

Minnesota Operation Lifesaver, Inc



It is the Mission of Minnesota Operation Lifesaver to create awareness and provide education to the public on *how to make safer* decisions around tracks and trains in an effort to reduce collisions, deaths and injuries at highway-rail grade crossings and on railroad property in Minnesota.

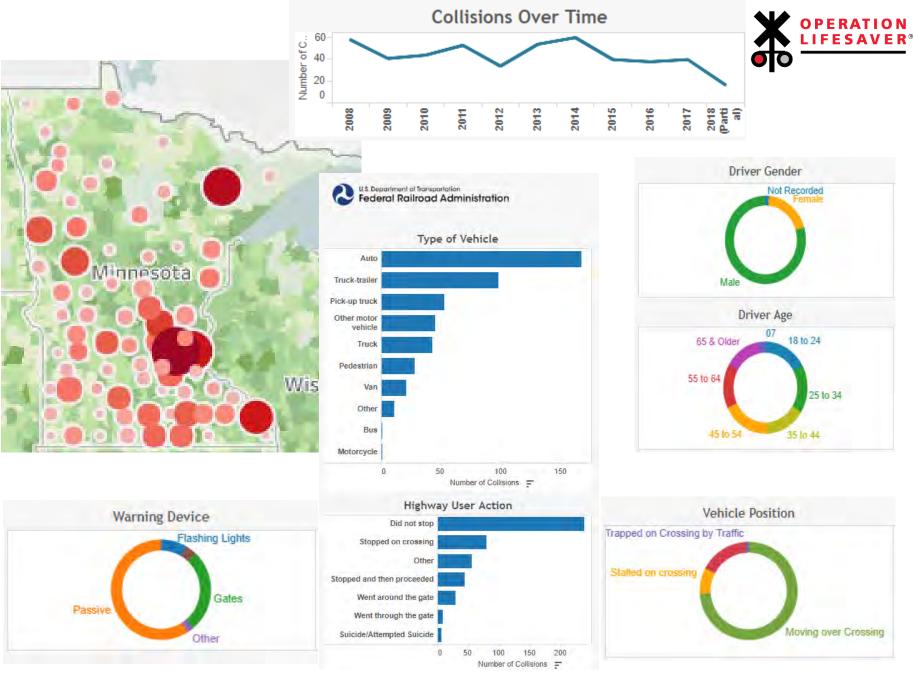




Decline in collisions

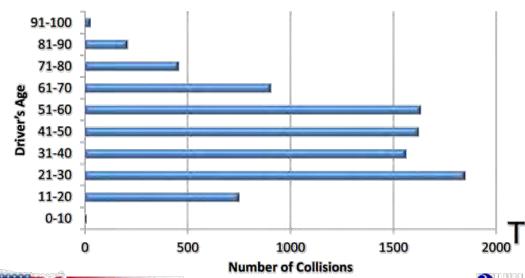
We've helped to reduce the number of train/motor vehicle collisions from a 1972 high of roughly 12,000 annual incidents to approximately 1,953 incidents in 2012.

(Source: FRA preliminary 2012 statistics).



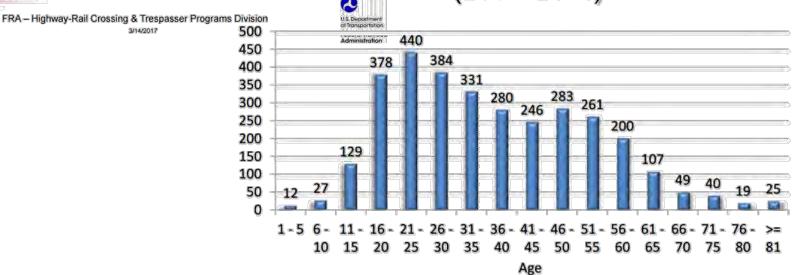
Public Crossing Collisions By Age 2012-2016





