



****June 2026 Newsletter****

**Our next regular business meeting will be this Wednesday
June 3rd, 2026 at 10:00am**

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

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

[CLICK FOR REGULAR MEETING ZOOM LINK](#)

IMPORTANT REMINDER

**THE NJPTOA WILL NOT HOLD A MEETING AT THE POLICE
SECURITY EXPO THIS YEAR**

**Coffee and Refreshments provided for this meeting by
Drew Wiley from Verkada**



Verkada will be presenting on its cloud-based physical security platform, including video security, access control, alarms, intercoms, sensors, and visitor management. Their products can support law enforcement and traffic safety

operations by helping agencies monitor police facilities, traffic safety units, fleet areas, evidence-sensitive locations, impound lots, and

other critical spaces. The platform also allows agencies to quickly locate, review, and share video when needed to support investigations, operational review, and public safety response.

Thank you to Verkada for their support.

Verkada

J-Tech Presentation

J-Tech is a Pennsylvania-based leader in roadway safety equipment, specializing in crash attenuator trucks and advanced work zone protection systems designed to enhance safety for both law enforcement and roadway personnel. Their solutions focus on improving visibility, reducing risk in active work zones, and supporting safe traffic operations during incidents and construction activities.



J-Tech was unable to attend the April and May meeting and is now scheduled to present at the June meeting.

J-Tech

NJPTOA President's Message June 2026

As we enter June and approach the midpoint of 2026, I would like to take a moment to thank each of you for your continued commitment to traffic safety and public service throughout New Jersey. While the numbers continue to trend in a positive direction, with statewide fatalities slightly lower than this time last year, every life lost on our roadways reminds us that our work remains critically important.

This month brings several important traffic safety initiatives, including the June 6 Goal Zero enforcement campaign honoring Trooper Marc K. Castellano, National Secure Your Load Day, and continued efforts to raise awareness about Move Over Law compliance, work zone safety, and vehicular heatstroke prevention. I encourage all agencies to participate whenever possible and continue promoting these life-saving messages within your communities.

I would also like to remind our members that while the Association will take a break from regularly scheduled meetings during the summer months, NJPTOA will continue to distribute newsletters, training opportunities, grant information, and important traffic safety updates throughout July and August. We look forward to reconvening in September and continuing our mission together.

Please do not hesitate to reach out if you have information to share, training opportunities to promote, or questions regarding association business. Your participation and engagement are what make this organization successful.

As summer approaches, I encourage everyone to take time for themselves and their families. Stay active, stay healthy, enjoy your hobbies, and make time for the people who matter most. Most importantly, stay safe, watch your six, and always wear your seatbelt.

Warm regards,

Chief Antonio Ellis

President

New Jersey Police Traffic Officers Association

2026 Statewide Fatal Crash Snapshot

New Jersey's 2026
fatal crash data

continues to show progress compared to the same point last year. As of May 12, 2026, the state has recorded 167 fatal crashes and 175 fatalities, compared to 170 fatal crashes and 183 fatalities at the same point in 2025. This reflects a 4.4% year-to-date reduction in fatalities compared to 2025.



Looking at prior-year trends, 2025 ended with 565 fatalities, representing a 14.9% reduction from 2024's total of 691 fatalities. While the continued downward trend is encouraging, 175 lives lost so far this year is a reminder that the work is far from over.

Fatal crash data remains a key barometer of roadway safety. Continued high-visibility enforcement, public education, and coordinated statewide traffic safety efforts remain essential to sustaining progress and reducing serious and fatal crashes on New Jersey roadways.

New Fatal Crash Notification Process Update

The New Jersey State Police Fatal Accident Investigation Unit has transitioned to the new Fatal Crash Notification system through the NJSP CJIS website at <https://cjis.njsp.org>. Agencies should ensure that their designated Garden State Network (GSN) computers are properly configured so fatal crash notifications can be submitted without delay.

To access the system, agencies should go to the NJSP CJIS website, select "Links" in the upper right corner, then select "NJLETS" and choose "Fatal Crash Notification." The direct link is <https://fcts.njsp.org/localEntry.jsp>.

