginia Highway Safety Summit is designed for law enforcement, highway safety professionals, community partners, traffic engineers, and emergency services personnel. Presentations provide opportunities to bring together traffic safety professionals, learn about the latest measurable successes, highlight effective traffic safety initiatives, and help Virginia achieve the goal of zero deaths on our highways.

SUMMIT INFORMATION

Summit Name Badges

Your name badge is your entry into summit sessions. Please wear your name badge at all times.

On the back of each name badge is a QR code that will link to the digital copy of this program.

Exhibits

Exhibits are located in the Ballroom Foyer and are open the following hours:

Wednesday, May 4, 2022 | 7:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m.

Thursday, May 5, 2022 | 7:00 a.m. – 12:15 p.m.

DMV Connect

DMV Connect will be available for DMV transactions including securing a REAL ID. They will be available the following hours:

Tuesday, May 3, 2022 | 7:30 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

Wednesday, May 4, 2022 | 7:30 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

Thursday, May 5, 2022 | 7:30 a.m. - Noon

Remember to come prepared with all documentation needed for your transactions.

Summit Internet

Dedicated internet is available for Summit attendees:

Wifi Network: DMV

Password: safety4all

For more information on what is needed to obtain a REAL ID [CLICK HERE](#).

Session Tracks

Drunk, Drugged, Distracted and Drowsy Driving Track

Impaired driving encompasses the four “Ds” – drunk, drugged, distracted and drowsy driving – all of which will be addressed in this track. Learn about medical conditions that mimic impairment,

the impacts of drowsy driving, and take a deep dive into research on the four Ds.

Fatality, Crash and Injury Prevention Track

Preventing crashes, injuries and fatalities in today's environment requires attention to many different areas. Occupant protection, pedestrian and bicycle safety, motorcycle safety, crash data collection, and getting the message out are all part of the equation.

After The Crash Track

Information on responding to and reconstructing a crash scene will be covered in this track. Emergency responders, law enforcement, engineers and other experts have vastly different roles after a crash occurs, but all have the same goal – to prevent future tragedies.

Infrastructure and Engineering Track

Roadway design is an integral piece of traffic safety and saving lives. Infrastructure improvements that address pedestrian safety, roadway departure and other driver behaviors will be addressed, along with engineering strategies for curves and intersections.

SCHEDULE AT A GLANCE

TUESDAY, MAY 3, 2022 | PRE-SUMMIT TRAINING DAY

7:00 – 8:00 a.m.

Registration

Maple Room

Breakfast

Plaza Ballroom Foyer

8:00 a.m. – Noon

Law Enforcement Training: Taking Your Impaired Driving Cases to a Higher Level: Making Stronger Cases, Updates and the Current State of the Programs

Plaza Ballroom A

8:00 a.m. – Noon

Emergency Medical Services (EMS)/Public Safety Training: Protecting the Pedestrian Officer & Driver's Impact on Roadway Responders

Terrace Room

10:00 a.m. – Noon

Task Force Meeting: Impaired Driving

Magnolia Room

Noon – 1:00 p.m.

Lunch

Plaza Ballroom Foyer

1:00 – 3:00 p.m.

Task Force Meeting: Occupant Protection

Magnolia Room

1:00 – 5:00 p.m.

Law Enforcement Training:

High Times: Cannabis Effects, Research, and Trends

Plaza Ballroom A

1:00 – 5:00 p.m.

Traffic Safety Engineering Training:

Healthy Equity Pedestrian Road Safety Assessments

Terrace Room

1:00 – 5:00 p.m.

Motorcycle Safety Training:

Motorcycle Safety Foundation Education and Training Programs

Beech Room

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7:00 – 8:00 a.m.

Registration

Maple Room

Breakfast and Exhibits

Plaza Ballroom Foyer

8:00 – 9:00 a.m.

Opening Session and Welcome Remarks with Zero Fatality Recognition

Plaza Ballroom BC

9:00 – 9:30 a.m.

Keynote Presentation:

Jeffrey P. Michael, EdD, Distinguished Scholar Johns Hopkins University

Plaza Ballroom BC

9:30 – 9:45 a.m.

Break

Plaza Ballroom Foyer

9:45 – 10:30 a.m.

General Session: National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) Update: Making Progress in Highway Safety

Plaza Ballroom BC

10:30 – 11:15 a.m.

Legislative Update Panel

Plaza Ballroom BC

11:15 a.m. – Noon

Exhibitor Time

Plaza Ballroom Foyer

Noon – 1:45 p.m.

Lunch with Educational Panel: Safe Driving Outreach for Teens

Plaza Ballroom BC

1:45 – 2:00 p.m.

Break

Plaza Ballroom Foyer

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**Breakout Session Track: Infrastructure and Engineering/Public Safety
Speed Management Pilot: Effects on Public Opinions and Vehicle
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TREDS 2.0: Lessons Learned and the Path Forward

Arbors Room

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Breakout Session Track: After the Crash

Advancing a People-Centered Emergency Medical System

Terrace Room

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Minutes Count – Emergency Medical Service's Role in the Safe Systems Approach

Terrace Room

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4:00 – 5:00 p.m.

**General Session: Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration's
Priorities, Initiatives, and Funding Changes**

Plaza Ballroom BC

5:00 – 6:00 p.m.

Exhibitor Time

Plaza Ballroom Foyer

THURSDAY, MAY 5, 2022

7:00 – 8:00 a.m.

Registration

Maple Room

Exhibits and Breakfast

Plaza Ballroom Foyer

8:00 – 9:00 a.m.

General Session: Equity in Safety

Plaza Ballroom BC

9:00 – 9:15 a.m.

Break

Plaza Ballroom Foyer

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A Statewide Traffic Perspective on Law Enforcement’s Commitment to Staying Driven on the Road to Zero

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Plaza Ballroom A

Moderator: Melanie Stokes, Virginia Department of Motor Vehicles

Presenters:

Christine Frank, National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA)

Joe Abrusci, International Association of Chiefs of Police

This session will provide participants with updates on the Standardized Field Sobriety Tests (SFST), Advanced Roadside Impaired Driving Enforcement (ARIDE) and the Drug Evaluation and Classification or Drug Recognition Expert (DRE) Programs. Topics will include an introduction to new impaired driving curricula, direction of the DRE Program and NHTSA research updates in the field of impaired driving.

In current society, statistics show an increased number of drivers who are driving under the influence of drugs. This includes drugs used in combination with alcohol and the marked increase in DUI Cannabis cases as the result of marijuana legalization. This presentation will address the importance of proper SFST administration and interpretation as well as enhancing your cases through additional training in ARIDE and DRE Programs. Discussion will include the benefits of involving DREs in your impaired driving cases and provide the basic steps to becoming a DRE.

8:00 a.m. – Noon

Emergency Medical Service (EMS)/Public Safety Training: Protecting the Pedestrian Officer & Driver's Impact on Roadway Responders

Terrace Room

Moderators: Frank Cheatham, Virginia Office of Emergency Medical Services - Retired

Presenters:

Sgt. Robert E. Bemis, Pennsylvania State Police – Retired

Douglas DeHaven, Cumberland Valley Volunteer Firemen's Association – Emergency Responder Safety Institute

Sgt. Bemis will discuss the worst-case scenario of the Law Enforcement Officer being struck by a vehicle or flying debris while at the scene of an emergency incident or when performing other activities. We will examine the frequency with which those types of incidents occur, and the current research being done to emphasize the need for all responders to consider adding an approved helmet to their personal equipment already in use at highway scenes. This program will review the steps that the governing bodies of sporting organizations have taken to improve the safety of their participants and compare the lessons learned with the need to provide stronger protection for all first responders.

Douglas DeHaven will review that in 2021, 65 Roadway Responders were struck and killed while operating on our roadways. Many more were injured, many with career ending injuries. Damage to our vehicle was easily into the millions of dollars. We will investigate these past incidents and why we are in danger operating on the roadway by the "secondary incident." Also reviewed will be methods to protect us while we are operating at an incident and how it is going to take ALL of us to tackle the "D" Driver problem.

10 a.m. – Noon

Task Force Meeting: Impaired Driving

Magnolia Room

Moderator: Melanie Stokes, Virginia Department of Motor Vehicles

Noon – 1:00 p.m.

