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Save-the-Date!!

**AUGUST 21-22
2019**

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**45th Annual
Governor's Conference
on Highway Safety**



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TIME Program Manager

We finally made it out of that tough winter and the wet spring. That was one for the books. Everything is greening up, and road construction projects are gearing up. It promises to be another busy summer. The economy is booming, people are traveling, roads are being built, expanded or repaired and that means all of the responders in our great state are going to be assisting the motoring public in a variety of ways – from assisting a disabled motorist on the side of the road to executing life-saving measures at the scene of a terrible crash. Incident responders are out on our roads 24/7 no matter the conditions. Rain, snow, flood, winds, it doesn't matter, when the bell rings, our state's responders go. Our responders may be full-time, part-time or a reserve police officer or deputy, career or volunteer firefighter, EMT or paramedic, member of a large tow company or just one person with a wrecker, highway and DPW staff called-in to assist with a closure or to conduct an emergency repair. It doesn't matter what uniform they wear; they respond

because someone needs assistance, and they need it now. We thank you for that. We all hear about the incidents that maybe did not go as smoothly as they could have, or communication between the disciplines wasn't as good as it should have been. However, I can honestly say that in my travels throughout the state and speaking with hundreds of responders; things are getting better. I frequently hear success stories about how incidents were handled and cleared quicker than in years past due to better communication between responders. Responders are meeting face-to-face at the scene, developing a plan to handle the incident, and deciding who is going to be responsible for what. When responders have clear direction on what is needed, they execute that task quickly and effectively. The one common denominator that I hear during all success stories is unified command. There has to be an officer in charge (OIC) from each agency. When those OICs meet face-to-face, responsibilities are identified, assignments are given, the incident gets cleared a lot quicker and everyone gets off the road sooner. That is the ultimate goal. Responders are the safest when they are not working on a road. On behalf of the TIME program, we would like to thank every one of you for your dedication, commitment and service to the millions of people that travel the over 113,000 miles of interstate, state and local roads in our great state. Please always remain vigilant to the inherent dangers of working near live traffic. Have a safe summer!

TIM Training Classes Available in Your Area

In case you were not aware, the TIME program lists all scheduled TIM classes in the state on the TIME program page on WisDOT's website. As soon as a class gets scheduled, we post the date, time, location, link to register and the point of contact for the class. Please check for TIM classes in your area by visiting wisconsindot.gov/time. We hope to see you at a TIM class in your area soon.



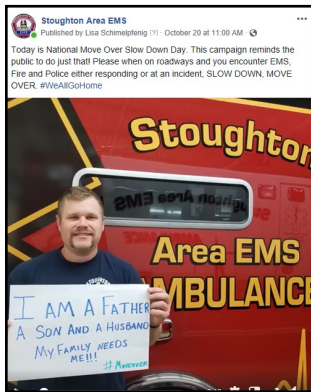
National Move Over Day — October 19, 2019

Mark it on your calendar!

Last year, the TIME program first learned about National Move Over Day (NMOD). NMOD was created to raise awareness across the country about the need to move over when passing responders are working on our roadways. Saturday, October 20, 2018, was the first NMOD. FHWA requested each state to ask responders within their state to take a photo of or post a story about the person that responds to incidents on our roadways letting the public know they are a husband, wife, father, mother, friend, brother or sister of someone who wants to go home after their shift. The public can help by moving over when seeing responders working alongside the roadway.



The TIME program liked the simplicity of the idea and sent out an email to all TIME program distribution lists asking agencies and companies to do just that. We received an overwhelming response for such short notice. Over 17 companies participated and posted photos and reminders to move over on their Facebook pages and other sites. The TIME program is going to promote this day, even more, this year. Please start thinking about this inexpensive and easy way to reach out and remind the public to use caution and move over when passing responders working alongside the roadway. Your life does depend on it!



