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Greetings!

On behalf of Secretary of Transportation Julie Lorenz, welcome to the 27th annual Kansas Transportation Safety Conference. This will be an exciting conference having the in-person format that has not happened for two years. Whether in person or virtual, transportation safety is always a top priority especially in challenging times like these. We are confident you will benefit from our keynote presentations and your choice of breakout sessions. Topics are diverse, relevant and addressed by experts who work their topics day in and day out.

Overall, the tone is informal, and discussion is encouraged. One of the principal values of a good conference is the opportunity to network with other attendees and exhibitors. Please take advantage of break time to meet and chat with vendors and network with others who are attending a session. Talking with other attendees and the exhibitors is one of the best ways to learn new trends and current topics.

Finally, **please let us know how we can make this conference better and how KDOT's Traffic Safety Office can assist you with your safety needs**. Alternatively, you can connect with us through the conference app. Just search for the attendees who are identified as working with Traffic Safety at KDOT or add your suggestions to the questionnaire you will be sent following the conference. We use your input when preparing future conferences.

Enjoy your time with us!

Sincerely,

Gary Herman
Behavior Safety Manager

Vanessa Spartan
Chief of Transportation Safety

27th Annual Transportation Safety Conference

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Certificates of Participation

The Kansas Transportation Safety Conference offers a total of 9.5 contact hours of instruction. The pre-conference workshops offer a total of 7 contact hours of instruction. Conference and workshop attendees may access and download their certificate of participation for attending the events via their KU Professional & Continuing Education account (see page 10 for details). The certificates will meet the CEU requirements of many professions, including engineering and law enforcement. Call your professional state certification board for confirmation.

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Monday, April 4

7:30 a.m.	Registration and Continental Breakfast
8:30 a.m.	Morning Workshop Session
Noon	Lunch Provided for Workshop Attendees
1 p.m.	Afternoon Workshop Session
4:30 p.m.	Adjournment

Tuesday, April 5

7 a.m.	Exhibitor Set Up
7:30 a.m.	Registration, Continental Breakfast and Exhibits Open
8:30 a.m.	Welcome and Opening Remarks
9:15 a.m.	Opening Keynote Address
10 a.m.	Refreshment Break
10:30 a.m.	Concurrent Session 1
11:30 a.m.	Luncheon with Plenary Address and People Saving People Transportation Safety Recognition Awards Presentation
1:30 p.m.	Concurrent Session 2
2:30 p.m.	Refreshment Break
3 p.m.	Concurrent Session 3
4 p.m.	Adjournment and Exhibits Close

Wednesday, April 6

7:30 a.m.	Registration, Continental Breakfast and Exhibits Open
8:30 a.m.	Concurrent Session 4
10 a.m.	Refreshment Break
10:30 a.m.	Concurrent Session 5
11 a.m.	Exhibits Close
11:30 a.m.	Luncheon with Plenary Address and Hero Transportation Safety Recognition Awards Presentation
2 p.m.	Adjournment

SESSION ICONS

Look for these icons as a guide of professional interest for breakout sessions.

Law Enforcement

Roadway Safety

Injury Control

Youth

Tuesday Opening Session

Chris Bortz

Chris Bortz is the Assistant Bureau Chief for the Kansas Department of Transportation in the Bureau of Transportation Safety. Chris has been in the KDOT Traffic Safety Section for 20 years, which administers $8 million in federal grants and $1 million in state funded behavioral programs. Chris is married and has three adult children. He has a bachelor's degree from Kansas State University.

Tuesday Lunch

Darrin Grondel

Darrin currently serves as the Vice President of Traffic Safety and Government Relations for the Foundation for Advancing Alcohol Responsibility. He directs Responsibility.org's state government relations and traffic safety portfolio, with an emphasis on the impaired driving system.

Darrin previously served as the Director of the Washington Traffic Safety Commission (WTSC) 2012-2020 and retired as a captain in 2017 from the Washington State Patrol, after 25 years of service. Darrin proudly served as Chair of the Governors Highway Safety Association (GHSA) from 2018 – April 2020. He also served as GHSA Secretary from 2015 - 2018.

Darrin earned his Doctorate in Organizational Leadership from Brandman University (2016), MPA from the Evergreen State College (2004), and BA in Political Science from Brigham Young University (1995).

Wednesday Lunch

Garry Parker

Garry has served the citizens of Texas over 40 years in law enforcement and retired from the Texas Department of Public Safety in 2009. He holds a commission from the Texas Department of Public Safety as a Special Texas Ranger.

Garry served as a Law Enforcement Liaison and Instructor with the Texas Municipal Police Association and retired in 2020.

Garry is a certified speaker, trainer, and coach with the John Maxwell Leadership Team.

Garry has served as keynote speaker for many conferences around the country. He has been recognized for excellence in program development and presentation. He is a nationally recognized trainer and consultant in traffic safety, traffic enforcement, law enforcement tasks, and emergency vehicle operation.

#KansasTSC

Don't forget to Tweet!

You are invited to tweet using #KansasTSC during breaks in the action about things you see or hear at the conference which made an impression on you and which you believe would be helpful for others to know.

