

NTSB MOST WANTED LIST
ROUNDTABLE SERIES
The Safe System Approach

Safe Roads, A Safe System, Safe Vehicles, Safe Road Users, Safe Speeds, Post-Crash Care

Eliminating Speeding-Related Crashes

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July 21, 2021
 1:00PM-3:00PM ET

Biographies



Jennifer Homendy
 Board Member
 National Transportation
 Safety Board

Jennifer Homendy took the oath of office as the 44th Member of the National Transportation Safety Board (NTSB) on August 20, 2018. Member Homendy is a tireless advocate for safety and brings to the Board expertise in the safety of railroads, pipelines, and hazardous materials (on all modes of transportation). From 2004 to 2018, Homendy served as the Democratic Staff Director of the Subcommittee on Railroads, Pipelines, and Hazardous Materials, which is under the jurisdiction of the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure (T&I Committee) of the U.S. House of Representatives. Homendy previously held positions with the International Brotherhood of Teamsters, the Transportation Trades Department of the AFL-CIO, and the American Iron and Steel Institute.

During her tenure as Subcommittee Staff Director, Member Homendy guided major pieces of rail, pipeline, and hazardous materials safety legislation through the legislative process, including: The Safe, Accountable, Flexible, Efficient, Transportation Equity Act: A Legacy for Users (SAFETEA-LU); the Rail Safety Improvement Act of 2008 (P.L. 110-432, Division A); the Passenger Rail Investment and Improvement Act of 2008 (P.L. 110-432, Division B); the Pipeline, Inspection, Protection, Enforcement, and Safety Act of 2006; the Pipeline Safety, Regulatory Certainty, and Job Creation Act of 2011; the Fixing America's Surface Transportation (FAST) Act of 2015; the Protecting Our Infrastructure of Pipelines Enhancing Safety (PIPES) Act of 2016; and the Norman Y. Mineta Research and Special Programs Improvement Act of 2004, which created the Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration, an agency charged with overseeing the safety of our nation's pipelines and hazardous materials transportation within the U.S. Department of Transportation. Throughout her tenure on the T&I Committee, Homendy was an unwavering defender of transportation safety and worked to implement numerous safety recommendations proposed by the NTSB, including the installation of excess flow valves in distribution pipelines and implementation of positive train control.

In 2010, she spearheaded the T&I Committee's extensive oversight investigations of the Enbridge pipeline rupture in Marshall, Michigan, and PHMSA, which led to major safety improvements in pipeline and hazardous materials safety. In 2017 and 2018, she led a multimodal review of DOT's drug and alcohol testing program that identified significant safety gaps in the program.



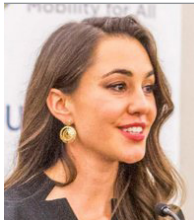
Kenny Bragg
 Senior Accident Investigator
 National Transportation Safety
 Board

Mr. Kenneth Bragg is a senior accident investigator (human performance) in the Office of Highway Safety at the NTSB. Before joining the NTSB in 2013, he served as a traffic homicide investigator with the Prince George's County Police Department in Maryland for 14 years. Mr. Bragg has also served as the Command Officer of the Traffic Enforcement Unit for the Seat Pleasant Police Department. Mr. Bragg is a court-recognized expert in accident reconstruction and has served as a commercial motor vehicle inspector, specializing in motorcoaches and the transportation of hazardous materials.



Amy Cohen
 Co-founder
 Families for Safe Streets

After her 12-year-old son Sammy was killed in 2013, Amy Cohen joined with others and helped found Families for Safe Streets (FSS). FSS confronts traffic violence by advocating for life-saving changes and providing support to those personally affected by crashes in our communities. All of its members have been injured or lost loved ones in this preventable epidemic. This burgeoning national movement started in NYC where the founding chapter had numerous legislative successes including lowering the speed limit, getting the nation's largest speed safety camera program, passing legislation implementing a master plan redesigning streets, and more. These victories prompted others across the country to also start chapters in their community – elevating the demands for local, statewide, and national legislative and policy changes.