Lunch

Plaza Ballroom Foyer

1:00 – 3:00 p.m.

Task Force Meeting: Occupant Protection

Magnolia Room

Moderator: John Messina

1:00 – 5:00 p.m.

Law Enforcement Training:

High Times: Cannabis Effects, Research, and Trends

Plaza Ballroom A

Moderator: Melanie Stokes, Virginia Department of Motor Vehicles

Presenters:

Police Officer III, Greg Benton, Roanoke County Police Department

Sgt. Cara Jacobs, Roanoke County Police Department

Participants will receive a detailed overview of the effects of cannabis use on driving and the research to support those findings. The impact on public and highway safety and current cannabis trends will also be reviewed.

1:00 – 5:00 p.m.

Traffic Safety Engineering Training:

Healthy Equity Pedestrian Road Safety Assessments

Terrace Room

Moderators: Stephen Read, Virginia Department of Transportation

Presenters:

Lauren Blackburn, Vanasse Hangen Brustlin, Inc. (VHB)

Joe Seymour, Vanasse Hangen Brustlin, Inc. (VHB)

A health-equity focused Road Safety Assessment (RSA) is a proven process public agencies can use to identify pedestrian crash risk, reduce crashes, and address health inequities in localized areas with infrastructure improvements. During this four-hour workshop, participants will learn the interconnection of health equity and pedestrian safety, the steps communities can take to conduct a pedestrian RSA, and identify funding opportunities for pedestrian safety improvements. The workshop will also include a review of RSA data needs, types of analysis, explanation of safety countermeasures, and recommendations for building the RSA team and structuring the event. After reviewing the RSA components, participants will evaluate hypothetical RSA corridors with guidance from the workshop facilitators.

1:00 – 5:00 p.m.

Motorcycle Safety Training:

Motorcycle Safety Foundation Education and Training Programs

Beech Room

Moderator: Hank Waters, Virginia Department of Motor Vehicles

Presenter: Ray Ochs, Motorcycle Safety Foundation

This session will provide information and insight about the development and implementation of Motorcycle Safety Foundations' (MSF) learn-to-ride, license waiver motorcyclist education and training programs. There will be special emphasis on the latest MSF Basic Rider Course for two- and three-wheel motorcycles including various e-learning components.

WEDNESDAY, MAY 4, 2022

7:00 – 8:00 a.m.

Registration

Maple Room

Exhibits and Breakfast

Plaza Ballroom Foyer

8:00 – 9:00 a.m.

Opening Session and Welcome Remarks with Zero Fatality Recognition

Plaza Ballroom BC

John Saunders, Virginia Department of Motor Vehicles

Don Hayes, Police Chief, City of Alexandria

Corey Smedley, Fire Chief, City of Alexandria

David Mitchell, Virginia Department of Motor Vehicles

9:00 – 9:30 a.m.

Keynote Presentation:

Jeffrey P. Michael, EdD, Johns Hopkins University

Plaza Ballroom BC

9:30 – 9:45 a.m.

Break

Plaza Foyer

9:45 – 10:30 a.m.

General Session: National Highway Traffic Safety Administration

Update: Making Progress in Highway Safety

Plaza Ballroom BC

Presenter:

Stephanie Hancock, National Highway Traffic Safety Administration

10:30 – 11:15 a.m.

Legislative Update Panel

Plaza Ballroom BC

Moderator: Andrew Owens, Virginia Department of Motor Vehicles

Panelists:

Janet Brooking, Drive Smart Virginia

Angela D. Coleman, Commission on Virginia Alcohol Safety Action Program

Patrick Cushing, Williams Mullen

Kurt Erickson, Washington Regional Alcohol Program

John W. Jones, Virginia Sheriffs' Association

Dana Schrad, Virginia Association of Chiefs of Police

Melissa Velazquez, Virginia Department of Motor Vehicles

The Virginia General Assembly considers a variety of new laws each year, and many focus on highway safety measures. Learn the details of this year's legislative sessions, and how those changes will impact safety on Virginia's roads.

11:15 a.m. – Noon

Exhibitor Time

Plaza Ballroom Foyer

Noon – 1:45 p.m.

Lunch with Educational Panel: Safe Driving Outreach for Teens

Plaza Ballroom BC

Moderator: John Saunders, Virginia Department of Motor Vehicles

Panelists:

Maura Campbell, Driver Alcohol Detection System for Safety (DADDS)

Emily Curtis, Students Against Destructive Decisions (SADD)

Kurt Erickson, Washington Regional Alcohol Program

Mary King, Youth of Virginia Speak Out (YOVASO)

Alexandra Lucchesi, Washington Regional Alcohol Program

Kianna Pirooz, Driver Alcohol Detection System for Safety (DADDS)

Payton Poindexter, Youth of Virginia Speak Out (YOVASO)

1:45 – 2:00 p.m.

Break

Plaza Ballroom Foyer

2:00 – 2:45 p.m.

Breakout Session Track: Infrastructure and Engineering/Public Safety

Speed Management Pilot: Effects on Public Opinions and Vehicle Speeds

Magnolia Room

Moderator: Steven Williams, Virginia Department of Motor Vehicles

Presenter: Dr. Wen Hu, Insurance Institute for Highway Safety

In 2020, the Maryland Highway Safety Office was awarded grant funding for a speed management pilot program, from the Governors Highway Safety Association, Insurance Institute for Highway Safety, and National Road Safety Foundation. The program took place on a rural two-lane road in Bishopville during summer 2021. It involved multiple partners and combined countermeasures from engineering, enforcement, communications, and public outreach. The presentation will cover the background and implementation of the program, as well as public awareness and effects on speeds.

2:00 – 2:45 p.m.

Breakout Session Track: 4 D's: Drunk, Drugged, Distracted and Drowsy Driving

Medical Conditions that Mimic Impairment

Plaza Ballroom A

Moderator: Melanie Stokes, Virginia Department of Motor Vehicles

Presenters:

Sgt. Cara Jacobs, Roanoke County Police Department

Rebecca Parsio, RN, Virginia Department of Motor Vehicles

Sgt. Joe Woloscysn, Fairfax County Police Department

This session will be a high-level overview of medical conditions that often mimic impairment, how drivers with medical impairments are licensed/monitored by DMV.

2:00 – 2:45 p.m.

Breakout Session Track: Fatality, Crash & Injury Prevention

Traffic Records Electronic Data System (TREDS) 2.0: Lessons Learned and the Path Forward

Arbors Room

Moderator: Angelisa Jennings, Virginia Department of Motor Vehicles

Presenters:

Dr. Kathleen “Kitty” Hancock, Virginia Tech

Ajay Kadyan, Virginia Department of Motor Vehicles

Data-driven decisions are critical for paving the road to zero. This session will introduce TREDIS 2.0, which will provide improved access to crash data and enhanced analytical capabilities for supporting decisions.

2:00 – 2:45 p.m.

Breakout Session Track: After the Crash

Advancing a People-Centered Emergency Medical System

Terrace Room

Moderator: Kimberly Burt, Virginia Department of Motor Vehicles

Presenter: David Bryson, U.S. Department of Transportation

National Highway Transportation Safety Administration Office of Emergency Medical System (OEMS) to provide updates on how Post-Crash Care (EMS & 911) fits into a Safe System Approach and the US Department of Transportation National Roadway Safety Strategy (NRSS) at the Federal level.

2:45 – 3:00 p.m.

Break

Plaza Ballroom Foyer

3:00 – 3:45 p.m.

Breakout Session Track: Infrastructure and Engineering/Public Safety

Virginia’s 2026 Strategic Highway Safety Plan Infrastructure Actions and Funding Resources & Virginia Department of Transportation Safety Data and Analytic Tools

Magnolia Room

Moderator: Mark Cole, Virginia Department of Transportation

Presenters:

Dr. Shan Di, P.E., Virginia Department of Transportation

Stephen Read, P.E., Virginia Department of Transportation

The updated 2022-26 Strategic Highway Safety Plan provides ongoing and new initiatives that will improve highway safety with infrastructure and operational treatments. This presentation will highlight the new safe system approach with the associated roadway and user actions and funding that will be available to implement projects across the Commonwealth. Virginia safety data and analytical tools have been improved over the last year. This presentation will cover updates

to highway network screening of intersections, including rail grade crossings, and segments for Highway Safety Improvement Program and SMARTSCALE project development. Further, analysis tools and dashboards have been enhanced for further safety analysis and diagnosis of problems.