MONDAY, APRIL 4

All pre-conference workshops are held in the Shawnee Ballroom

7:30 a.m.

Registration and Continental Breakfast | *Sunflower Ballroom Foyer*

8:30 a.m. – Noon

T.I.M.S. – Shawnee A

The most difficult task for traffic safety advocates around the country is conveying the importance of making vehicle stops. Most refer to proactive enforcement as "traffic enforcement." When an agency or community looks at law enforcement stopping vehicles as just traffic enforcement, they are missing out on its viable crime fighting element. Law enforcement liaisons around the country regularly look for ways to involve sheriffs, constables and other elected officials in traffic enforcement. Often the elected officials refuse to work traffic because of the negative attitude from the public, and it may cost votes if their constituents are stopped and have a charge filed against them.

To combat this problem, Managing Police Traffic Services (MPTS) was created. The underlying theme of the seminar is to identify the origin of apathy to traffic enforcement and provide an approach to recruit new agencies, partners, and stakeholders to join in the effort. MPTS includes a section encouraging enforcement to use all available resources from the transportation code and not focus solely on speed. Often the violations targeted are not the cause of car crashes. The section on professional vehicle stops will identify the purpose of a seven-step approach to improve the professional violator contacts of enforcement across the country. With the widespread use of recording devices from law enforcement and the general public, countless unprofessional vehicle stops have been captured and shared around the world. The seven-step violator contact is a time-tested method to maintain professionalism during the encounter. Finally, a plea is made for enforcement to join the battle against the social harms of our society one vehicle stop at a time, and to help to achieve the road to zero.

Credits: 3

Speakers: Rusty James served 30 years in law enforcement, retiring from the Lenexa Police Department as a Sergeant in 2006. Rusty then worked for the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration as a Law Enforcement Liaison for the Central Region of the country. In 2007 Rusty was hired as the Incident Management Coordinator for KC Scout, the traffic management center in Kansas City. In that position, Rusty helped to build the Traffic Incident Management program for KC Scout. This program was very successful, receiving local, regional, and national awards. Rusty went on to work for Gannett Fleming, promoting traffic safety and traffic management programs across the country. Rusty was a Master Trainer for the National Traffic Incident Responder Training program, teaching many train the trainer sessions. Rusty is currently employed as the Safety Manager for J's Southland Tow Service and is an adjunct instructor for KU Fire Rescue Training Institute.

Keith Lindemann is currently an Adjunct Instructor for KU Fire Rescue Training Institute and teaches several classes in that capacity. Traffic Incident Management (TIM), Basic and Advanced Vehicle Extrication, Alternative Fueled Vehicles (AVF) to name a few.

Moderator: Bob Hamilton, Kansas Department of Transportation

Noon – 1 p.m.

Lunch | *Shawnee B & C*

1-4:30 p.m.

High Risk Interdiction/Traffic Stops/K-9 Deployment – Shawnee A

Attendees will receive extensive, power-packed instruction in the latest and safest approaches to motor-vehicle traffic stops designed to apprehend organized gang members, wanted fugitives and major drug-traffickers. Through the eyes of real in-car camera footage, specialized instruction will be received in high-risk traffic stops and roadside interview techniques designed to detect deceptive behavior. Instruction on proper canine deployment will be provided to attendees with special emphasis on identifying concealment methods being utilized by gang members and drug-traffickers, while also learning the best practices for breaching these hides. As Traffic Stops increase, so does the probability that an officer will interdict large shipments of drugs as they are being moved from one location to another. During these interdiction stops, officers are often confronted with potentially dangerous and/or deadly situations while being challenged more today than ever before. Defiance is the new norm.

PRE-CONFERENCE WORKSHOPS

Speaker: Sheriff Mike Lewis retired as a Sergeant with the Maryland State Police Pro-Active Criminal Enforcement Team (PACE) after 22 years of loyal and dedicated service. In addition to his duties as the agency's leading Drug Interdiction Expert, Lewis was directly responsible for the training and educating of all Maryland State Police personnel in the Criminal Interdiction Venue or "looking beyond the initial traffic stop" while enforcing Maryland's traffic laws.

Sheriff Lewis remains a certified instructor through the Maryland Police Training Commission, and a certified master instructor through the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration

Credits: 3.5

Moderator: Troy Wells, Kansas Department of Transportation

4:30 p.m.

Adjournment

CONFERENCE SESSIONS

TUESDAY, APRIL 5

7:30 a.m.

Registration | *Sunflower Ballroom Foyer*

Continental Breakfast | *Sunflower Ballroom*

Exhibits Open | *Sunflower Ballroom*

8:30 a.m.

Welcome & Opening Remarks | *Sunflower Ballroom*

Vanessa Spartan, Chief of Transportation, Kansas Department of Transportation, Bureau of Transportation Safety

Julie Lorenz, Secretary of Transportation, Kansas Department of Transportation

Susan DeCourcy, Regional Administrator, National Highway Traffic Safety Administration

Richard Backlund, Division Administrator, Federal Highway Administration - Kansas Division

Chris Bortz, Assistant Bureau Chief, Kansas Department of Transportation, Bureau of Transportation Safety

9:15 a.m.