To access the new system, the following HOSTS file entry must be added to the agency's GSN computer:

10.111.253.144 fcts.njsp.org

Agencies should coordinate with their IT personnel to ensure this entry is properly added and remains permanent, especially if the agency's HOSTS file is refreshed or reset on a regular basis. As a reminder, the Fatal Crash Notification link is not available through eAgent 2.0.

All fatal crashes must still be reported to the NJSP Fatal Accident Investigation Unit within 24 hours. If an agency is unable to access the system, a rough draft NJTR-1 should be emailed to faiu@njsp.gov, and NJSP FAIU will enter the crash into the Fatal Crash Tracking System and provide the associated case number.

For CJIS access issues, contact Tara Rockhill at tara.rockhill@njsp.gov. For fatal crash reporting questions or issues, contact the NJSP Fatal Accident Investigation Unit at 609-882-2000 ext. 2037/2038 or faiu@njsp.gov.

MVC 90-Day Vehicle Inspection Sticker Extension

The New Jersey Motor Vehicle Commission has issued Administrative Order 2026-01, providing a 90-day extension for vehicle inspection stickers due for renewal between April 2026 and July 2026.

Under this order, inspection stickers are extended as follows: April to July, May to August, June to September, and July to October.

Officers should be aware of these temporary extensions when conducting enforcement and ensure that vehicles displaying affected stickers are evaluated in accordance with the updated timelines.

Motor Vehicle Advisory

Mikie Sherrill
Governor
Dr. Dale G. Caldwell
Lt. Governor
Rosalie Johnson
Acting Chair and Chief Administrator

TO: All Law Enforcement Officials
FROM: Rosalie Johnson, Acting Chair and Chief Administrator
DATE: April 8, 2026
SUBJECT: **90-Day Extension for Vehicle Inspection Stickers**

I have signed Administrative Order 2026-01, which extends the expiration date of any valid vehicle inspection sticker that is due for renewal between April 2026 and July 2026 for ninety (90) days.

The vehicle inspection sticker extensions are as follows:

- April sticker (month '4') — extended to July (month '7')
- May sticker (month '5') — extended to August (month '8')
- June sticker (month '6') — extended to September (month '9')
- July sticker (month '7') — extended to October (month '10')

Please carefully read the accompanying Administrative Order 2026-01.

Thank you.

Goal:Zero

Campaign

-Zero:Deaths-

-Zero:Injuries-

-Zero:Crashes-



Goal Zero Memorial Enforcement Campaign - Patrolman Robert T. Tobias

Goal Zero Statewide Rollout

Next Date: Saturday June 6th, 2026 - All Day Event

On Saturday, June 6, 2026, the Goal Zero initiative will conduct an all-day enforcement campaign dedicated to the memory of New Jersey State Trooper Marc K. Castellano.

Trooper Castellano was tragically struck and killed on June 6, 2010, while walking along the shoulder of Interstate 195 West near Exit 31 in Howell Township during an active investigation. This campaign honors his service and sacrifice by focusing on education and enforcement of New Jersey's Move Over Law.

Agencies are encouraged to participate throughout the day by conducting high-visibility enforcement and public education aimed at reminding motorists to slow down and move over for law enforcement, emergency responders, tow operators, highway workers, and disabled vehicles. This focused effort reinforces our shared mission of protecting those who work along New Jersey roadways and moving toward the goal of zero fatalities and serious injuries.



Vehicular Heatstroke Prevention

May - September 2026

As temperatures rise, vehicular heatstroke remains one of the leading causes of non-crash, vehicle-related fatalities for children. Parked vehicles can heat up rapidly, creating deadly conditions in minutes—even on mild days. Children are especially vulnerable, as their body temperature rises significantly faster than adults.

This campaign focuses on education, awareness, and prevention, reminding caregivers and the public that these tragedies are entirely preventable through simple, consistent habits.

Primary Message: Stop. Look. Lock.



