

2026 Transportation Safety Council Action Plan

Chair: Priyanka Alluri, PhD, PE, RSP_{21B}

Vice Chair: Diwu Zhou

Overview

SAFETY Council

- **Guiding Principle:**

To exercise leadership and work to transform our professional and organizational cultures by prioritizing safety as a societal value.

- **Goals:**

1. Advance the state-of-the-practice and body of knowledge in the field of roadway safety to contribute to an overarching goal of eliminating traffic-related fatalities and serious injuries following the Safe System approach.
2. Collaborate and communicate internally within ITE and with external organizations who share common goals that focus on improving transportation safety throughout society.
3. Support innovation and promote meaningful dialogue to timely safety issues.
4. Be the focal point for advances in transportation safety best practices, innovation, deployment of new products, and professional development in the Institute.
5. Create and provide opportunities for TSC members to enhance their professional careers through participation in the Institute or Council technical projects, communications, and activities.

- **Website:** Safety Council - Institute of Transportation Engineers

- **Committees**

- Data Driven Safety Analysis (DDSA)
- Transportation Forensics and Risk Management (TFARM)
- Vision Zero (VZ)



The ITE Transportation Safety Council (TSC) assumes a leadership role, provides meaningful coordination, and helps advance technical activities throughout the Institute within the broad field of surface transportation safety. The TSC Executive Committee includes three standing committees: Vision Zero (VZ), Transportation Forensics and Risk Management (TFARM), and Data-Driven Safety Analysis (DDSA). These committees represent critical focus areas and opportunities for improved organization and collaboration, have contributed to the development of this plan, and have identified action items and deliverables for 2026.

Committee Overview

- **Data Driven Safety Analysis (DDSA) Committee:** DDSA is about employing newer, evidence-based approaches and models that provide highway safety professionals with the methodologies and tools to quantify the safety effects of countermeasures.
- **Transportation Forensics And Risk Management Committee:** TFARM formerly existed as the Expert Witness Council. Many of the members actively work as expert witnesses in litigation, mostly involving traffic collisions. Some members are interested in doing this work in the future and/or understanding the tort liability system and how it can affect their agency, company, or personal work and exposure.
- **Vision Zero Committee:** The Vision Zero (VZ) Standing Committee is associated with the ITE Transportation Safety Council (TSC). The Committee serves in a leadership capacity while providing support and guidance in developing coordination and advancing technical activities throughout the Institute to accelerate plans, programs, and projects to eliminate traffic-related human deaths and serious injuries.

Leadership

Executive Leadership

Position	Name	Term Start	Term End	Email
Chair	Priyanka Alluri	1/1/2024	12/31/2026	palluri@fiu.edu
Vice Chair	Diwu Zhou	1/1/2024	12/31/2026	D.Zhou@fehrandpeers.com
Secretary	Sam Harris	1/1/2024	12/31/2026	SHarris@dot.ga.gov
Webinar Program Coordinator	Virginia O'Connor	1/1/2026		Virginia.OConnor@toxcel.com
Social Media Lead	Diwu Zhou	n/a		D.Zhou@fehrandpeers.com
Quick Bites Coordinator	Shauna Hallmark	n/a		shallmar@iastate.edu
Data Driven Safety Analysis (DDSA) Committee Chair	Ossama Ramadan	1/1/2026	12/31/2028	ossama.ramadan@wsp.com
Transportation Forensics And Risk Management (TFARM) Committee Chair	James A. Robertson	1/1/2024	12/31/2026	jrobertson@lee-eng.com
Vision Zero (VZ) Committee Chair	Eric Tang	1/1/2026	12/31/2028	ETang@VHB.com
IBOD Liaison	Becky Rogers and Danielle Deneau	n/a		becky.rogers@neel-schaffer.com ddeneau@rcoc.org
ITE Staff Liaison	Luana Broshears	n/a		lbroshears@ite.org

Committee Leadership

Committee: DDSA

Position	Name	Term Start	Term End	Email
Chair	<i>Ossama Ramadan</i>	1/1/2026	12/31/2028	ossama.ramadan@wsp.com
Vice Chair	<i>Ron Knezevich</i>	1/1/2026	12/31/2028	RKnezevich@dot.ga.gov
<i>Secretary</i>	<i>Armando Rodriguez</i>	3/1/2026	12/31/2028	armando-rod@outlook.com