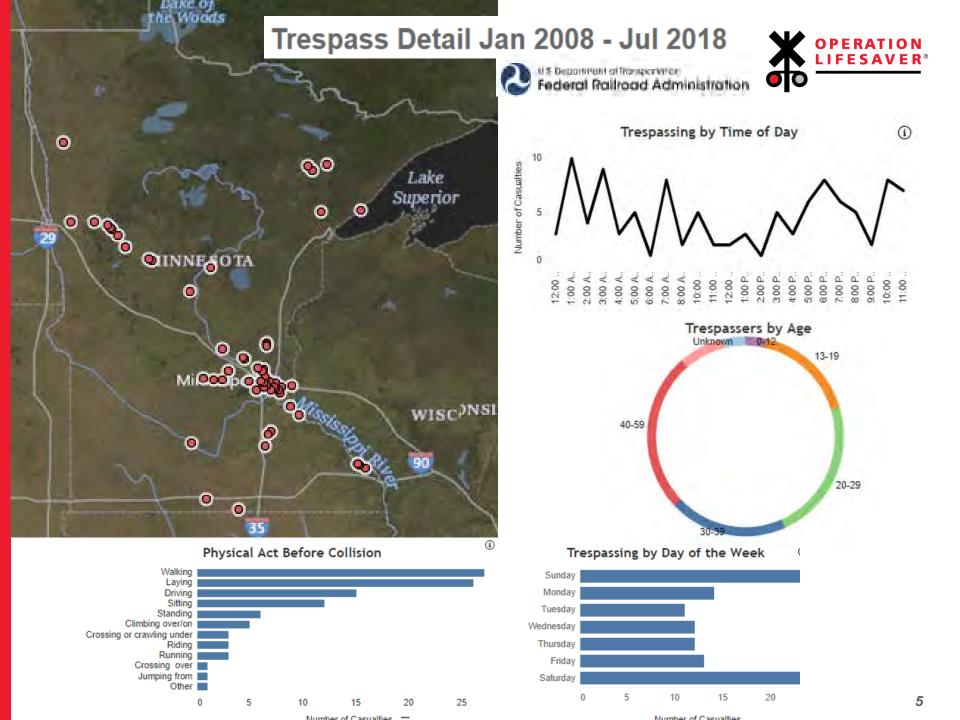
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Trespass Fatalities by Age (2014-2016)































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The Strength of Digital





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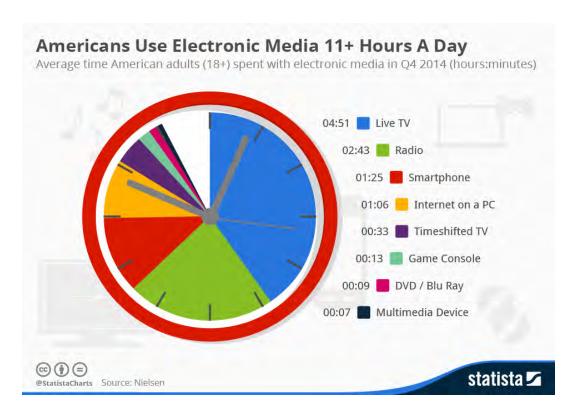
89% of Americans use the internet



80% of internet users own a Smartphone.



57% of all US online traffic now come from smartphones and tablets



Public Education





- Presentations
- Safety Booths
- Public Service Announcements
- Videos at oli.org
- Printed Materials
- Training for Authorized Volunteer Presenters

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Myths or Realities?

Pedestrian Safety

Around Tracks

& Trains.



Highway-Rail Grade Crossing Training for Professional Truck Drivers

STAY ALIVE WHEN YOU DRIVE

Presented by Operation Lifesaver

Key Safety Tips at Highway-Rail Grade Crossings

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CROSSING





Snowplow operators frequently encounter highwayrailway crossings. Special caution is required at these crossings

to protect the operator, roadway users, the railway and employees.

Laws and policies vary in each state and company—know the law, regulations and policies that apply in your state and within your organization!

Following the plowing procedures recommended below can prevent needless tragedies.

Approaching a Crossing

- If required, stop the plow before reaching the crossing no closer than fifteen feet from the nearest rail:
- Before resuming, make sure there is enough room on the other side for the whole unit to clear the tracks, including your vehicle's overhang.

Know the length of your vehicle! Remember, the train will be at least a few feet wider than the rails on both sides;

- Ensure it is safe to cross the tracks by looking both ways. Open windows/ doors and turn off radios or lans so as to see and hear better. Ensure you can see past obstructions such as mirrors, pillars, or attachments;
- Paise the plow blade and wing or other attachments high enough to clear the tracks and signals;
- To avoid stalling, use a gear which will let you cross the tracks without shifting:
- De especially careful at crossings without gates, flashing lights or bell. Even if there are active warning signals, and they do not indicate a train is approaching, you must look and listen to be sure it is safe to proceed:
- After you have started over the tracks, if the crossing lights begin to flash, KEEP GOING. It is safer to continue forward than to reverse.

