April 2026 Newsletter

Our next regular business meeting will be this Wednesday April 1st, 2026 at 10:00am

The Meeting location is the AAA Building 700 Horizon Drive Hamilton, NJ

The March Newsletter has also been uploaded to the Association's website on the Newsletter Page.

The next *Executive Session* will be held on Wednesday, May 6, 2026, beginning at 9:00 a.m. This session will not be broadcast on Zoom.

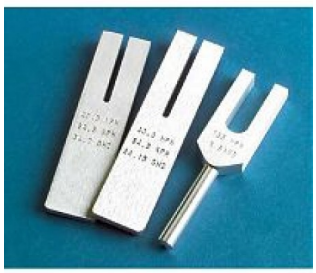
CLICK FOR REGULAR MEETING ZOOM LINK

Coffee and Refreshments provided for this meeting by Joe from J-Tech

J-Tech is a Pennsylvania-based leader in roadway safety equipment, specializing in crash attenuator trucks and advanced work zone protection systems that enhance safety for both officers and road crews.

J-Tech will be presenting at our upcoming meeting. Thank you to J-Tech for their support.

J-Tech Website



2026 TUNING FORK TESTING

Testing will take place during **March** for departments “**A**” through “**M**,” and departments “**N**” through “**Z**” in **April**. If your needs

preclude your following the schedule, then you can avail yourself of either date.

Attached is a copy of the Weights and Measures tuning fork rules and a copy of the tuning fork application. Costs are $10 per fork tested. It is advised to have your purchase order attached to the application so W&M can process it at the time of testing.

Inspection and Test Radar Turning Forks Application

MEMORANDUM

TO: State, City, Borough and Township Police Department

FROM: Raymond Szpond, Acting Supervisor
Licensing/Metrology Laboratory

SUBJECT: Tuning Forks Invoice

Enclosed is our **Inspection and Test of Radar Tuning Forks Invoice**, please complete, and bring with you to your next scheduled tuning fork inspection.

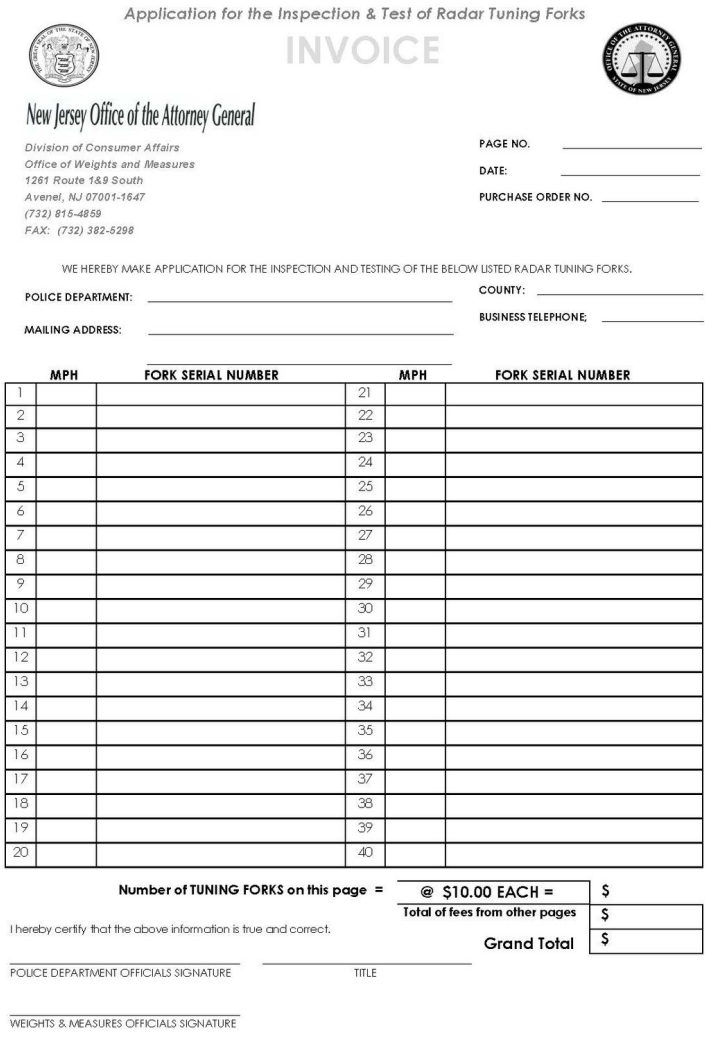
To expedite the testing of the tuning forks in a timely manner, and make your waiting period brief, please do the following:

(a) have your purchase order form, along with our tuning fork invoice **ENTIRELY** filled out, **including mailing address section**, and have a signed **copy** with the **OFFICER's SIGNATURE**,
(b) when filling out our tuning forks invoice, please list each tuning forks by miles per hour and serial numbers,
(c) have all tuning forks sorted by miles per hour in their bundles,
(d) all checks should have an attached copy of our tuning forks invoice, so payments can be applied adequately,
(e) make check payable to **WEIGHTS and MEASURES FUND**.