Keynote Address | *Sunflower Ballroom*

It's in the Numbers

How many people die on Kansas roads every year? How many drivers are distracted? What group has the lowest seat belt usage? What can I do to reduce the number of crashes, injuries and fatalities in the state? What happened in 2020? This interactive presentation will focus on many different traffic safety data elements.

Speaker: Chris Bortz, Kansas Department of Transportation

10 a.m.

Refreshment Break | *Sunflower Ballroom and Foyer*

10:30 a.m.

Concurrent Session 1

Traffic Enforcement is Criminal Enforcement

Shawnee A

Attendees will receive instruction on the immense advantages of proactive policing through motor-vehicle traffic stops designed to detect criminal deception, wanted fugitives, major drug-traffickers, and other criminals. Through the eyes of real in-car camera footage, specialized instruction will be received on roadside interview techniques designed to detect deceptive behavior. Instruction on proper canine deployment will be provided to attendees with special emphasis on identifying concealment methods being utilized by gang members and drug-traffickers, and you'll learn the best practices for breaching these hides. As the importance of Traffic Stops increase, so does the probability that an officer will interdict terrorists, fugitives, and large shipments of drugs as they are being moved from one location to another. During these interdiction stops, officers are often confronted with potentially dangerous and/or deadly situations while being challenged more today than ever before. Defiance is the new norm.

Speaker: Sheriff Mike Lewis, Wicomico County Sheriff's Office, Maryland

Moderator: Patricia Middleton, Kansas Traffic Safety Resource Office

Part 1 – Overcoming the Limitations of Pedestrian and Bicyclists Crash Data

Bison

Quality crash data is critical to improving pedestrian and bicyclist safety. Crash data comes, primarily, from reports completed by law enforcement officers. Unfortunately, crash reports are often filled out improperly, or not at all. Training is the key!

Speaker: Peter Flucke, WE BIKE, etc., LLC.

Part 2 – Bicyclist Fatal Crashes: Perception vs. Reality

There are many assumptions about fatal bicycle crashes. These assumptions will be discussed and compared to data from fatal crashes that have occurred in Kansas.

Speaker: Steve Schrock, University of Kansas

Moderator: Jim Hollingsworth, Kansas Department of Transportation

K-State and Manhattan Drive to Zero Coalition

Shawnee B & C

The Kansas State University #Cats3D (Cats Don't Drink and Drive) initiative is an opportunity for commitment, awareness, education and engagement regarding efforts to promote "Drive To Zero" and designating a sober driver when needed at K-State. A key focus of this initiative is mitigating risk related to impaired driving by promoting use of a SafeRide and other prevention measures relevant to the University and Manhattan communities. Kansas State University collaborates with established stakeholders on campus and within the city of Manhattan community (local businesses, university student leadership, administration, community leaders and organizations) to identify opportunities to connect, educate and increase awareness among students on the issue of impaired driving. This outreach and engagement initiative provides access to exciting resources for safety and designating a sober driver if needed.

Speakers: Dr. Cheryl Grice, Director of Strategic Relations, Kansas State University
Lieutenant Jessica Brooks, K-State Police Department - Division of Public Safety/University Police, Kansas State University
Kelli Farris, Executive Director, Career for Student Involvement - Office of Student Life, Kansas State University

Moderator: Doug Ballou, Blue Window

11:30 a.m.

Luncheon with Plenary Address
The High Way, the Ongoing Challenges of Polysubstance Impaired Driving

Sunflower Ballroom

In this session, participants will learn about the National Alliance to Stop Impaired Driving and the national work addressing the challenges of polysubstance impairment on the DUI system. This presentation will cover a variety of topics focusing on poly-substance impairment – training, oral fluid testing, law enforcement phlebotomy, toxicology, and cannabis impairment detection workshops (Green Labs). Discussion will also include THC Isomers such as Delta 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11 and the impacts of CBD.

Speaker: Darrin Grondel, Responsibility.org

People Saving People Transportation Safety Recognition Awards Presentation

1:30 p.m.

Concurrent Session 2

Cannabis, Impairment, and Green Labs

Shawnee A

As the legalization of cannabis continues across the country, law enforcement is more likely to come into contact with more individuals who have used and/or possess cannabis products. This presentation will discuss cannabis concentrates, how concentrates are made and used, cannabis impairment detection, and Green Labs, the newest method to train law enforcement on cannabis use.

Speaker: Trooper Ryan Hutton, Missouri State Highway Patrol

Moderator: Lori Haskett, National Highway Traffic Safety Administration

RSA: Making Your Roads Safer

Bison

This session will discuss how a Road Safety Audit may be used to identify concerns and countermeasures at all stages of a project's lifecycle. Participants will hear about the RSA process, training to facilitate an RSA, and how an RSA program may fit into an agency's larger safety program and align to the National Roadway Safety Strategy.

Examples of Road Safety Audits, from rural two-lane facilities to complex urban freeways, will be presented from across North America.