National Secure Your Load Day

June 6, 2026

June 6 is recognized as National Secure Your Load Day, an awareness effort reminding motorists that unsecured loads and roadway debris can cause serious crashes, injuries, and fatalities. Whether hauling tools, furniture, landscaping materials, construction debris, or recreational equipment, every driver has a responsibility to ensure their cargo is properly tied down, covered, and secured before entering the roadway.

This campaign reinforces that safe driving begins before the vehicle is placed in motion. Taking a few extra minutes to secure a load can prevent roadway hazards, protect other motorists, and save lives.

Primary Message: Secure your load as if everyone you love is driving behind you.

NHTSA Communications Calendar

2026 Highway Traffic Safety Events Calendar

NHTSA 2026 Communications Calendar



NJDHTS TRAFFIC OFFICERS MEETING

Summer 2026

njsaferoads.com



2026 Federal/State Grant Reporting Cycle	Uniform Coordinated Effort June -July- August	Sound Off: Proactive Education and Enforcement
<u>2026 State Pedestrian Safety Enforcement & Education Fund</u> <u>2026 Grants –</u> All Reporting 6/15/26 <u>Click It or Ticket:</u> Progress Report - 6/15/26 Reimbursement Request - 6/30/26 <u>2026 Federal HTS grants:</u> Q3 Reporting Cycle – 7/15/2026 <u>Distracted Driving Crackdown:</u> Progress Report - 5/15/26 Reimbursement Request - 5/30/26 (Overdue)	Sustained Enforcement Calander June <u>Seat Belt Safety - NHTSA</u> <u>Buckle Up Palm Card</u> Sustained Enforcement Calander July <u>"Not So Fast" Speeding Palm Card</u> National Enforcement Campaign – Impaired Driving (August/Labor Day): 8/19/26 –9/7/26 <u>Drive Sober or Get Pulled Over</u> <u>Drive Sober Palm Card</u>	Heatstroke Prevention – As parents, a lot can happen in 10 minutes, including the inside temperature of your car rising 20°F! <u>No Heat Stroke</u> <u>NJSACOP: Traffic Safety Message</u> (video) Traffic Safety Bulletin: Contact: Mike Morris: mmorris@njsacop.org Resources for PP&E Efforts: <u>TMA</u>s and Statewide Non-Profit Organizations (ex. <u>BIANJ</u> , <u>Safe Kids</u>)
Monthly (June-Aug) Initiatives - <u>Traffic Safety Marketing NHTSA</u>		
<u>Vehicular Heatstroke Prevention</u> – 5/1/26 – 9/30/26 – May 1 is Heat Stroke Prevention Day. "Prevent Hot Car Deaths. STOP. LOOK. LOCK."		
<u>Fourth of July Campaign</u> (Drunk Driving) - 6/29/26 – 7/5/26 - "Buzzed Driving Is Drunk Driving".		
<u>Fourth of July Campaign</u> (Drug-Impaired Driving) – 6/29/26 – 7/5/26 – "If You Feel Different, You Drive Different".		
<u>Vehicle Theft Prevention</u> – 7/1/26 – 7/31/26 - A vehicle is stolen every 48 secs!		
<u>Speeding Catches Up With You</u> – 7/6/26 – 7/31/26 – "Your speed, their life."		
Grant Opportunities and Information		
- HTS State Pedestrian Safety Enforcement & Education Fund 2026 grant activity concludes May 31. Approved Federal FY2026 purchases must be ordered (PO issued) no later than August 1, 2026. - Required expense documentation: Purchase Order + Invoice + Proof of Payment. No Sales Tax allowed! - All items greater than \$250.00 require an Equipment Inventory Record to be completed. Commodities: <u>NJTPA-StreetSmart Campaign</u>; Contact William Yarzab wyarzab@njtpa.org; 973-877-8120 - Upcoming Mobilization: August Statewide Labor Day Crackdown DSOGPO applications open mid-June. - Please review updated <u>Law Enforcement Grant Accountability Standards for Federally Funded Grants</u>.		
Reminders/Updates		
- June: Promote <u>Seat Belt</u>, <u>Pedestrian Safety</u>, <u>Teen Driver Safety</u> messaging & enforcement throughout Summer - July: Promote <u>Speed and Aggressive Driving</u> messaging & enforcement throughout Summer. - August: Promote <u>Impaired Driving</u> messaging & enforcement throughout Summer. - Utilize <i>Staying Safe In the Car</i> Brochures English / Spanish. - Post appropriate messages on variable message boards throughout town to amplify awareness. <u>NJDHTS Safe Passage</u> pamphlets available for all Traffic Safety Partners; *New* <u>Graduated Driver License</u>		
NJDHTS Program Staff Contacts		
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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 SUMMER 2026

