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Crashes, Traffic Still Deadly for First Responders

Fire apparatus crashes are historically the second leading cause of line-of-duty-deaths of firefighters, according to National Highway Traffic Safety Administration and U.S. Fire Administration (USFA) data. Not only does historical data from 2000-2009 show over 3,000 apparatus crashes per year, but [preliminary data from the National Fire Protection Association](#) report the largest share of firefighter fatalities in 2016 occurred while firefighters were responding to or returning from alarms.

A recent FireRescue1.com article discusses [the top three crash causes and how safe, professional drivers can minimize their role in crashes](#) by expecting other drivers to do “everything except the right thing” and to always visually confirm all vehicles in an intersection have stopped before proceeding through.

USFA takes a strong position on emergency vehicle safety, years ago recognizing a problem and working to define and address it through research and joint efforts with other fire service industry organizations. A repository of studies, reports and educational programs geared toward saving firefighter lives is available through the [USFA website](#).

Finally, [Emergency Responder Safety Institute](#) and the [Responder Safety Learning Network](#) both work to reduce death and injury to first responders exposed to hazards on highways and roads. They offer resources, public service announcements and an extensive array of free training.

(Source: Various)

HSIN Access for Campus Public Safety/Police

The Department of Homeland Security (DHS) is committed to sharing timely, relevant and accurate information with its campus safety and law enforcement partners. Recently, members of the campus safety and law enforcement community raised questions about access to intelligence and analytic products, noting that these items are essential for maintaining situational awareness and safety.

To meet these needs, the Office of Partnership and Engagement/Office for State and Local Law Enforcement (OPE/OSLLE) is facilitating requests for [Homeland Security Information Network](#) (HSIN) membership for campus safety/police departments.

HSIN is DHS’s primary mechanism for sharing sensitive but unclassified information and will often be the sole vehicle for campus police departments to access DHS intel-

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ligence products. Information posted to HSIN originates from stakeholders responsible for many aspects of homeland security operations. Federal, state, local, territorial, tribal, international and private sector homeland security partners use HSIN to manage operations, analyze data, send alerts and notices, and share the information they need to do their jobs. In addition, authorized users may post their own publications (e.g., alerts, fact sheets, BOLOs, threat assessments).

Campus safety and police officers are strongly encouraged to apply for HSIN access. To learn more about HSIN and requesting access, view [OSLLE's message](#) to campus safety and law enforcement partners. Please [contact David Hampton](#), OSLLE, with any questions.

(Source: [DHS OSLLE](#))

Community Planning Assistance for Wildfire

The Community Planning Assistance for Wildfire (CPAW) works with communities to reduce wildfire risk in the wildland-urban interface through improved land use planning. They have assisted 18 communities since 2015 and are now accepting applications from eligible communities for 2018. Applications will be accepted until 5 p.m. Mountain Time on Friday, September 29, 2017.

Communities in the CPAW program receive customized planning recommendations and tools, site visits and support from CPAW teams, and training and networking opportunities. Local governments retain sole authority for implementation of any land use planning recommendations provided through CPAW.

CPAW selects communities based on a competitive process and only applications demonstrating support from *both* the community's planning and fire departments will be considered. Any community in the United States can apply; eligible jurisdictions include towns, cities or counties having authority over local land use and zoning decisions. Unincorporated communities require county application.

Selected communities are not responsible for any direct costs associated with CPAW services provided, but staff time to participate is required. All advice and assistance given to the community will be limited to services intended to reduce risk from wildfires. For more information, see the [CPAW website](#).

(Source: [CPAW](#))

Mental Health, Spiritual Care in Emergencies

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) and National Voluntary Organizations Active in Disaster (National VOAD) announced a special webinar on mental health and spiritual care aspects of emergency response.

The CDC will cover stress, stigma, isolation, effective communication to address mental health concerns, and populations likely to be adversely affected by specific emergencies. National VOAD will cover application of mental health practices in faith-based settings, often the main source of emotional care for people affected by emergencies.

[Join the webinar Tuesday, August 29, 2017 at 1 p.m. Eastern](#) with digital audio, video, and presentation formats. You may also join through iPad, iPhone, or an Android device, (app download required). If you cannot join through digital means, you may join by phone: 1 408 638 0968 (US Toll) or 1 646 558 8656 (US Toll). [International numbers are also available](#). Webinar ID: 191 450 968.

(Source: [CDC](#))

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