3:00 – 3:45 p.m.

Breakout Session Track: 4 D's: Drunk, Drugged, Distracted and Drowsy Driving

Strategies and Technologies to Prevent Drunk and Drugged Driving

Plaza Ballroom A

Moderator: Melanie Stokes, Virginia Department of Motor Vehicles

Presenters:

Paula Bruns, Commonwealth's Attorneys' Services Council

Chris Konschak, Responsibility.org

This session will have presentations from impaired driving-focused organizations focused on what tactics are used to prevent impaired driving through education, community involvement, and use of technology.

3:00 – 3:45 p.m.

Breakout Session Track: Fatality, Crash & Injury Prevention

Motorcycle Safety Program - Commonwealth of Virginia Arbors Room

Moderator: Mitchal Hrdlicka, Virginia Department of Motor Vehicles,
Virginia Department of Motor Vehicles

Presenter: Ray Ochs, Motorcycle Safety Foundation

Lt. Jason Fisher, Virginia State Police

Henry "Hank" Waters, Virginia Department of Motor Vehicles

A presentation and discussion of the Motorcycle Training programs currently active in the Commonwealth. The review will include the Motorcycle Safety Foundation newest basic rider programs. The Virginia State Police Program and a review of the 2021 Training efforts across the Commonwealth.

3:00 – 3:45 p.m.

Breakout Session Track: After the Crash

Minutes Count – Emergency Medical Service's Role in the Safe Systems Approach

Terrace Room

Moderator: Steve Williams, Virginia Department of Motor Vehicles

Presenter: Frank Cheatham, Virginia Office of Emergency Medical Services - Retired

With the recent release of the new National Roadway Safety Strategy by the Federal Department of Transportation, this session will look at the Post Crash Care component and how it fits in the Safe System Approach. How does Post-Crash Care fit into the Safe System Approach and where do improvements need to be made in this area. We will look at some data and examine what can be done to make improvements to support the goals of the Safe System.

3:45 – 4:00 p.m.

Break

Plaza Ballroom Foyer

4:00 – 5:00 p.m.

General Session: Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration's Priorities, Initiatives, and Funding Change

Plaza Ballroom BC

Presenter: Craig Feister, Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration

This session will review what the bipartisan Infrastructure Law means for the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration, its partners and stakeholders.

5:00 – 6:00 p.m.

Exhibitor Time

Plaza Ballroom Foyer

THURSDAY, MAY 5, 2022

7:00 – 8:00 a.m.

Registration

Maple Room

Exhibits and Breakfast

Plaza Ballroom Foyer

8:00 – 9:00 a.m.

General Session: Equity in Safety

Plaza Ballroom BC

Presenter: Thomas L. Nelson, Jr. P.E., Federal Highway Administration

This session will review key elements of the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law with respect to safety and equity.

9:00 – 9:15 a.m.

Break

Plaza Ballroom Foyer

9:15 – 10:00 a.m.

Breakout Session Track: Infrastructure and Engineering/Public Safety
Vulnerable Users Safety: Implementing Proven Countermeasures that Work and Implementing Automated Speed Enforcement in School Zones

Magnolia Room

Moderator: Stephen Read, Virginia Department of Transportation

Presenters:

Cap. Shawn Bennett, City of Fairfax Police Department

Mark Cole, Virginia Department of Transportation

Vinay Varadarajan, P.E., RSP, Sam Schwartz

Sgt. Steven Loving, City of Manassas Park Police

The Virginia Department of Transportation has been working internally and with other partners to improve our policies, procedures and collaboration to improve safety for those walking and biking on our roadways. This presentation will provide updated information on the countermeasures being promoted, efforts with Virginia Department of Health to Prioritize Active Transportation Health and Safety and funding opportunities for infrastructure improvements.

With the 2020 enactment of § 46.2-882.1 permitting photo speed monitoring devices in school crossing zones, Virginia jurisdictions are at various stages of implementing speed cameras. Hear and discuss with a panel of northern Virginia localities progress, successes and the issues they have faced to implement school zone programs to improve vulnerable user safety.

9:15 – 10:00 a.m.

Breakout Session Track: 4 D's: Drunk, Drugged, Distracted and Drowsy Driving

Ignition Interlock Circumvention

Plaza Ballroom A

Moderator: Dwight Jenkins, Virginia Department of Motor Vehicles

Presenters:

Christopher Morris, The Commission on Virginia Alcohol Safety Action Program (VASAP)

John Honea, SmartStart

This session will focus on multiple aspects of the Virginia ignition interlock program to include interlock device components, functionality, laws and regulations and the VASAP monitoring process.

9:15 – 10:00 a.m.

Breakout Session Track: Fatality, Crash & Injury Prevention

Virginia Highway Safety Partnerships: Reaching Minority and Military Communities

Arbors Room

Moderator: John Messina, Virginia Department of Motor Vehicles

Presenter: Joshua DeFisher, Vanasse Hangen Brustlin, Inc. (VHB)

The National Highway Traffic Safety Administration developed a pilot program to provide free technical assistance to States to help develop action-oriented strategies to address Occupant Protection Program Assessment recommendations. Virginia requested assistance to engage minority and military groups to support traffic safety outreach. The technical assistance team explored opportunities to coordinate outreach with potential partners and developed a report that contains recommendations and actions to support Virginia's occupant protection and other safety program areas.

9:15 – 10:00 a.m.

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Your Crash Report Really Does Count

Terrace Room

Moderator: Angelisa Jennings, Virginia Department of Motor Vehicles

Presenters:

Dr. Kathleen "Kitty" Hancock, Virginia Tech

Walt E. Reel, Virginia State Police

Safety initiatives, whether they are related to education, enforcement, engineering, or emergency response, rely on information gathered after a crash. Having accurate and complete information is important to maintaining a Safe System and reaching zero deaths.

10:00 – 10:15 a.m.

Break

Plaza Ballroom Foyer

10:15 – 11:00 a.m.

Breakout Session Track: Infrastructure and Engineering/Public Safety Indicators of Human Trafficking

Magnolia Room

Moderator: John Messina, Virginia Department of Motor Vehicles

Presenter: FSgt. Patrick L. Green, Virginia State Police

This course will provide the attendee with a basic understanding of human trafficking as well as indicators that may be preset during law enforcement encounters.

10:15 – 11:00 a.m.

Breakout Session Track: 4 D's: Drunk, Drugged, Distracted and Drowsy Driving

Distracted Driving Prevention Strategies

Plaza Ballroom A

Moderator: Dwight Jenkins, Virginia Department of Motor Vehicles

Presenters:

Melissa Ostergaard, National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA)

Janet Brooking, Drive Smart Virginia

This session will review the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration's distracted driving data, legislation, Distracted Driving Awareness Month and other communications programs. Also presented will be Virginia's local Distracted Driving efforts, including information from the Distracted Driving Summit and the Phone Down/It's the Law campaign.

10:15 – 11:00 a.m.

Breakout Session Track: Fatality, Crash & Injury Prevention

Getting the Word Out: The Role of Public Information Officers in Crash Prevention

Arbors Room

Moderator: Kamili-Busara Newsome, Virginia Department of Motor Vehicles

Presenters:

Machelle Bailey, Prince William County Police Department

Michael Farrell, Metropolitan Washington Council of Governments

Ellen Kamilakis, Virginia Department of Transportation

This session will explore the role of public information officers (PIO's) in educating the public about traffic safety, and preventing crashes, injuries, and fatalities. This panel discussion features speakers from various highway

safety organizations sharing their expertise on the topic, as well as tips on the best strategies to deliver effective and equitable safety messages to their communities.

10:15 – 11:00 a.m.