Speakers: Andrew Ceifetz, WSP and **Becky Crowe**, Federal Highway Administration

Moderator: Amy Sims-Shonka, Kansas Department of Transportation

What We Wish People Knew About Traffic Crashes

Shawnee B & C

Traffic crashes affect everyone involved, from the moment a crash first occurs and for many years following. As motorists we can only control ourselves and our vehicles, and it's important to remember that the decisions we make as drivers have lasting effects on ourselves and so many others.

Speakers: Trooper Ben Gardner, Kansas Highway Patrol and **Alan Stahl**, City of Topeka Fire Department

Moderator: Noel Schneider, Kansas Department of Transportation

Child Passenger Safety on School Buses

Pioneer

School bus transportation is not just for school aged children. In this session we will discuss general school bus transportation needs, for infants through preschool aged children, and different types of specific school bus Child Safety Restraint Systems (CSRS) that are available on school buses. We will also learn about the crashworthiness of a school bus and how they are designed to protect passengers.

Speakers: Jennifer Booge, Child Passenger Safety Resource Center

Moderator: Cyndii Callaway, Kansas Traffic Safety Resource Office

2:30 p.m.

Refreshment Break | *Sunflower Ballroom and Foyer*

3 p.m.

Concurrent Session 3

Impaired Driving - The Current State of Enforcement and Rising Crashes and Fatalities - MADD Law Enforcement Programs

Shawnee A

MADD's vision is: A nation without drunk and drugged driving; its mission is: to end drunk driving, help fight drugged driving, support the victims of these violent crimes, and prevent underage drinking. Traffic Enforcement is down and crashes are up in all areas, including impaired driving related crashes, and we are currently trending in the wrong direction. MADD has supported and worked with our law enforcement partners and heroes since its founding in 1980. Hear about the programs MADD currently has to support law enforcement in their efforts to eliminate impaired driving crashes, injuries and fatalities.

Speaker: Ron Replogle, National Law Enforcement Initiatives Manager M.A.D.D.

Moderator: Corey Kenney, Kansas Attorney General's Office

Developing Local Road Safety Plans in Kansas using Systemic Analysis

Bison

The Kansas Department of Transportation (KDOT), as part of their strategic goal to reduce fatalities and serious injuries within Kansas, is conducting a Local Road Safety Plan (LRSP) for participating counties within the state. An LRSP is a resource to assist local public authorities as they select and prioritize projects that will have the biggest impact on safety, based on the crash types and high-risk roadway characteristics in their jurisdiction. LRSPs use a data-driven, systemic risk factor analysis to identify and prioritize safety improvement projects on the county's LRSP routes. These plans place an emphasis on low-cost systemic improvements; that is, the approach is proactive rather than a reactive approach based on "hot spots" where crashes are occurring.

Speaker: Jim Stanek, TranSystems and **Lindsay Francis**, WSP

Moderator: Haley Dougherty, Kansas Department of Transportation

Kids and Cars

Shawnee B &C

This session focuses on child passenger safety, the digital child passenger safety checklist, youth driving, and more.

Speaker: Lori Haskett, National Highway Traffic Safety Administration

Moderator: Robyn Meinholdt, Kansas Department of Transportation

Drug Trends and Recognizing Behaviors

Pioneer

What?!? Are you high?!? This session will cover current drug use and trends across Kansas, plus the signs and symptoms of drug impairment and how to recognize them.

Speakers: Technical Trooper Carson Nuss and **Lieutenant Matt Payne**, Kansas Highway Patrol

Moderator: Roberta Bradbury, Kansas Department of Transportation

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 6

7:30 a.m.

Registration | *Sunflower Ballroom Foyer*

Continental Breakfast | *Sunflower Ballroom*

Exhibits Open | *Sunflower Ballroom*

8:30 a.m.

Concurrent Session 4

Why Are Crashes Happening in My Area?

Rooms will be assigned on-site based on county.

Get to know other traffic safety advocates and exchange ideas and strategies to address safety in your region.

Facilitators:
Nelda Buckley, University of Kansas Transportation Center
Lisa Koch, University of Kansas Transportation Center
Jim Townsend, Wilson and Company
Deb Miller, University of Kansas Public Management Center
Nikhila Gunda, University of Kansas Transportation Center
Norraine Wingfield, Safety Consultant
Lisa Harris-Frydman, University of Kansas Transportation Center
Payton Smith, University of Kansas Transportation Center

10 a.m.

Refreshment Break | *Sunflower Ballroom and Foyer*

10:30 a.m.

Concurrent Session 5

Ignition Interlock: Roadside Investigation for the Patrol Officer

Shawnee A

BLOW AND GO?! What is it? When is it needed? How to check it? How to enforce it? Why is it important? With over 30,000 IID users in the State of Kansas, the patrol officer will likely come into contact with IID required drivers. In this session, learn how to identify, test, and enforce, and learn what IID information can do for you in other investigations.

Speaker: Technical Trooper Carson Nuss, Kansas Highway Patrol

Moderator: Bob Hamilton, Kansas Department of Transportation

Understanding Speeding and Fatalities During COVID-19

Bison

This presentation will discuss the increase in traffic fatalities that occurred nationwide in 2020 and 2021 despite decreases in vehicle miles traveled with a focus on the role speed plays in fatalities. Ms. Hutton will focus on the limitations of our current crash prediction models to capture drastic changes in driving behavior, and will explore the factors that may have impacted driving behavior during the pandemic. Captain Lehnherr will give a first-hand account of extreme speeding behavior on Kansas highways since the pandemic began. Both presenters will discuss strategies to slow traffic down and reduce fatalities moving forward.