Thank you in advance for your cooperation, if you have any questions, I can be reached at (732) 815-4849, or you may contact one of my staff members in the Metrology Laboratory at (732) 815-4859.

RS/ns

Enclosed: Blank - Inspection and Test of Radar Tuning Forks Invoice



Application for the Inspection & Test of Radar Tuning Forks

INVOICE

New Jersey Office of the Attorney General

Division of Consumer Affairs
Office of Weights and Measures
1261 Route 1&9 South
Avenel, NJ 07001-1647
(732) 815-4859
FAX: (732) 382-5298

PAGE NO. _____
DATE: _____
PURCHASE ORDER NO. _____

WE HEREBY MAKE APPLICATION FOR THE INSPECTION AND TESTING OF THE BELOW LISTED RADAR TUNING FORKS.

POLICE DEPARTMENT: _____ COUNTY: _____

MAILING ADDRESS: _____ BUSINESS TELEPHONE: _____

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Number of TUNING FORKS on this page = _____ @ $10.00 EACH = $

Total of fees from other pages $

Grand Total $

I hereby certify that the above information is true and correct.

_____ _____
POLICE DEPARTMENT OFFICIALS SIGNATURE TITLE

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WEIGHTS & MEASURES OFFICIALS SIGNATURE

NJPTOA President's Message April 2026

As we move into April, I am encouraged to report that statewide fatal crash numbers continue to trend downward compared to 2025, which itself reflected a reduction from 2024. While this progress is promising, it reinforces the importance of continued, meaningful enforcement to sustain and build upon these gains.

April is Distracted Driving Awareness Month, highlighted by the statewide Goal: Zero initiative. Campaigns such as “Put the Phone Away” and ongoing impaired driving enforcement remain critical. I encourage all agencies to participate through high-visibility patrols, proactive enforcement, and strong public messaging. Your presence on the roadway directly influences driver behavior and saves lives.

This month also marks the 25th anniversary of John's Law, a reminder of the lasting impact of education, advocacy, and enforcement. Traffic safety does not occur in a vacuum—every stop is an opportunity to educate, increase awareness, and prevent future tragedies.

As professionals, we must also continue to grow. Advancements in technology and enforcement strategies require us to remain engaged in training and development. I encourage you to take advantage of opportunities within your agencies and across the state to strengthen your skills and effectiveness.

Thank you for your continued dedication to traffic safety and to the communities we serve.

Stay safe and stay proactive,

Antonio Ellis, President NJPTOA

2026 Statewide Fatal Crash Snapshot

New Jersey’s 2026 fatal crash data continues to show measurable progress compared to the same point last year. As of the latest reporting period, the state has recorded 94 fatal crashes and 101 fatalities statewide, compared to 105 crashes and 112 fatalities at the same point in 2025. This reflects a 9.8% year-to-date reduction from 2025.

Looking at full-year trends, 2025 ended with 565 fatalities, a 17.0% reduction from 2024’s total of 691 fatalities. While these improvements are encouraging, over 100 lives lost so far this year underscores that the work is far from over.

Fatal crash data remains a key barometer of roadway safety. Continued data-driven enforcement, high-visibility initiatives, and

coordinated statewide efforts are essential to sustaining progress and preventing further loss of life on New Jersey roadways.

New Fatal Crash Notification Process Update

The New Jersey State Police Fatal Accident Investigation Unit has implemented a new Fatal Crash Notification link available through the NJSP CJIS website at (https://cjis.njsp.org). The notification system can be accessed via the “Links” tab, then “NJLETS,” and selecting the “Fatal Crash Notification” link, or directly at (https://fcts.njsp.org/localEntry.jsp).

To access the system, agencies must ensure their Garden State Network (GSN) computers are properly configured with the required HOSTS file entry:

10.111.253.144

fcts.njsp.org

Agencies without administrative access should coordinate with their IT personnel, and those with automated system resets should ensure the entry is permanently added.