Breakout Session Track: [After the Crash](#)

Investigation into the National Emergency Medical Services Information System (NEMSIS) Database and Emergency Response Event Delays & The Virginia Trauma System at a Glance

Terrace Room

Moderator: Stephen Read, Virginia Department of Transportation

Presenters:

Dr. Kelley Rumsey, Children’s Hospital of Richmond at VCU

Jacob Valente, Virginia Tech and the Virginia Tech Transportation Institute

The National Emergency Medical Service Information System (NEMSIS) is a database of Emergency Medical Services (EMS) 911 calls across the United States. The database contains de-identified information including the patient’s condition, the EMS response, and other event characteristics. This analysis investigates the types of delays experienced in emergency response events and implications those delays have on patient treatment and the efficiency of the EMS system.

This session will address the Post-Crash Care phase of the Safe Systems Approach. It will provide a description of the Virginia Trauma System. Virginia has an inclusive trauma system which engages all stakeholders including designated and verified trauma centers as well as non-designated trauma centers and freestanding emergency departments. The nuances of the various levels of designation available in The Commonwealth will be presented along with an overview of state-level trauma data.

11:00 – 11:15 a.m.

Break

Plaza Ballroom Foyer

11:15 a.m. – Noon

General Session: Closing Session

A Statewide Traffic Perspective on Law Enforcement’s Commitment to Staying Driven on the Road to Zero

Plaza Ballroom BC

Presenter: Colonel Gary Settle, Virginia State Police Superintendent

Colonel Settle will provide a comprehensive overview of today’s traffic safety issues relating to Virginia’s highways and law enforcement. He will also share with attendees state police’s latest highway safety efforts and enforcement measures aimed at helping Virginia achieve a road to zero deaths, injuries and crashes.





Joe Abrusci
East Region Drug Evaluation and Classification (DEC)
Program Manager

International Association of Chiefs of Police
Joe Abrusci retired after 30 years with the Mt. Olive Township Police Department in New Jersey (NJ). He is the Drug Evaluation and Classification Program Eastern Region Project Manager for the International Association of Chiefs of Police.

Joe Abrusci served as a member of the International Association of Chiefs of Police Technical Advisory Panel and is a past chairman of the DRE Section. He has been a Drug Recognition Expert (DRE) since 1999, and a DRE Instructor since 2001. He is a past President of the New Jersey Drug Recognition Expert Association. He brought the SFST program to NJ in 1983 and was the state's first SFST instructor. He helped to get the DRE program established in NJ in 1991 and has been involved with the program since. Joe Abrusci has been recognized in local and superior courts in New Jersey as a Drug Recognition Expert and Traffic Crash Reconstructionist.



Mabelle Bailey
Social Media Liaison
Prince William County Police Department

Mabelle Bailey has 26 years of law enforcement experience with specialization in public relations, peer support, intelligence, and social media. She has four years' experience as an intelligence analyst with the largest state police drug task force in Virginia and eleven years' experience in the Prince William County Emergency Operations Center for Police and Fire. Mabelle Bailey managed four social media platforms: Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, and YouTube with 200,000 followers collectively and regularly assisted agencies nationwide with their social media platforms. Mabelle Bailey presents to organizations such as the FBI National Academy, International Chiefs of Police, high schools, and our local criminal justice academy.



Robert E. Bemis
Sergeant

Pennsylvania State Police - Retired

Sergeant (Ret.) Robert E. Bemis is a 30-year law enforcement veteran and trainer who travels to raise attention to the hazards present to emergency responders along the highway. In March 2015, Sgt. Bemis received serious injury after being struck by a vehicle while assisting a disabled motorist. Following months of hospitalization and rehabilitation, Sgt. Bemis returned to his duties as an Academy Instructor, and continued teaching for more than a year before retirement. He shares the experience of his final 22 months in law enforcement in hopes that the lessons learned will inspire others to increase their own situational awareness.



Shawn Bennett
Captain

City of Fairfax Police Department

Captain Shawn Bennett is in his first year with the City of Fairfax after a thirty-two-year career with the Fairfax County Police Department. A career focused on traffic safety with assignments as Motor Officer, Motor Squad Supervisor, and later as Major of the Bureau. A career highlighted by the creation of a Street Racing Enforcement Unit; creation of a law prohibiting nitrous oxide use in motor vehicles, and subsequent speaking engagements across the country. A graduate of the 255th session of the FBI National Academy with a Masters from George Mason University and a Bachelors from the University of Richmond.



Greg Benton
Police Officer III

Roanoke County Police Department

Officer Benton has been in law enforcement since 2008 and has worked for the California Highway Patrol, Roanoke City Police Department, and Roanoke County Police Department. Officer Benton has specialized in D.U.I. and D.U.I.D enforcement throughout his career. In 2017 Officer Benton was certified in the Drug Evaluation and Classification Program as a Drug Recognition Expert (D.R.E.), then later in 2020 certified as a D.R.E. Instructor.

He has been the recipient of the M.A.D.D. award three times, Sgt. Tim Wyatt Traffic Safety Award (Roanoke County) twice, and two Harold D Wallick Traffic Safety Excellence awards (Roanoke City).



Lauren Blackburn
Senior Project Manager
Vanasse Hangen Brustlin, Inc. (VHB)

Lauren is a Senior Project Manager who provides expertise to a variety of transportation, planning, and research projects. Her key areas of interest are in bicycle and pedestrian transportation, comprehensive planning, roadway safety, and community health. Prior to joining VHB, Lauren worked for the North Carolina Department of Transportation (NCDOT) as the director of the Division of Bicycle and Pedestrian Transportation. Previously, she was the planning manager for the Town of Davidson, North Carolina, where she helped create the town's land development plans and policies in coordination with Davidson College and other community partners.



Janet Brooking
Executive Director
Drive Smart Virginia

Janet Brooking has served as the Executive Director of DRIVE SMART Virginia since May 2005. Prior to this, she spent ten years as State Campaign Director for the Commonwealth of Virginia Campaign. Under her watch, more than \$28,000,000 was raised for charity. Janet received her Bachelor of Science degree from Mary Baldwin College and her Certificate in Philanthropy from the University of Richmond. She is also a graduate of the Virginia Collaborative Leaders Program through the Institute for Educational Leadership, The Sorensen Institute for Political Leadership at the University of Virginia, and the Center for Creative Leadership. Janet's non-profit work has included volunteering as a docent at the Maymont Nature Center and serving on the boards of Big Brothers Big Sisters and the Read Center. She is currently on the Advisory Board of Visitors at Mary Baldwin College and is past President of the American Society of Safety Engineers, Colonial Chapter.

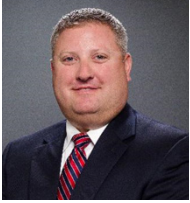


Paula M. Bruns

Traffic Safety Resource Prosecutor

Commonwealth's Attorneys' Services Council

Paula M. Bruns is currently serving as the Traffic Safety Resource Prosecutor (TSRP) with the Commonwealth's Attorneys' Services Council (CASC). She was a prosecutor for over 25 years as an Assistant Commonwealth's Attorney and Deputy Commonwealth's Attorney in Virginia Beach and Norfolk. Paula has handled a wide spectrum of matters from degrees of homicide including murder and manslaughter, malicious wounding, gang cases, rape and additional sexual offenses, robbery, felony child abuse, drug offenses, DUI, domestic violence, burglaries, larcenies and financial crimes.



David Bryson

Emergency Medical Services Specialist

U.S. Department of Transportation

David's main responsibility at NHTSA is the development and revision of formal EMS clinician education programs and he currently leads the office's effort to implement the *2000 EMS Education Agenda: A Systems Approach*. His other responsibilities include serving on the Federal COVID Response Working Group, improving EMS clinician and ground ambulance safety, and serving as the office's liaison to EMS educators and fire service organizations. David also serves as the Fire Chief of the Fairfax Volunteer Fire Department in Fairfax City, VA.



Maura Campbell

Research Assistant

ACTS – Driver Alcohol Detection System for Safety (DADDS) | Driven to Protect | KEA Technologies, Inc
Ms. Campbell supports and directs clinical studies at KEA, including consenting and monitoring participants on the DADSS Field Operational Test project where participants consume a calculated dose of alcohol and perform naturalistic testing of the DADSS technology. Maura Campbell also develops content and materials to support several eLearning and STEM projects in partnership with the Virginia Department of Motor Vehicles and the Department of Education. Maura previously worked

as a Research Assistant at UMASS Memorial Medical Center in the cardiovascular medicine department and she graduated from Colby College in 2019 with a BA in Biology with a concentration in Neuroscience.