Longtime TIME Program Supporter Retires



Portage County Chief Deputy Daniel Kontos retired from the sheriff's office on February 1 of this year. Dan was employed by the sheriff's office for over 25 years, rising through the ranks to the position of Chief Deputy. Prior to his service with the sheriff, he was also in the US Army for 22 years and served as an MP for ten years. While employed with the sheriff's office, Dan was also a volunteer firefighter and then Chief of the Whiting Fire Department. He served there for over 20 years – a true career of public service.

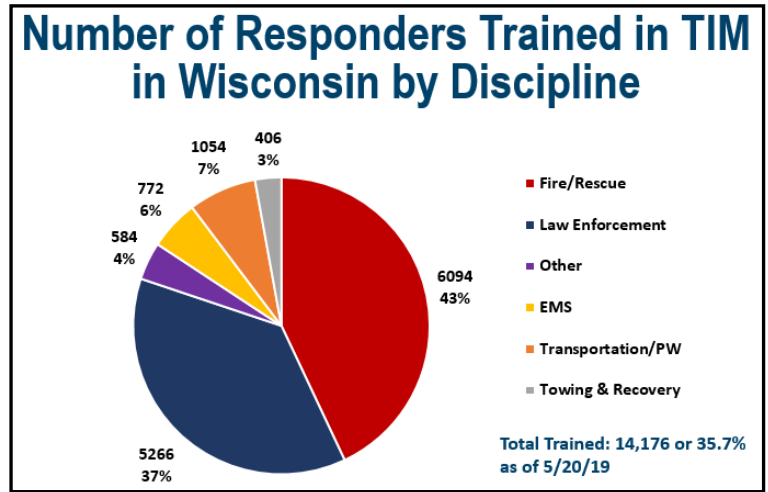
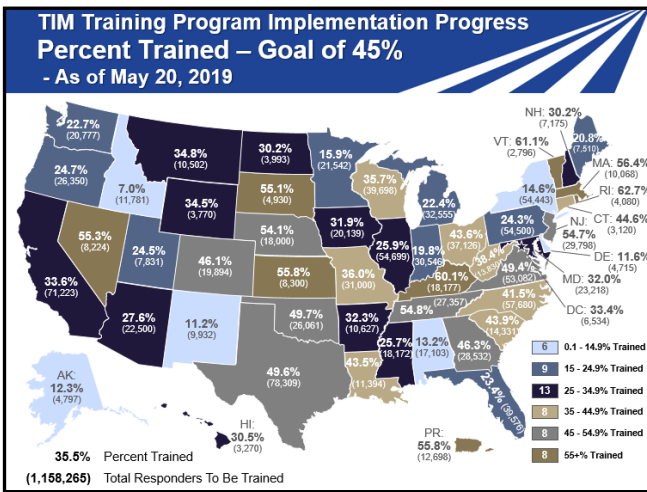
Not only was Dan's retirement a huge loss to the department, but it was a bigger loss to the TIME program. Dan was one of a group of local responders that worked with WisDOT staff on the development of the original Emergency Traffic Control and Scene Management Guidelines. He was also one of only ten FHWA Master TIM instructors in the country. Dan has traveled extensively throughout the United States on behalf of FHWA and trained thousands of responders to become TIM instructors.

In Wisconsin, the TIME program has frequently reached out to Dan as a subject matter expert for his opinion on any number of TIM-related topics that we were researching. The program has also requested him to teach all of our train-the-trainer classes. We like the way he adds a little Wisconsin flavor to the training. Dan has personally taught just about every TIME program instructor in the state. Even after his retirement, he has offered to instruct any future train-the-trainer class that we may host. He also still teaches 4-hour TIM responder classes throughout the state. His career of public service continues.

The program made a plaque to show our appreciation for all of Dan's assistance to the program over the past 13 years, and we presented it to him in Stevens Point. Congratulations once again Dan to an outstanding career of public service. For some reason, we think you will continue your service to the public during the next chapter of life.

