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TRANSPORTATION COMMUNITY CELEBRATES TRAFFIC INCIDENT MANAGEMENT (TIM) TRAINING MILESTONE



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SHRP2's National TIM Training Saves Lives and Time Across the Country

Traffic incidents, including crashes, disabled vehicles, and debris on the road, create unsafe driving conditions, put motorists and responders lives at risk, and account for approximately 25 percent of all traffic delays. Each year, an estimated 100 emergency responders are killed in the line of duty. In addition, for each minute that a freeway travel lane is blocked during peak use, an estimated 4 minutes of delay results.

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To address these issues, SHRP2 developed the [National Traffic Incident Management \(TIM\) Responder Training Program \(L12\)](#). The training is designed to help build teams of well-trained police, firefighters, highway workers, and emergency medical and towing personnel. Together, they learn a common set of practices, including quick clearance techniques, that improve communications and reduce the amount of time needed to remain on scene. In turn, the training helps to improve the safety of motorists and responders.

200,000 Responders Trained, and Counting

In August, the *National TIM Responder Training Program* reached a major milestone — having trained 200,000 responders in all 50 states, the District of Columbia, and Puerto Rico. Nearly 30 organizations and associations from the emergency responder community attended an event at the U.S. Department of Transportation on August 10, 2016 to commemorate this achievement. At the event, FHWA Deputy Administrator David S. Kim and transportation safety officials signed a proclamation to underscore their ongoing commitment goal of training one million responders. “We are helping emergency responders learn safer practices at highway accident scenes,” Kim said. Read the TIM milestone celebration [press release](#).

Interested in learning more about TIM training?

- Visit the TIM [GoSHRP2](#) and [Every Day Counts](#) product pages.
- View the [video](#) on AASHTO's Transportation TV and FHWA's [photos](#) of the celebration event.
- View the TIM training [status map](#) to see the progress of training efforts by state, discipline, and training delivery method.
- Read [“Putting Lives on the Line for Roadway Safety”](#) on *Fastlane*, the official blog of the U.S. Department of Transportation.

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