Natalie Draisin
Director
North American Office and United Nations Representative, FIA Foundation

Natalie Draisin is the Director of the North American Office and the United Nations Representative for the FIA Foundation. Draisin leads the FIA Foundation’s activities across the Americas and advances evidence-based solutions around the world with a focus on ensuring safe and sustainable mobility. Leading road safety efforts at the United Nations, Draisin advocated for the inclusion of road safety in the Sustainable Development Goals. With the US Congress, Draisin helped the World Bank improve the safety of their roads. Draisin founded Vision Zero for Youth with the National Center for Safe Routes to School, authored UNICEF guidance about preventing COVID-19 and road traffic injuries on the journey to school and enabled the creation of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention’s Traffic Conflict Technique Toolkit.



Wen Hu, PhD
Senior Research Transportation Engineer
Insurance Institute for Highway Safety

Wen Hu is senior research transportation engineer at the Insurance Institute for Highway Safety.

Dr. Hu joined the Institute in 2010. She has authored numerous research papers on such topics as automated enforcement, roundabouts, speed limits, speeding and roadside safety. Dr. Hu received a doctorate in civil engineering from the Pennsylvania State University.



Russ Martin
Senior Director of Policy and Government Relations
Governors Highway Safety Association

Russ Martin is Senior Director of Policy and Government Relations for the Governors Highway Safety Association (GHSA). Martin represents the State Highway Safety Offices before federal agencies and Congress to assist states as they work to address highway safety issues and improve the delivery of federal and state safety programs. Martin also works closely with partner organizations to improve road safety and promote GHSA objectives.

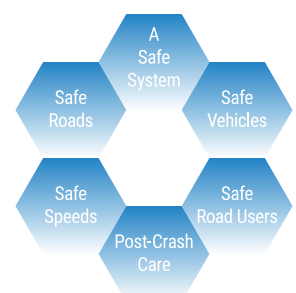
Martin is a national expert on behavioral traffic safety issues and directs GHSA’s engagement on emerging vehicle technology. He has managed research projects for GHSA on drugged driving, speeding and automated vehicles. Martin has also spoken in national and local forums and has served as a spokesperson on a variety of traffic safety issues, including distracted driving, pedestrian and bicycle safety, motorcycle safety and first responder safety.

Prior to joining GHSA in 2017, Martin was Manager of State Relations at AAA, where he spent over eight years supporting AAA’s network of motor clubs to advocate on behalf of AAA members on traffic safety, vehicle technology and motorists’ rights. At AAA, Martin managed a number of special projects, including the “AAA Digest of Motor Laws,” research on older-driver safety and the future of transportation.



Ken McLeod
Policy Director
The League of American Bicyclists

Ken leads the Bicycle Friendly State program and data.bikeleague.org, provides technical assistance to advocates working on state and local initiatives, and manages policy initiatives to improve bicyclist safety through vehicle technology and other traffic safety advances. Ken joined the League in 2012 after graduating from William & Mary School of Law and he is a licensed attorney in the state of Virginia. He has a bachelor’s degree from Pomona College in Claremont, CA.



**Jenny O'Connell**

Senior Program Manager
 National Association of City
 Transportation Officials

Jenny O'Connell is a Senior Program Manager at the National Association of City Transportation Officials (NACTO). NACTO is an association of 91 city transportation and transit agencies committed to building cities as places for people, with safe, sustainable, accessible, and equitable transportation choices. At NACTO, Jenny manages the organization's safety and Vision Zero work.

**Seleta Reynolds**

General Manager
 Los Angeles Department of
 Transportation

Seleta Reynolds is General Manager of the Los Angeles Department of Transportation (LADOT), the second largest municipal transportation agency in the country. Reynolds is responsible for 1,300 employees and 52 different business lines – from parking meters to traffic signals to buses. Reynolds was appointed by Los Angeles Mayor Eric Garcetti in 2014 to implement the Mayor's vision of safe and sustainable transportation choices for all. Under Reynolds' leadership, LADOT has installed hundreds of data-driven safety improvements in high needs locations, launched the largest scooter program in the world, launched the largest electric vehicle car-share program in the country, and created a first-of-its-kind digital platform to manage for-profit mobility companies.

Reynolds has over 20 years of transportation experience in both the public and private sectors. She served as president of the National Association of City Transportation Officials (NACTO) for four years, which represents cities and transportation agencies in the U.S., Canada and Mexico. She is the Board Chair and founding member of the Open Mobility Foundation (OMF), a public-private forum created to tackle technical issues surrounding emerging mobility technology. In 2019, she also joined the board of the Intelligent Transportation Society of America (ITSA).