Snow, Salt, & Chemicals

Avoid piling snow on or near railway crossings. Windrows must be kept to a minimum as they reduce visibility at crossings and may be hit by a passing train.

Thrown ice or hard packed snow could result in possible injury to the public.

- Do not pile snow under gate arms or mechanisms. This may result in the malfunction of railway signal equipment.
- When possible, do not pile snow on access roads parallel and adjacent to the tracks:
- When possible, "clear" crossing approaches to bare pavement in order to expose railway/pavement markings.
- Never dump salt or chemicals directly on or near any highway-railway crossing. Salt or chemicals reduce the resistant properties of track ties and rock ballast. This in turn can cause the electrical signals carried through the rails to short out, resulting in activation of flashing light warning devices or malfunction of train signals.
- To prevent sand from being carried onto the tracks, ensure sand is not applied within fifteen feet of railway crossing tracks.
- To prevent a build-up at the crossing, which could contribute to derailments, avoid or limit the use of abrasives at railway crossings.



Maintenance Considerations

Contact the railway before performing work in proximity to a crossing!

If maintenance requires work within close proximity to the trackage, you need permission from the railway before starting in order to ensure safety and compliance with regulations.

Please remember: **ANYTIME IS TRAIN TIME!** As you carry out maintenance at a railway crossing, crossing signals may activate as little as 20 seconds before a train arrives. An average large truck can take 18 seconds to clear the track area from a standing start.

Emergency Situations/Reporting Hazards

If your plow stalls or gets stuck on a crossing, get out immediately and move quickly to a point at least 100 feet away from the track and the truck. This will reduce the chances of being struck by flying debris if a train hits the vehicle.

If the plow or wing accidentally hits the rail, signage, or signal equipment, report it immediately. Notify your dispatcher and/or contact the railway directly.

Many railway companies post their emergency numbers prominently at crossings. If the number cannot be located immediately, call 911 or the local emergency number.

Police Officer or Flag Person at the Crossing

If a police officer or properly identified railway flag person is at the crossing, obey directions. Remember, however, you are not relieved of the responsibility to ensure your personal safety and you must confirm it is safe to cross the tracks by looking and listening for the approach of a train.

For additional railway safety information, please visit:

- > Website: www.oli.org
- Facebook: www.facebook.com/operation.lifesaver
- > Twitter: www.twitter.com/olinational

LOOK, LISTEN, LIVE!

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Innovative Outreach



Ryan's Brain & Challenge

- Full Video and shorts
- Free Lesson plans
- Chromebook giveaway

Parody music videos

- Think Train!
- Operation Lifesaver Rap
- You Better Be Aware
- A Story To Tell

Operation Lifesaver on Social Media





Operation Lifesaver Inc. added a new photo.

Yesterday at 5:39 PM · 3

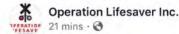
Railways are fascinating, but incidents surrounding them are very unforgiving.





#Throwbackthursday Miss our
#TransitThursday activities and outreach
during #RailSafetyWeek2018? Check out
these great safety tips from Operation
Lifesaver Inc. for everyone! http://ow.ly/
udGd30mfXCp https://twitter.com/olinational/
status/1052023396383494144





We appreciate when people like Betsy Daugherty become rail safety advocates. https://bit.ly/2yr7RyO



WANDTV.COM

Mother who lost son in train accident teaches others about safety



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Post about an Operation Lifesaver presentation.

Respond to tweets sent by Operation Lifesaver.

Share Operation Lifesaver accounts with friends.

▼Take pictures at Operation Lifesaver events.

Send messages about rail safety.

Share #railsafety hashtags.

