



CTFDID Meeting Dates

February 21, 2020
March 20, 2020
April 17, 2020
May 15, 2020
June 2020 – no meeting

Meeting Notes

January 17, 2020

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.

- I. Welcome, Introductions and Mission Statement; Bob Ticer, Chief of Police Loveland Police Department & CTFDID Chair
 - a. Self-Introductions: Name; Agency, Entity or Interest Represented
 - b. Quorum present – 20
 - c. Self-introductions were completed
- II. Minutes of Previous Meeting: Chief Ticer
 - a. Minutes from last meeting were accepted
- III. Statistics:
 - a. State Fatality Numbers: Glenn Davis, CDOT/Christine Demont. CDPHE
 - b. Fatality numbers are appended to these minutes
 - c. There is difficulty in obtaining data on Distracted Driving.
 - d. Chief Ticer reminded us that our focus remains on impaired driving and seatbelt use.
 - e. Glenn Davis noted that, if the numbers hold, there will be a reduction in deaths for the first time in two years, but still about 52 people lose their lives on Colorado roadways every month. We are still a mid-range state (over 30% fatalities due to impaired driving) so we are required to submit an impaired driving plan. The CTFDID will update the impaired driving plan used last year.
- IV. Recognition of departing representative: Katie Wells, CDHS
- V. Introduction of New Members of the CTFDID:
 - a. Sasha Cafaro, Office of the State Court Administrator
 - b. Jane Flournoy, CDHS
- VI. Update on NoDUIColorado website <https://noduicolorado.org/>: Maria Livingston, CDHS
- VII. Ride Along Report; Michelle Betancourt, Heinrich Hispanidad
 - a. Heinrich is the multi-cultural liaison for CDOT.
 - b. What Ms. Betancourt noted:
 - i. Impeccable eye when looking at roadsides. Trained to observe specific signs of impairment (raising arms during balance check, inability to keep eyes smooth during eye check).
 - ii. 3 of the 4 people stopped were repeat offenders. We need to develop messaging for people who have DUIs to keep them off the road and develop messaging for people who have had DUIs to make sure they don't want to get another one.

- iii. She asked officer why someone would repeat offend. Officer said they probably didn't care. Heinrich's task is to tap into that mindset to find out why they don't care and make them care.
 - 1. Jane Flournoy noted that this may be a treatment failure: we didn't handle treatment in a way that had enough of an impact to not use alcohol for self-medication.
 - iv. We need to keep in mind to treat the person rather than DUI; there could be other factors that impact their decision-making process and what needs to be addressed to change their behavior.
- VIII. Presentations:
- a. Interlock-Crystal Soderman, CDOR
 - i. The presentation is appended to these minutes
- IX. CTFDID 2019 Annual Report, Bob Ticer/Glenn Davis
- a. Report has been streamlined. Includes four major recommendations:
 - i. Secure sustainable funding for CDOT. CDOT needs sustainable funding to continue funding enforcement. Bill is HB20-1279. Summary is available at <https://leg.colorado.gov/bills/hb20-1279>.
 - ii. Look at 5 nanogram law defining cannabis impairment.
 - iii. Adoption of a Primary Seat Belt Law. Won't be a sponsor for a bill this legislative session.
 - iv. Study to determine the viability of devices that allow law enforcement to detect drug presence during roadside sobriety investigations.
- X. Legislation: MADD
- a. SB20-070. Traffic Offense Classification And Penalties. Concerning penalties for traffic offenses, and, in connection therewith, distributing money collected from a traffic violation to the county in which the violation occurs. Summary is available at <http://leg.colorado.gov/bills/sb20-070>.
 - a. HB20-1107. Victim Towing And Impound Fee Grant Program. Concerning a victim towing and impound fee grant program, and, in connection therewith, making an appropriation. Summary is available at <http://leg.colorado.gov/bills/hb20-1107>.
 - b. SB20-065. Limit Mobile Electronic Devices While Driving. Concerning a limitation on the use of mobile electronic devices while driving. Summary is available at <http://leg.colorado.gov/bills/sb20-065>.
 - c. Judge Casias
 - a. They are hearing about a bill that would deny the ability to revoke probation for technical violations. This means that probation could not be revoked for someone who is not completing DUI treatment requirements, for example. Waiting for a bill number and/or more details.
- XI. Media Relations & Significant Upcoming Events: Sam Cole, CDOT
- a. Last enforcement period was New Year's Eve. 348 arrests over almost 100 law enforcement agencies.
 - b. Across the 15 enforcement periods arrests were down in 2019 by about 10% - 8,513 arrests during enforcement periods; in 2018 that number was 9,600.
 - c. Uncomfortable High is the cannabis driving campaign launching in March/April
 - d. Seatbelt awareness campaign launching in spring. It will be called 1000 Reasons to Buckle Up.
 - e. PR buzz: channel 9 did story on new study out of Massachusetts – found that if you are a teen that started using marijuana young (15-16 years old) performance on a driving simulator indicates you are a less skilled driver in your 20s than if you had never used marijuana. CDOT has been contact about de-scheduling cannabis at the federal level.
- XII. Public Comment/Lightning Round Update
- a. CDPHE: Over that last year there has been a decrease in breath tests and an increase in blood tests. There has also been a decrease in arrests and an increase in deaths.
 - b. DOR Liquor enforcement: Continuing with enforcement of underage sales. Will be at the Xgames at Buttermilk focused on enforcement for over-service and underage sale. Bills of interest:
 - i. SB20-086. Related to fee for license renewal. Summary is available at <https://leg.colorado.gov/bills/sb20-086>.
 - ii. SB20-110. Related to fines for liquor law violations. Summary is available at <https://leg.colorado.gov/bills/sb20-110>.