Numbers of Responders Trained in the State Continues to Grow

Wisconsin continues to be a leader in the nation in regard to responders trained. Some of you may recall we were getting close to the 50 percent of identified responders trained at the end of last year. Now, if you look at the percentage of responders trained, it looks like we slid backward. What happened? In November of 2018, FHWA asked all states to review the number of identified responders in their states. All states had been using totals provided by the Bureau of Labor Statistics (BLS). Since 2015, BLS had identified 27,081 responders in the state of Wisconsin. In November, BLS provided some updated numbers for certain classifications and also asked that we include non-career members of the fire service. We felt non-career members should have been included from the beginning because it doesn't matter if you are a career, paid-on-call or volunteer firefighter (FF), you are wearing the same uniform and performing the same tasks. So we included 11,000 FFs to our total number of identified responders. That number, in addition to the updated numbers provided to us by BLS, brought the total number of identified responders in the state of Wisconsin to 39,698. As a result, the total numbers of responders trained continues to increase, but the state's overall percentage trained decreased. If we use 27,081, the percentage of responders trained is 52.3 percent. When we use the new number, 39,698, the percentage of responders trained is 35.7 percent. We hope to have over 15,500 responders trained by the end of 2019. Thanks to all of the agencies that have hosted a class and to all of the agencies that we have spoken with and are just waiting to secure a date for a class.



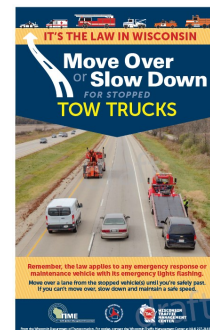
New Move Over or Slow Down Outreach Materials



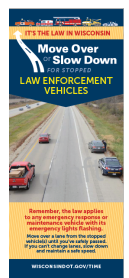
Old Poster

The TIME program decided to give the old Move Over or Slow Down (MOSD) poster a facelift. It had been several years since the poster was created, and we wanted to do something different. The program decided to create MOSD posters and “rack cards” for individual responder disciplines. As a result, we created posters and rack cards for law enforcement, fire service, towing and recovery, highway maintenance and EMS. The responders would be able to distribute the discipline-specific poster and rack card at their safety days, open houses, or during regular contacts with the motoring public.

All of the posters and cards have the same message and wording, but they have a different photo to identify the discipline it applies to, e.g., Move Over or Slow Down for Fire Trucks, Move Over or Slow Down for Tow Trucks, etc. You can see at the top of the poster or card, they all have the types of emergency or maintenance vehicles they should be moving over for as a reminder. The program feels this type of outreach will educate or remind the public that it is not just law enforcement vehicles that they need to MOSD for; it's ALL responder or maintenance vehicles. We are hoping to have them printed and available for distribution by the middle of summer.



New Poster



Rack Card

What to Use and when to Use Them



Incidents
(28"/36"/42")

The TIME program has received a couple of inquiries recently regarding when you **can** use certain size cones and when you **must** use certain size cones. Some of the confusion arose because of a recent memo from WisDOT regarding the use of temporary traffic control devices for county maintenance work. **See the below link to the memo. County highway staff asked if 42" cones were "required" when they assist law enforcement at a traffic incident. The short answer is no; they are **not required** when assisting at a traffic incident. For incidents on state highways/interstates, EMS/Fire/Law Enforcement may use **any size** cone (28"/36"/42"). The 42" cones **are required** when staff is performing scheduled maintenance work on a state highway or the interstate. This requirement includes when the highway department is assisting with a delayed recovery from a previous traffic incident and requires a lane closure.

**[Memo](#)



Maintenance and
Delayed Recovery
Efforts (42")

Nominations for TIME Program's Outstanding Achievement Award

Do you know someone who is dedicated to promoting Traffic Incident Management (TIM) principles? If so, let us know!

The TIME Program is looking for nominees to receive recognition for their dedication to improving responder safety, support of quick clearance and improved interoperable communications.

Every year, the TIME Program honors individuals that have shown the importance of TIM by training other responders, promoting TIM principles and guidelines to other responders or incorporating TIM into their organization's traffic incident response culture.

