

## Dane County Traffic Safety Commission Fatality Review

**Date:** January 14th, 2026

**Time:** 10:00-12:00

**Location:** Dane County-UW Extension 5201 Fen Oak Dr, Madison

**Recorder:** Rishelle Eithun, Tom Duval

**Next Meeting Information**

**Date:** April 15<sup>th</sup>, 2026

**Time:** 10:00-12:00

**Location:** Dane County-UW Extension  
5201 Fen Oak Dr Madison

**ATTENDANCE**

**26 Agencies represented (36 individuals participating)**

Quorum (10 out of 10)

Organization	Participant
AAA	Joann Solberg
AARP	Wayne Wiese
CESA 2	Christine Bergan (Q)
Cottage Grove PD	Jessica Frutiger
Cross Plains PD	Matt Hudson
Dane Co Highway	Charlene Schmid (Q)
Dane County Circuit Court	Jason Hanson (Q)
DCSO	Jason Russell (Q)
Fitchburg PD	Nick Clemens, Logan Brown
Greater Madison MPO	Bill Holloway, Prasad Packirisamy
Madison PD	Dave Meinert
Marshall PD	John Nault
Monona PD	Adam Nachreiner
Mount Horeb PD	Doug Vierck, Sam Koeller
Safe Communities	Tom Duval, Steve Sparks, Stephanie Moreno
St. Marys	Tracie Halversen
Stoughton PD	Chad O'Neil (Q)
Sun Prairie Police	Jason Lefeber
UW Extension	Claire Mance
UW Health Kids	Rishelle Eithun (Q)
Waunakee PD	Matt Plendl (Q)
Wis DOT	Chris Wells (Q), Nicole Duenbing
WisDOT, BOTS	Randy Wiessinger (Q), Dave Gress, David Dahms, Jan Grebel
WisDOT, WSP	Courtney Mueller (Q), Zak McArdle
WI Bike Federation	Shawn Koval
Wis State Lab of Hygiene	Kayla Neuman
Guest Organization	Participant

**MEETING GOAL:**

Review traffic safety deaths from October-December 2025

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**MEETING AGENDA SUMMARY**

Start Time	Topic	Lead(s)	Outcome	Process
10:00 am	<b>Call to Order</b>	Jason Russell		
	<b>Introductions &amp; Agenda</b>	Jason Russell	Approval of Agenda <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Matt Plendl 1<sup>st</sup> and Christine Bergan 2<sup>nd</sup></li> </ul>	Quorum met; 10 out of ten members.
	<b>Approval of Minutes</b>	Jason Russell	Approval of Minutes <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Rishelle Eithun 1<sup>st</sup> and Matt Plendl 2<sup>nd</sup></li> </ul>	Review minutes from last meeting
	<b>Public Comment</b>	Jason Russell	None	
10:15 – 10:45 am	<b>Updates/Old Business</b>	Chad O’Neil/Matt Plendl Charlene Schmid Randy Wiessinger	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• LE Subgroup update</li> <li>• Dane County Highway</li> <li>• BOTS Updates</li> </ul>	
11:00 – 11:30 pm	<b>Traffic Crash Review-Closed Session</b>	Randy Wiessinger	Crashes October to December 2025 (Presented by LE agency responsible for crash investigation)	Crash investigation
11:30 – 11:50	<b>Recommendations /Themes</b>	Tom Duval	Issues and Trends	Group Discussion
11:50 – 12:00 pm	<b>Sharing Traffic Safety Work</b>	Jason Russell	Updates from all	Roundtable
12:00 pm	<b>Adjourn</b>	Jason Russell	Rishelle Eithun 1 <sup>st</sup> and Jason Hanson 2 <sup>nd</sup>	

**MEETING NOTES**

Topic	Notes
<b>Acknowledge New Members</b>	<b>New Members</b>
<b>LE Subgroup Update</b>	<b>Recent Countywide Education and Enforcement Effort:</b> Impaired Driving Enforcement and Education

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<p><b>Dane County Hwy Projects:</b></p> <p><b>BOTS Updates:</b></p> <p><b>Crash Review:</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● <b>Traffic stops: 1545</b></li> <li>● <b>OWI arrests: 123</b></li> <li>● <b>Total Citations: 984</b></li> <li>● <b>Total warnings: 1255</b></li> </ul> <p><b>Future Countywide Education and Enforcement Effort:</b>  <b>Stop on Red Education and Enforcement</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● March 12th-21st</li> </ul> <p>MPD shared their E-bike and E-scooter ordinances.</p> <p>Working on education and outreach for the Omish communities in Dane County. This could include signs for roads.  <a href="https://highway-projects-countyofdane.hub.arcgis.com">https://highway-projects-countyofdane.hub.arcgis.com</a></p> <p><u><b>Community Maps</b></u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Crash data: See attached DOT slides</li> <li>● Virtual Office hours. Contact Randy with any questions.</li> </ul> <p><u>FATAL CRASH REVIEW</u>  <b>Old Business/Updates from Last Review:</b>  <b>Overview:</b> Bill Holloway (<i>Crash summary attached</i>)  October- December 2025:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● 9 Fatalities 11% decrease (compared to YTD '24 to '25)</li> <li>● 37 serious injury 9% decrease (compared to YTD '24 to '25)</li> <li>● 1,724 total crashes 4% decrease (compared to YTD '24 to '25)</li> <li>● 24% involved a lane departure</li> <li>● 30% involved impaired driver</li> <li>● 22% involved older drivers</li> <li>● 22% occurred when it was dark outside</li> <li>● 24% involved a vulnerable road user</li> </ul> <p><b>Crashes:</b>  Flags for October- December:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Impaired, speed, aggressive, occupant protection, pedestrian, lane departure, older drivers, single vehicle</li> </ul> <p><u>DISCUSSION &amp; RECOMMENDATIONS</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Occupant protection and speed common factors</li> </ul>
<p><b>Partner Updates:</b></p>	<p><b>Bike Fed:</b> School education offerings with high school, middle and elementary aged students. Students did observation and advocacy work to ask for improvements.</p>

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	<p><b>WI Alcohol Policy:</b> Age compliance check database is live. There are resources and trainings available. Additionally grants to help with law enforcement training for youth decoys.</p> <p><b>Wis BOTS:</b> Working through grant approvals, should be done in the next couple of weeks.</p> <p><b>CESA 2:</b> Round-about presentation to senior centers. Christine did an interview with La Movidia on driver education.</p> <p><b>State Lab of Hygiene:</b> Working on updating workflow to include electronic transmissions. Consider using the Badger Tracks forms, as it greatly helps with data entry.</p> <p><b>Greater Madison MPO:</b> Active transportation plan working with Tops Lab. Gathering information on non-reportable crashes</p>

**NEXT STEPS/ACTION ITEMS**

Current Task (from current meeting)	Person Responsible	Follow-up Date
Past Task (from last meeting)	Person Responsible	Follow-up Date