Speakers: Jessica Hutton, Burns & McDonnell and **Captain John Lehnherr**, Kansas Highway Patrol

Moderator: Carla Anderson, Kansas Department of Transportation

Past, Present and Future of Walking and Cycling for Transportation in Kansas

Shawnee B & C

The state's first Active Transportation Plan since 1995 explores the needs of people who walk, cycle, use mobility assistance devices, scoot, and more. Additonally, several toolkits and resources that complement the Plan and advance the needs of active transportation in local communities are available. This presentation will cover the contents of the Plan, its complimentary tools and resources, and where to find them. It will also cover the state implementation plans and guidance on how to use them to maximize local and state efforts around active transportation

Speaker: Jenny Kramer, Kansas Bicycle and Pedestrian Coordinator, Kansas Department of Transportation

Moderator: Jodi Pew, Kansas Traffic Safety Resource Office

Driver Education Opportunities

Pioneer

Join us to learn about our opportunities in the driver education arena. KTSRO will discuss the driver education toolkit and its components that can be used as a kit, or on their own. KDOT will talk about their Driver Education Reimbursement Grant pilot program that was placed into legislation as part of the Eisenhower Legacy Transportation Program (ELTP or "IKE") to aid driver education in Kansas. ELTP is a reimbursement grant available for Kansas students through 2023. A description of the enrollment and reimbursement process will be explained as well as some highlights of the first program year (school year 2020-2021).

Speaker: Jenny Lancaster, Kansas Traffic Safety Resource Office and **Noel Schneider**, Kansas Department of Transportation (IKE Program)

Moderator: Robyn Meinholdt, Kansas Department of Transportation

11:30 a.m.

Luncheon with Plenary Address
Power of One

Sunflower Ballroom

In 2018, traffic safety advocates were placed on the "Road to Zero". Since then, it appears the vehicles we are using to drive us are going in the wrong direction. Maybe we should take a more simplistic approach to right the ship. The "Power of One" may be a very effective tool to get us there, and the hope is people will understand the simplicity of this approach.

Speaker: Garry Parker

Hero Transportation Safety Recognition Awards Presentation

Prize Drawing (must be present to win)

Rules of Participation for Prize Drawing

- To be eligible for the prizes, you must be registered for both days of the conference.
- If you are registered for both days, you are automatically entered in the drawing.
- The prize drawing will be held after the Hero Transportation Safety Recognition Awards presentation on Wednesday in the Eagle Ballroom.
- You must be present when names are read.
- You will need to claim your prize immediately. If you are not able to do so, another name will be drawn for the prize.

2 p.m.

Adjournment

Thank You

Thank you to the following organizations for their generous donations to the 2022 Kansas Transportation Safety Conference:

- Kansas AAA
- Kansas Department of Transportation

Accessing Your Certificates of Participation (CEUs)

KU Lifelong & Professional Education's (LPE) registration system makes it easy to register for events and courses online and allows attendees to access all of their certificates of attendance and contact hours of instruction for past events in their customer profile.

Using the profile you created when you registered for the conference and/or workshops, you can login to your LPE profile and access/print your certificate as early as the day after the event, or anytime thereafter.

1. Visit enrole.com/kupce/jsp/login.jsp
2. In the left margin, click on Create Profile / Sign in
3. Enter your email and password you used when registering for the event.
   *If you cannot recall your password, you can use the **"Forgot your password?"** option to reset with the email address listed with your registration.*
4. In the left margin, click on Order History, Past Events, and View Certificate to access, download, and print your certificate.

If you have difficulty accessing your LPE profile, please contact the KU LPE Registration Specialists at 1-913-897-8530 or lpe@ku.edu.

Notes

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YOU LOSE
The Kansas Department of Transportation

NOTES

TUESDAY, APRIL 5

Exhibits Open | *Sunflower Ballroom Foyer*

7:30 a.m.	**Registration** | *Sunflower Ballroom Foyer* **Continental Breakfast** | *Sunflower Ballroom*
8:30 a.m.	**Welcome & Opening Remarks** | *Sunflower Ballroom* Vanessa Spartan, Chief of Transportation Safety, Kansas Department of Transportation Julie Lorenz, Secretary of Transportation, Kansas Department of Transportation Susan DeCourcy, Regional Administrator, National Highway Traffic Safety Administration Richard Backlund, Federal Highway Administration – Kansas Division Chris Bortz, Assistant Bureau Chief, Kansas Department of Transportation
9:15 a.m.	**Keynote Address** **It's in the Numbers** | *Sunflower Ballroom* Chris Bortz
10 a.m.	**Refreshment Break** | *Sunflower Ballroom and Foyer*

