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TRAFFIC INCIDENT MANAGEMENT

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INDIANA TIM:

REBUILT, REFOCUSED, AND READY FOR THE FUTURE

Over the past two years, Indiana Traffic Incident Management (TIM) has made significant strides in enhancing incident management, strengthening interagency coordination, and improving roadway safety for responders and motorists. Some of these key achievements include:

- Collaborated with the Indiana EMS Commission to require TIM Training for all EMS personnel.
- Developed web-based TIM Training for use with the public safety portal.
- Partnered with Indiana Department of Homeland Security (IDHS) to streamline registration for TIM classes and certifications.
- Coordinated with Indiana Law Enforcement Academy (ILEA) to promote TIM training among future law enforcement officers. (See Page 2)
- Continuing the mission of the established TIM program, with the following attendance and class numbers in 2025 and 2026:
 - 15,427 First Responders Trained in TIM
 - 99 In-Person Training Sessions Hosted
 - 73 Train-the-Trainer Personnel Trained
- Updated the Indiana TIM Webpage. Check it out here:
<https://www.in.gov/indot/indianatim/home/>

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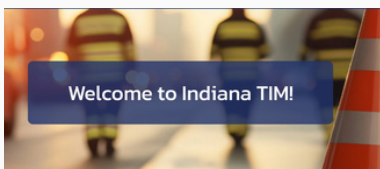
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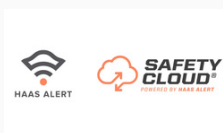
The Indiana Law Enforcement Academy (ILEA) and Indiana Traffic Incident Management (TIM) Partner to Enhance Officer Safety on Indiana's Roadways

Through this collaboration, Indiana TIM will support ILEA in integrating TIM training into its current curriculum. This initiative will help better prepare officers to manage roadway incidents, ultimately improving safety for both responders and the traveling public.

In addition, Indiana TIM is now recognized as an approved training provider for ILEA. This designation allows approved TIM training to count toward continuing education hours for law enforcement officers.

In support of this effort, a TIM Train-the-Trainer course will be held at ILEA on August 4, 2026.

Indiana TIM is excited to work alongside ILEA to enhance the safety of law enforcement officers across the state!



HAAS ALERT SAFETY CLOUD: THE FUTURE IN NOTIFICATION



Two fire departments in Indiana are leading the way in motorist notification of emergency incidents and response vehicles.

The South Bend Fire Department and Fort Wayne Fire Department have implemented the Haas Alert Safety Cloud on their apparatus. The system notifies motorists of the responding apparatus and also has the Responder 2 Responder (R2R) feature to alert the responding apparatus they are in close proximity to one another, reducing the possibility of a crash occurring.

Haas Alert Safety Cloud uses apps such as Waze and Apple Maps. Additionally, all Chrysler, Dodge, Jeep, and RAM vehicles from model year 2018 onward as well as Volkswagen vehicles (2024 and newer) are equipped to receive the alert.

Currently, over 4,000 agencies in the United States use the HAAS Safety Cloud. The HAAS systems promote a 90% reduction in collisions and risks.

For more information visit: <https://www.haasalert.com/>



ELECTRIC VEHICLE (EV) FIRES

Electric Vehicles (EVs) and Hybrid Electric Vehicles (HEVs) have been on the market for over 30 years. While they may seem like an environmentally friendly alternative to gasoline-powered vehicles, the hazards they pose during fire incidents are a challenge for first responders.

The challenge lies in the power source of lithium-ion batteries. The vehicle battery itself consists of multiple, smaller lithium-ion batteries in a watertight, fire-resistant case, located under the vehicle. Issues can arise once the vehicle has been damaged or compromised, like in the event of a crash. Once a single damaged battery cell catches fire, an exothermic process takes place with fire rapidly moving from one cell to the next in a process called “thermal runaway.” At this point, temperatures can exceed 1200 degrees Fahrenheit. The only way to stop the process is to directly cool the cells involved and prevent the fire from spreading. Due to location, often under the passenger compartment, this can be virtually impossible.



There are several different methods for extinguishing fires involving lithium-ion batteries. Traditional firefighting tactics with water have often proven ineffective, requiring copious amounts of water to control the fire. Another issue associated with using water is contaminated run-off posing an environmental hazard. Another method is a fire-rated blanket to cover the entire vehicle and exclude oxygen. A third method is becoming the standard and is recommended by the US Fire Administration: allow the vehicle to burn itself out.



Source: nafeco.com



Source: li-fire.com



Source: wfaa.com

For additional information, go to:

<https://www.usfa.fema.gov/blog/emergency-response-to-electric-vehicle-incidents/>



OPERATION ROAD WISE

Indiana TIM recently partnered with Indiana Local Technical Assistance Program (LTAP) for Operation Road Wise workshops.

The goal of Operation Road Wise is to bring together all various facets of roadway safety to collaborate on reducing preventable deaths and injuries on Indiana's roadways. Laura Slusher, Indiana LTAP, states that the creation of Operation Road Wise "stemmed from an observation that different departments of local agencies working toward the common goal of reducing crashes and injuries on their roadways were not always in regular communication to coordinate efforts."

The workshops were held in six areas of Indiana over six days in June. Attendees included: public safety responders, healthcare providers, and transportation partners. There were several guest speakers, each covering a variety of topics pertaining to traffic and safety. (See photos at right.)

The way Indiana TIM became involved with Operation Road Wise was a natural choice for Indiana LTAP. Slusher shared the following: "IN TIM teaches the importance of working together when it counts, so it creates the perfect framework to showcase multi-agency communication and coordination in action, while also emphasizing the potentially critical outcome when these methods are not used."

Vendors

The event was supported by companies with safety products and services that were able to gain high-value exposure to decision makers and public safety personnel. The vendors included:

- Mason-Private Locating
- Lochmueller Group
- Versiti-Blood Center of Indiana
- GridLock-Traffic Systems, Inc.
- K & K Systems, Inc.
- Michael Todd Industrial Supply
- Argos
- Abonmarche
- Whelen
- First Net
- Drive Clean Indiana

For additional information visit:
<https://www.purdue.edu/inltap/safety/roadway.php>



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FUTURE TIM TRAININGS

- 7/31/2026-Jasper County
- 8/4/2026-Hendricks County
- 8/7/2026-White County
- 8/8/2026-White County
- 12/08/2026-Allen County

TO SCHEDULE A TIM TRAINING
E-MAIL US AT:
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INDIANA TIM STATISTICS

April 2026-June 2026

- In-Person Training Sessions: 27
- In-Person Attendees: 605
- Online Attendees: 2,349
- Total Attendees: 2,954
- Train-the-Trainer Classes: 1
- Train-the-Trainer Attendees: 5



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