Southwest Minnesota Toward Zero Deaths
12th Annual Regional Workshop
Prairie Edge Casino
Granite Falls, MN
May 7, 2020

AGENDA

8 a.m.  
Registration, Continental Breakfast & View Exhibits

8:30 a.m.  
Welcome  
*Jon Huseby, District Engineer, MnDOT District 8 and Regional TZD Co-Chair*

8:35 a.m.  
TZD Remodel  
*State TZD co-chairs*
As we enter the 17th year of TZD, what’s next? Hear from the state TZD co-chair team about the upcoming TZD “remodel” and how that moves Minnesota closer towards zero deaths.

8:45 a.m.  
What is Traffic Safety Culture and How Will it Change Minnesota TZD?  
*Kristine Hernandez, Statewide Toward Zero Deaths Program Coordinator*
Park Rapids engaged in a 3-year pilot project aimed at growing a positive traffic safety culture. This session will provide an overview of the project and reveal lessons learned to apply to future initiatives to improve traffic safety culture.

9 a.m.  
Marijuana Potency and Impairment through Blazing, Smoking & Vaping  
*Lt. Don Marose, Minnesota State Patrol*
Explore marijuana waxes, oils and new products. Learn about popular new drug vapes, edible products, cannabinoids (and accessibility) along with drug identifiers and stash compartments. Included are their effects on drivers as well as indicators found on roadways upon first contact.

10 a.m.  
Networking & Visit Exhibits

10:15 a.m.  
Pediatric Crash Case Review & EMS Pediatric Transports  
*Jim Levi, Emergency & Medical Services for Children (EMSC) Advisory Committee Member and Educator, Dex Tuttle, Injury Prevention Program Manager, Children’s Hospital and Clinics of Minnesota*
Case Study: Lessons learned and unique outcomes following a crash review involving pediatric passengers. Learn about safe transportation of children in ground ambulances.

11 a.m.  
Granny! Where’s your Helmet?  
*Joan Somes, Emergency Nurses Association*
An increased number of older (over age 65) adults are riding motorcycles and bicycles and putting themselves at risk of serious injury and death, because they are not taking appropriate safety precautions. This includes not wearing
helmets and other protective gear. Review data, why aging increases risk and recommended preventive actions.

12 p.m.  
**Saved by the Helmet Award**  
*Capt. Casey Meagher, Minnesota State Patrol*

12:15 a.m.  
**Lunch & Exhibits**

1 p.m.  
**The Results Are In!**  
*MnDOT & DPS Research Team*  
The Strategic Highway Safety Plan is a 5-year policy plan that sets an overall direction for future safety strategies and presents the framework for selecting strategies. Stakeholder input was collected last year and now the results are in. New strategies and tactics are ready to review. Collaborate and provide input for the TZD regional action plan.

2 p.m.  
**Pedestrian Safety in Greater Minnesota**  
*Officer Chris Davis, New Ulm Police Department*  
Pedestrian deaths and injuries are at a 25-year high nationally. In response to two fatal pedestrian crashes, and one serious injury pedestrian crash, New Ulm Police Dep. implemented the “Stop for Me” program in 2019. See how successes, challenges and this program impacted the New Ulm community.

2:30 p.m.  
**Pedestrian Safety Statewide Education Campaign**  
*MnDOT Bike & Pedestrian Safety Team*  
This effort includes robust agency, partner and community engagement to develop strategies, tools and creative messaging – all aimed at changing people’s behavior toward safer walking and driving.

2:45 p.m.  
**Traffic Engineering Methodology and Results in the Region**  
*MnDOT District 8 Engineering Team*  
Understanding which engineering safety treatments are the most effective can be challenging, but research findings can provide clarity. Learn about the methodology, decision making process and implementation of new roadway design and traffic safety structures.

3:30 p.m.  
**Wrap up & Adjourn**  
*Capt. Casey Meagher, Minnesota State Patrol, District 2300*

*Please take time throughout the day to visit the traffic safety exhibit tables for reference materials and ideas to implement in your communities.*