10:30 a.m. — **Concurrent Session 1**

Shawnee A	*Bison*	*Shawnee B & C*
Traffic Enforcement is Criminal Enforcement Mike Lewis	***Part 1* Overcoming the Limitations of Pedestrian and Bicyclists Crash Data** ***Part 2* Bicyclist Fatal Crashes: Perception vs. Reality** Peter Flucke Steve Schrock	**K-State and Manhattan Drive to Zero Coalition** Cheryl Grice Jessica Brooks Kelli Farris

11:30 a.m.	**Luncheon with Plenary Address** **The High Way, the Ongoing Challenges of Polysubstance Impaired Driving** | *Sunflower Ballroom* Darrin Grondel **People Saving People Transportation Safety Recognition Awards** | *Sunflower Ballroom*

1:30 p.m. — **Concurrent Session 2**

Shawnee A	*Bison*	*Shawnee B & C*	*Pioneer*
Cannabis, Impairment, and Green Labs Ryan Hutton	**RSA: Making Your Roads Safer** Andrew Ceifetz Becky Crowe	**What We Wish People Knew About Traffic Crashes** Ben Gardner Alan Stahl	**Child Passenger Safety on School Buses** Jennifer Booge

2:30 p.m.	**Refreshment Break** | *Sunflower Ballroom and Foyer*

3 p.m. — **Concurrent Session 3**

Shawnee A	*Bison*	*Shawnee B & C*	*Pioneer*
Impaired Driving - The Current State of Enforcement and Rising Crashes and Fatalities - MADD Law Enforcement Programs Ron Replogle	**Developing Local Road Safety Plans in Kansas using Systemic Analysis** Jim Stanek Lindsay Francis	**Kids and Cars** Lori Haskett	**Drug Trends and Recognizing Behaviors** Carson Nuss Matt Payne

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 6

7:30 a.m.	**Exhibits Open** | *Sunflower Ballroom Foyer*	**Registration** | *Sunflower Ballroom Foyer* **Continental Breakfast** | *Sunflower Ballroom*			
8:30 a.m.		**Concurrent Session 4**			
		Rooms will be assigned on-site based on county			
		Why Are Crashes Happening in My Area? **Facilitators:** Nelda Buckley Lisa Koch Jim Townsend Deb Miller Nikhila Gunda Norraine Wingfield Lisa Harris-Frydman Payton Smith			
10 a.m.		**Refreshment Break** | *Sunflower Ballroom Foyer*			
10:30 a.m.		**Concurrent Session 5**			
		Shawnee A	*Bison*	*Shawnee B & C*	*Pioneer*
		Ignition Interlock: Roadside Investigation for the Patrol Officer Carson Nuss	**Understanding Speeding and Fatalities During COVID-19** Jessica Hutton John Lehnherr	**Past, Present and Future of Walking and Cycling for Transportation in Kansas** Jenny Kramer	**Driver Education Opportunities** Jenny Lancaster Noel Schneider
11:30 a.m.		**Luncheon with Plenary Address**			
		Power of One | *Sunflower Ballroom* Garry Parker **Hero Transportation Safety Recognition Awards Presentation** | *Sunflower Ballroom* **Prize Drawing** (must be present to win) | *Sunflower Ballroom*			
2 p.m.		**Adjournment**			

SESSION ICONS

- Law Enforcement
- Roadway Safety
- Injury Control
- Youth

The People Saving People Award highlights the impressive efforts and achievements of a person or organization that has a positive effect on transportation safety behavior in Kansas. To be eligible, an individual or organization must have successfully resolved a transportation safety issue or situation within their organization or community.

2022 People Saving People Recipients

Captain Matt Vogt has served his community for over 25 years as a dedicated member of the Valley Center Police Department. During his tenure, Vogt has been involved in many projects. He led the Police Explorer program for many years after becoming a full-time officer. Two of his more recent successful projects are the creation and implementation of a Citizen's Police Academy and serving as treasurer of Hornet Hanger, a new startup local non-profit that provides clothing and other necessities to children in our school district. In 2005, Vogt joined Kansas Operation Lifesaver, a railroad safety organization committed to educating the public about railroad crossing safety and trespass prevention. He has served as a volunteer, coach and instructor, and board member. As a Kansas Operation Lifesaver Coach, Vogt has trained 85 new volunteers across the state in the past seven years. As both a Grade Crossing Collision Investigation and a Railroad Safety and Investigation Course instructor, Vogt has traveled the state training law enforcement and first responders in how to respond to railroad-related incidents such as derailments, car vs. train crashes and human vs. train crashes. Through these programs and his own connections, Vogt has spread the Kansas Operation Lifesaver message across the state, creating interdepartmental cooperation and educating Kansans about railroad safety. Each year, Vogt organizes positive enforcement lanes and officer on the train events around Kansas. These events bring officers from railroad police departments, sheriff's offices, police departments, and the Kansas Highway Patrol together for the sole purpose of raising railroad safety awareness. Vogt spends many of his weekends hauling the Kansas Operation Lifesaver crash car to events around south central Kansas, setting up booths at museums, local events, train shows, and other venues to reach the public.

As a volunteer, Vogt has presented the railroad safety message to more than 11,974 Kansans and has attended more than 493 individual events or presentations since 2015.