The legacy notification link will remain active until approximately May 1, 2026, to allow time for transition. Fatal crashes must continue to be reported within 24 hours. If agencies are unable to access either system, a rough draft NJTR-1 should be submitted via email to faiu@njsp.gov
, and the NJSP FAIU will enter the crash and provide a case number.

For CJIS access issues, contact Tara Rockhill at tara.rockhill@njsp.gov
. For questions regarding fatal crash reporting, contact the NJSP Fatal Accident Investigation Unit at 609-882-2000 ext. 2037/2038 or faiu@njsp.gov
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Goal Zero Initiative Expands Across NJ and PA

Goal Zero Statewide Rollout

Next Date: Tuesday April 14th, 2026

Timeframes for detail will be selected by the individual agency.

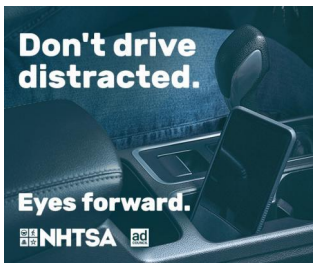
The Goal Zero initiative continues to expand through a coordinated, multi-agency aggressive driving enforcement campaign running through April 26. Supported by the New Jersey State Association of Chiefs of Police, New Jersey State Police, Pennsylvania State Police, and the New Jersey Division of Highway Traffic Safety, this effort brings together agencies across both states to target dangerous driving behaviors that contribute to crashes, injuries, and fatalities.

Motorists can expect increased high-visibility patrols, designated enforcement zones, and coordinated operations focusing on violations such as speeding, distracted driving, tailgating, unsafe lane changes, careless driving, and work zone infractions. A key component of the initiative includes a coordinated one-day enforcement detail scheduled for April 14.

As part of the campaign, a joint NJ/PA Goal Zero press event will be held on April 9 at the Delaware River Port Authority (DRPA) Administration Building near the Walt Whitman Bridge. The event will bring together leadership from both states, including representatives from highway traffic safety, law enforcement, and victim advocacy groups, to highlight the importance of aggressive driving enforcement and reinforce the shared commitment to reducing roadway fatalities. Agencies participating in the campaign are encouraged to attend and support the event.

Goal Zero emphasizes a long-term, data-driven approach to eliminating traffic fatalities and serious injuries through enforcement, education, and public awareness. By combining regional collaboration with targeted enforcement strategies, this initiative aims to change driver behavior and continue reducing roadway fatalities across New Jersey.

GOAL ZERO REPORTING LINK



Don’t Drive Distracted. Eyes Forward.

April 2026 (Distracted Driving Awareness Month)

Observed throughout April, the “Don’t Drive Distracted. Eyes Forward.” campaign highlights the dangers of distracted driving and reinforces the need for full attention behind the wheel. Distracted driving remains a leading contributor to crashes and serious injuries on New Jersey roadways. Through public awareness and targeted enforcement, this campaign encourages drivers to stay focused and eliminate distractions.

Primary Message: Don't drive distracted.

Put the Phone Away or Pay

April 6–13, 2026

The National Highway Traffic Safety Administration's "Put the Phone Away or Pay" campaign is a high-visibility enforcement initiative targeting handheld device use while driving. Law enforcement agencies will actively enforce distracted driving laws during this period to deter unsafe behavior and improve compliance. Drivers are reminded that using a phone behind the wheel puts lives at risk and carries significant penalties.

Primary Message: Put the Phone Away or Pay.

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420 Impaired Driving Awareness

April 20, 2026

The 4/20 holiday presents an opportunity for relevant, timely messaging and community engagement around impaired driving. On April 20, a date commonly associated with marijuana use, there is an

increased risk of drug-impaired driving on our roadways. This campaign reinforces that driving under the influence of marijuana is both dangerous and illegal.

Primary Message: If You Feel Different, You Drive Different..

NHTSA Communications Calendar

2026 Highway Traffic Safety Events Calendar

NHTSA 2026 Communications Calendar

NJDHTS TRAFFIC OFFICERS MEETING

April 2026

njsaferoads.com

2026 Federal/State Grant Reporting Cycle	Uniform Coordinated Effort April/May	Sound Off: Proactive Education and Enforcement
Q2 Progress Reports Due: 4/15/26 **Q2 Reimbursement Requests Due**: 4/30/26 *DHTS is anticipating traffic safety programs having begun implementation. *Completed Public Participation and Community Engagement (PP&E) Form **MUST** be attached to Q2 Progress Report and emailed (HighwayTrafficSafety@njoag.gov).	**National Enforcement Campaigns** **Distracted Driving** (April): Project Period 4/1/26 – 4/30/26 *"Put The Phone Away…Or Pay"* **Click It or Ticket** (May): Project Period 5/18/26 – 5/31/26 *"Buckle Up Click It Or Ticket"*	**Buckle Up!** In 2024, nearly half (47.8%) of all motor vehicle occupants fatally injured in crashes were not wearing their seatbelt during the crash (NJSP). **NJSACOP: Traffic Safety Message** (video) **Resources for PP&E Efforts**: *TMAs* and Statewide Non-Profit Organizations (ex. *BIANJ*, *Safe Kids*)

