Toward Zero Deaths (TZD): a National Strategy on Highway Safety

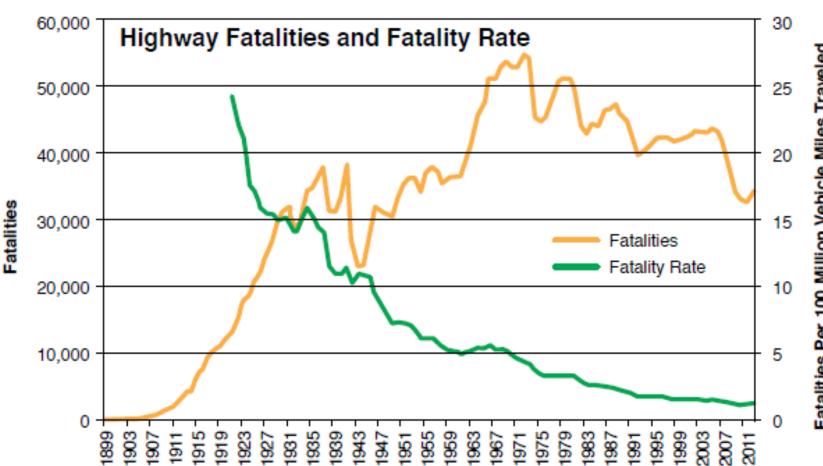
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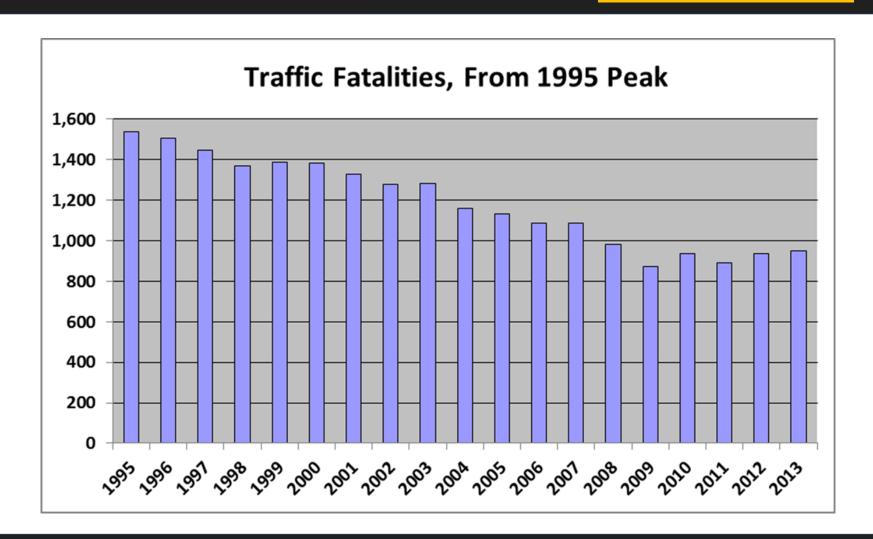
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What does the future bring?

- Increase in several crash types:
 - K/A for ages 21-24
 - K/A drug related crashes
 - Motorcycle Ks
 - Pedestrian Ks
- Decrease in seat belt use to 88%

Source: UMTRI



MDOT's 2010 Strategic Plan adopted the focus:

"Move Michigan Toward Zero Deaths..."

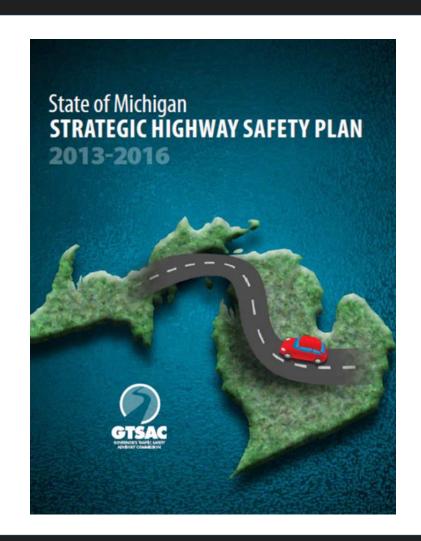




TZD in Michigan

Michigan's 3rd SHSP adopted the vision:

Toward Zero Deaths on Michigan Roadways





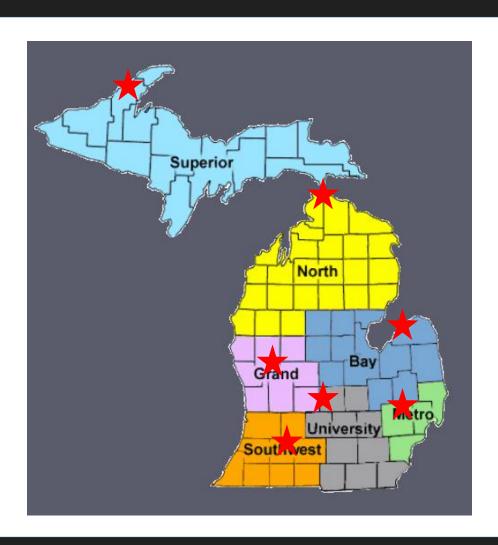
What is our Goal?