Vogt became Vice President of the Kansas Operation Lifesaver Board in 2011 and President in 2012. Since his election, he has prioritized a clear initiative to target and raise railroad safety awareness in Sedgwick County. Sedgwick County is a spider web of railroad tracks and historically has had the highest rate of railroad collisions, fatalities, and injuries in the state. These numbers have continually been above those of Johnson and Wyandotte counties combined. In 2011, when Vogt became an officer on the Kansas Operation Lifesaver Board, Sedgwick County averaged 10 railroad crossing and collisions yearly. That number has dropped roughly 75% in the last five years with zero fatalities in 2019 and 2020. Statewide, there has been roughly a 25% drop in railroad crossing collisions since 2011. Captain Matt Vogt has saved countless lives through his efforts with Kansas Operation Lifesaver. When he entered public service, Kansas was averaging over 100 crossing collisions a year. It is through information sharing, dedicated leadership, and motivated volunteers that we have seen those numbers continually drop. Captain Vogt has led Kansas Operation Lifesaver into a time of statewide interdepartmental cooperation, sound leadership, creative strategies, and fewer fatalities.

Linn County Sheriff's Office Deputy Chip More is the school resource officer at Pleasanton Junior/Senior High School, where he also helps with the school's SAFE (Seatbelts Are For Everyone) team. He has been in law enforcement for the past 15 years. He has served as the SRO over the past year and has been the best in that capacity. Deputy More is an excellent communicator. He uses relationships to fuel avenues of trust in his meetings and his lessons are often tied to the real world. In addition, his rapport with staff and faculty are top-notch. He takes the time to know the people that he is working with and lets them know that he cares. It is those relationships that enable him to be effective for our students and staff alike. Deputy More is very proactive in PLC/collaboration meetings. He has led in-service trainings and our school is safer with him on board. He helps any way he can and is willing to share his ideas and opinions. He is one of our unsung heroes!

2022 People Saving People Recipients (continued)

Shawn Steward has been a tremendous support for law enforcement across the state of Kansas since he began his career with AAA. He has worked tirelessly with the Kansas Law Enforcement Liaisons to get equipment out to agencies to help reduce fatalities. The equipment included pit-lights, preliminary breath test units, tint meters, radars, and electric flares. He has traveled many miles across the state, recognizing outstanding law enforcement agencies giving out AAA awards. Shawn helps sponsor ARIDE classes, which gives law enforcement the training to properly work a DUI case. He and AAA also sponsor the DRE of the year award and helps with the fees associated with attending the National DRE Conference each year.

The Hero Award recognizes an individual who risked his or her own life for someone else when they happen upon a crash, or while trying to prevent the likelihood of a crash.

2022 Hero Award Recipients

Kansas Highway Patrol Lieutenant Dennis Shoemaker along with **Eudora Officers Lieutenant Willis, Detective Rubow** and **Officer Kost** arrived at a call on K-10 Highway in Douglas county Kansas at milepost 20 of a man trapped under a trailer. Upon arrival they located a man that had been attempting to change a flat tire on a trailer and the trailer had fell on the individual trapping him. With quick thinking of the four officers, they were able to lift the trailer off the individual and remove him from underneath the trailer. Due to the injuries sustained by the individual, the three officers began rendering aid, while the fourth officer comforted the individual's wife. The individual was transported to the hospital by ambulance. Due to the quick response of the four officers, a life was saved that day.

Previous Transportation Safety Recognition Award Recipients

2020

People Saving People Award

Riley County Police Department

Cherie Sage

Hero Award

Deputy Mark Davis

Officers Jared Thomas and Benjamin Schaefer

Lieutenant Ross Uhrmacher

2019

People Saving People Award

Rita Lesser

Amber Rollins

Overland Park Police Department

Hero Award

Deputy Robert K. Kunze, III

Sergeant Mitchell Talley

2018

People Saving People Award

Jeff Collier

Kevin Gamble

Christopher Mann

Kendall Schoenekase

Hero Award

Deputy Jason Klepac

Lieutenant Tom Reddin

All recipients from 1997-2017 were honored with a People Saving People Award.

2017

Sandy Horton

AAA Kansas Traffic Safety Fund Trustees

Undersheriff John Koelsch

Kristin Nichols

Tweeting Troopers

2016

Karen Wittman

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Brown County Sheriff's Office

Addie Evans

Katelyn Burkhart

2015

Master Trooper Jeff Schawe

Charles Branson

Henderson Middle School

Shawnee County Fire District #4

El Dorado Student Safety Council

2014

Deputy Justin Noel

USD 493

Marie "Jodi" Stallard

Deputies Jonathan Koch and Greg Vickers

Deputy John Scaglione

Sheriff David Groves

2013

Darrell Gwaltney

Jake Gronquist and Hunter Maike

Trooper Tod Hileman

Deputy John Rolston

Elaine Moore

Sergeant Ron Ruhulessin

Trooper Gary Warner

2012

Greg Benefiel

James Brewer

Sergeant Don O'Dell

Alison Shutt

Previous Transportation Safety Recognition Award Recipients

2011
ThinkFirst of Greater Kansas City VIP Program
Katy Vinson
Tamara O'Connor
Trooper Bryan Clark

2010
William "Rusty" James
David Corp
S.W. Kansas Community Driving Day/Week
Youth Leadership Butler
Officer Kenneth Garrett