Upcoming Monthly (April/May) Initiatives - *Traffic Safety Marketing | NHTSA*

National Distracted Driving Awareness Month - Social Norming – 4/1/26 – 4/30/26 - *"Don't Drive Distracted. Eyes Forward."*

420 | Drug-Impaired Driving – 4/14/2026 – 4/20/26 - *"If You Feel Different, You Drive Different"*

Vehicular Heatstroke Prevention – 5/1/26 – 9/30/26 – May 1 is Heat Stroke Prevention Day.

Bicycle Safety – 5/1/26 – 5/31/26 – National Bicycle Safety Month

Motorcycle Safety – 5/1/26 – 5/31/26 - Motorcycle Safety Awareness Month

Grant Opportunities and Information

- FY2027 Grant Application is now open on SAGE and will close April 30.
- CIOT grant application will go live on SAGE on Monday, March 23rd with a final due date of April 24.
- All proposed grant applications should consider *Pedestrian Safety* as a critical component to complement community engagement (PP&E) strategies within your traffic safety program.
- Always utilize the most current Grant Reporting documents. They are found in your main grant under the 'Forms Menu' -> 'Reporting Forms and Instructions' -> 'Grant Reporting Forms'.

Reminders/Updates

- *AASHTOWare Safety Crash Database* access: send email to DOT-BTDS.Numetric@dot.nj.gov, include name and email address to associate with account. Include the subject line "NJDHTS User Request" to ensure prompt account approval and creation.
- Promote Distracted Driving Enforcement (April).
- Post appropriate messages on variable message boards throughout town.
- Boost DHTS social media during month.
- Distribute Distracted Driving palm cards; please contact staff if needed.
- *NJDHTS Safe Passage* pamphlets available for all Traffic Safety Partners.

NJDHTS Program Staff Contacts

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Jason Friedman (609) 468-2638	Anna Burns (609) 262-4734	Tamira Chambliss (609) 262-4735

The link below will take you to the PDF referenced above. To access the embedded, clickable links within the document, you must open the PDF using the link below, as the links are active only within the full PDF version. The document is also available on the NJPTOA.ORG Forms page of the website.

NJDHTS APRIL 2026

NJDHTS MARCH 2026

John’s Law – 25 Years of Impact

This April marks the 25th anniversary of John’s Law, one of New Jersey’s most significant impaired-driving statutes and a cornerstone of our state’s traffic safety efforts. Enacted in 2001 following the tragic death of Navy Ensign John R. Elliott, the law requires the impoundment of a vehicle for a minimum of 12 hours when a motorist is arrested for DWI. This provision prevents impaired drivers from immediately regaining access to their vehicle and remains a critical enforcement tool in protecting the public.

Alcohol-involved crashes continue to account for approximately 20–30 percent of traffic fatalities statewide, reinforcing the continued importance of consistent enforcement and accountability under John’s Law.

In addition to legislative reform, the Elliott family established the HERO Campaign for Designated Drivers, which partners with law enforcement agencies to promote prevention through education and visibility. Agencies can participate by joining the HERO Patrol Car Program, transforming cruisers into highly visible “Be a HERO. Be a Designated Driver.” vehicles, or by collaborating on community outreach, designated driver initiatives, and awareness events.

Together, enforcement under John’s Law and proactive prevention efforts through the HERO Campaign remain powerful tools in reducing impaired driving and saving lives across New Jersey.

For more information, visit the link below.