The TIME Outstanding Achievement Award is intended to recognize an individual who shows regular participation in TIME Program initiatives such as After Action Reviews, incident debriefings and TIME meetings. The nominee is also active in the training of Emergency Traffic Control and Scene Management Guidelines, as well as educational outreach. This individual works to integrate these initiatives and principles into the culture of their agency through training and utilization of the guidelines within their agency.

If there is any individual that you would like to recommend for the TIME Program Outstanding Achievement Award, please submit your nomination(s) by **Friday, July 26, 2019**.

Please limit your nomination(s) to a one page 8 ½ X 11 sized document, single-spaced in 12-point Times New Roman font. Email your nomination(s) to timeprogram@dot.wi.gov or david.spakowicz@dot.wi.gov.

Thank you for helping recognize responders out there that are making a difference by their belief and utilization of TIM principles at incident scenes.

Past TIME Program Award Recipients

2014 – Rick Turmaniac – WisDOT Eau Claire
 2015 – Dan Kontos – Portage County Sheriff's Office
 2016 – Robert "Bob" Pound – South Area Fire District

2017 – Matt Karpinski – Grafton Fire Department
 2018 – Marion Lammert – Rod's Towing

Fall Regional TIME Meeting Schedule

Here is the fall schedule for the regional TIME meetings. Please note that we have reduced the length of time of some of the meetings as well as moved some of the locations of the meetings. This is all in an attempt to increase attendance at the meetings. The program is working closely with the five WisDOT regions and developing agendas that are more geared toward training than a meeting. If you have never been to a regional TIME meeting, or it's been some time since you last attended one, please consider attending one in your area. There is a lot of good information that is presented, and there is always at least one informational topic that is relevant for all TIM disciplines.

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December 2019						
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Thursday, September 12, 2019 <i>Southeast Region</i> Milwaukee	9:00 AM – 12:00 PM Traffic Management Center (TMC) 433 W. St. Paul Avenue, Milwaukee, WI 53203
Wednesday, September 18, 2019 <i>Northeast Region</i> Northern US 41/US 141/STH 17	10:00 AM – 12:00 PM Brown County Sheriff's Office 2684 Development Drive, Green Bay, WI 54311
Thursday, September 19, 2019 <i>North Central Region</i> Merrill	10:00 AM – 12:00 PM Northcentral Technical College — Classroom PS111 1603 Champagne Street, Merrill, WI 54452
Wednesday, September 25, 2019 <i>Southwest Region</i> DeForest	10:00 AM – 12:00 PM WI State Patrol – DeForest Post 911 W. North Street, DeForest, WI 53532
Wednesday, October 2, 2019 <i>Northwest Region</i> Superior	10:00 AM – 12:00 PM Superior WisDOT Office 1701 N. 4 th Street, Superior, WI 54880
Thursday, October 3, 2019 <i>Northwest Region</i> Menomonie	9:00 AM – 12:00 PM Menomonie Fire Department 2417 Wilson Street, Menomonie, WI 54751
Wednesday, October 9, 2019 <i>Southwest Region</i> Sparta	9:00 AM – 12:00 PM State Patrol Safety and Weight Enforcement Facility 5751 Interstate 90, Sparta, WI 54656
Wednesday, October 16, 2019 <i>Southwest Region</i> Lake Delton	10:00 AM – 12:00 PM Lake Delton Fire Department 45 Miller Drive, Lake Delton, WI 53940
Thursday, October 17, 2019 <i>Northeast Region</i> I-43 & Lakeshore Counties	10:00 AM – 12:00 PM Sheboygan County Transportation Facility W5741 CTH J, Plymouth, WI 53073
Tuesday, October 22, 2019 <i>Northeast Region</i> Southern I-41/STH 441	1:00 PM – 3:00 PM Winnebago County Sheriff's Office 4311 Jackson Street, Oshkosh, WI 54901
Thursday, December 12, 2019 <i>Southeast Region</i> Milwaukee	9:00 AM – 12:00 PM Traffic Management Center (TMC) 433 W. St. Paul Ave., Milwaukee, WI 53203

2019 Annual Governor’s Conference of Highway Safety

We hope to see you in the Dells at this year’s Annual Governor’s Conference on Highway Safety. The TIME program has developed and will present 12 different presentations at the conference. As you can see, the topics are informative and very diverse – from TIM for Rural Roads, to Wisconsin’s Truck Parking Management System, to the 119-vehicle Mega-Crash that occurred in Winnebago County on February 24, 2019. There is a topic of interest for everyone.

