Act to End Deadly Distractions

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9:00AM-12:30PM • University of Missouri • Columbia, MO Stotler Lounge • 1st Floor of Memorial Union



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Highway crashes are a leading cause of death and injury nationwide, with nearly 10% of traffic fatalities due to distracted driving.

In Missouri, in 2018, approximately 13.7% (or 21,058) of total reportable motor vehicle crashes involved distracted driving (driver distraction-inattention or cell phone use). According to MoDOT in 2018, there were 79 fatalities, 19,239 total crashes, 564 serious and 7,345 total injuries involving a distracted drivers. Distracted driving crashes are completely preventable!

Distraction is a growing and life-threatening problem not only involving drivers, but pedestrians and bicyclists as well. Currently, 48 states, the District of Columbia, Puerto Rico, Guam, and the US Virgin Islands ban driver use of cell phones for texting. That leaves just two states, Missouri and Montana to address the issue.

More solutions must be considered to reduce crashes, injuries and fatalities caused by distractions, including education, legislation, and enforcement.

Eliminate Distractions is on the NTSB 2019–2020 Most Wanted List of Transportation Safety Improvements. Join the NTSB along with state and federal government officials, victim's families, and other safety advocates to discuss strategies to prevent distracted driving.



This event will be webcast LIVE.

A link to the livestream will be available a few days prior to the event.

FOR MORE INFORMATION AND TO RSVP, VISIT

https://www.ntsb.gov/news/events/Pages/2019-MWL-distraction-RT.aspx

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