



Upcoming CTFDID

Meeting Dates

February 19, 2021
March 19, 2021
April 16, 2021
May 21, 2021
June 18, 2021

Meeting Notes

January 15, 2021

Virtual Meeting via Zoom
9:00 am – 12:00 pm

Mission

The mission of the Colorado Task Force on Drunk and Impaired Driving (CTFDID) is to support the prevention, awareness, enforcement, and treatment of drunk and impaired driving in Colorado through strong partnerships with public, private and non-profit organizations.

The CTFDID brings people together, creating a forum for victims and advocates to access many experts and resources in one place. It provides a formal mechanism to leverage resources in order to create a multi-faceted approach to solving a problem which is often minimized and understated in our community. The CTFDID acts as a resource for the legislature, enabling it to consider more cohesive, well-thought-out proposals.

- Welcome, Introductions and Mission Statement:
 - Self-Introductions: Name; Agency, Entity or Interest Represented
 - Chief Bob Ticer: Loveland Police Department, CTFDID Chair
 - Attendees introduced themselves and the organization they represent.
- Minutes of Previous Meeting:
 - Chief Ticer
 - November meetings minutes were approved.
- Statistics, State Fatality Numbers:
 - Glenn Davis Colorado Department of Transportation (CDOT)/Christine Demont, Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment (CDPHE)
 - *Data are appended to these notes.*
 - NHTSA state data are available here: [NHTSA State Data](#)
 - Motorcycle fatalities are the highest Glenn Davis has seen.
 - The numbers on “# Suspected Impaired” will likely change once toxicology reports are available. Only BAC of .08 or higher are counted; this is the DUI standard that allows for national comparison.
 - Speed has been shown to be a big factor.

- Important to note the difference between raw numbers and percent numbers; the raw numbers may be lower, but because the Vehicle Miles Traveled (the denominator) the percent may be higher.
 - Questions:
 - Can we get lower levels of BAC included in the report?
 - Can we get polysubstance use data included in the report?
- Legislation:
 - Glenn Davis, Fran Lanzer: Executive Director of MADD Colorado
 - Anticipating a challenge to motorcycle lane splitting (motorcycle driving between cars) from the motorcycle community.
 - Legislative session has been delayed.
 - Funding for High Visibility Enforcement is being watched by MADD; some things are going on behind the scenes; still waiting for more firm data.
 - Allowing each city and county to set their own bar hours
 - Could be a problem if people drive from early closing bar to later close bar
 - MADD working with the governor's office to be ready in case a bill is introduced.
 - There might be a bill related to misdemeanor DUI sentencing.
 - CO Commission on Criminal and Juvenile Justice is undertaking an effort to reshape sentencing of misdemeanors. Currently does not include DUI.
 - Important to remember that DUI fees fund a lot of law enforcement efforts in the state so changing sentence structures/fees could impact these efforts. Offenders also pay into fund to provide support to victims; this support could also be reduced.
- Introduction and Welcome to Special Guests of the CTFDID
 - Rich Adriaens: Executive Director of the Wyoming Governor's Council on Impaired Driving
 - WY had a decrease – about 25% fewer fatalities.
 - Alcohol sales overall were up 40% in 2020; normally those data go up about 4% per year.
 - WY does not have a primary enforcement law so struggle with seatbelt issue.
 - Brittany Lamb: MADD Colorado, Victim-Survivor
 - At 12 years old, Brittany was in an accident. A drunk driver (.087 BAC) crossed the median and hit her aunt's car head-on. Her aunt died on impact; Brittany was severely injured.
 - Brittany was trapped in the car so the Flight for Life helicopter lifted off with the driver of the other car. The helicopter crashed killing all on board – the driver, 2 nurses, and the pilot.
 - Britany had multiple broken bones in her face and body.
 - She was 12 and had difficulties dealing with what she was going through – she was bullied, called “scar face”, became very shy, didn't want to talk, etc.

- She was no longer able to dance ballet, no longer able to do many things because of the other driver's decision.
 - CTFDID Vice-Chair Glenn Davis was the detective who investigated the crash.
- National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) Update
 - Joe Livingston: NHTSA Region 8 (Ginna Espinosa-Salcedo reporting)
 - January Impaired Driving Update
 - All progress made in 2019 was reversed in 2020; addressing this will be a priority moving forward
 - Working with SADD to look at interventions with college-aged community students through perspective on student wellness; also looking at junior high and high school students.
 - NHTSA is looking for a new chief of impaired driving programs based in DC.
- Impaired Driving Assessment Tool:
 - Allison Rosenthal: Colorado Department of Public Safety (CDPS) Team Leader, Ginna Jones: Colorado Department of Health and Environment, Jack Reed: CDPS, Glenn Davis & Sam Cole: CDOT, Bonnie Holladay & Webster Hendricks: Colorado Department of Human Services
 - *Presentation is appended to these notes.*
 - Presentation will be broken into three parts; today's presentation includes law enforcement, treatment, and program and communications.
- NGA Learning Collaborative on State Strategies to Strengthen and Leverage Data to Address Impaired Driving Update:
 - Glenn Davis, Allison Rosenthal-Jack Reed, Ben Mitchell, & Crystal Soderman, Colorado Department of Revenue (CDR), Christine Demont
 - NGA is National Governors' Association.
 - Colorado was selected to put a team together to look at how to make data collection more effective/informative.
 - CO has a State Traffic Record Advisory Committee (STRAC). Any changes in data collection goes through STRAC.
 - Data accessibility is still a large issue – what can be shared, with whom.
 - Governor's office has assigned a member of his staff to STRAC.
 - We want to ensure everyone is interpreting the statutes in the same way. STRAC is updating guidance on this.
- Update on the Impaired Driving Behavior Influence Program (IBIP) for 2021
 - Vito Montone, ONUSrides
 - ONUSrides' mission is to help in the fight against impaired driving to reduce the initiative to do so. They work to create programs with restaurants, bars, and tasting rooms to create incentives not to drive impaired. Things changed when COVID hit. Door is open for a partnership with responsibility.org and looking at launching in the Fall to coincide with