HERO Campaign

John R. Elliott HERO Campaign for Designated Drivers®

HERO Campaign Patrol Cars

Our HERO **Campaign** wrapped law enforcement **cruisers** are rolling billboards promoting the use of safe and sober designated drivers. They represent a partnership between your department and the John R. Elliott HERO Campaign for Designated Drivers® to prevent drunk and impaired driving and promote our life-saving message: Be a HERO. Be a Designated Driver! ®

1. **Getting Started:** Thanks to state and federal grants, there is no cost to you for the wraps. All we need is for your department to dedicate one of your highway safety patrol vehicles to be wrapped in our blue and gold HERO symbol and message reminding motorists to be and to use designated drivers whenever they are drinking alcohol. The life expectancy of the wraps is 3 to 5 years.
2. **Designing the HERO Wrap:** We can provide design options for your car featuring our trademarked HERO brand and message: Be a HERO. Be a Designated Driver. We'll work with you to include customized design touches for your vehicle.
3. **Which vehicle models work best?** SUV cruisers offer the best space for the HERO logo and message. Ford Explorers, Chevrolet Tahoes, and similar vehicles work great, but so will Dodge Chargers and Crown Victorias.
4. **We help Publicize your HERO Patrol Car: The** news media have been supportive partners as we publicize each new HERO vehicle. In addition to being seen every day on the road, the vehicles are often displayed at community events such as parades, school graduations and prom events, at DUI traffic stops and at National Night Out.

For more information, contact Bill Elliott at info@herocampaign.org or (609) 332-2588.

PO Box 700 • Somers Point, NJ 08244 • www.herocampaign.org

John R. Elliott HERO Campaign for Designated Drivers®

Highlights from the March NJPTOA Meeting

Key outcomes from the March 2026 NJPTOA General Membership Meeting included:

• Continued statewide coordination on traffic safety efforts as roadway activity increases with seasonal changes

• Discussion of forming a legislative committee to support traffic

safety policy and advocacy

• Review of fatal crash trends showing approximately a 9% year-to-date reduction and ongoing Goal Zero enforcement initiatives

• Proposal to develop a standardized statewide LiDAR training and certification program

• Updates on training opportunities, including impaired driving recognition, crash investigation, and NJTR-1 reporting

• Grant funding updates for FY2027, including distracted driving and pedestrian safety initiatives

• Technology updates emphasizing the transition to electronic crash reporting and system integration improvements

• Recognition of the upcoming 25th anniversary of John’s Law and continued support for HERO Campaign initiatives

• Vendor presentation by Urban SDK on traffic data and enforcement analytics for law enforcement agencies

Full Meeting Minutes

Meeting minutes will be available by month at the link above.

Password: **njptoa**

RUTGERS UNIVERSITY
Continuing Studies

Upcoming 2026 Rutgers Training

CAIT Website

Any questions, contact: Dave Maruca at dem200@soe.rutgers.edu

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RUTGERS–NEW BRUNSWICK
Center for Advanced Infrastructure and Transportation
School of Engineering

Drone Certification and Crash Reconstruction Course

Dates & Locations:

April 27 – May 1, 2026
Burlington County Emergency Services Training Center
53 Academy Drive
Westampton, NJ 08060

June 08-12, 2026
Burlington County Emergency Services Training Center
53 Academy Drive
Westampton, NJ 08060

This is a free five-day hands-on course that provides the students with the source material to pass the FAA Remote Pilot written examination during the first two days. This certification is required to be a Public Safety Unmanned Aircraft System (UAS) Operator. As part of this course, students will be provided testing simulation to prepare for taking the FAA Part 107 Remote Pilot Certification exam.

The remaining three days will provide the student with the necessary training to successfully process a crash or crime scene using aerial photogrammetry with FARO Zone 3D Expert/Pro software. This course consists of classroom lecture and hands on work projects as well as field exercises. Each attendee is required to have his or her own laptop computer with certain specifications for the training. UAS aircraft will be provided for use. Successful completion of the Crash Reconstruction portion of the course provides 24 ACTAR CEU's.

Read the prerequisites on the CAIT Website to see if you are eligible to be considered for admittance to the course.

Registration: https://cait.rutgers.edu/events/

This course is offered free of charge thanks to funding and support from the New Jersey Division of Highway Traffic Safety. For more information, contact David Maruca, CAIT Project Manager, at dem200@soe.rutgers.edu.

