

#### CTFDID Meeting Dates

December – no meeting January 15, 2021 February 19, 2021 March 19, 2021 April 16, 2021

# Meeting Notes November 20, 2020

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

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:
  - Chief Bob Ticer, Loveland Police Department, CTFDID Chair
    - Attendees introduced themselves and identified the organization they represent
- Minutes of Previous Meeting:
  - o Chief Ticer
    - October minutes were approved
- Statistics, State Fatality Numbers:
  - Glenn Davis (CDOT)/Christine Demont, Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment (CDPHE)
    - Statistics are appended to these notes
    - Discussion:
      - Would numbers be reduced with a breathalyzer in every car?
        - Yes, and expense would be very high and not necessary in every car, i.e. for those who don't consume alcohol or drugs.
      - Cannot figure out why numbers are still so high in the context of a pandemic. Where are these individuals consuming substances given that on-premise sales are so low?

• Why have insurance companies not stepped in somehow? The insurance cost of fatalities from impaired driving is huge.

#### Legislation:

- Glenn Davis (CDOT)/Mike Honn, Colorado State Patrol (CSP), anyone else that has legislative information is encouraged to present.
  - Glenn Davis.
    - Looking at data accessibility. Do not yet know if traffic safety will be a focus in upcoming legislation
  - Fran Lanzer.
    - Watching whether there will be a bill allowing cities and counties to set their own bar hours.
    - There are data that show different closing times negatively impacts impaired driving with people driving across city/county lines.
    - Push to increase bar hours may negatively impact businesses rather than helping them; they have to pay for people to staff during longer hours that may be less busy.

## • Update to Colorado Felony DUI Law:

- o Jen Knudsen: Colorado District Attorneys' Council
  - Article is available here: <a href="https://www.coloradopolitics.com/news/state-supreme-court-decides-4-2-on-higher-burden-of-proof-for-felony-dui/article\_704f1d06-22b8-11eb-9a53-1f8c92d7cd1b.html">https://www.coloradopolitics.com/news/state-supreme-court-decides-4-2-on-higher-burden-of-proof-for-felony-dui/article\_704f1d06-22b8-11eb-9a53-1f8c92d7cd1b.html</a>
- Introduction and Welcome to traffic safety partner from Utah:
  - Lynda Reinstein, Impaired Driving Program Manager Utah Highway Safety Office
    - Lynda is looking to start a DUI task force in Utah and wanted to observe ours.
- National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) Update:
  - Joe Livingston, NHTSA Region 8
    - Upcoming NHTSA Campaigns
      - Boycott Blackout Wednesday
      - 2020 December Holiday HVE campaign media buy summary. The alcohol and drug-impaired campaigns, Drive Sober or Get Pulled Over and If You Feel Different, You Drive Different. Drive High, Get a DUI will kick off nationally on December 16, 2020.
      - COVID We are continuing to look at the COVID related data on impaired driving. Please see Drug and Alcohol Prevalence in Seriously and Fatally Injured Road Users Before and During the COVID-19 Public Health Emergency - pre-post COVID data on BAC and drug prevalence among drivers
        - https://rosap.ntl.bts.gov/view/dot/50941
    - NHTSA sponsored Impaired Driving Assessment Resource Center through American Probation and Parole Association: The IDA is a differential screening instrument that is designed to estimate the risk for

future impaired driving, provide preliminary guidelines for service needs, estimate the level of responsivity to supervision and services, and identify the degree to which traffic safety has been jeopardized among individuals convicted of a DWI offense. This instrument was developed by Drs. DeMichele, Lowe, Wanberg, and Timken. IDA information is available here:

