

### TOWARD ZERO DEATHS

Because your life counts

# Strategies for Creating a Traffic Safety Culture

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# **Traffic Safety Culture**



**BOOZE CRUISE?** 



# **Traffic Safety Culture**

- Desired traffic safety messages and behavior
- Training, Research, and Education for Driving Safety (TREDS)
  - http://www.bing.com/videos/search?q=just+driv e+take+action+against+distraction&qpvt=just+dri ve+take+action+against+distraction&view=detail &mid=76A0AC987CEC0708A0D376A0AC987CEC0 708A0D3&FORM=VRDGAR
- Distraction.gov
   http://www.distraction.gov/index.html



# **Equity in Traffic Safety**

- Everyone walks, not everyone can drive.
- Transportation is crucial for youth, people without licenses, people with lower income, people with disabilities, and other historically under-represented populations.
- Focus on historically underinvested areas when assessing the policy and physical landscape.
- Engage impacted community members and you will see change!



# **Ecological Approach to Traffic Safety**

- Aid in personal development and skills.
- Reorient how care is provided.
- Create a physical and social environment that is conducive to traffic safety by implementing policy, system, and environmental changes.
- Spread traffic safety efforts among communities, health care providers, schools, and work sites.

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Impaired driving event in partnership with Houston County Sheriff's Department at the Houston County Fair.

(August 2015)





**Alcohol Server Training** 

(April 2016)





Saved By the Belt

(May 2015)



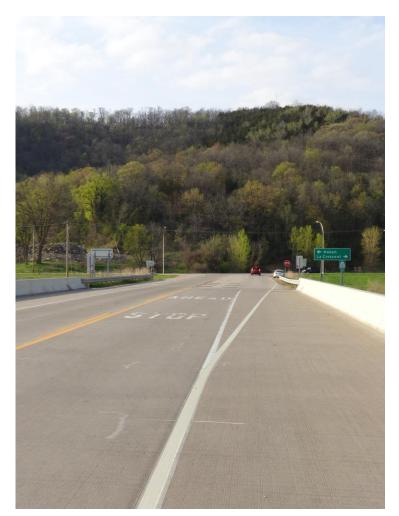




# County Road 8 Chevron Installation

(2015)

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**HWY 26 Rumble Installation** 

(2015-2016)

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Chatfield High School Mock Crash addressing distracted driving, bicycle safety, and occupant restraint use. (April 2016)









## Point of Impact Parent Education Program

(March 2016)



## Media Formats for Traffic Safety

- Visual Formats: Use color infographics, pictures, and video
- Social outlets to consider: Facebook, Flip A Grams, Google, Twitter, Snap Chat, You Tube, Etc
- Facebook is used most from 1 to 4 PM and on weekends. Posts should be made 5 to 10 times per week.
- Twitter is used most from 3 to 5 PM.
- Instagram is used from 8 AM to 8 PM and on weekends.



# Media Strategies for Traffic Safety

- Write a communications plan.
- Closely consider intended target population and respect their level of understanding.
- Develop a long-term campaign with spin-offs.
   Shoot extra footage for later use.
- Gain earned media by using real content, personal impact statements, and success stories.
- Tie media into current trends or pop culture.
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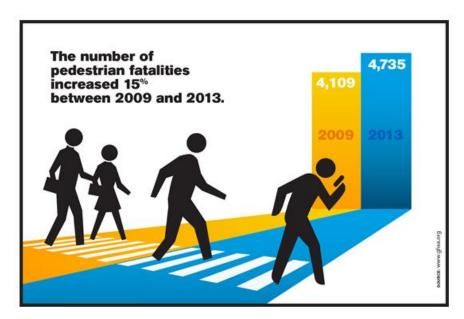
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- AVS Model: <u>A</u>cknowledge dangerous behavior, <u>V</u>oice feelings and provide <u>S</u>olutions for solving the problem.
- Inspire behavioral change with messages that are funny, emotional, and create a sense of urgency.
- Call people to action.



# Pedestrian Safety Culture

- Mayor's Challenge Step-By-Step Technical Guidance <a href="https://www.transportation.gov/mayors-challenge">https://www.transportation.gov/mayors-challenge</a>





# Pedestrian Safety Culture

- Pedestrian and Bicycle Information Center
- Enforcement, Education, and Promotion Guidance
- http://www.pedbikeinfo.org/





# Pedestrian Safety Culture – Safe Kids



 https://www.safekids.or g/infographic/pedestria n-safety-and-teens



# Attentive Safety Culture - Philadelphia

City of Philadelphia
 Office of Transportation
 and Infrastructure
 Systems "Drive Right",
 "Give Respect, Get
 Respect." "Its Road
 Safety Not Rocket
 Science"



- http://www.itsroadsafety.com/
- http://www.foodfitphilly.org/FO
   ODFITPHILLY/assets/File/GIVE\_R
   ESPECT\_Walking.pdf



# Attentive Safety Culture - California

- California Office of Traffic Safety "Pedestrians Don't Have Armor."
- http://www.ots.ca.gov/Media\_and\_Research/Cam paigns/Ped\_Safety/default.asp
- https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=m7xS7SbT2II





# Attentive Safety Culture – Impact Teen Drivers

- What Do You Consider Lethal?
- http://whatdoyouconsi derlethal.com/