In 2012, Michigan's Statewide Goal was revised to reduce traffic fatalities and serious injuries from:

889 (K) and 5,706 (A) in 2011 to 750 (K) and 4,800 (A) in 2016

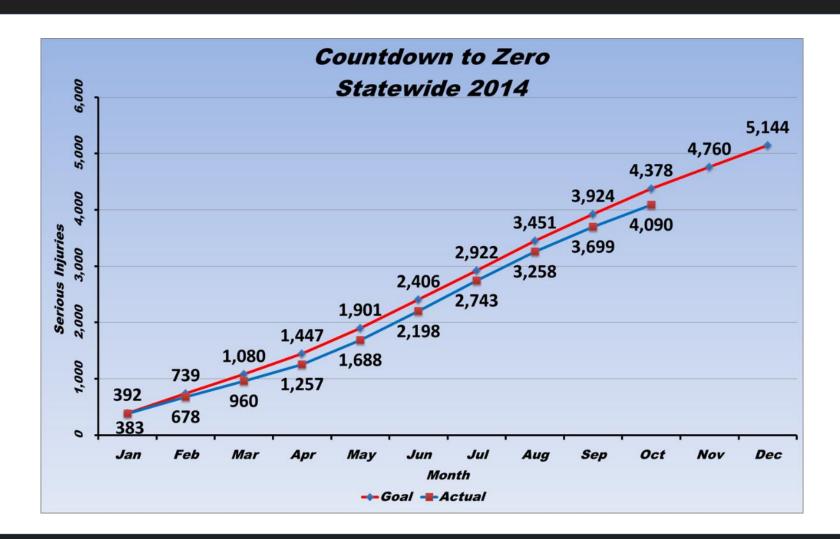






Population of: Calumet (879), Mackinaw City (859), **Grant** (881), Caseville (888), Augusta (899), Westphalia (876), or Clarkston (962)



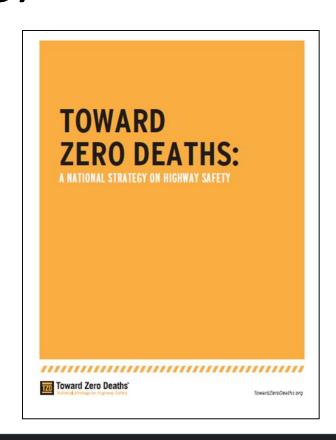




Need for a National Strategy

- Many diverse initiatives
- Various stakeholders
- Individual state SHSPs
- Lack of single vision

Now we have a strategy!























TZD National Strategy

- Brings stakeholders together
- Use data to ID priorities and strategies
- Aggressive approach no death acceptable

- Build on existing groundwork
- Need for cultural change
- Involvement and ownership of all safety stakeholders







TZD > Communication Plan A variety of communication tools for the Toward Zero Deaths program are provided. In addition, the Communication plan includes suggested audiences and stakeholders, goals, objectives, tactics, timelines, milestones and measurement metrics.



TZD > Become a Participant
Actively engage your state,
organization or company in the TZD
vision. Sign up to receive TZD
updates and download the TZD
logo.



Decade of ActionThe national Toward Zero Deaths vision supports the goals of the Decade of Action to reduce road fatalities globally.



What Should Be Our Goal
We asked people a few questions
about traffic safety. Their
responses weren't scripted, but
they all said the same thing in the
end - Our goal should be zero.
"Footage courtesy, Nevada DOT

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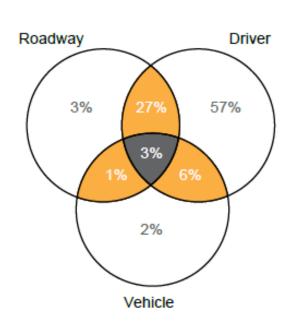




Key Strategic Areas

- Safer Drivers and Passengers
- Safer Vulnerable Users
- Safer Vehicles
- Safer Infrastructure
- Enhanced EMS
- Improved Safety Management & Data Processes

Safety Culture





Safe Drivers and Passengers

- Sobriety Checkpoints
- Automated Enforcement
- One Driver, One Record









Safer Vulnerable Users

Pedestrian Laws (and Bicycles)