- c. Judge Casias: Seeing a delay in blood test results – 3-6 months out. Used to be 2-3 months. Summit Daily DUI series. Part 1 of series is available at <https://www.summitdaily.com/news/summit-county-has-among-the-highest-rate-of-duis-in-the-sate-of-colorado/>.
- d. Dan Bewley: Brewers Guild will be undertaking their annual Hill Climb to meet with legislators.
- e. MADD: Tie One On For Safety challenge. Presented 3 trophies for the having the highest arrests - Loveland PD, CSP Troop 3A, and Larimer County Sheriff's Office. 57 participating agencies. Agencies and troop offices made a combined 170 Dui arrest over 48-hour period. Also, it is time to submit nominations for MADD and CDOT's annual law enforcement awards.
- f. CDHS-OBH: HB20-1193. Expands priority access to drug treatment for pregnant women to priority access for 1 year postpartum. It also provides for mobile child care units, which could help eliminate child care as a barrier to participating in treatment.
- g. CDOR. Related to repeat offenses on DUIs: CO will join 26 other states in sharing driver's license information. Data will be shared among states – cancellation of license in other state if cancelled in CO, access to driver's history when he/she applies for license in Colorado. Will start January 27.
- h. Lauren Avery. Everyone is welcome to attend MADD victim impact panels
- i. CSP: We're still under 600 impaired driving fatalities for 2019. We're showing increase in proactive enforcement DUI arrests.
- j. CDHS-OBH: Gearing up for annual regional DUI treatment training.
- k. CDHS-OBH: One of OBH's grantees is working with Snowdown (Durango festival) to make events family friendly and increase options for those attendees choosing to remain sober. Also making more public transportation options available. .
- l. SADD. Expanding outreach throughout state. Started youth advisory council partnering with MADD and DougCo. SADD and National Road Safety Foundation had a contest mostly for high school students – driving skills 101 PSA challenge; not currently including DUI, but Kerry will push to include it.
- m. Ben Mitchell. American Association of Motor Vehicle Administrators (AAMVA). Heading to conferences, please let him know if you want anything brought up. Next year the there is an international conference in Denver. He went to rodeo and it was the cancer-awareness day; why don't we do cancer-awareness type events to increase awareness of dangers of DUI.
- n. CDPS: They have all the data sources needed for their report and they are conducting analyses. Recently attended a transportation safety conference. A lot of panels on impairment. Blood testing has overtaken breath tests (52% of tests were blood).
- o. Question on CSP's evaluation of the use of saliva tests.
 - i. Waiting for partners at CU Denver to complete report. In general, none of the devices tested would work for CSP purposes. Report will be shared with CTFDID when it is available.
- p. AA is having their international conference in July. One of the highlights is a drug court judge panel; many support mandatory attendance at AA meetings
- q. Julie and Scott Nackos. It is important to acknowledge the officers and their efforts related to impaired driving; responding to crashes is hard on them as well as the victims and victims' families.

Meeting adjourned

XIII. Next Meeting: February 21, 2020