Highlights from the May NJPTOA Meeting

Key outcomes from the May 6, 2026 NJPTOA General Membership Meeting included:

- Donna Setaro, mother of fallen New Jersey State Trooper Marc K. Castellano, provided an update on the Move Over Awareness Campaign (M.A.R.C.) and ongoing efforts to expand Move Over Law education
- Continued emphasis on statewide fatal crash reduction, with discussion focused on driver inattention, excessive speed, impaired driving, and poor decision-making as leading contributing factors
- Review of the national Click It or Ticket campaign kickoff and the importance of seat belt enforcement during the May mobilization period
- Goal Zero updates included the May 17 enforcement campaign honoring Manchester Patrolman Robert T. Tobias and the June 6 Move Over Law enforcement campaign honoring Trooper Marc K. Castellano
- Grant and reporting updates were provided, including upcoming deadlines for distracted driving, pedestrian safety, Click It or Ticket, and state grant reimbursement submissions
- Continued discussion on High Injury Network enforcement, speed management, and the importance of agency participation in the statewide traffic safety survey
- NJDOT reminded agencies of the importance of electronic crash report submission and identified outstanding fatal crash reports still needed from 2025
- Training updates were provided for crash investigation, reconstruction, heavy vehicle EDR, NJTR-1 refreshers, work zone safety, traffic incident management, and Kean University Traffic Safety Specialist awards

- Rutgers VTC and Civic Eye presented information on upcoming Pedestrian Safety Education and Enforcement training opportunities and the need for host agencies
- Vendor presentations and support included Stalker Radar, J-Tech, and other traffic safety partners providing resources related to enforcement, data collection, roadway safety, and officer safety

Full Meeting Minutes

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

Password: **njptoa**

NJSACOP Speed Management Survey - Shaping Statewide Safety

As we work to enhance traffic safety initiatives across New Jersey, we are reaching out to ask for your department's participation in our Traffic Survey. The data we collect is vital for shaping effective enforcement strategies and securing future resources for our agencies, but the strength of these results depends entirely on the volume of participation. We understand the demands on your schedule, so please feel free to delegate this task to your Traffic Bureau or a designated officer. We are aiming for 100% representation to ensure every jurisdiction's voice is heard; the more responses we receive, the better we can advocate for the needs of the New Jersey law enforcement community.

Speed Management Survey



New Jersey Department of Transportation Crash Data Portal

Provided by New Jersey Department of Transportation and AASHTOWare Safety



NJDOT Crash Data Dashboard

The available data (2001-2018) is based on crash reports submitted by Police Departments and entered into the Crash Record Database. To access data from 2019 and onward, please use the following link to the New Jersey Department of Transportation Crash Data Dashboard. The New Jersey Department of Transportation's (NJDOT), Bureau of Transportation Data and Safety (BTDS) collects all New Jersey Police Crash Investigation Report forms (NJTR-1) statewide from both state and local law enforcement agencies. The BTDS receives an average of 320,000 crash reports annually that are processed, scanned, verified, and stored in a database. Note: 2025 crash data will be updated within 30 days.