file:///C:/Users/tcmiller/Downloads/Perspectives\_V38\_N3\_P114%20(1).pdf

- DRE and ARIDE Training: Funding Opportunities: Through support from NHTSA the International Association of Chiefs of Police (IACP) is offering funding to law enforcement agencies to conduct Drug Recognition Expert (DRE) and Advanced Roadside Impaired Driving Enforcement (ARIDE) training programs. - https://form.jotform.com/92833491640157
- See NCSL Transportation Page for Updated State Legislation: There will not be a 2020 update to NHTSA's Digest of Impaired Driving and Selected Beverage Control Laws. Instead we recommend that you see the State legislative databases managed by the National Conference of State Legislatures, which are updated constantly by NCSL's transportation staff found at https://www.ncsl.org/research/transportation/traffic-safety.aspx
- SAMHSA Resources: NHTSA Region 8 recently held a call with SAMHSA Region 8 (Federal Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration, part of Dept. of Health and Human Services). SAMHSA identified several tools and links that may be useful to our community, particularly for those considering prevention angles:
- University of Utah based Prevention Technology Transfer Center (PTTC) Network: https://pttcnetwork.org/centers/mountain-plains-pttc/home Tons of great information here. I found the "Building Health Equity and Inclusion" page under the Resources page as well as the Projects section particularly interesting.
- State Epidemiological Data resources: Each State runs a workgroup like this and injuries are often a part of the data, Colorado State Epidemiological Outcomes Workgroup is a great example (https://www.coloradoseow.org/) –
- SAMHSA tribal resources https://www.samhsa.gov/tribal-affairs has lots of information
- Impaired Driving Assessment Tool:
  - o Allison Rosenthal, Colorado Department of Public Safety
    - Report is available here: https://cdpsdocs.state.co.us/ORS/Docs/Reports/2020-DUI\_HB17-1315.pdf
    - DUI in Colorado One-Page Infographic is appended to these notes.
- NGA Learning Collaborative on State Strategies to Strengthen and Leverage Data to Address Impaired Driving:
  - Glenn Davis (CDOT) Allison Rosenthal and Jack Reed, Colorado Department of Public Safety (CDPS), Ben Mitchell, Colorado Department of Revenue (CDR), Christine Demont (CDPHE)

- Glenn Davis.
  - Team Reflections (slide with team reflections is appended to these notes):
    - STRAC should champion changes and improvements to address impaired driving.
    - Data access needs to be a priority
    - There are statute challenges in data access
    - o Virginia has very robust system.
    - Jack Reed. Helpful to hear from other states about how they handle data access; will provide a good roadmap for Colorado to move forward.

## Media Relations & Significant Upcoming Events:

- Sam Cole, CDOT
  - OSPB Grant CDOT Marijuana Impaired Driving
    - CIOT happens once/year in May. It was cancelled due to COVID. It is happening now for two weeks with multiple law enforcement agencies participating.
    - We have seen an unprecedented number of deaths in work zones
       10 year to date; 50% in metro area. This is another symptom of the dangerous driving behaviors we have seen during COVID.
    - Decrease in arrests from 250 to 200 during Halloween DUI enforcement.
    - 26% decrease in DUI arrests during enforcement periods this year.
    - Beginning in March there will be a consistent paid media campaign on DUI, CIOT, and Distracted Driving for 6-7 months.
    - Funding has been secured to target Spanish speaking audiences.
    - Marijuana campaign funds have been cut in half; will still conduct robust campaign.
    - We will receive \$40K to hire someone to evaluate marijuana campaign. Evaluator is TBD.

# • CTFDID Annual Report Planning:

- o Bob Ticer, CTFDID Chair, Glenn Davis, CDOT
  - Annual reports available at this link: https://www.codot.gov/about/committees/DUI-taskforce
  - Bob Ticer, Glenn Davis, and Tricia Miller will begin work on annual report.
     Format will remain the same. It will be drafted and sent for comment. Our priorities are clear from the data Christine Demont presents at every meeting.

### • CTFDID Executive Positions for 2021:

- Bob Ticer, CTFDID Chair
  - Chair. Glenn Davis nominated Bob Ticer for Chair. Vote carried his nomination.

- Vice-Chair. Bob Ticer nominated Glenn Davis for Vice-Chair. Vote carried his nomination.
- Secretary. Glenn Davis nominated Tricia Miller for Secretary. Vote carried her nomination.