timing of COVID vaccination. Vito will be reaching out to people for thoughts and guidance on how to put program together.

- Colorado-CDOT Impaired Driving Newsletter:
 - Mark Ashby, CDOT
 - You have to sign up to receive this newsletter. To sign up go to: https://mailchi.mp/state.co.us/colorado_impaireddrivingnews
- Media Relations & Significant Upcoming Events:
 - Sam Cole, CDOT
 - Sam Cole does a newsletter out of CDOT; Traffic Safety Pulse. Send Sam an email to subscribe.
 - CDOT is going to start doing mini ad buy to coincide with time of year and events where there is risk of increase impaired driving.
 - Winter Blitz DUI enforcement period ran during January.
 - CDOT conducted analysis of all 16 Heat is On enforcement periods: 6,100 arrests were made, down from 9,100 in 2019.
- CTFDID Annual Report Update:
 - Bob Ticer, CTFDID Chair, Glenn Davis, CDOT
 - Previous annual reports are available at this link: <https://www.codot.gov/about/committees/DUI-taskforce>
- Public Comment/Lightning Round Update:
 - Bob Ticer, CTFDID Chair
 - Fran Lanzer. Launching online nomination for MADD/CDOT Law Enforcement Champion Awards; hoping to hold in-person event in May dependent on situation. Go here to nominate someone: <https://form.jotform.com/83454126503149>. Tie One On was successful – 43 agencies across the state made approximately 80 arrests during campaign.
 - Paul Aylmer. Restaurant industry still struggling and there is, effectively, no special events industry, yet impaired driving numbers are still up.
 - Crystal Soderman. Still evaluating 2020 number. For December had 1,186 expressed consents; there will be more coming in. So far for 2020 there were 15,173 expressed consents, 6,377 of those were refusals. 33,036 active interlocks on Colorado roadways.
 - Jack Reed. Volume of sales through October: liquor up 14%, wine up 7%, beer is no change. Marijuana sales are up 25%.
 - Curtis Hanock. Healthy kids survey results: reduction in vaping. Increase in youth driving with impaired drivers or others in car impaired.
 - Truman Bradley – submitting a letter to the Joint Budget Committee to request funding on prevention and mental health issues. Want to keep cannabis out of the hands of children.
 - Adam Musielewicz. Best Practice Guidance for Alcohol Sales and Deliveries During and After the COVID-19 Pandemic (National Liquor Law

Enforcement Association) available here:

<https://files.constantcontact.com/c1247982301/242bf27d-994c-4d0a-92a4-da9298e02b89.pdf>

- Joshua Downing. Looking forward to 2021 and getting back to CSP's mission of saving lives on Colorado roadways after being pulled in multiple directions in 2020 – COVID, Social Injustice, Election.
- Tuesday Black. Updating court monitoring report. Recognizing DUI heroes on a weekly basis, posted every Thursday – to see this go Facebook and like @MADDColorado. To nominate someone, send email to Tuesday with description of what the person is doing and a picture of that person.
- Kerry Ferguson. Finishing up driving skills 101 – respecting the roundabouts. In February, starting quick click challenge – time it takes for people to buckle up in each position in car. Register here: https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSfKkOP_bAWAma3wZqQX7x0W0MCfiC2igj5gPQgJ-ESj79ltlQ/viewform.
- Judge Casias. CTFDID mail list received article on use of search warrant to collect blood. Colorado has given more latitude than usual. If a person does not give express consent and a search warrant is obtained, the results will not be admissible in court.
- Jasmine Patriquin. From perspective of hospital-based injury prevention, they rely heavily on community partners so if anyone has anything that may align with hospital efforts in anyway, please contact Jasmine.
- Jeff Groff. Question: Some agencies have decided against performing breath tests due to pandemic. If person chooses not to take blood test (only option for those agencies not using breath tests) it is treated as a refusal. Is there wording about officer discretion about not offering breath test from a legal perspective. Judge Casias believes it will be at the discretion of the court based on “extraordinary circumstances” and will be decided on a case-by-case basis. Jen Knudsen agrees with Judge Casias that fact finders will do a case-by-case analysis. CDPHE sent guidance on how to safely use breath tests based on CDC guidance.

Meeting adjourned at 11:51 am

Next Meeting: February 19, 2021