Visit [Eventbrite](#) for conference details and registration.



SESSION PLANNING GUIDE

BOTS	TIME	CPS
Life Cycle of a Mega Crash	Madison Beltline Dynamic Part-time Shoulder Use	What's your Child Passenger Safety IQ?
DOJ Perspective on Recent Court Rulings	Web Profiting from Business Intelligence - The "Intelligence-Led" Approach	21st Century Technical Resource Access
Hiding in Plain Sight - Basic Human Trafficking	Wisconsin Truck Parking Information Mgmt System	Energy Management Features
Officer Wellness	RIMC - A great WisDOT resource!	How Kids Should Ride: A Child Restraint Selection Update
Community Maps	Helicopter Air Ambulance Scene Response	Current Research Trends of Child Restraint Systems for Side Impact Protection
Connecting Community through Social Media	Evidence Preservation and its Importance at Crash Investigation Scenes	Restraint Trends: New Testing, Features and Directions
Child Passenger Safety - A Community Program	February 24, 2019 Winnebago County I-41 SB Mega Crash: After Action Review and Lessons Learned	
The Real Speed Trap - Our Casual Acceptance of a Deadly Habit	2019 Towing Innovations & Technology	
Engineering- Autonomous Vehicles Mixed Fleet and How they Interplay	Traffic Incident Management on Rural roads	
IID Panel	Best Practices and Lessons Learned in Traffic Incident Management	
Predictive Analytics - Using Data	Traffic Incident Management and the Use of Unmanned Aircraft Systems	
Public Law 280 - Borders with Tribes	The Future of the Wisconsin Traffic Management Center	
Bicycle/Pedestrian Presentation		

**Wilderness Resort
Glacier Canyon
Conference Center,
Wisconsin Dells**



TIM Instructors Wanted



The Wisconsin Department of Transportation's Traffic Incident Management Enhancement (TIME) Program is Looking for a Few Good Instructors



Do you believe the proper application of TIM principles at an incident scene makes all responders safer? Do you believe that TIM principles result in the quicker clearance of an incident? Do you want to teach your fellow responders these valuable tools? Then the TIME program would like you to join their ranks of instructors. The program currently has 149 TIME trained instructors from every region of the state, but we can always use more. The more diverse the instructor pool, the better the training will be for the responders.

The requirements for becoming and remaining a TIME program Instructor are **1.)** You must attend the 12-hour FHWA "Train-the-Trainer" instructor program, **2.)** You must teach at least one four-hour responder class per year (to remain fresh with the material) and **3.)** You must participate in an annual two-hour instructor update (this will generally be an online review of any changes in the material or program).

All of the TIM instructors are 100 percent volunteer. We do not have any funds available to compensate instructors for their time or travel. That is why we value their dedication. They are volunteering their time for one reason – teaching their fellow responders how to make an incident scene the safest possible. We always try and have two instructors from different disciplines at each four-hour class. With one of the instructors being from the discipline of the requesting agency. That's why we need a large pool of instructors from all corners of the state.

There is no cost to attend the training. The TIME program will pay for food and lodging at the WI State Patrol Academy and provide you with all of the teaching materials. All you have to do is participate.

The class will be held **August 6-7, 2019** at the **WI State Patrol Academy** near **Tomah**.

Instructors
Wanted
Apply Here



The application is accessible through the below link:

<https://wisconsindot.gov/Documents/about-wisdot/who-we-are/dtsd/bto/timapplication.pdf>