# • Public Comment/Lightning Round Update:

- o Bob Ticer, CTFDID Chair
  - Robert Weltzer. Vice-Chair of curriculum committee for POST board. They look at over 50 courses that basic law enforcement officer training presents to their students; one of which is standardized field sobriety testing. They are doing new courses right now and are focused on the standardized curriculum being followed.
  - Glenn Davis. Mark Ashby will talk about DUI newsletter. Allison Rosenthal and Jack Reed just put out new impaired driving report (available here: <a href="https://cdpsdocs.state.co.us/ORS/Docs/Reports/2020-DUI\_HB17-1315.pdf">https://cdpsdocs.state.co.us/ORS/Docs/Reports/2020-DUI\_HB17-1315.pdf</a>). Marijuana legalization has been approved in five other states; CO is being contacted by some of these states for help. Jessica Neuwirth, who worked for the Department of Health, has taken a similar position in Oregon and it is Oregon's gain.
  - Fran Lanzer. Candlelight vigil Nov. 20. Nov 20 is kick-off for "Tie One on for Safety" campaign. 44 law enforcement agencies and troop offices are participating. Patrol cars will have red ribbon magnet in honor of impaired driving survivors.
  - Bob Ticer. MADD National sent media team to Loveland to interview family members of people lost to impaired driving. They went on a ride along with a sergeant, who conducted a DUI arrest. This was part of a national effort and will result in a video targeted to law enforcement agencies and the importance of focusing on DUI enforcement as a priority.
  - Adam Musielewicz. Data highlight how important it is to identify the importance of prevention and behavior change to risky use of substances, which is increasing. It links to other behaviors such as getting behind the wheel and domestic violence. Proponent of systematically asking about/assessing risky substance use and linking individuals to appropriate care. If you would like a monthly newsletter on these issues, email Adam at amusielewicz@peerassistanceservices.org.
  - Laura Sonderup. Working closely with Spanish language communication channels to remind people about good COVID protocols and dangers of impaired driving.
  - Kevin St. Croix. Al-Anon had messages on bus shelters in the metro area through October 11. There were 361 hits on the website during the time of the campaign. Hopefully this indicates people seeking them out as a support system.
  - Andrea Jones. LED has investigators in the field; may have to move back to virtual in the near future. Focus has been on compliance and adherence to public health orders.

- Crystal Soderman. New executive director will be place; Mark Ferrandino.
   Still looking at October numbers for expressed consent. Halloween is busiest time of year for DUI; currently 513 people refusing to submit to testing; 28 are under 21; averaging about 839 arrests during that period.
- Tuesday Black. Court monitoring expanded to Adams, Broomfield, Weld, and Larimer Counties starting October 1, 2020. We currently have monitors in all eight counties. Recruitment continues, all monitoring is completed remotely. We continue to take special requests for monitoring specific cases. The court monitoring annual report will be released the first week of December with a roundtable meeting scheduled for December 7. Relaying a message from the ex-spouse of a DUI offender who killed a mother while driving under the influence. His ex-wife was also killed. He is a proponent of transdermal detection systems in all cars.
  - MADD has been working on this with NHTSA; acronym is DADSS Driver Alcohol Detection System for Safety. They are looking at transdermal and breath detection.
- Kerry Ferguson. SADD 101 challenge is open for submission theme ius respecting the roundabout. There will be 10 \$250 winners and one of them will win \$2,500 and have their piece professionally produced for a national spot.
- Dan Anderson. He will be leaving his position and appreciates his involvement with the CTFDID in the past. He will make sure his replacement is involved with the CTFDID into the future.
- Ed Wood. The number of 12<sup>th</sup> grade students who reported not using any substances has dramatically increased since 1976, now 58% report not using substances. <a href="https://www.ibhinc.org/prevent-teen-drug-use">https://www.ibhinc.org/prevent-teen-drug-use</a>
- Jack Reed. Will be completing marijuana report within next few months.
- Jared Toursney. We have 33+ academies in Colorado which puts high burden on POST to ensure curriculum are quality and consistent. Let Jared know if you would like anything added to the training calendar. The training calendar is available here: https://www.colorado.gov/pacific/post/training-calendar-0.
- Paul Aylmer. Restaurants are taking an unreal beating again. . . many will not make it through this round of shut downs (effective shut downs).

Next Meeting: January 15, 2021