

TRAFFIC SAFETY AT WORK



Make Safe Choices Before the Big Game

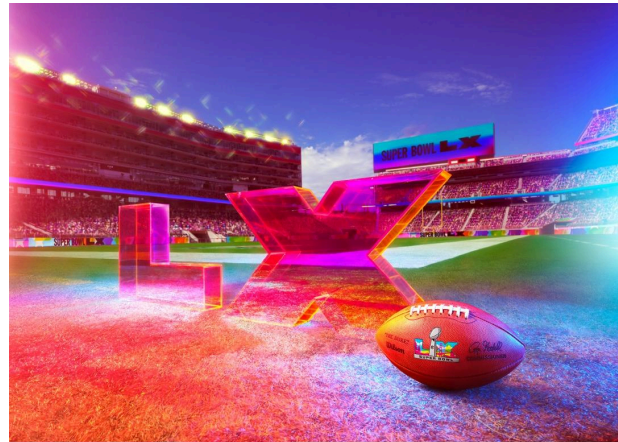
February brings us the Super Bowl and whether you're getting together with friends to cheer on your team or if you're more of a commercial watcher, if you plan to drink, plan to get home safely.

The choices we make in our personal lives can have a major impact on our professional lives. Deciding to drive after drinking could mean getting a DUI and facing serious consequences at your workplace. Having your license suspended means depending on others to drive you to and from work. If your job requires driving, you'll be taken off those duties.

Alcohol isn't the only thing that can lead to a DUI. Any form of impairment counts. That includes THC, prescription medications, or anything else that affects your reflexes, vision, or alertness. If it changes how you feel, it changes how you drive.

Choose not to drive when you're impaired to keep yourself and others safe. Make a plan to have a sober driver before you start drinking. Decision-making is one of the earliest skills to slip when we're impaired.

Enjoy the Big Game and have fun - responsibly.



FANS DON'T LET FANS DRIVE DRUNK



**Alcohol-
Impaired Driving**

**Drug-Impaired
Driving**

AM I OKAY TO DRIVE?

BUZZED DRIVING

IS DRUNK DRIVING

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Winter Blues and Driving Safely



Did you know that if you're one of the 10 million Americans who deal with Seasonal Affective Disorder, also known as the winter blues, it can affect the way you drive?

Studies show that people facing depression or anxiety have higher rates of crashes. Depression can affect how your brain works. It can make it harder to pay attention, make quick decisions, and react on time. All of these skills are important for safe driving.

If you know you struggle with seasonal or year-round depression, how can you get in the right mindset before you drive? The answer is different for everyone, but the most important step is paying attention to how you feel and how it affects your behavior.

Ask yourself:

- Am I in a good headspace to drive?
- Can I delay driving until I'm ready to focus on being safe?
- If I'm scheduled to drive for work, am I empowered to let my supervisor know when I need a mental health day?

Taking care of your health - both physically and mentally - helps you be a safer driver.

Traffic Safety Events



The 31st annual KDOT Transportation Safety Conference will be held April 21-22, 2026, at the Hilton Garden Inn in Manhattan, KS.



The 31st Annual Kansas Transportation Safety Conference is your chance to learn the latest developments in transportation safety from experts in the field.

Participants will have the opportunity to receive up to 9.5 contact hours of instruction and participate in networking breaks to meet and talk with speakers, colleagues, and vendors in the exhibit hall.

This conference provides valuable information on transportation safety concerns for law enforcement personnel, court professionals, state and local government officials, engineers, EMT and EMS employees, SAFE School youth, driving educators and counselors, and others interested in transportation safety issues.

Motivational keynote and plenary speakers:

- Keynote: Devin Henderson, “What Else Is Possible”
- Plenary Day 1: Melissa Wandall, “Purpose in Progress: Resilience that Restores and Saves Lives”
- Plenary Day 2: Bill DeMott, “#NoMoreEmptySeats — It Made A Difference For That One”

Conference session topics include:

- Prioritizing Safety for Kids Walking, Biking, and Rolling to School
- Driving Change: The Work Zone Safe Initiative
- The Public Trust Toolkit: Winning Support for Safety Decisions
- How to Identify and Leverage Local Influencers
- Public Transportation: Safe Mobility for an Aging Population
- Community First Aid and Crash Response
- 2025 Windstorm in Western Kansas Recap
- Using Drones in Crash Response and Post-Crash Care Medical Response
- Kansas Safety Corridor Pilot Program: Update from the Halfway Point