Frank Cheatham

Virginia Office of Emergency Medical Services - Retired

Frank Cheatham spent 34 years working for Dominion Energy as well as volunteering in the Emergency Medical Service Field during that time. Experiences gained from those years provided him with valuable tools when he joined the Office of EMS. In his position, he has served on many committees. He was appointed to the Statewide Traffic Incident Management Committee when it was formed, representing the Office of EMS. He serves on the Training Oversight Committee as well as leading several other tasks. Roadway Safety is something that has been a big part of his life as he worked on the roadways for Dominion as well as the Volunteer EMS Agencies he volunteered with.



Mark A. Cole

State Highway Safety Engineer

Virginia Department of Transportation

Mark Cole is an Assistant State Traffic Engineer with the Virginia Department of Transportation and leads VDOT's highway safety programs. For over two decades, Mark has held several leadership positions with state and local transportation departments in Virginia and North Carolina with a focus on the planning, design, and construction of transportation projects that serve all modes of transportation. Specific areas of professional interest and passion include traffic safety, urban street design, and transportation program and project management. Mark holds a Bachelor of Science degree in Civil Engineering from North Carolina State University and a Master of Public Administration from Old Dominion University. He is a Professional Engineer in Virginia and North Carolina and is an ITE Fellow.



Angela Coleman
Executive Director

Commission on Virginia Alcohol Safety Action Program
Angela D. Coleman serves as the Executive Director of the Commission on Virginia Alcohol Safety Action Program (VASAP). As Executive Director, Ms. Coleman is responsible for oversight of the Commission office, 24 local ASAP programs and the state's interlock program. Ms. Coleman's career spans 33 years in state government. Under her leadership, VASAP continues to grow rapidly in the areas of technology, customer service, regulatory oversight, and overall program quality and efficiency. Angela is a graduate of Virginia Commonwealth University and the Virginia Executive Institute. She balances her work with membership in several volunteer organizations with concentration in the areas of scholarship, mentoring and advocacy.



Emily Curtis
Virginia State Coordinator
SADD, Inc.

Emily joined the SADD staff in June 2019 after graduating from American University in Washington, DC with a Bachelor of Arts in Communications, Legal Institutions, Economics, and Government. She has worked for a SADD in a variety of roles, from Operations Coordinator to now serving as the Virginia State Coordinator. She has a passion for empowering youth to live happy, healthy, and responsible lifestyles and is excited to share SADD's mission on college campuses across the commonwealth. In her free time Emily enjoys dancing, all things beauty and self-care, and spending time with her cats, Paco and Taco.



Patrick Cushing
Partner
Williams Mullen/AAA

Patrick Cushing is a partner at the law firm of Williams Mullen and represents large state-wide associations, multinational corporations, Virginia-based businesses and small startups before the General Assembly and Executive Branch of state government. He is an attorney and seasoned state lobbyist with experience crafting

policy in both the public and private sectors and uses that experience to help clients develop a cohesive legislative and executive advocacy strategy. Patrick has represented the AAA clubs in Virginia for over ten years and has advocated for a number of highway safety bills over the years.



Joshua DeFisher

Safety Analyst

Vanasse Hangen Brustlin, Inc. (VHB)

Joshua is a certified Road Safety Professional with 14 years of experience in the fields of highway safety and education. Joshua served five years with the North Carolina Governor’s Highway Safety Program where he focused on highway safety program planning, implementation, and evaluation as the Occupant Protection and Motorcycle Safety Program Manager. With VHB, Joshua is serving as a team lead on a NHTSA technical assistance project aimed at helping States implement high priority recommendations from their Occupant Protection Program Assessment.



Douglas DeHaven

2nd Vice President

**Cumberland Valley Volunteer Firemen’s Association -
Emergency Responder Safety Institute**

Mr. DeHaven has been in the emergency services for 42 years, starting as a junior member at the local volunteer fire company. He served various positions with the fire department up through the position of Deputy Fire Chief and was involved in the establishments of the County’s Hazardous Materials Response Team and a fire-based ambulance service. In 1984 Mr. DeHaven was hired by the Hagerstown Fire Department as a fire apparatus operator / firefighter. He served in the Hagerstown Fire Department for over 37 years with 20 years in the Fire Marshal office where he served as Senior Fire Marshal from 2008 until December 2020. In that position, he was responsible for conducting the internal investigation of any department involved vehicle crash or incident with a serious firefighter injury. Mr. DeHaven currently serves as 2nd vice president with the Cumberland Valley Volunteer Firemen’s Association (CVVFA), overseeing the

Community Risk Reduction committee, a strong passion of his. The Emergency Response Safety Institute is a committee of the CVVFA.



Shan Di, P.E., Ph.D.

Highway Safety Improvement Program (HSIP) Data & Analysis Program Manager

Virginia Department of Transportation

Shan Di is the program manager of the HSIP Data and Analysis program at VDOT. She joined VDOT in 2012 and has 15 years of diverse work experience in the field of highway safety and traffic engineering. Shan has a Ph.D. in Transportation Engineering and a degree in Statistics, both from the University of Wisconsin-Madison. She is a professional engineer in Virginia.



Kurt Erickson

President & CEO

Washington Regional Alcohol Program

Kurt Erickson serves as President and CEO of the award-winning nonprofit organization, the Washington Regional Alcohol Program or “WRAP.” WRAP is a grantee of the District of Columbia, Maryland and Virginia Highway Safety Offices. In addition to serving as CEO and lead public affairs strategist for the 40-year-old public-private partnership working to prevent drunk driving and underage drinking in the District of Columbia, Maryland and Virginia, Erickson is a registered multi-state lobbyist for the nationally-heralded coalition. In addition, he has served as Project Director of the region’s renowned Checkpoint Strikeforce campaigns. Erickson is a recipient of numerous honors including the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration’s Public Service Award, the Maryland Highway Safety Office’s Kevin E. Quinlan Advocacy Award, DC’s Metropolitan Police Department’s Chief of Police Special Award and, as part of the WRAP coalition, Virginia’s prestigious Governor’s Transportation Safety Award, amongst others.



Michael Farrell
Senior Transportation Planner

Metropolitan Washington Council of Governments
Michael Farrell is the Bicycle and Pedestrian Planner for the Metropolitan Washington Council of Governments. Mr. Farrell staffs the Bicycle and Pedestrian Subcommittee of the Transportation Planning Board of the TPB Technical Committee, and is responsible for the maintenance of the regional Bicycle and Pedestrian Plan. Mr. Farrell also manages the regional “Street Smart” pedestrian and bicyclist safety education campaign.



Craig Feister
Division Administrator
Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration

Craig has served in Federal Service for over 35 years. He holds the current position of Division Administrator for the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration’s Virginia Office. Craig Feister has held various positions with the agency in several states. As Division Administrator, Craig partners with other modal administrations, state and local government agencies, academic institutions, safety advocacy organizations, industry and other stakeholders to develop, administer and deliver a comprehensive highway transportation safety program. Through these partnerships Craig strives for safer highways and the mission of saving lives through the reduction and elimination of highway crashes with specific emphasis on those involving commercial motor vehicles.



Lt. Jason Fisher
Virginia State Police

Lt. Fisher has been with the Virginia State Police since 2001. He started his career as a Trooper assigned to Dinwiddie County, was a sergeant assigned to the Petersburg area, First Sergeant assigned to Powhatan, and currently as a Lieutenant assigned to the Richmond Division. Lt. Jason Fisher has a Bachelor’s degree in Criminal Justice and attended the National Criminal Justice Command College through UVA. He is active in all field responsibilities for the Virginia State Police in the Richmond area that covers 21 counties and 4 cities.