- Motorcycle Helmet Legislation
- Work Zone Design & Operations







Safer Vehicles

Lane Departure Warning
 Systems

- Alcohol Interlock
- Connected Vehicle Technologies





Safety Infrastructure

- Senior Driver Enhancements
- Curve Treatments
- Science-based Methodologies into Project

Development





Enhanced EMS

- Next Gen 9-1-1
- Rural Response Times
- EMS in Planning/Training for Traffic Incident Management



Improved Safety Management

Include Public Health in Safety Planning

- Accuracy & Completeness of Crash Information
- Core Competencies for ALL Transportation
 Professionals



SAFETY
CULTURE

VALUES

BELIEFS

ATTITUDES

NORMS

CONTEXT

BEHAVIORS



Safety Culture

- Assess Current Culture
 - Personal, Organizational, Societal
- Identify Lead Entity
 - Develop Strategies to Change Culture

- Evaluate Effectiveness
- Adoption of TZD



What do we need to do?

Continue to attack the Sense of Complacency

with Awareness

- Communication
- Outreach

Toward Zero Deaths™ National Strategy on Highway Safety





Communications

- New for 2014
- Links to MDOT's TZD page





Communications



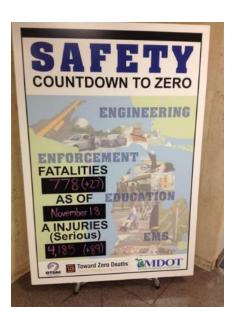
.....Seven hundred fifty one. That's more than two each day



Communications

- Focused on grabbing attention
- Weekly increase in K/A numbers

- Associated story
- Now available to the public



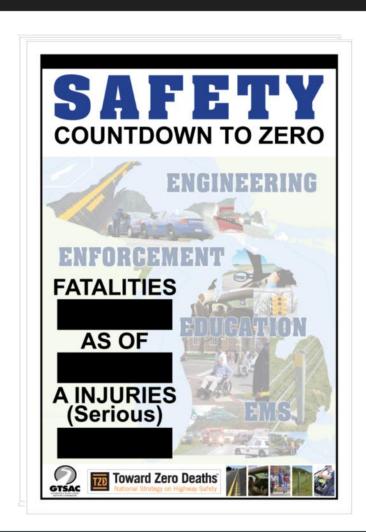


Outreach

 To align our efforts with others MDOT has formed formal alliances with:

- GTSAC
- AASHTO TZD

Partnership with OSHP



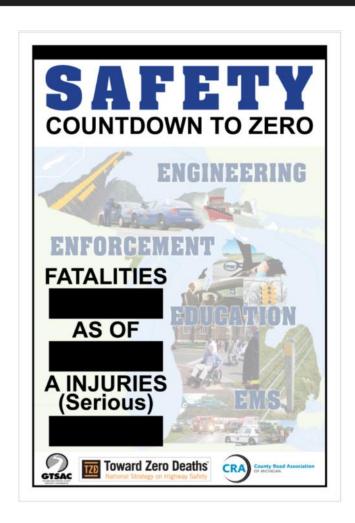


Outreach

 A new partnership with CRA

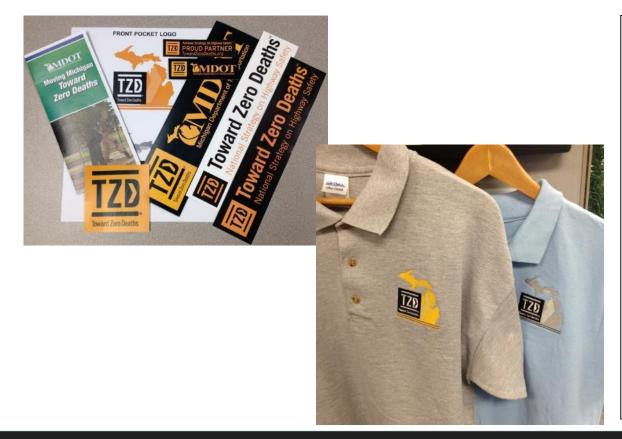
 Goal to have a board in each county road commission

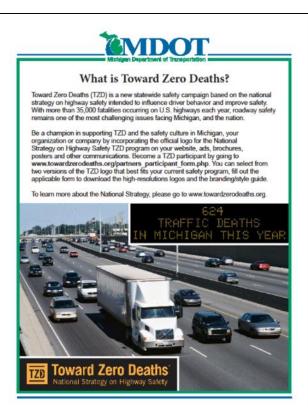






Future Outreach Efforts







Let's Get to Work

Adopt a zero-based vision or goal, a common aggressive approach

- Promote use as a resource by members/staff
- Develop implementation plan
 - Proven and potential strategies
 - Safety culture programs
- Outreach strengthen relationships with new partners
- Monitor activities, share best practices and lessons learned



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