Statewide Planning Partners Meeting

Blueprint for Safety
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Topics

Missouri's Blueprint to Save More Lives
Missouri's new Strategic Highway Safety Plan
2015/2016 Crash Data
2016 Legislation
Questions

Blueprint to Save More Lives

- Overall goal of 700 or fewer fatalities by 2016
- Six Emphasis areas with 25 focus areas
 - Serious Crash Types
 - High-Risk Drivers and Unrestrained Occupants
 - Special Vehicles
 - Vulnerable Roadway Users
 - Special Roadway Environments
 - Data and Data System Improvements

2017 Strategic Highway Safety Plan

- Current plan expires 12-31-2016
- New plan activates 01-01-2017
- Traffic and Highway Safety Blueprint Conference October 18-20, 2016.
 - Holiday Inn Executive Center Columbia, MO

Requirements

- Plans must be based on crash and other safety data analyses to identify safety issues on all public roads
- Developed after consultation with a broad range of stakeholders
- Address the 4 E's of safety through a multidisciplinary approach
- Describe program strategies to reduce or eliminate safety hazards
- Consider other state highway safety plans and processes

SHSP Development Team

- MPO's MARC East West Gateway
- City, County, State Law Enforcement Officers
- State Bureau of EMS
- Department of Revenue
- Universities Washington University and UCM
- Health Professionals
- FMCSA FHWA NHTSA
- MoDOT
 - Assistant District Engineer Kevin James
 - Transportation Planning Karen Miller
 - Design Jerica Holtsclaw
 - Traffic and Highway Safety staff
 - Non-motorized Ron Effland
 - St. Louis District Teresa Krenning

Emphasis Areas

- Serious Crash Types
- High Risk Drivers
- Special Vehicles
- Vulnerable Roadway Users
- Special Roadway Environments
- Data/Data System Improvements

2015/2016 Crash Data

- 870 fatalities as of 2-16-2016 + 13.6%
- Pedestrians fatalities 93 + 34.8%
- +82.8% vehicle overturning
- 63% unbuckled rate 50% of those were ejected (200)
- 2016 + 4% for the year.
 - **–** 2016-97 fatalities
 - **–** 2015-93 fatalities

2016 Legislation

- Primary Safety Belt
- All Driver Texting Ban
- Motorcycle Helmet Repeal

Questions?