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Center for Advanced Infrastructure and Transportation
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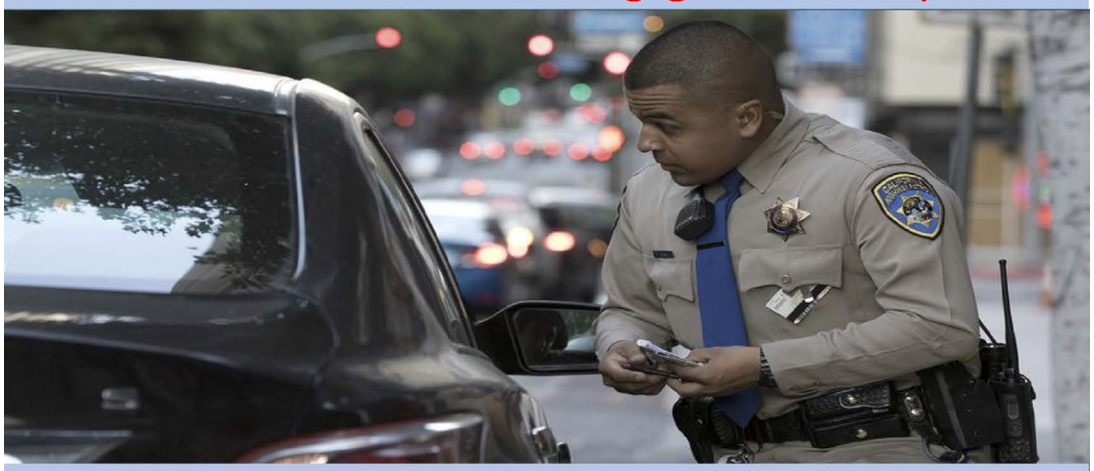
Traffic Enforcement & Engagement Acuity



Enhancing Public Safety Through Professional Interactions

Dates & Locations:

February 20, 2026 (8a-4p)
Ocean County Police Academy
659 Ocean Avenue
Lakewood, NJ 08701

February 27, 2026 (8a-4p)
Morris County Police Academy
500 West Hanover Ave.
Morris Plains, NJ 07054

March 13, 2026 (8a-4p)
Middlesex County Fire Academy
1001 Fire Academy Drive
Sayreville, NJ

April 17, 2026 (8a-4p)
Passaic County Police Academy
214 Oldham Rd.
Wayne, NJ

April 24, 2026 (8a-4p)
Gloucester County Police Academy
1400 Tanyard Rd
Sewell, NJ 08080

May 01, 2026 (8a-4p)
Monmouth County Police Academy
2000 Kozloski Rd
Freehold, NJ 07728

May 15, 2026 (8a-4p)
Burlington County Emergency Services Center
53 Academy Drive
Westampton, NJ 08060

May 29, 2026 (8a-4p)
Rutgers CAIT
100 Brett Road
Piscataway, NJ 08854

This program was developed in collaboration with the New Jersey Division of Highway Traffic Safety (DHTS) and is hosted by the Rutgers Center for Advanced Infrastructure and Transportation (CAIT). This comprehensive full-day course is designed to advance traffic safety initiatives through enforcement and professional engagement with the motoring public.

The course content is structured to examine the nuanced components of a traffic stop, beginning with a detailed analysis of officer acuity relative to the New Jersey Motor Vehicle Code. Participants will learn to accurately identify violations, select appropriate and safe locations for conducting stops, and effectively communicate necessary information to dispatch while adhering to departmental protocols and the law.

Key aspects of the traffic stop process include safe vehicle approach tactics, the importance of professional engagement with motorists to address infractions, and the legal rights of both officers and motorists during these encounters. The curriculum will also cover strategies for managing interactions with motorists who wish to lodge complaints or contest issued summonses, highlighting the importance of thorough documentation of each encounter and the preparation for credible courtroom testimony.

The instruction will be delivered by experienced Traffic Safety Officers and a municipal prosecutor from a multi-jurisdictional background, underscoring the paramount importance of professional and fair practices within law enforcement traffic safety functions.

Registration: cait.rutgers.edu/events/

Any questions, contact: Dave Maruca at dem200@soe.rutgers.edu

Multiple Dates & Locations
(All courses run from 8:00 am to 1:00 pm)

March 27, 31
May 14, September 25, 2026
Virtual

April 02, 2026
Passaic County Police Academy
214 Oldham Rd.
Wayne, NJ

April 23, 2026
Monmouth County Police Academy
2000 Kozlowski Rd.
Freehold, NJ

May 05, 2026
Gloucester County Police Academy
1400 Tanyard Rd.
Sewell, NJ

May 07, 2026
Ocean County Police Academy
659 Ocean Ave.
Lakewood, NJ

May 26, 2026
Middlesex County Fire Academy
1001 Fire Academy Dr.
Sayreville, NJ

May 28, 2026
Union County Police Academy
1776 Raritan Rd.
Scotch Plains, NJ

Hosted by Rutgers' CAIT, this free half-day course provides refresher training for law enforcement officers familiar with the NJTR-1 crash form.