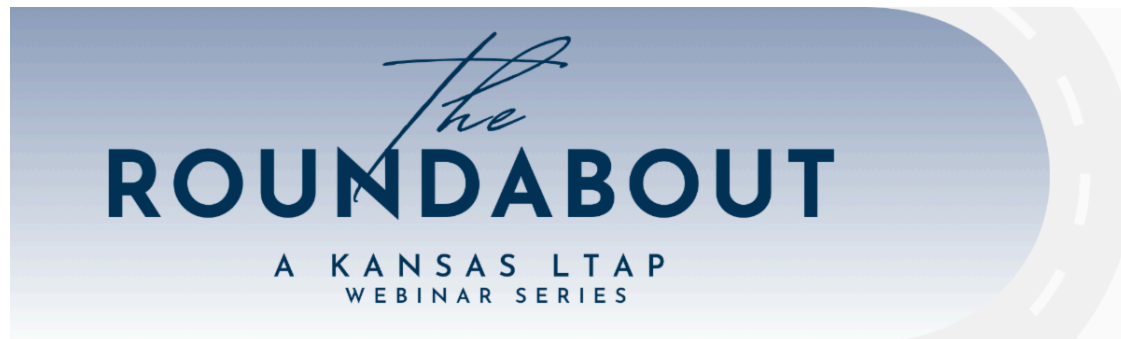
- Designing Safer Intersections: Proven Solutions, Public Engagement, and Lessons from Missouri
- An Overview of NCHRP 20-102(24): Infrastructure Modifications to Improve the Operational Conditions of Automated Vehicles
- Advancing Traffic Safety Analysis with Replica's Driver Event Data
- EV and AV Crash Response
- CMV Safety and How You Can Help
- Taming Traffic: Diverse Speed Management Strategies for Safer Communities and a Case Study: Dodge City's SS4A Speed Assessment
- Institutionalizing the Safe System Approach
- Regional Breakout Sessions

Continuing education credits: In addition to the regular continuing education credits offered for this conference, we will be offering EMS and AICP credits.

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Kansas Transportation Safety Conference Information



Kansas LTAP is excited to partner with KDOT in launching a new webinar series focusing on the Drive to Zero initiative. This special edition of The Roundabout will serve as the launch for the new series. Join us on February 13, 2026, at 11 a.m. for our next Roundabout Webinar, where we invite Nicole Waldheim to discuss the Safe System Approach. The Safe System Approach (SSA) is widely recognized for its potential to reduce roadway fatalities and serious injuries, but U.S. transportation agencies have not fully institutionalized its principles within planning and programming. A recently developed toolkit features actionable strategies and real-world examples to help agencies build readiness and integrate SSA across all aspects of their work programs. This webinar will share information on a handful of the tools relevant in Kansas. This webinar is being presented by Kansas LTAP in partnership with the statewide [Drive To Zero](#) Coalition.

This webinar series is designed to provide practical, actionable insights for local transportation and transit professionals who play a critical role in roadway

safety. For LTAP and RTAP audiences, the Drive to Zero focus offers tools and strategies that can be applied at the local level—supporting safer road design, operations, and transit planning in both rural and urban communities. By highlighting real-world examples and Kansas-relevant resources, the series helps agencies align daily practices with statewide and national safety goals.

About the Speaker:

Nicole Waldheim is a Principal with Fehr & Peers and a nationally recognized multimodal safety expert. With other 20 years of experience in transportation planning and policy, Nicole has spent over a decade specializing in safety planning. Throughout her career, Nicole has focused on leading safety planning efforts, including Strategic Highway Safety Plans (SHSPs), regional and local safety plans, and Vision Zero efforts, and has worked on nearly 50 safety plans from across the country. She was one of the authors of the toolkit we will be discussing on this webinar.

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2026 Kansas Move with MADD & 5K



The 2025 Move With MADD & 5k is Mothers Against Drunk Driving (MADD) signature fundraising event to help raise awareness and funds to end impaired driving for good. We hope you will join the movement to ensure safer roads in our community.

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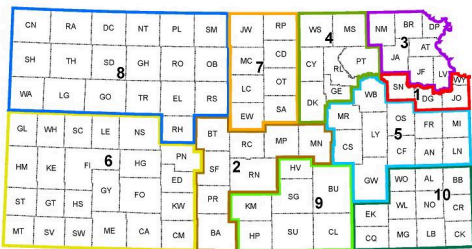


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2026 Kansas Traffic Crash Deaths

18



21.74%



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Compared to 1/1/25 - 1/27/25
Preliminary data as of 1/27/26

These are preliminary numbers which can change based on trauma and investigation outcomes.

[List of Drivers Education Schools in Kansas](#)

[National Safety Council Online Defensive Driving Courses](#)

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