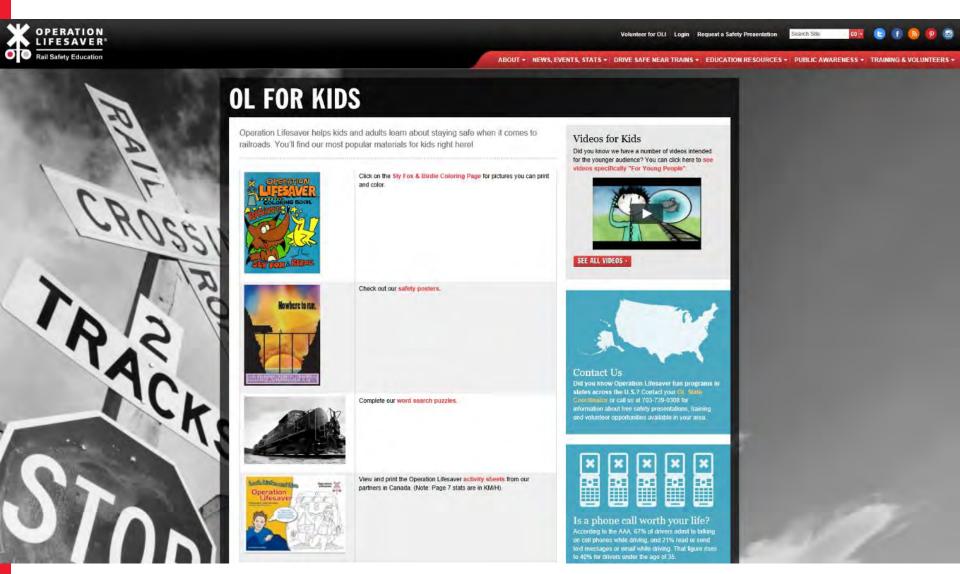
See Tracks? Think Train!















"Trespassing" is going somewhere you're not supposed to go, like walking into a stranger's house without permission.

TRESPASSING IS AGAINST THE LAW.



This law is meant to keep us safe.

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"If people would just keep back from you and me, we would all be safe. People can admire us from a distance."

"Longer than a mile," spoke up Track "That's farther than 18 football fields.

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TEST YOUR TRAIN SAFETY KNOWLEDGE

THE FOLLOWING ARE SOME COMMON BELIEFS ABOUT TRAINS.
WHICH OF THE FOLLOWING ARE TRUE AND WHICH ARE FALSE?





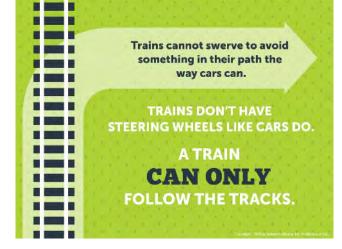






BELIEF

FALSE



TRAINS MOVE MUCH MORE QUICKLY THAN YOU DO.

THE ONLY WAY TO BE SAFE IS TO NEVER BE ON THE TRACKS.

Updated Presentation Materials



Cheating Death



Imagine



BUS SCHOOL

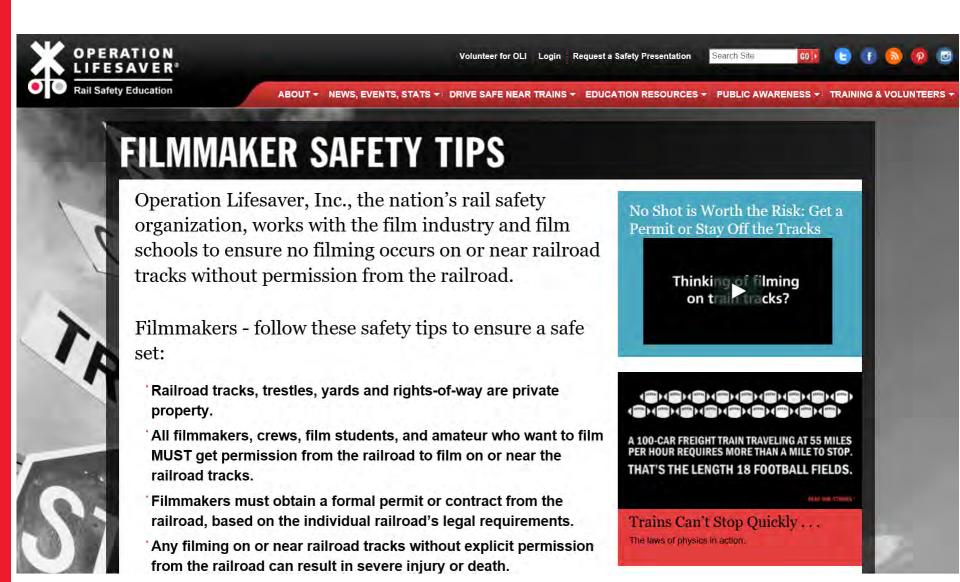
E-Learning for School Bus Drivers





Safety for Photographers







ALL VIDEOS

PSAS

FOR ADULT DRIVERS

FOR KIDS

TRAINING MODULES

STOP TRACK TRAGEDIES

VOLUNTEERS



Operation Lifesaver PSA -Trespassing Changes Your Life

9-27-2018 PSAs

Mark Kalina talks about what happened to him.