Christine Frank
Highway Safety Specialist
National Highway Traffic Safety Administration

Christine Frank is a highway Safety Specialist with the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) overseeing several highway safety programs, including the Drug Recognition Expert (DRE) Program. Prior to this position, she worked at the International Association of Chiefs of Police (IACP) managing the Drug Evaluation and Classification Program (DECP). She is a retired law enforcement veteran of the Albuquerque Police Department, where one of her duties was program manager for the DRE for the State of New Mexico. She became a certified DRE in 1997, DRE Instructor in 2001 and has held positions within the DRE Program, such as Chair of the IACP DRE section.



Patrick L. Green
Training Coordinator
Virginia State Police

Fsgt. Patrick Green has been actively involved in trafficking crimes and assisting sexual exploitation investigations. In 2007 He apprehended a labor trafficker and recovered five victims during an investigation arising from a speeding offense. He served as the lead investigator in the 2011 custodial abduction of two children that became an international investigation involving multiple Federal Agencies resulting in his nomination for the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children (NCMEC) Hero. In 2016, he established Virginia's Interdiction for the Protection of Children program and assists law enforcement officers with IPC-related crimes. Fsgt. Green, along with his IPC instructor cadre, have trained hundreds of law enforcement officers throughout the Commonwealth on child-victim recovery and perpetrator identification through the utilization of interdiction techniques leading to the recovery of child victims and the prosecution of suspects.



Dr. Kathleen Hancock
Associate Professor
Department of Civil and Environmental Engineering,
Virginia Tech

Dr. Hancock is an associate professor in Civil and Environmental Engineering at Virginia Tech with over 35 years of experience in transportation engineering. Her areas of expertise include highway safety, data analysis and visualization, and geospatially enabling decision making.



Stephanie Hancock
Region 3 Administrator
National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA)

Stephanie Hancock was appointed National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) Region 3 Administrator in February 2019. In this capacity, she oversees the NHTSA funding for the states of Delaware, the District of Columbia, Kentucky, Maryland, North Carolina, Virginia, and West Virginia. Prior to joining NHTSA, Ms. Hancock was one of the founding members of the Maryland Safe Kids Coalition and was the Public Affairs Specialist for the Maryland Committee for Safety Belt Use. Ms. Hancock graduated Magna Cum Laude with a Bachelor of Science degree in Corporate Communication from the University of Baltimore.



Chief Don Hayes
Police Chief
City of Alexandria

Chief Don Hayes has spent his entire career as a member of the Alexandria Police Department. He began as a police academy recruit in March 1981 and has progressed through the ranks to the top position. He has served in a leadership position in every bureau of the police department, most notably as the Assistant Chief of police over the Field Operations and Criminal Investigations Bureau.

Chief Hayes was born and raised in the City of Washington D.C. After graduating from Phelps Vocational High School, he served in the United States Air Force as a Presidential Guard at Andrews Air Force Base. Since joining the Alexandria Police Department, he has earned a bachelor's

degree from Bowie State University, a master's degree from Johns Hopkins University in management and leadership and his MDIV from Liberty University Theological Seminary. He and his wife Gloria currently reside in Alexandria



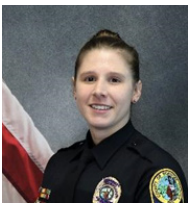
John Honea
Virginia State Director
SmartStart

John Honea has been the Virginia State Director with Smart Start since October of 2012. John Honea has more than eleven years serving in the ignition interlock industry where he spends most of his time helping train technicians and monitoring authorities and other state decision makers on the importance of the ignition interlock device. Prior to becoming the Virginia State Director, John Honea was the Washington State Director where he helped push through camera-required ignition interlock legislation.



Dr. Wen Hu
Senior Research Transportation Engineer
Insurance Institute for Highway Safety

Wen Hu is a Senior Research Transportation Engineer at the Insurance Institute for Highway Safety. She holds her Ph.D. in Civil Engineering from Pennsylvania State University. She joined the Institute in 2010 and has been involved in such topics as speeding, automated enforcement, and roundabouts.



Cara Jacobs
Sergeant
Roanoke County Police Department

Sergeant Jacobs earned a Bachelor of Science degree in Psychology from Ferrum College. She has worked for the Roanoke County Police Department since 2011 and has dedicated her career to impaired driving enforcement. Jacobs has worked in assignments in the Traffic Enforcement Unit and Regional DUI Task Force. She is a General Instructor, Defensive Tactics Instructor, and NHTSA Standardized Field Sobriety Testing Instructor. She is also a certified Drug Recognition Expert and Instructor.



John W. Jones
Executive Director
Virginia Sheriff's Association

John Jones is the long-serving Executive Director of the Virginia Sheriffs' Association, having served in that capacity since 1977. He currently manages one of the most influential criminal justice organizations in Virginia with 118 sheriff and 9,875+ deputy sheriff members. His primary responsibilities include managing the legislative priorities for Virginia's sheriffs and deputy sheriffs, with hundreds of bills and budget amendments passed due to his efforts. His other duties include delivery of two annual professional/training conferences to sheriffs and deputy sheriffs featuring the latest in trends and recent legislation. John is a graduate of Virginia Commonwealth University.



Ajay Kadyan
Manager, TREDIS Development Team
Virginia Department of Motor Vehicles

Ajay has been a part of the transformation of traffic crash data since 2007. Ajay was a part of the original team that created the TREDIS system and has led the development team for the last 5 years. He has been passionate about data and what it can do to improve highway safety on the roads within the Commonwealth.



Ellen Kamilakis
Assistant District Administrator for Communications
Virginia Department of Transportation - Northern Virginia District

Ellen Kamilakis has worked for VDOT's Northern Virginia District since 2015 and is responsible for media relations, social media, emergency and operational communications, and more. Previously, she worked for Fairfax County Government for 12 years with their police, emergency management, and transportation departments. She graduated in 2021 from FEMA's Master Public Information Officer Program, and is a Type-3 PIO with the National Capital Region Incident Management Team. She has won regional, state, and national awards in 2016, 2017, 2018, 2019, 2020, and 2021 spanning social media, crisis communications, media relations, graphic

design, event planning, integrated communications, and web design.



Mary King
Program Manager

Youth of Virginia Speak Out About Traffic Safety (YOVASO)

Mary King is the Program Manager for Youth of Virginia Speak Out About Traffic Safety (YOVASO), a statewide peer-to-peer traffic safety program administered by the Virginia State Police. Mary has been the program manager and grants administrator of YOVASO since 2007 and has directly led the expansion of the program to high and middle schools statewide. Prior to joining YOVASO, Mary worked for 11 years as a Public Relations Specialist with the Virginia DMV Highway Safety Office where she helped develop community-based safety programs for youth in the southwest Virginia region. Mary has a Bachelor's degree in Journalism from Virginia Commonwealth University.



Chris Konschak
Senior Director, Traffic Safety and Government Relations
Responsibility.org

Chris is an impaired driving/traffic safety professional and lawyer with over 30 years' experience. He joined Responsibility.org in 2020. He spent the previous 17 years as Director of MADD Virginia. Chris has also worked as the Director of the Virginia Federation of Communities for Drug-Free Youth, the Director of Offender Aid and Restoration, the Public Safety Planner for the City of Richmond and an Administrator with the Virginia Department of Behavioral Health & Developmental Services. Chris earned his JD from Howard University School of Law and his BA from the University of Richmond.



Steven Loving
Sergeant
City of Manassas Park Police

Sgt. Loving has been in law enforcement for 20 years, and 17 of those years have been with The City of Manassas Park. He is currently assigned to the

community resource division and part of his assignment in this division is to view and approve speed camera citations. He has viewed and approved over 3,000 speed camera tickets since November 2021.



Alexandra Lucchesi
Program Manager
Washington Regional Alcohol Program

A Marymount University graduate with a Master's Degree in Public Health Education and Promotion (with an undergraduate degree in Exercise Science from the College of Charleston), Alexandra Lucchesi serves as the Washington Regional Alcohol Program's (WRAP) Program Manager. Alexandra is responsible for managing, planning, implementing, and evaluating WRAP's programmatic outreach initiatives including the nonprofit's: school, workplace and community educational programs including related publications and products; law enforcement award initiatives; data collection publications; and management of the nonprofit organization's award-winning SoberRide® program.



