



Upcoming CTFDID Meeting Dates

April 15, 2022
May 20, 2022

Meeting Agenda

Friday, March 18, 2022
9:00 am – 12:00 pm

Meeting Recording:

https://madd.zoom.us/rec/share/cCEUacbqXxHEizj8TRLd9mvzC4_ipE07WXeVJhxVVu1DfxO_WWr6cAwly1oyioQSV.2ciN3QGwiQtQpwud

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:

- Bob Ticer, Chief of Loveland Police/CTFDID Chair
- Attendees introduced themselves and the organization they represent.

(40 participants).

Minutes of Previous Meeting:

- Bob Ticer, CTFDID Chair
- February minutes - No edits, no comments.
 - Motioned to accept by Crystal. 2nd by Tuesday.
 - Motion passed.

NHTSA Region 8 Update:

- Joe Livingston, NHTSA Program Manager, Region 8

Expressed his respect for Chief Ticer, "Your services were extremely well noticed. You have done so much for the Traffic Safety Community. We are thankful for all you have done, for the task force and community. We wish you all of the best."

The National Roadway Safety Strategy was released in January. Heavy emphasis on Safe systems approach. There is a component on alcohol and drugs that focuses on "developing means to accurately measure impairment, reducing drug and alcohol impaired driving recidivism as a top priority in promoting assessment & treatment of drug and alcohol substance use by working with behavioral and public health communities".

Increasingly focused on working with SAMSA and other Behavioral health partners. Joe is regularly participating in the persistent drunk driving group (lead by Webster). In Colorado, NHTSA is watching how that space changes with the creation of the Behavioral Health Administration and the movement of some components to the dept of public health. This may have impacts on intersections of behavioral health and substance abuse specialist with the traffic safety community. Very interested in supporting anything to break down the silos that exist between engineering components and behavior components, as well as with the Behavioral Health and substance abuse expertise.

Reminder on how NHTSA can always help. Joe can bring in expert speakers for any need. Requests can go through Glenn, or any leader. Wide reach for expertise and research, nationwide. Glenn can reach out to him to get something scheduled.

NHTSA released the annual 2020 crash data, showed 14% increase in alcohol impaired driving crashes, 17% in speeding related crashes and a lot of correlation between those. All risky behavior groups were up.

What happened during the pandemic? Why? Did everyone start driving more recklessly? AAA's recent American Driver Survey study does start to provide some clues. Shows risky drivers drove more, particularly high-risk young men. Of those driving more, 13% had driven impaired within previous 30 days. More about a certain segment of population driving more, driving more recklessly, and having the opportunity of roads that were less occupied. Perhaps their perception about law enforcement played a role as well. This is a continuing area of study; one we all want to hear more about.

Glenn commented: regarding expert speakers, if you have ideas for speakers, we need to take advantage of this resource. Anyone can reach out to Glenn, and he can express the need. Joe will fill the need.

Chief Ticer commented we know that dui related crashes are going up here in this state and nationally. Sees this as the next priority challenge for task force. Glad to hear NHTSA is speaking about this as well.

AAA Study

<https://newsroom.aaa.com/2022/02/solving-a-puzzle-with-fewer-drivers-on-the-road-during-covid-why-the-spike-in-fatalities/>

National Roadway Strategy

<https://www.transportation.gov/sites/dot.gov/files/2022-02/USDOT-National-Roadway-Safety-Strategy.pdf>

NHTSA 2020 crash data press release –

<https://www.nhtsa.gov/press-releases/2020-traffic-crash-data-fatalities>

Statistics, State Fatality Numbers:

- Glenn Davis, CDOT - 97 traffic fatalities in Colorado. Down a few from last year, yet still a lot of people who passed away on Colorado roadways.

Glenn receives a report from NHTSA every year. This report is about how the State receives the 405d funding. Colorado is a “mid-range” state. Based on three years of fatality data and miles traveled. To qualify for funding, the Highway Safety Office will continue with the current impaired driving plan because changes will require sending the entire plan to NHTSA.

We have also qualified for pedestrian/bicycle funding, and Motorcycle Safety funding.

- Dr. Cindy Stewart, Colorado State Patrol . At previous meeting we spoke about adding 5-year average to State Patrol Impaired Driving Citations & Impaired Crashes report. However, Dr. Stewart was not confident with the 2018 numbers available; may add it for the next go around.

Dr. Stewart shared her report, including the 4-year average, Impaired Driving Citations & Impaired Crashes, for Colorado State Patrol only.

Clarified that “Perceived” drug impairment is due to not necessarily having the toxicology reports back at the time they are reporting the citations.

Dr Stewart will keep working to improve her stats.

Sam asked - why refer to Citations instead of arrests? Col Downing clarified. Not all citations result in an arrest. Multiple arrests compared to actual charges. Citations is where the charges are recorded. Better to count from citations as they are the actual charges.