Look for the Blue and White ENS Sign PSA :15

9-20-2018 PSAs For Adult Drivers

Look for the Blue and White to Save Your Life :15 PSA by Operation Lifesaver, Inc.



How to Drive Near Trains

3-02-2018 PSAs Training Modules

This full-length training video features teen vlogger Ryan helping his sister prepare for her driving test by learning how to drive safely near trains.



Drive Safe PSA

3-02-2018 PSAs Training Modules

This :30 PSA tells you why it's important to drive safely near trains – and how to enter to win a prize!



Railroad Safety Signs

3-02-2018 PSAs

Training Modules

Jessica talks about signs you need to know to stay safe when driving near train tracks.

Educators - download the lesson plan.



What to do at a Crossing

3-02-2018 PSAs

Training Modules

do at the railroad crossing. Educators - download the **lesson** plan.

This video shows drivers what to



Distractions

3-02-2018 PSAs Training Modules

Distractions can be deadly near train tracks – watch to find out why. Educators - download the lesson plan.



Train Facts

3-02-2018 PSAs Training Modules

Learn why your car is like a soda can, and other train facts, in this video. Educators - download the lesson plan.



Light Rail

3-02-2018 PSAs Training Modules

How can drivers safely share the road with light rail trains?
Educators - download the lesson plan.

Thinking of filming on train tracks?

No shot is worth the risk: Get a permit or stay off the tracks

3-01-2018 PSAs

This PSA for filmmakers shows that filming on train tracks is deadly and illegal if proper permits are not obtained. Play it

Minimizing Collisions at Metro Transit

Michael Conlon, Director – Rail and Bus Safety Metro Transit

Toward Zero Deaths Conference Oct 23, 2018





Metro Transit Facts

- Largest transit operator in the state of MN
- Multimodal operations serve 7 counties (Anoka, Hennepin, Ramsey, Carver, Scott, Dakota, Washington)
- 80 million passengers annually on a network of commuter rail, light rail and bus
- 900 buses, 91 LRVs and 28 commuter rail coaches (powered by 6 locomotives)





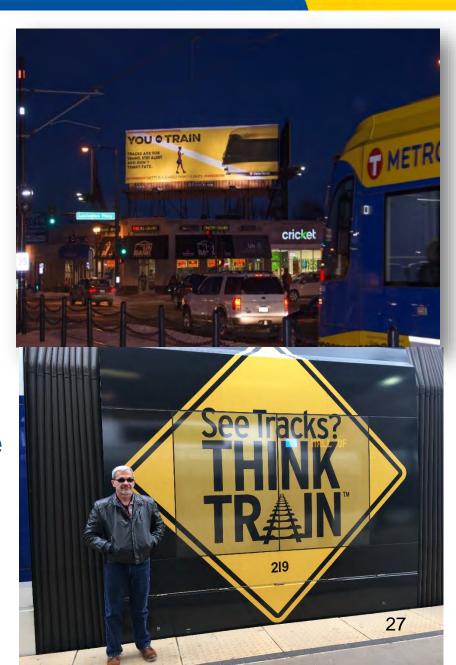
Topics for Today

- Recap of LRT Blended Outreach and Engineering Since 2016.
- Bus Operator Training Program
- Vision Zero Pedestrian Safety Working Group
- MT Ped/Cyclist Awareness Notification System (PeCANS)



Rail Safety Outreach

- BILLBOARDS more than
 1.25 Million impressions
- TRAIN ULTRA SUPER KING AD PANELS (4 TRAINS) – over 50 Million impressions
- LIVE RADIO SPOTS more than 200,000 impressions
- SOCIAL MEDIA (Facebook & Twitter) – over 700,000 impressions





Rail Safety Outreach (cont'd)

- SCHEDULE-SIZED
 BROCHURES Somali, Hmong,
 Spanish, and English
- STATION SAFETY BLITZES –
 handing out trinkets with safety
 messaging, and engaging in
 conversation with patrons about
 safe behavior at stations and
 around trains
- OPERATION LIFESAVER
 ACTIVITY BOOKS for daycare,
 elementary and preschools near
 LRT.









