Cumberland Valley Volunteer Firemen’s Association
Emergency Responder Safety Institute

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What/Who is the Emergency Responder Safety Institute?

- Committee of the Cumberland Valley Volunteer Firemen's Association

- Established in 2000
  - 1998 LODD of FF Dave Good in PA
  - 1998 LODD of Captain Joe Kroboth in MD
  - White Paper – October 1999
    - “Protecting Emergency Responders on the Highways”
    - A ten year review and update done in 2011

- www.respondersafety.com
  - Established in 2000
What We Do
Created as a Committee of the Cumberland Valley Volunteer Firemen’s Association, the Emergency Responder Safety Institute (ERSI) serves as an advisory group of public safety leaders and transportation experts committed to reducing deaths and injuries to America’s emergency responders. Every day, our nation’s firefighters, EMTs, paramedics, state troopers, police officers, sheriff’s deputies, tow operators, and departments of transportation responders are exposed to the grave hazards inherent in emergency responses on the nation’s highways and roadways. ERSI is dedicated to the safety of these men and women by engaging in and promoting activities that include developing educational material to support responder safety training; promoting the National Uniform Goal (NUG) for Traffic Incident Management (TIM) including responder safety; safe, quick clearance and Interoperable communications; encouraging the development of TIM Teams; promoting collaboration, communication and cooperation among the nation’s emergency responders and keeping emergency responders up to date on national rules, regulations and trends related to safe roadway incident operations.

Respondersafety News
News stories related to the broad subject of traffic incident management and responder safety at roadway incidents.
Firefighter’s Letter Regarding His Concern for Police Officer Safety Published Near Miles Report Creates Respondersafety.com with Helping to Prevent Injury to Firefighters Help Needed for important Highway Safety Survey Service Set for Beaumont, Texas Officer Struck, Killed by Chase Suspect Funeral Tuesday for Canadian Officer Struck, Killed by Van More News...

Line of Duty Deaths
News stories about responders struck and killed while working roadway incidents.
African Police Officer Hit, Killed at Roadblock Ohio: State Trooper struck and killed near Cleveland Kansas: Johnson County deputy killed after being struck by vehicle during traffic stop Louisiana: Louisiana Fire Chief Struck and killed by Bus Louisiana: Officer Shannon Brown was struck by a car during a traffic stop and succumbed to his Injuries Saturday More Line of Duty Deaths...

Struck By Incidents
News stories about struck-by-vehicle incidents involving emergency responders and/or their vehicles.
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- Dedicated to emergency responder safety
  - Firefighters
  - EMT/paramedics
  - Law enforcement officers
  - Towing & recovery operators
  - Transportation / safety service patrols

- Preventing line of duty “struck-by-vehicle”
  - Fatalities
  - Injuries
  - Property damage
Mission Statement
Created as a Committee of the Cumberland Valley Volunteer Firemen’s Association, the Institute serves as an informal advisory panel of public safety leaders committed to reducing deaths and injuries to America’s Emergency Responders. Click here to learn more...

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• Educational material & news to support:
  • National Unified Goal for Traffic Incident Management
  • National rules, regulations and trends related to TIM
  • Tracking struck-by-vehicle injuries and line-of-duty deaths
  • Roadway Incident Safety strategies & tactics
  • Multiagency Collaboration, Communication & Cooperation
  • Development of Regional TIM Committees
Responder Safety Learning Network

• Established in 2011
• Supported by:
  • United States Fire Administration
  • The Department of Homeland Security
  • Department of Justice - Office of Justice Programs
  • Federal Highway Administration
  • Stonehouse Media Incorporated®
• Free access for all responders
• 30,000+ registered users
• 24 modules available, +7 in development
SHRP 2 National TIM Certificate

Through a special agreement with the Federal Highway Administration, the Responder Safety Learning Network (RSLN) offers a SHRP2 National TIM Responder Training Equivalency Certificate for registered users who complete ten specific RSLN online self-paced programs.

To earn credit for each program, you must view the program in its entirety and pass the Skills Challenge test. Once you earn credit for all ten programs, you will be able to download a special certificate that is the equivalent of completing the four-hour SHRP2 National TIM Responder Training.

When you have completed all the programs, a link will appear in the User Console to download the certificate. You can also access the certificate from your Transcript or from the Completed Programs page. If you have any technical problems, please file a support ticket.

The ten RSLN programs required for the Equivalency Certificate are:

**Multi-Program Certificates**

- **Advance Warning**
  - This module discusses the concept of advance warning, its benefits, and how to implement a range of advance warning devices. (more)

- **Blocking Procedures at Roadway Incidents**
  - This module discusses the concept of blocking, why it is important, how to determine whether linear positioning or block positioning is appropriate at a given...
RSLN National TIM Certificate Modules

- Advance Warning
- Blocking Procedures at Roadway Incidents
- High Visibility Innovations
- Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices (MUTCD)
- Move It or Work It
- See and Be Seen: Emergency Lighting Awareness
- Safe Operations for Vehicle Fires
- Special Hazards
- Termination
- TIM: Incident Command & Management
On the Horizon!

NFPA 1091 - Standard for Traffic Control Incident Management Professional Qualifications and Responder Safety Learning Network
How are we doing?

- Awareness level training
- High-visibility garments
- High-visibility markings on fire apparatus
- “Move Over/Slow Down” Laws & “Move It” Laws
- Blocking procedures at incident scenes
- Multi-agency operations training
- MUTCD Chapter 6-I
- NFPA 1091 - Standard for Traffic Control Incident Management Professional Qualifications
- SHRP 2 TIM Training & Trainers
- Regional TIM Committees
- National committees & workgroups
- Etc., Etc., Etc.
2017 Fire & EMS Struck-by-Vehicle Fatalities

• 1/23/17 - CA - (Off-duty) EMT struck & killed on a freeway

• 3/15/17 – MS – Two (2) Firefighters struck & killed at crash scene

• 3/16/17 – NY – Two (2) FDNY EMTs struck with (1) LODD when man jumped in the ambulance & drove over them

• 4/30/17 – AR – Fire Chief struck & killed along highway during storm cleanup operations

• 4/30/17 – OH – Firefighter struck & killed while directing traffic at a crash scene
2017 Fire & EMS Struck-by-Vehicle Fatalities

- 5/19/17 – VA – Firefighter struck & killed by backing apparatus at crash scene
- 5/31/17 – GA – Firefighter struck & killed while assisting a disabled motorist (Off-duty)
- 6/14/17 – MI - Comstock Twp. Fire Chief struck & killed at crash scene
- 6/19/17 – MO – Firefighter struck & killed and one seriously injured while operating at a brush fire
- 7/9/17 – MD – (Off-duty) firefighter working as a tow operator struck and killed on I-95
What are we missing?

“D” Drivers are still hitting & killing us!

✓ Drunk,
✓ Drugged,
✓ Drowsy,
✓ Disgruntled,
✓ Disturbed,
✓ Disrespectful,
✓ Distracted, +/or
✓ Just plain... Dangerous!
Take Action!

Awareness Training

Multi-agency Ops Training

Equipment (New & Existing)

Strategies & Tactics

SOPs/SOGs

Leadership

+ Public Education!
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On the Highway, We’ve Got Your Back!