Successful, proactive road safety improvement plans depend on the accuracy of data collected at crash scenes. Each year, the New Jersey Department of Transportation (NJDOT) collects approximately 300,000 crash reports from law enforcement agencies that can be uploaded into crash analysis systems like the Crash Analysis Tool. However, many of these reports are submitted with incomplete or incorrect information, which can negatively impact the effectiveness of data-driven crash reduction efforts.

The course reviews common NJTR-1 errors for both passenger and commercial motor vehicle crashes and offers methods to improve the quality of data that safety colleagues rely on.

The NJ Crash platform has been legislated and must be used by all police departments and/or their vendors in the State of New Jersey. NJ Crash software functions and applications will be discussed.

Registration:
This is a free class but you must register at the link below:

https://cait.rutgers.edu/events/

This course is offered free of charge thanks to funding and support from the New Jersey Division of Traffic Safety. For more information, contact David Maruca, CAIT Project Manager, at dem200@soe.rutgers.edu.

Updated Kean University Crash Investigation Training

The New Jersey statewide crash investigation training program administered through Kean University has transitioned to a new two-course model designed to better align training with modern investigative practices, officer workload, and progressive skill development.

The former two-week Basic Crash Investigation and two-week Advanced Crash Investigation courses have been restructured into:

Fundamentals of At-Scene Crash Investigation

This one-week (40-hour) course replaces the previous two-week Basic Crash Investigation. It is designed as an entry-level, at-scene focused program that emphasizes evidence recognition, documentation, measurement, crash dynamics, human factors, and legally defensible investigative practices. The course concentrates on proper evidence preservation at serious-injury and fatal crashes, ensuring critical information is accurately captured for later analytical or reconstruction-level review.

Technical Crash Investigation and Vehicle Dynamics Analysis

This two-week (80-hour) course replaces the former Advanced Crash Investigation and serves as the Crash Analyst-level program. The course is math- and science-intensive and bridges the gap between at-scene investigation and full traffic crash reconstruction. Students are introduced to the physics and mathematical principles used to analyze crash evidence, estimate vehicle speeds and movements, and evaluate avoidability and potential criminal factors.

Why This Change Matters

- Improves efficiency by focusing Basic-level training on at-scene

evidence handling
- Establishes a clearer progression from investigation to analysis
- Better prepares officers for advanced reconstruction training
- Preserves investigative quality while reducing time away from agencies

The training calendar is administered by the New Jersey State Police, Highway Traffic Safety Unit, in conjunction with the New Jersey Division of Highway Traffic Safety (NJDHTS). Any questions can be directed to the Program Coordinator, DSG Paul Applegate #6774, by phone at (732) 439-0529 or by e-mail at Paul.Applegate@njsp.gov.

PLEASE NOTE: Again for 2026, the registration links for each individual course will only go active 90 days prior to the start of the course.

Fundamentals of At-Scene Crash Investigation

Technical Crash Investigation and Vehicle Dynamics Analysis

ADAS for Crash Reconstructionists

Class Description:

Advanced Driver Assistance Systems for the Crash Reconstructionist equips investigators with the knowledge and practical experience needed to understand how modern driver assistance technologies impact crash investigations. As ADAS features become increasingly common in today's vehicles, investigators must understand how these systems function and influence crash scenarios.

Through expert instruction and hands-on testing at a closed test facility, participants learn how to identify ADAS systems, evaluate their performance, analyze electronic data, and incorporate these technologies into crash reconstruction analysis.

Register Now

Dates: Sep. 15 - 18, 2026
Location: Bell Labs Holmdel Complex, 101 Crawfords Corner Rd Holmdel, NJ 07733
Tuition: $683.33
Agency Contact: Paul Applegate
Paul.Applegate@njsp.gov
registration.nucps.northwestern.edu