Jeffrey P. Michael, EdD
Distinguished Scholar
Johns Hopkins University

Jeffrey P. Michael, EdD, is the current Leon S. Robertson Faculty Development Chair in Injury Prevention. Dr. Michael has been a Visiting Scholar in the Johns Hopkins Center for Injury Research and Policy since November 2018. He has worked with the Center to establish a new international public health research and training hub to develop and disseminate policy guidance to assist communities in adopting mobility innovations that can improve public health. The Johns Hopkins New Mobility Initiative engages experts from across the University in examining the adoption of new mobility technologies such as rideshare, scooters, electric bicycles and driverless vehicles. The Initiative will also facilitate implementation of new transportation governance methods such as the Safe System Approach that promise substantial reductions in death and injury on our roads. The Initiative will serve a critical role as a neutral and independent source of policy guidance to assist

communities in applying new tools to improve safety and reduce mobility inequities.

Dr. Michael previously served as Associate Administrator for Research and Program Development at the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration with responsibility for the development of programs to increase seat belt use, decrease impaired driving, improve emergency medical services, and enhance the safety of motorcyclists, bicyclists, pedestrians and older drivers. During his thirty year tenure at NHTSA, he also served as Director of the Impaired Driving and Occupant Protection Office and as Chief of the Emergency Medical Services (EMS) Division.



David Mitchell

**Deputy Commissioner for Administration and Finance
Virginia Department of Motor Vehicles**

David Mitchell was hired as Deputy Commissioner by the Virginia Department of Motor Vehicles on July 10, 2005. He has more than 30 years' experience in administration and financial operations. David has a bachelor's degree in Accounting and Business from Mississippi College. He has the responsibility of overseeing Human Resources, Budget & Finance, Communications, Facilities Services Planning, and the Highway Safety Office.

Before joining DMV, David was employed at the Virginia Department of Social Services (VDSS), serving as Chief Financial Officer/Deputy Commissioner for Administration and Finance. Prior to holding his position at VDSS, he served as the Deputy Commissioner and Director of the Division of Budget and Accounting at the Mississippi Department of Human Services; Deputy Commissioner of Administration and Finance at the Mississippi Department of Corrections; Corrections Auditor for the Joint Legislative Committee on Performance Evaluation Expenditure Review (Mississippi's JLARC Agency); and Internal Auditor with the Internal Revenue Services, Memphis, Tennessee.



Christopher Morris
Special Programs Coordinator
The Commission on Virginia Alcohol Safety Action Program (VASAP)

Christopher Morris serves as Special Programs Coordinator for the Commission on the Virginia Alcohol Safety Action Program. In his role, Christopher Morris is primarily responsible for oversight of the state's ignition interlock program. He tracks agency legislation, makes recommendations for changes in regulatory procedures, approves and conducts service center inspections, trains staff on reporting and monitoring requirements and works with interlock vendors to ensure compliance with laws and regulations. Prior to his current position, Christopher Morris served as a police officer for both the Charlottesville and Waynesboro Police Departments and in several roles within the insurance industry. Christopher Morris obtained his Bachelor's degree from East Tennessee State University and his MBA from Averett University.



Thomas L. Nelson, Jr. P.E.
Division Administrator
Federal Highway Administration

Thomas Nelson, Jr. has served as the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) Virginia Division Administrator since June 2019. In this capacity, he provides leadership and direction to a diverse professional staff in implementing the \$1.2 billion Federal-aid highway program. Before joining FHWA, Thomas served 8 and a half years as a Vice President and Area Manager for CH2M Hill. Thomas also has 10 years of design and project management experience with the Michigan Department of Transportation where he served as the Unit Leader. He holds a Bachelor of Science Degree in Civil Engineering from Michigan State University and is a licensed professional Engineer.



Dr. Ray Ochs
Vice President of Training Systems
Motorcycle Safety Foundation

Raymond Joseph Ochs has more than 45 years of experience in safety education and training programs. He served on the faculty of three different universities

where he focused on teacher certification programs. Dr. Ochs earned a doctorate in Educational Psychology from the University of Tennessee, Knoxville. He retired as Professor Emeritus from Eastern Kentucky University after 31 years of service, where he was the director of the Traffic Safety Institute. He was certified as an MSF instructor in 1973 and began his MSF employment in 2002.



Melissa Ostergaard
Highway Safety Specialist

National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA)
Melissa Ostergaard is a Highway Safety Specialist at the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration in Washington, DC. As a member of the Occupant Protection Division, she is the Distracted Driving program lead. She also supports NHTSA's adult occupant protection, pediatric vehicular heatstroke prevention, and child passenger safety efforts. Melissa graduated with her Master's in Public Health from the University of Michigan in 2017 before joining NHTSA.



Andrew Owens
Legal Services Analyst
Virginia Division of Motor Vehicles

Andrew Owens is a legal services analyst at the Virginia Department of Motor Vehicles. He is an attorney licensed in Virginia and North Carolina, with administrative law experience at the state and federal levels. He works frequently with the Virginia Highway Safety Office on issues involving federal grants, policy initiatives, and emerging technologies. Andrew grew up and went to law school in Chapel Hill, North Carolina. He and his family live in Richmond.



Rebecca Parsio, RN
Healthcare Compliance Officer
Virginia Department of Motor Vehicles

Rebecca has worked in the field of Public Health in various capacities for 27 years; the last seven years in her current position with the Department of Motor Vehicles. She is a graduate of Old Dominion University, George Mason University and UNC – Chapel Hill with education in

Psychology, Nursing and Public Health respectively. Rebecca is the agency liaison with the Medical Advisory Board and in that capacity she studies and communicates trends in motor vehicle driver safety and proposes policy for consideration and approval. She is the point of contact for all medical code related questions and represents the DMV for medical related administrative hearings.



Kianna Pirooz, MPH, CHES

Clinical Investigator

Automotive Coalition for Traffic Safety (ACTS) – Driver Alcohol Detection System for Safety (DADDS) | Driven to Protect | KEA Technologies, Inc

As a clinical investigator, Ms. Pirooz is responsible for designing and leading clinical studies at KEA Technologies. She is an investigator for DADSS Field Operational Testing, which involves putting subjects into research vehicles after they have been given measured amounts of alcohol and testing the alcohol detection sensors. She runs similar in-lab human subject testing at McLean Hospital – a Harvard Medical School Affiliate. Ms. Pirooz is a Certified Health Education Specialist and co-developed and manages several eLearning programs for the DADSS program. She holds a BA in neuroscience and psychology, and a Master’s in Public Health, both from Boston University.



Payton Poindexter

Youth Advisory Council/Club President

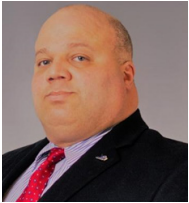
Youth of Virginia Speak Out About Traffic Safety (YOVASO)

Payton Poindexter is a senior at Jefferson Forest High School in Bedford County. Payton is a part of Youth of Virginia Speak Out About Traffic Safety (YOVASO), a statewide peer-to-peer traffic safety program administered by the Virginia State Police. Through this program Payton is a member of the Youth Advisory Council and the club president at her high school. Being involved with this program since sixth grade, she has multiple years of first-hand experience in how a YOVASO club impacts the habits of her peers. In the fall, Payton will attend Radford University Carillon to study biomedical sciences.



Stephen Read, P.E.
Highway Safety Planning Manager
Virginia Department of Transportation

Stephen Read, P.E., has 35 years of experience with traffic operations and safety engineering and transportation planning projects, research and management. He previously conducted project consulting and research work in London, UK; Ontario, Canada; and Virginia. Stephen started at VDOT in the Northern Virginia district planning section. He presently leads the statewide highway, bicyclist and pedestrian safety planning program area. He is an active member of VDOT's Safety Research Advisory Committee; Transportation Research Board (TRB) Highway Safety Performance and Analysis Committee; National Cooperative Highway Research Program (NCHRP) research projects; and is chair of American Association of State Highways and Transportation Officials' (ASHTO)'s Highway Safety Manual Steering Committee and their representative for the World Roadway Association safety technical committee. Stephen has a Master's in Transportation Engineering from the University of Waterloo, Ontario researching large truck crash prediction models.



