Presentation Topics

• What is Traffic Incident Management
• Overview of the TIMBR Committee
What is Traffic Incident Management

TIM consists of a planned and coordinated multi-disciplinary process to detect, respond to, and clear traffic incidents so that traffic flow may be restored as safely and quickly as possible.

Source: https://ops.fhwa.dot.gov/eto_tim_pse/about/tim.htm

Exchanging Business Cards at the scene is too late!

(Source: Responder Safety Learning Network)
Incident Timeline

Source: http://nchrptimpm.timnetwork.org/?page_id=11
Traffic Incident Management for the Baltimore Region (TIMBR) Committee

- TIM was an identified need by BMC staff and responders
- Created in 2000
- Meets quarterly
- Co-chairs
  - JJ Lynott, MDOT Maryland Transit Administration
  - Raj Sharma, Baltimore City DOT
TIMBR Committee Members

Local Jurisdictions
• Annapolis
• Anne Arundel Co
• Baltimore City
• Baltimore Co
• Carroll Co
• Harford Co
• Howard Co
• Queen Anne’s Co

Local Agencies
• Public Works/Transportation
• Police
• Sheriff
• Fire
• Schools

State Agencies
• MD Dept of Transportation
• State Highway Administration
• MD Transportation Authority
• MD Transit Administration
• MD State Police
• MD Department of Emergency Mgmt
• MD Dept of the Environment
• Office of the Chief Medical Examiner

Other
• Baltimore Metropolitan Council
• Emergency Responder Safety Institute
• Federal Highway Administration
• Towing & Recovery Professionals of MD
• Metropolitan Washington Council of Governments
• University of MD CATT
## TIMBR Committee Overview

| Membership | • Multi-discipline, inter-agency  
|            | • Field supervisors and managers  
|            | • Any agency can join |
| Primary purpose | Provide forum for response agencies to:  
|                | • Share information and lessons learned  
|                | • Identify issues and opportunities  
|                | • Initiate projects to enhance coordination |
| Activities | • Quarterly meetings  
|            | • Discuss incidents/events  
|            | • Presentations on TIM activities/events  
|            | • Conduct annual TIM Self-Assessment  
|            | • Sponsor TIM conferences  
|            | • Support SHRP 2 TIM Training |
| Maintaining involvement | Provide value to attendees:  
|                          | • Educating TIM responders  
|                          | • Information sharing  
|                          | • Networking opportunities  
|                          | • Outreach to specifically get local input – done periodically |
| Challenges | • Some responders are difficult to reach (e.g., vol fire, towing & recovery)  
|            | • Difficult if agency champion retires or is reassigned |
## TIMBR Committee Accomplishments

### Field Guides / Forms (with NCR committee)
- Spanish Language Field Guide
- Maryland Statewide Incident Management Coordination Field Guide
- Medical Examiner Traffic Fatality Form
- Move-It Form

### Training / Awareness
- Traffic Incident Management Conferences
- On-line Traffic Incident Management Training Course
- Traffic Incident Management Self Assessments
- FHWA Traffic Incident Management Workshop
- SHRP 2 TIM Training (support)

### Plans
- Contingency Transportation Emergency Management Plan
- Traffic Incident Response Coordination Plan

### Topic-Specific Task Forces
- Escorted Motor Ride Task Force
- Funeral Procession Task Force

### Agreements
- Memorandum of Regional Cooperation
- Maryland TIM MOU/Resolution (support)
TIM Conferences

- Have held about 8 since 2000 as funding is available
  - 6 in person, 2 virtual
- Funding sources: federal (ITS, STIC, other), state, MPO
- Audiences varied:
  - Field responders/supervisors
  - Managers
  - Trainers
Current Topics of Focus

• Support of National TIM Training
  – Maryland Status
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• Awareness of Move Over law
  – HB105/SB147: expanding Maryland’s Move Over law to apply to any “stopped, standing, or parked vehicle displaying hazard warning lights, road flares, or other caution signals”
  – Support MDOT-wide Move Over education campaign as needed

• Data for secondary crashes

• Public safety CAD integration with transportation
Summary

- There is benefit to bringing responders together to meet, discuss issues, train, learn about agency responsibilities, and learn about what resources are available
  - Meetings, conferences, TIM self-assessment, TIM training
- New members are welcome
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