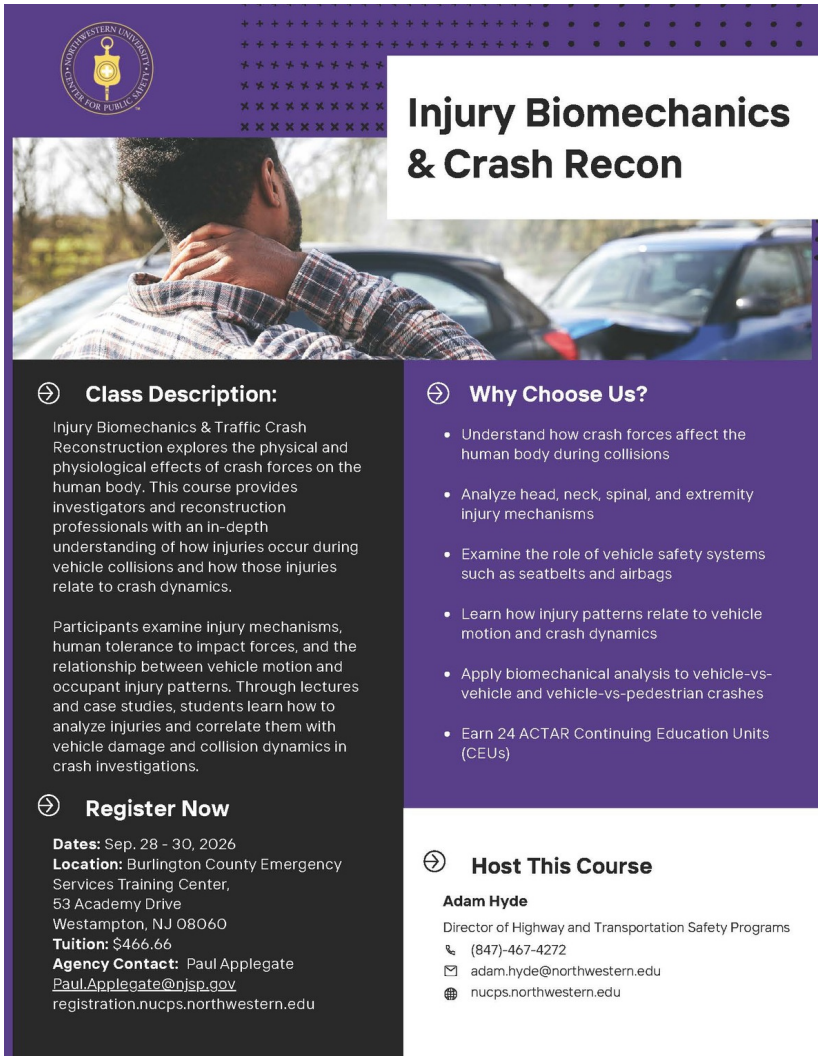
Why Choose Us?

- Stay ahead of rapidly evolving vehicle automation technologies
- Evaluate how ADAS features perform in real-world crash scenarios
- Develop strategies for incorporating ADAS into crash reconstruction analysis
- Examine current and emerging driver assistance technologies
- Understand regulatory, ethical, and societal considerations related to ADAS
- Strengthen investigative conclusions by incorporating ADAS system performance into reconstruction analysis

Host This Course

Adam Hyde
Director of Highway and Transportation Safety Programs
(847)-467-4272
adam.hyde@northwestern.edu
nucps.northwestern.edu

**REGISTRATION* goes live at 0800 hours on 06/17/2026*



**REGISTRATION* goes live at 0800 on 06/30/2026*

Specialty Courses

Advance Your Career

NJ Traffic Safety Specialist (TSS) Certification

The New Jersey Traffic Safety Specialist (TSS) Certification Program (Levels I & II) is a free, voluntary statewide recognition program designed to acknowledge sworn New Jersey law enforcement officers who have demonstrated advanced training, experience, and proficiency in traffic safety and highway enforcement. The program promotes professional development and recognizes officers who have achieved elevated standards in traffic safety enforcement across New Jersey.

TSS Level I is open to actively employed sworn officers in good standing who have completed the police academy, possess required certifications (Speed Detection Device and Standard Field Sobriety), and have at least three years of patrol/traffic experience. Applicants must also earn 30 elective points through approved training, education, military service, or traffic-related achievements. Supervisor approval and documentation of all coursework and certifications are required.

TSS Level II builds upon Level I and is intended for officers with advanced expertise in traffic safety. Applicants must first obtain Level I certification, have at least six years of patrol/traffic experience, complete an additional 30 elective points (separate from Level I), and possess advanced credentials such as Crash Reconstruction, ACTAR certification, Drug Recognition Expert (DRE), or Police Traffic Engineering training. Level II applicants must also hold an instructor certification and submit a written traffic study or project for review.

To obtain a fillable PDF electronic version of the TSS-1 or TSS-2 applications, email Michael Tullio, TSS Program Coordinator, at Mtullio@kean.edu
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Follow the links below for more details and the application for TSS Level 1.

New Jersey TSS Level-1 Application

TSS Approved Course List

TSS Program Marketing Packet

The Accreditation Commission for Traffic Accident Reconstruction

ACTAR accreditation represents the internationally recognized professional standard for traffic accident reconstruction, demonstrating verified competency, ethical compliance, and advanced expertise in crash investigation and analysis.

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Officer Down Memorial Page Reminder

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