Legislative Updates

- Glenn Davis/ Mike Honn/CSP-if available, Tuesday Black, MADD
- Fran sent info to Glenn and Tuesday, Tuesday relayed Fran’s information to the committee:

17th, Bill 1142 was killed. Extending bar hours, vote of 13-0. Postponed indefinitely. Concept may return in some form.

Senate Bill 055. Scheduled to be heard today the 18th. Interlock and continued alcohol monitoring. Anticipate this Bill will pass.

Crystal added in chat Bill 055 did pass this morning. 6-1.

They worked very hard in 2021, to secure funding for HVE funding. We can confirm there will be \$1.5 million in the proposed budget for 2022-2023. Very likely to run a bill to secure this funding source for 2024 and beyond.

Chief Ticer: Big Successes! Really Great. Thank you!

- Glenn: I appreciate everyone's work on procuring the funding for the HVE. This HVE money is for the smaller agencies that do not receive Federal Money.

State Patrol receive Federal Money and cannot receive State money. Bigger agencies do receive Federal Money. CDOT needs the HVE funding for the smaller agencies to be able to provide impaired driving enforcement. State statutory requirement to perform 12 enforcement periods. Every year CDOT struggles to secure funds. This is third year funding has come from a different source. This year funding is coming from the Joint Budget Committee.

A dedicated funding source has been something CDOT has been working on for a long time. Thank you everyone, a lot of different partners been involved in this procurement over the year.

Bonnie Holladay – Congrats on the HVE funds. How do you determine who receives those funds?

Every year CDOT puts out requests for applications. This is posted on the CDOT website, we also get work out through any partners, Sheriff's Association, Chief's Association and through our Law Enforcement Liaisons.

We have two funding sources. LEAF & HVE. LEAF by statute cannot be used the same time as the high visibility enforcement. So can only be used when there are not any enforcement events. HVE is dedicated 12 enforcement events. Pretty big reach, as many as 100 Agencies receiving funds.

Media Relations and Upcoming Events

- Sam Cole, CDOT/Office of Communications
 - Just returned from largest Traffic Safety conference, LifeSavers, held in Chicago, where he gave a presentation around Colorado marijuana and driving campaigns. Other states appreciated learning about Colorado's experience when it comes to driving impaired.

While at the conference, Sam was thrilled to introduce NTSB Chairman Jennifer Homendy during the closing plenary lunch. Homendy's presentation focused on the need to stop say the accidents are due to poor behavior. This makes people feel off the hook...people feel there is nothing we can do about traffic safety when it is blamed on behavior.

Safe systems approach, using technology in vehicles, upgrading roadways, doing so many things to correct for bad behaviors on our roadways. There is a lot we can do to correct the issue on our roads. The Safe System Approach is getting a lot of traction. There was a lot of angst at the conference. And a lot of promising tactics including the new strategy coming from NHTSA for how to move the needle back to where it was.

- St. Patrick's DUI enforcement period started 17th. Will continued through the weekend.
- Ramping up Marijuana and Driving efforts as we get closer to 420. Just completed a video with Truman Bradley of MIG, about joint effort to reach cannabis consumers across the state with marketing and communications efforts about the dangers of driving high. Video will be shared with all.

CDOT also has a continuing education effort to educate Budtenders and cannabis employees across the state how they can communicate with their customers about the dangers of driving high.

We will be at the '420 Festival' with a booth, trying to reach consumers about the dangers of driving high. Lots of materials will be handed out to dispensaries.

(Will provide more information about this next month), we will be launching a new campaign on the western slope about reaching young people around the dangers of cannabis and driving. Focus has been front range but want to extend the efforts to the western slope.

- A press conference was held about the dangers of poly consumption and driving. In addition to the effect of Poly consumption of various substances and the increase in fatalities of the state. Conference went very well.
- New speeding campaign in conjunction with State Patrol. Marketing campaign collaborating with State Patrol. Focus is on El Paso, given the high number of fatalities down there.
- Announcing the Highway Safety Summit coming in July. More information will come out in the months to come.

Allison chatted – who is audience for the safety Summit?

Advocates, grantees, anyone interested in behavior and traffic safety work in Colorado.

Change in CTFDID Leadership

- Chief Ticer announced he has been appointed Chief in Prescott AZ. He will be leaving the task force. His first day in Arizona is April 11.

Chief Ticer expressed he has been very fortunate to serve and work with each of you.

- Chief Ticer has been Chair on this committee since 2013.

Thank you for the opportunity to serve with you and to serve the victims. Task force still a lot of work to do in America and Colorado. It has been a privilege.

- Nominations and Voting for CTFDID Chair:
 - Nominations and Voting can come from any CTFDID representative and/or member.
 - Chief Ticer motioned for Glenn to serve as Chair.
 - Seconded by Col. Josh Downing.
 - No other nominations.
 - Motion passed.
 - Glenn Davis will Chair the Task Force until December.
 - With this appointment, Vice Chair position is now vacant. Vice Chair Nominations will be on agenda for April.