NJDOT Crash Data Dashboard

Access to a more robust version of the dashboard can be accessed by Law Enforcement and Traffic Safety Professionals by submitting a request to:

DOT-btds.numetric@dot.nj.gov



DDEF- Drunk Driving Enforcement Fund Update

- DDEF Funds are secured upon conviction of 39:4-50.

- The improper use of the “Refusal” statute remains an issue: use 39:4-50.4A.
- DDEF Funds can be used to purchase 9510 breath testing devices.
- Overtime enforcement rates are not capped at the \$70 grant rate.
- Over \$5 million in funds remain unclaimed or unused.

To reinforce the rules of the DDEF program, all departments are reminded that at least 50% of this award must be used for overtime DWI enforcement to qualify for reimbursement. Consideration should be given to when DWI overtime details are scheduled, since statistics show alcohol consumption peaks in evenings, overnight, and on weekends. Scheduling DWI details during morning or afternoon hours contradicts the purpose of this funding and should be avoided unless other circumstances or special events justify it.

Contact Steve Slimowicz at hts.ddef@njoag.gov (609-917-8530)



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Police Security Expo 2026

The 40th Annual Police Security Expo will be held on Tuesday, June 23, 2026, from 10:00 AM to 5:00 PM and Wednesday, June 24, 2026, from 10:00 AM to 3:30 PM at the Atlantic City Convention Center. The expo is open free of charge to industry professionals, and valid industry identification will be checked at the door. Attendees can register through the Police Security Expo website (see below).

This annual event gives law enforcement, public safety, and security professionals the opportunity to view, compare, and evaluate the latest tools, technology, equipment, hardware, software, and services available to the profession. The expo is also held in conjunction with the NJSACOP Annual Training Conference, which brings together police executives, training professionals, and public safety leaders for seminars, networking, and professional development.

Agencies are encouraged to consider attending and sending appropriate personnel who may benefit from exposure to new equipment, vendor resources, officer safety products, traffic safety tools, communications systems, and emerging public safety technology. Additional information, attendee registration, hotel details, and future expo dates can be found at police-security.com.

2026 Police Security Expo

Register Here



NJ Mature Drivers Resource Center

The NJ Mature Drivers Resource Center, hosted by Rutgers University's Voorhees Transportation Center, provides helpful resources for older drivers, families, caregivers, and communities. The site focuses on helping mature drivers remain safe on the road for as long as possible while also offering guidance on warning signs of unsafe driving, driving assessments, CarFit, vehicle technology, driver training, and transportation options when driving is reduced or no longer safe.

Traffic officers are encouraged to use this resource when assisting residents, speaking with families, or conducting mature driver safety outreach. The website can also support community presentations and referrals by providing practical information on safe driving, mobility planning, and alternative transportation options for older adults.

Mature Drivers NJ

New Jersey Crossing Guard Training and Resources Program: Train-the-Trainer Class

*Are you currently working as a Police
Traffic Safety Officer supervising School
Crossing Guards?*

If YES, please join us for crossing guard
supervisor training sessions.

Two online classes are available:

**Thursday, May 28, 2026
8:30am – 11:00am**

**Tuesday, August 4, 2026
8:30am – 11:00am**

About the Training

The training will include discussion of crossing guard hiring, training, and supervising procedures, and state and federal law and regulations, and guidance on conducting similar training for crossing guards in your community. **This class is free to participants.**

Register for May 28th class [here](#)

Register for August 4th class [here](#)

*For more information on the New Jersey Crossing
Guard Program, go to njcrossingguards.org*



This training is sponsored by NJ Department of Transportation and NJ Division of Highway Traffic Safety with funding from the Federal Highway Administration, and by New Jersey Excess Liability Joint Insurance Fund.