LRT Engineering – Cantilevered Blankout





LRT Engineering – WigWag Headlights





Outreach/Engineering Program Outcomes

LRT PEDESTRIAN COLLISIONS

	Blue	Green Line	Total	Increase
	Line			(Decrease)
Jan 4 2015 to Jan 3 2016 1	7	7	14	7 fewer
Jan 4 2016 to Jan 3 2017 ¹	3	4	7	after
				program ²

- ^{1.} The year-long comparison begin and end dates have been shifted to account for the last accident of the 6 that prompted this program.
- ^{2.} There were zero pedestrian fatalities (3 fewer) during the year of the blended outreach/engineering program.

Metro Transit earned the 2017 American Public Transportation Association Gold Award for transit systems with >20 M trips annually.

Bus Operator Training Program Enhancements

- Increased attention to safety conferences
- Safety-delivered modules in new operator training classes
- Overcoming the "forgetting curve"
 - Post-accident 1 on 1 training
 - Programmed refresher training
 - Triennial Safety Keys
 - Annual Winter Driving Tips



Data Mining Drives the Supplemental Training

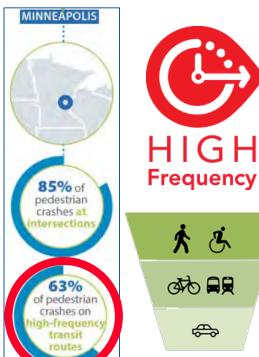
- Bus Accident Probability Tool
 - Age, driving experience, route experience, work schedule, snowfall, rainfall, and time of day.
 - A database of 18 M trips is the base for queries involving combinations of variables for forecasting mishap probability.
- The same database is used to map mishap locations so as to identify clusters for further analysis.
- Results: comparing the 2007 rate per 100k mi against the five year average 2013 – 2017, 100 fewer collisions, equating to \$284,200 in mishap cost savings.
- This program earned the 2018 APTA
 Bus Safety Awards Certificate Of Merit



Pedestrian & Cyclist Awareness Notification Study (PeCANS)

- Operator Challenges
 - A-Pillar impedes visibility
 - Unpredictable road and traffic conditions
 - Reactive braking vs. informative monitoring
- City of Minneapolis Pedestrian Crash Study (2017)
 - 85% of pedestrian crashes at intersections
 - 63% of pedestrian crashes on highfrequency transit routes
- On-Street Bike Lanes Growth = Increasing Probability of Bus-Bike Interactions
 - Minneapolis Bike Master Plan (2015):
 127 miles existing; 222 miles planned
 - Saint Paul Bicycle Plan (2015):
 79 miles existing; 132 miles planned







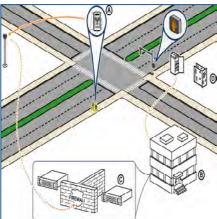
Potential PeCANS Proof-of-Concept Approaches

- No-Cost Proof-of-Concept (POC)
- Awareness Notifications (Alert / Warning)
 - Direct to bus operators
 - Bus to pedestrians and cyclists via announcements
- Collision Awareness Monitor
 Display for Bus Operators
- Vehicle-to-Everything (V2X)
 Communications
 - Bus to pedestrians and cyclists via mobile app
 - Bus to riders via pylon displays / announcements at bus stops
 - Bus to Digital Message Signs (DMS) at intersections











Forging New Tracks





Working with our partners... MNOL has looked for ways to forge new tracks in reaching important audiences



IntoxBox Breathalyzer Kiosk

Helping you know before you go

As we have entered the age of information and technology, it's time to do more than simply asking people not to drink and drive. The intoxBox allows consumers to know when they've reached their limit and helps them make informed decisions.





Identifying the Problem

While drunk driving has long been written off as a reckless and irresponsible act, we do not accept that these are the only causes. In surveying hundreds of DWI offenders, we have found that over 60% believed their BAC was under .08 when they decided to drive.



Creating the Solution

Speedometers are in cars to help us obey the speed limits. Why shouldn't we have easy access to reliable breathalyzer technology to help us obey the drinking and driving laws? IntoxBox is the resource our society needs to make better decisions.



Quality First

Other bar breathalyzers have come before us, but failed to reach mainstream acceptance with cheap quality and inconsistent maintenance practices. We go the extra mile with law-enforcement breathalyzer technology and professional operators.

Pandora

TARGETED USERS: 100% GUARANTEED



REGISTRATION INFORMATION FOR EACH USER

Age Gender Zip Code

PANDORA ONLY TARGETS YOUR AUDIENCE.