Walt E. Reel
Senior Trooper
Virginia State Police

Senior Trooper Walter Reel began his career in 1999 with the Virginia State Police (VSP), Richmond, VA as a State Trooper assigned to the Chesapeake Division Five. Trooper Reel was then assigned to the Fifth Division Crash Team in 2004. In addition to conducting training classes, he provides in-depth reconstruction testimony for both criminal and civil trials. In 2016, he became a member of the VSP Leica Laser Scanner Team. Finally, in 2018, Trooper Reel added to his duties by being selected as a Crash Investigator within the Department of Motor Vehicles (DMV), Highway Safety Office (HSO) in Richmond, Virginia. His assignments assist with the goal of reducing crashes, injuries and fatalities in the Commonwealth and one day having zero fatalities on Virginia's roadways.



Dr. Kelley Rumsey
Pediatric Trauma Program Manager
Children's Hospital of Richmond at VCU

Dr. Kelley Rumsey is a Registered Nurse with over thirty years of experience. She has worked in Pediatric and Adult trauma care, the Emergency Department and Intensive Care Unit. For the past ten years, Dr. Rumsey has served as the Pediatric Trauma Program Manager for the Children's Hospital of Richmond at VCU, working both to build the Level I Pediatric Trauma center there and to develop the pediatric trauma system across the Commonwealth. She has also spent a great deal of professional time in the development of peer support and resilience programs both in and out of hospital.



John Saunders
Director, Highway Safety Office
Virginia Department of Motor Vehicles

John serves as Director of the Department of Motor Vehicles (DMV) Virginia Highway Safety Office and a member of the DMV Executive Staff. John also represents the DMV Commissioner as a member and is the current Vice Chairman of the Commission on Virginia Alcohol Safety Action Program. His national affiliations include serving on the Executive Board of the Governors Highway Safety Association (GHSA) where he has held various Executive Board positions and committee assignments, which include serving as Vice Chairman from 2012 to 2015. John currently is the GHSA Region 3 Representative, serves as monitor and panelist to the Transportation Research Board of The National Academies of Sciences Engineering and Medicine, is a member of the Executive Board of the Association of National Stakeholders in Traffic Safety Education, and serves as representative to the National Road to Zero Coalition. In 2020, he testified before The Senate Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation's Subcommittee on Transportation and Safety at a hearing entitled, "Safety on our Roads." He also received the 2019 Annual Governor's Honor Award as a member of the Virginia Driver Alcohol Detection System for Safety (DADSS) leadership team, the Obama administration recognized him as a White House Champion of Change

for his innovation and work in the area of transportation. A 31-year Navy Veteran and retired Naval Officer, John holds a Bachelor's degree from Southern Illinois University in Health Care Management, a Master's Degree in Public Administration from Troy State University and a Master's Degree in Divinity from Virginia Union University.



Dana Schrad
Executive Director
Virginia Association of Chiefs of Police

Dana has served as the Executive Director of the Virginia Association of Chiefs of Police since 1996. She is the Executive Director for the Virginia Association of Campus Law Enforcement Administrators and Executive Director for the Virginia Public Safety Foundation. Dana is a member of the Virginia Board of Juvenile Justice and serves on the International Chiefs of Police Highway Safety Committee.



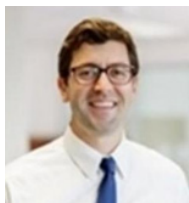
Col. Gary T. Settle
Superintendent
Virginia State Police

Re-appointed by Governor Glenn Youngkin in January 2022, Colonel Gary T. Settle is the 13th Superintendent to lead the Virginia State Police.

Colonel Settle oversees the Department's mission to secure the Commonwealth of Virginia through leadership, collaboration, and community engagement. As Superintendent, Colonel Settle leads and manages all aspects of the Department of State Police encompassing the Office of Performance Management and Internal Controls (OPMIC), Office of Internal Affairs, Public Relations Office (PRO), Executive Protective Unit (EPU), Bureau of Administrative and Support Services (BASS), Bureau of Field Operations (BFO), and Bureau of Criminal Investigation (BCI).

During his more than 3 decades of service in law enforcement, Settle has served the Commonwealth of Virginia at the state and local levels in a myriad of public safety capacities. He was initially appointed Superintendent by then-Governor Ralph Northam in 2018 after having served as the Director of the Department's

Bureau of Criminal Investigation (BCI) since 2017 and as its Deputy Director from 2015 to 2017. The Rappahannock County native graduated from the Virginia State Police Academy in 1986 as Class President of the 78th Basic Session. His first patrol assignment was in Frederick and Clarke counties in the State Police Culpeper Division.



Joe Seymour
Transportation Planner
Vanasse Hangen Brustlin, Inc. (VHB)

Joe is a transportation planner and project manager with 12 years of experience. Specializing in multimodal planning, policy, and safety, Joe has supported projects identifying pedestrian safety needs and countermeasures, developed transportation policy, and led numerous training sessions and peer exchanges. He also has experience in long-range transit and roadway forecasting; bicycle and pedestrian design and safety studies; and data gathering and analysis on the effects of the built environment in dispersing vehicular emissions in urban areas.



Corey Smedley
Fire Chief
Alexandria Fire Department

Fire Chief Smedley has 30 years of public service/public safety experience. He has served his Country as an Army Reservist; he rose through the ranks in Prince George's County Fire/EMS from firefighter/paramedic to Deputy Chief and now serves as the 30th Fire Chief of the Alexandria Fire Department. Smedley is a strong proponent of the 21st Century Fire and Emergency Service philosophy and has started his agency on the continuous quality improvement journey through accreditation. Chief Smedley has worked in many roles in his career, but his most rewarding work is to build bridges and partnerships to create opportunities.



Jacob Valente
Graduate Research Assistant
Virginia Tech

Virginia Tech and Virginia Tech Transportation Institute Mr. Valente is a third-year biomedical engineering PhD student at Virginia Tech. Under the advisement of Dr. Miguel Perez at the Virginia Tech Transportation Institute (VTTI), he conducts several different research inquiries centered around improving emergency response to motor vehicle collisions. His work includes analysis of the driving behavior of road users when confronted with emergency response vehicles, the formation of an occupant injury triage system to evaluate crash victim conditions, and the development of a system to measure vehicle deformation to estimate the need of occupant extraction.



Vinay Varadarajan
Senior Transportation Engineer
Sam Schwartz

Vinay serves as project engineer supporting District Department of Transportation's (DDOT) safety programs, ranging from intersection safety audits to tactical urbanism initiatives. Recently he has become involved with DDOT's assessment of rotational Automated Traffic Enforcement (ATE) Program locations. He leads a team of engineers in analyzing speed and crash data at candidate locations across the District for a speed camera, red light camera, or stop sign camera. Based on the data, recommendations are made to either install a camera or improve existing deficiencies at an intersection. Since January 2022, he has worked with Arlington County in the implementation of speed cameras in school zones.



Melissa K. Velazquez
Director of Legislative Services
Virginia Department of Motor Vehicles

Melissa K. Velazquez, Esq., has served in the Office of Legislative Services at DMV since 2012. As Director of Legislative Services her position involves managing the DMV legislative process during the General Assembly session, drafting legislation, and working on major policy initiatives of the agency. Prior to her service at DMV she

served as an assistant county attorney in Henrico, and as a senior policy analyst at the Virginia Department of Education. Melissa received her B.A. in political science from Virginia Commonwealth University and her J.D. from the University Of Kentucky College Of Law. She is a licensed attorney and member of the Virginia State Bar.



Henry "Hank" Waters
Highway Safety Office, Motorcycle Safety Program
Manager
Virginia Department of Motor Vehicles

Mr. Waters has been a motorcycle Trainer for the past 15 years, teaching in Virginia public and private schools, Michigan State, and Harley Davidson Programs. His Motorcycle Training has included training US Military Personnel assigned in the Metro Washington area and he served for over 37 years in the US Military and US Defense Industry.



Joe Woloszyn
Sergeant
Fairfax County Police Department

24 years in law enforcement, over 7 years Active Duty US Army and nearly 17 years Fairfax County Police Dept. Nationally Registered Paramedic since 2017 and Critical Care Paramedic since 2018. Most recent assignments include the Helicopter Division and squad Sergeant.

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