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of Planning and Public Policy**

Register for August 4th Class



RUTGERS UNIVERSITY
Continuing Studies



Upcoming 2026 Rutgers Training

[CAIT Website](#)

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



Dates & Locations:

April 27 – May 1, 2026

Burlington County Emergency
Services Training Center
53 Academy Drive
Westampton, NJ 08060

June 08-12, 2026

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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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Virtual:

March 05, 2026

8a-1p

In-Person:

June 26, 2026

8a-1p

***Burlington County
Emergency Services
Training Center
53 Academy Dr.
Westampton, NJ 08060***

Hosted by the New Jersey Local Technical Assistance Program (NJ LTAP) at Rutgers Center for Advanced Infrastructure and Transportation (CAIT), this half-day course covers New Jersey's Highway Incident Traffic Safety Guidelines for Emergency Responders. The course is supported and approved by the FHWA.

Three vehicle crashes involving injuries occur every minute in the United States putting nearly 39,000 incident responders in harm's way daily. Disruption and congestion from these incidents can increase the likelihood of secondary crashes causing delays and increasing driver frustration. The longer responders remain on the scene, the greater the risk they, and the traveling public, face. Correct traffic incident management (TIM) focuses on responding in a way that protects motorists and emergency personnel while minimizing negative effects on traffic. TIM practices include detecting, verifying, and responding to incidents; clearing the incident scene; and restoring traffic flow.

Using a multi-discipline approach, first responders in New Jersey will learn how to operate more efficiently and act collectively. The training covers topics including TIM guidelines; fundamentals and terminology; notifications and scene size up; scene safety and risk management; traffic management; special circumstances; clearance; and termination.

This course is open to all traffic-incident first responders including personnel in law enforcement, firefighting, emergency medical services (EMS), public safety, public works, towing and recovery, and hazardous materials (HAZMAT).

Registration The course is free, but registration is required at BOTH of the following

websites: <https://cait.rutgers.edu/events/> >> NJTIM.org >>

This course is free thanks to funding and support from the Federal Highway Administration and the New Jersey Department of Transportation. For more information, contact David Maruca at dem200@soe.rutgers.edu





All classes run from 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

May 19-21, 2026

Middlesex County Fire Academy
1001 Fire Academy Drive
Sayreville, NJ 08872

June 16-18, 2026

Virtual

COURSE DETAILS

This course is taught by experts from law enforcement, regulatory agencies, and the legal sector and is open to law enforcement personnel only. For information and to register:

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

Hosted by Rutgers Center for Advanced Infrastructure and Transportation (CAIT), this three-day course—developed exclusively for law enforcement—covers approved methods for teaching work zone traffic control courses.

Experienced law enforcement professionals can greatly impact road safety by becoming work zone traffic control instructors. However, NJDOT requires that these teachers receive training before they teach others. The course prepares participants to teach work zone safety guidelines with topics in MUTCD protection standards and typical long-term and short-term state road work activities. It is conducted in three full-day sessions.

Participants who successfully complete the course will be eligible to serve as police work zone safety instructors for their agencies and will be provided with work zone safety training materials.



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

Police Work Zone Safety Refresher Training

Virtual:

June 25, 2026
8a-12p

Registration:

Course is free for all New Jersey law enforcement personnel. Contact Dave Maruca, NJ LTAP Project Manager, at dem200@soe.rutgers.edu with questions on this course.

This course was developed with support from the New Jersey Division of Highway Traffic Safety

Hosted by the New Jersey Local Technical Assistance Program (NJ LTAP) at Rutgers Center for Advanced Infrastructure and Transportation (CAIT), this half-day course is a refresher that covers work zone safety awareness topics for law enforcement officials.

Whether you're new to the force or a veteran officer, there will be times when you're assigned to enforce safety laws in work zones for long-term or short-term projects. There is no room for error when working next to traffic, so it's important for officers controlling traffic in work zones to understand and comply with MUTCD work zone safety standards.

This course provides a review of the 2023 Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices (MUTCD) and includes a brief overview of federal changes, worker safety considerations, sign placement, and special considerations for local and state roadways.

This course is intended for law enforcement officers who have previously completed the 3 or 4-day Police Work Zone Safety Train the Trainer program or the 1-day Work Zone Safety Awareness for Local Police workshop; it is not an alternate to the Traffic Control Coordinator Refresher course.