2009
Buckle Up Butler Youth Campaign
Sheriff Sandy Horton and S.A.F.E. Coalition
Jim Hanni
Deputy Jesse Foster
Sheriff John Merchant

2008
Corporal Thad Brown
Lieutenant Randell Mosher
Ronda Lusk
Mary McDonald
Randy Wells

2007
Sergeant Mike Imber
Captain Benjamin Hadley
Ann K. Charles

2006
Lisa Roth
Johnson County Med-Act EMS
Alvin Gerstner
Briggs Auto Group Manhattan

2005
Davis-Moore Auto Group and Dawson Grimsley
David Corp
Overland Park Police Department
Ronald L. Knoefel

2004
Senator Les Donovan
KHP Motor Carrier Safety Assistance Program
Landstar Ranger Trucking
Teresa Walters

2003
Kansas Motor Carriers Association
KSNT TV Channel 27
Wrong of Passage

2002
Dennis and Linda Beaver
Sergeant Don O'Dell
Larry Emig

2001
Blue Valley High School
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2000
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1999
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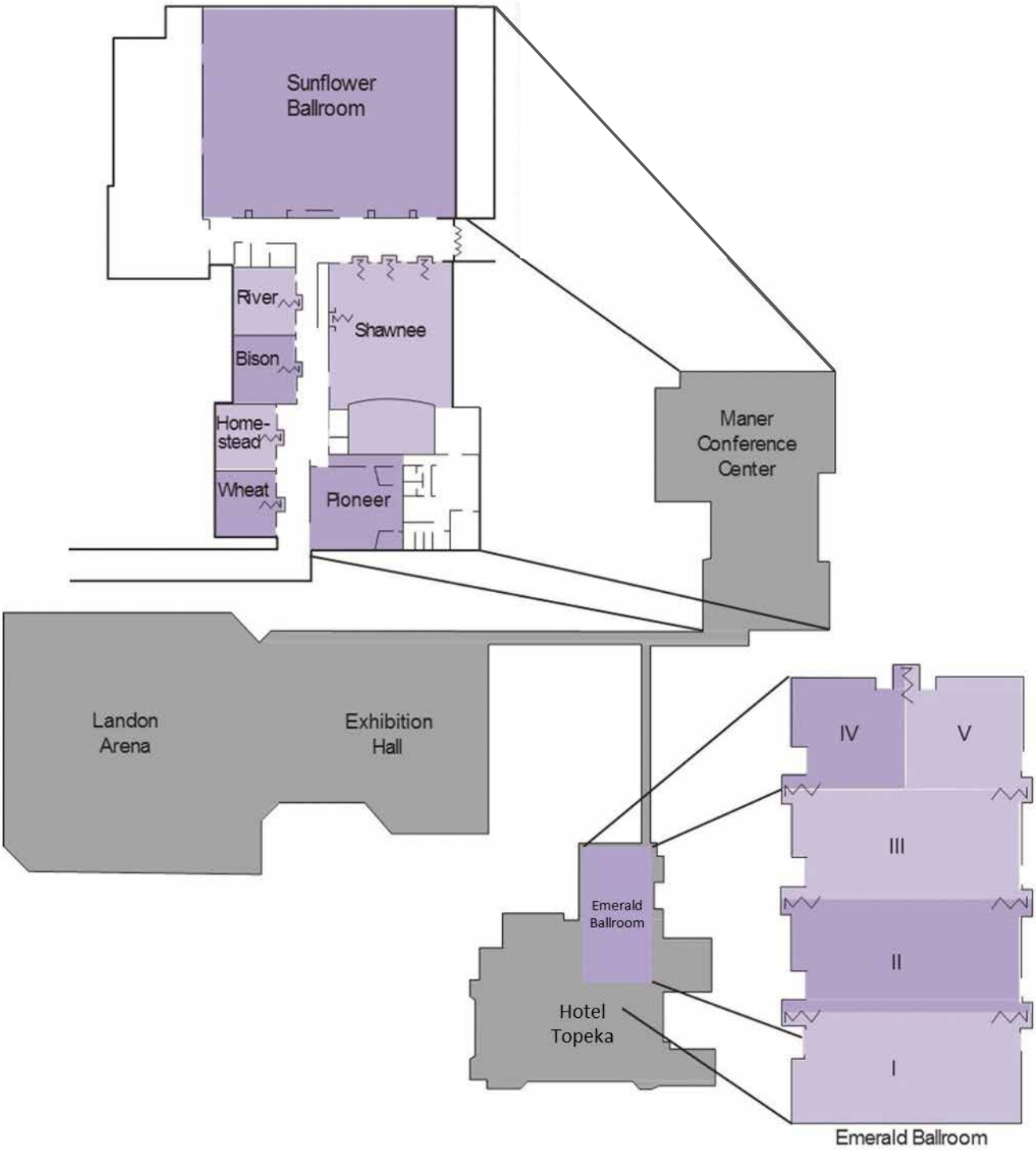

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