Lighting Round

- **All Members:**

*Well wishes to **Chief Ticer** were expressed from those in attendance. Comments include: Congratulations. Good Luck in your next endeavor. Well deserved. You will be missed. Keep In Touch. Appreciate all of your hard work. Best of luck to you in your next chapter Thank you for your service to Colorado. Thank you for your leadership. You have always been someone to look up too! Heartfelt, you will be missed Chief. You have left a legacy in Colorado and will continue that legacy in AZ. Where will your loyalty reside, Broncos or Cardinals? Big loss to Colorado with you departing. Colorado Roadways became safer because of the work you have done. You will be missed Chief!*

- Sgt Glenn Thomas, Colorado Springs Police Department
 - King Jordan award won. Awarded to Trooper Clint Dorrان of Colorado State Patrol. Well deserved individual, outstanding young man.
- Mark Ashby, Colorado DRE/SFST State Coordinator, Highway Safety Office.
 - 2022 DRE school taking place in Castle Rock. April 4 -14th, Graduation on 14th. Anyone interested in auditing the school, please sent an email to mark.ashby@state.co.us.
- Vito Montone -
 - Happy to report that has formed an alliance with RADD (recording artist against drunk driving) and Safe Nights (An Officer and Community Training program) to provide a new 360 view in communities in trying to fight the educational battle of impaired driving from alcohol or drugs. Will provide more information soon.
- Ed Wood, DUID Victim Voices

AZ is trying to do the same data collection and reporting (as Allison is now tracking), AZ Bill passed House judiciary last week heading to the Senate next week.

- Andrew Klosterman, Off Premise Retailers
Apologized for his absence from meetings over COVID Months. Will re-engage in the meetings.
- Adam Musielewicz, Peer Assistant Services
Risky behavior or any type of behavior – what does it mean to change behavior. We are always trying to encourage people to change their behavior of getting behind the wheel when they are impaired or other. Screening Brief Intervention Referral to Treatment More about engaging ambivalence around change. If you have an opportunity within your community as a means of engaging people that they can change and acknowledge the belief that they can change. Behavior change is fundamental to this issue! My email: amusielewicz@peerassistanceservices.org
- Webster Hendricks, Office of Behavioral Health
Last month, mentioned lots of changes in the Behavioral Health Administration. Provided web page that will explain what the Behavior Health Office will be doing.
Behavioral Health Administration - <https://cdhs.colorado.gov/about-cdhs/featured-initiatives/behavioral-health-reform/change-management>. Looking forward to integrating some of the funding streams and information flow that Joe mentioned in terms of getting behavioral health integrated, more into that highway safety and roadway safety, and reducing that recidivism.
- Sam Cole, Office of Communications, Colorado Department of Transportation
If anyone wants a copy of the recording from previous mentioned Press conference about the dangers of poly-consumption and driving, send your email address to sam.cole@state.co.us.
- Allison Robinette – new Representative for Marijuana Enforcement Division.
Excited to join task force. Would like to be a resource for all.
- Crystal Soderman, Division Motor Vehicle Traffic Records Manager, representing Driver License Sanctions.
Administrative DUIs that Dept of Revenue received for the month of February 797, 437 of those were refusals. 4 were for minors. Interesting find: 219 were a .15 BAC or greater. Highest BAC being a .36
- Tuesday Black, Court Monitoring Program Manager, MADD, representing organizations of Different Voices

MADD will have their annual CDOT/MADD Law Enforcement Recognition Awards in May and June. Received 105 Nominations. 33 Winners across the state.

Presentations will be May 4th Grand Junction; May 11th in Colorado Springs; June 1st in Denver. More information will follow.

- Jared Torsney, Peace Officer Standards and Training, Co. Attorney General's Office
POST is getting back to the pre-covid levels on SFST training. Hoping to have a busy 2023.

- Glenn Davis, Vice-Chair, Supervisor Highway Safety Office, Co. Department of Transportation

The Highway Safety Office just went through a NHTSA Management Review. This is a big operation for us and NHTSA. Very successful and it went well, improved our organization and relationship with NHTSA.

Our Groups do support each other. Last couple of weeks, Lisa Totman from Highway Safety Office has been filling in for the State Patrol by taking minutes. Thank you, Lisa. Next meeting Louis (Lewy) Pantalacci will be serving on the task force.

Two openings on Task Force: Vice Chair & Judge. (Judge Casias has left.) Anyone wanting information of these openings, please let Glenn know.

Glenn received an email from University of Chicago, stating NHTSA has identified Colorado's task force as a leader. Glenn & Tuesday met with NORC (National Opinion Resource Center); CTFDID has diversity, a mission and structure. They were complementing the Task Force. Tuesday chimed in. They were very impressed, asked lots of questions. Excited about what Colorado has put into practice. Interested in our culture that we have been able to build. They also stated CTFDID was the most enthusiastic state. Watch for publications coming.

Glenn, presented a plaque to Chief Ticer.

To Chief Robert Ticer,

The Colorado Task Force on Drunk and Impaired Driving

In appreciation of your CTFDID leadership and service!

Chief, You are always welcome to the Task Force and will always be a part of the History of the Task Force.

Next Meeting:

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