This course does not replace the Traffic Control Coordinator (TCC) course or the Police Work Zone Train-the-Trainer course. For more information on TCC state requirements and other course offerings, visit cait.rutgers.edu/events/

Rutgers Executive M.A. in Criminal Justice Program - Scholarship Opportunity

Rutgers University's School of Criminal Justice has launched a new Executive Master of Arts in Criminal Justice program designed specifically for working professionals in the field. This flexible, practitioner-focused program is delivered primarily online and can be completed part-time in approximately five semesters.

The program features a 30-credit curriculum, world-class faculty, and two in-person workshops each semester that provide real-world case studies, networking opportunities, and engagement with national leaders in criminal justice. Students may also pursue specialized certificates in areas such as Financial Crimes, Data Analysis & Statistics, and Spatial Analysis for Public Safety and Security.

To support the program's inaugural cohort, Rutgers is offering a \$3,500 scholarship to the first 20 students who enroll. Interested applicants should note the July 1, 2026 application deadline.

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(unofficial transcript, resume, essay, and
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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.

➔ 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

➔ Register Now

Dates: Sep. 15 - 18, 2026
Location: Bell Labs Holmdel Complex, 101 Crawfords Corner Rd Holmdel, NJ 07733
Tuition: \$683.33
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Injury Biomechanics & Crash Recon



Class Description:

Injury Biomechanics & Traffic Crash Reconstruction explores the physical and physiological effects of crash forces on the human body. This course provides investigators and reconstruction professionals with an in-depth understanding of how injuries occur during vehicle collisions and how those injuries relate to crash dynamics.

Participants examine injury mechanisms, human tolerance to impact forces, and the relationship between vehicle motion and occupant injury patterns. Through lectures and case studies, students learn how to analyze injuries and correlate them with vehicle damage and collision dynamics in crash investigations.



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Dates: Sep. 28 - 30, 2026

Location: Burlington County Emergency Services Training Center,
53 Academy Drive
Westampton, NJ 08060

Tuition: \$466.66

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Why Choose Us?

- Understand how crash forces affect the human body during collisions
- Analyze head, neck, spinal, and extremity injury mechanisms
- Examine the role of vehicle safety systems such as seatbelts and airbags
- Learn how injury patterns relate to vehicle motion and crash dynamics
- Apply biomechanical analysis to vehicle-vs-vehicle and vehicle-vs-pedestrian crashes
- Earn 24 ACTAR Continuing Education Units (CEUs)



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Specialty Courses

Pedestrian Safety Enforcement Training Opportunity

A Pedestrian Safety Enforcement training session will be held on Wednesday, June 10, 2026, from 10:00 AM to 2:00 PM at Lakewood Township OEM, 1555 Pine Street, Lakewood, NJ 08701. This workshop is designed to help police departments conduct safe, effective, and defensible pedestrian safety enforcement operations within their jurisdictions.

Training topics include New Jersey pedestrian safety laws, the 3E approach to pedestrian safety, location selection, pre-operation evaluation, community outreach, practical operation setup, follow-up, and grant eligibility. The session includes classroom instruction and

outdoor practical application.

Space is limited to 30 seats. Agencies interested in attending should register as soon as possible by emailing Shani Jarvis at sjarvis@aaanortheast.com.



The PSE workshop will enable police departments to conduct PSE operations in their jurisdiction safely and effectively. Topics covered include **NJ pedestrian safety laws, the 3E approach to pedestrian safety** and **requirements to run an effective PSE operation that will withstand judicial scrutiny and minimize public pushback.**

PSE operations entail choosing an appropriate location, pre-operation evaluations and community outreach; safe and defensible operations; effective follow-up; and grant eligibility. The training consists of a classroom presentation (approx. 3 hours) and outdoor real-world practical application (approx. 1 hour).

A training session will be offered on:

Wednesday, June 10, 2026

10 a.m. - 2 p.m.

Lakewood Township OEM

1555 Pine Street, Lakewood, NJ 08701

To register, please email Shani Jarvis at sjarvis@aaanortheast.com

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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](#)

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