No wasted impressions

GUARANTEED VIEW: ADS ARE SERVED WHEN

Users are looking at the screen Interacting via thumbs: Creating stations



TIME SPENT DRIVES BRAND ENGAGEMENT

AVG. HOURS SPENT PER USER PER MONTH

Using site functionality





Leverage data and insights to better understand students. Cross-device data and attribution is pivotal, but making sense of that data can be challenging.

That's why you need a partner to help translate data and create actionable insights

Pandora





Mobile Audio



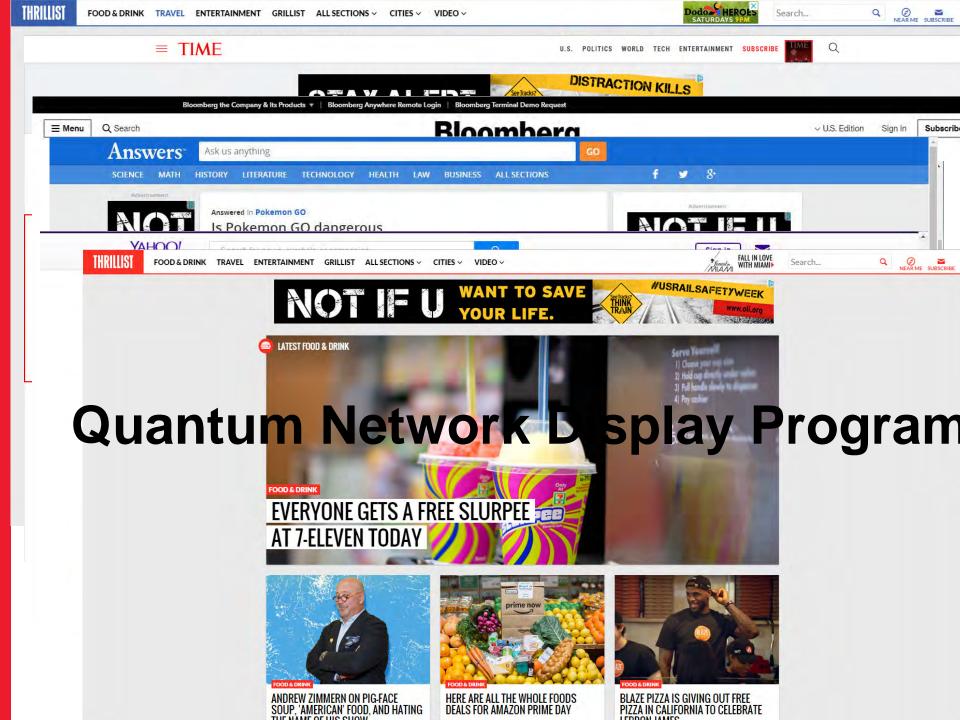


Overview

Mobile Audio offers impactful audio ads delivered to Pandora listeners in between songs that enable brands to connect with users with two-way engagement.

Benefits

Mobile Audio engages users during brief musical breaks enabling the advertiser to reach a target audience whether or not their eyes are on the screen. An audio ad is accompanied by a clickable visual presence, offering increased engagement.





See Tracks



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GeoAudience Who You Are

Home neighborhood demographics and spending patterns



Scored GeoFences

Where You Are

Contextually aware proximitybased targeting

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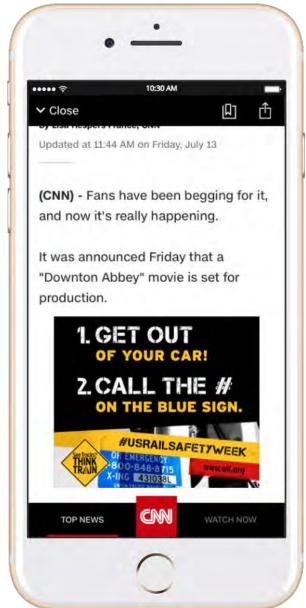
GeoCookies

Where You've Been

Real-world retargeting based on historical location data







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https://minnesotaol.com/safety-challenge

https://community.oli.org/state/mn



Welcome to the #MNOffTheRails
High School Safety Challenge

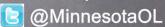
Youth and Social Media



Follow Us and post your ST3 selfie to win great prizes!



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STAY ALERT WHEN YOU DRIVE NEAR TRAIN TRACKS.









Thank You!