

Speeding Emphasis Area Team Report

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Participants

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EA Countermeasure / Strategy Gap Analysis

Process

- Matched programs/projects in SHSP database with current strategies and countermeasures
- Identified countermeasures **NOT** being addressed
 - Strategy 1 - No gaps (completely addressed)
 - Strategy 2 - 4/4 gaps in countermeasures
 - Strategy 3 - 5/6 gaps in countermeasures
 - Strategy 4 - 2/2 gaps in countermeasures
 - Strategy 5 - 1/2 gaps in countermeasures
- EA Team Task
 - Identify if anyone is addressing the gaps (today)
 - Decide if we should keep or remove for the next SHSP update (subsequent meeting)

Addressing Gaps

- Strategy 2 – Educate law enforcement on contributing factors to improve crash data collection
 - Countermeasure 2A – Law enforcement education
 - DDACTS grant with IADLEST points to data quality. Includes all contributing factors (Larry Krantz)
 - City of Austin participated in APD cadet training on days related to crash data to explain importance of accurate data and how it is used. (Lewis Leff)
 - Countermeasure 2B – Education on contributing factors for law enforcement and crash analyst
 - TMPA crash data quality course (Larry Krantz)
 - Countermeasure 2C – CR-3 electronic submission
 - Completed
 - As of end of FY19 almost all submitted electronically (Larry Krantz, Steve Ratke)
 - Countermeasure 2D – CR-3 fields for estimated speed
 - Original intention to add space for law enforcement to estimated speed of vehicle involved in crash, but law enforcement reluctant to do so. (Jay Crossley)
 - Create issues to guess because all data is scrutinized especially with more serious crashes (David Palmer)
 - Austin does some analysis based posted speed
 - Maybe look at new technologies for estimating speeds
- Strategy 3 – Leverage data to improve engineering, education, and enforcement.
 - Countermeasure 3A – Mapping resource center
 - DPS operation center has county level maps of fatal and serious crash data. Interactive website tool. (Larry Krantz)
 - Countermeasure 3C– Selective traffic enforcement
 - Complete as of FY19(Larry Krantz)
 - Countermeasure 3D – Reduction of operating speeds
 - Rewrite of design manual would resolve (Jay Crossley)
 - Houston and Austin have done meaningful work on this (Jay Crossley)
 - Bring up as special research topic (Steve Ratke)
 - Countermeasure 3E– Safety design demonstration projects
 - Many examples in smaller town as well as Houston and Austin.
 - Jay Crossley will compile examples that he knows about. Others may send examples to Jay.
 - Countermeasure 3F – Partnering with school districts
 - Current 402 project (Eva)
 - City of Austin Safe Routes to School (Jay Crossley)
 - Contact Lydia Bryan-Valdez for list of Safe Routes programs
 - Add this countermeasure for current Safe Routes programs in database.

- Strategy 4 – Increase and sustain high-visibility speeding enforcement. (Develop, catalog, and disseminate tools and other resources to improve enforcement capabilities.)
 - Countermeasure 4A – Enforcement best practices
 - Fund overtime for APD mainly to enforce speeding and distracted driving, but not sure there is a best practices guide. (Lewis Leff)
 - Not sure anything is codified, but could reach out to sub-grantees to discuss topic. (Larry Krantz)
 - Countermeasure 4B – Automated speed enforcement
 - Group of Vision Zero cities that have discussed what it looks like as a legislative agenda item. Nothing formal, but there is interest. (Lewis Leff)
 - City of San Antonio has discussed equity impacts of enforcement. (Marco Hinojosa)
 - Determine if question regarding automated enforcement is ever on safety culture survey. (Jay Crossley)
- Strategy 5 – Improve the effectiveness of education techniques, tools, and strategies for speeding (target specific age groups)
 - Countermeasure 5A – Driver’s education
 - Available on website
 - Emailed out
 - available at Virtual Traffic Safety Conference

Stakeholder Engagement Plan

- Oliva Thomas added to TTI SHSP team
- Increase interaction
- Expand the network

SHSP Website / Survey

- Qualtrics survey going on Tuesday, July 28
 - 3 components
 - Programs/projects
 - Events
 - Website improvements
 - 100 edits so far

SHSP Metrics

Process

- Assess wording for each countermeasure/action plan
- Refine wording if needed.
- Define metrics for outputs and potential data sources
- Document what stakeholders need to do implement action plans

Status

- Delayed – put more energy into gap analysis
- Check back in and plan
 - Jay Crossley
 - Interns are working on them now
 - Should be done in about 2 weeks

EA Member Updates

- Member Updates
 - Larry Krantz
 - TRCC data sub-committee to create external database that will consist abstracts of data that agencies already publish
 - Anyone with data needs or data to contribute contact Jon Graber or Larry Krantz
 - Next meeting in a month to 6 weeks
 - Lewis Leff
 - City of Austin voted to approve a new speed management program
 - Details may be found at <http://austintexas.gov/department/speed-management>

Traffic Safety Conference

- Virtual due to COVID-19
- Over 580 registered
- Reached attendees that normally not able to attend to travel restrictions

Important Dates

- Next Meeting: FY21