Committee: Transportation Forensics and Risk Management Standing Committee

Position	Name	Term Start	Term End	Email
Chair	James A. Robertson, PhD, PE, PTOE, RSP ₂ IB	1/1/2024	12/31/2026	jrobertson@lee-eng.com
Vice Chair	Troy Rother, PE, PTOE	1/1/2025	12/31/2027	trother@kittelso.com
Secretary	Valerie L. Kaiser, PE, PTOE	1/1/2024	12/31/2026	kaiser.valerie@gmail.com
Project Champion: Expert Witness Notebook Update	Dalene J. Whitlock, PE, PTOE			dwhitlock@w-trans.com

Committee Leadership

Committee: Vision Zero

Position	Name	Term Start	Term End	Email
Chair	Eric Tang	1/1/2026	12/31/2028	ETang@VHB.com
Vice Chair	Enamul Karim Fayek	1/1/2026	12/31/2028	ekfayek.buet@gmail.com
Secretary	VACANT			

Activities

Continuation Activities – Council Level

Project Tracking Number	Title	Project Type	Description	Status	Publication Date: Updated	Project Champion
2024-Safety-13	Kinetic Energy Measurement	Technical Brief		Review Stage	Summer 2026	Diwu
2025-Safety-7	Safety 4.0 Applied Safety Data Applications	ITE Journal Article	Emerging data sources and case studies	In preparation	October 2026 Issue of ITE Journal	Anuj Sharma, Steve Lavrenz
2025-SAP-2	Implementing the Safe System Approach for Public Agencies	Recommended Practice	(Safety Roadmap and Action Plan Action TR-5)	Proposal in preparation	Early 2027	Luana Broshears

Continuation Activities – Committee DDSA

Project Tracking Number	Title	Project Type	Status	Project Champion
1	DDSA and Big Data	Quick Bite	Ready for ITE review.	Mohammad Jalayer
2	Wrong Way Driving	Quick Bite	Ready for ITE review.	Mohammad Jalayer
3	Getting Started Using Conflict Analysis for Pedestrian Safety	Quick Bite	Under Review by Committee	Ron Knezevich
5	Best Practices for DDSA Grant Applications	Webinar	Planned for completion by Q3 2026	Mohamad Banihashemi
6	iRAP, USRAP, and DDSA	Tech. Brief	Under review by ITE.	Subasish Das
7	Relations between different safety analysis tools			Subasish Das
8	DDSA and Safe Systems Approach			Seyedehsan Dadvar
9	Equity in Roadway Safety	Quick Bite	Scheduled for archival and later release	Christy Jeon
10	Automatic Collision Diagram	Quick Bite	Under Review by Committee	Ron Knezevich
11	Quantitative Analysis to Compare two way and traditional bike lanes	Quick bite	First draft complete. Finalizing for committee review	Chris Rome
12	Safety and Operational analysis of One-Way Pair Approaches	Quick Bite	In progress	Karla Rodrigues-Silva
13	Video Analytics for Critical Conflicts/Near-Miss Events	Tech. Brief	Addressing committee review	Mike Griffith
14	ITE Near-Miss Analysis Resources	Resources	Separate update was provided.	Ron Knezevich and Mohamad Banihashemi
15	ITE DDSA Handbook	Handbook	Separate update was provided.	Mohamad Banihashemi and Wendy Krehbiel
16	Abstracts submitted for the 2026 Annual Meeting	Abstracts	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Minsoo & Mohamad: ABSTRACT Submitted Mike, Ron, and Mohamad: Session at the Annual Meeting Effective Strategies for Reducing School Crashes: Ron Knezevich 	NA

Continuation Activities – Committee TFARM

Project Tracking Number	Title	Project Type	Description	Status	Publication Date: Updated	Project Champion
2024-Safety-10	Expert Witness Information Notebook Update	Informational Report	The Notebook is a collection of articles written by current and former members of TFARM. This effort is to provide updates to outdated content within the articles contained within the Notebook.	Active	Annual Small Updates	Dalene J. Whitlock

New Activities – Council Level

Title	Project Type	Description	Publication Date: Proposed	Project Champion
Safer land-use webinar series	Webinar Series	1. Introduction to Safer Land-Use as an SSA Element; 2. Access Management; 3. Land-Use Planning & Zoning Fundamentals; 4. Transportation Planning for Long-Term Safer Land-Use; 5. Resources & Current Practices: Integrating Safety & Land-Use; 6. Safer Land-Use in Complete Streets; 7. Safer Land-Use in TSMO; 8. Land-Use in Education	2026-2027	Virginia O'Connor
Speed Management Web Resource	Web Resource	Add a database to ITE's Speed Management for Safety page that documents Speed Management Action Plans (SMAPs) in use around the US. This can also be tied to the case study database map. (Note: this will be similar to the safety campaign database)	2026-2027	Virginia O'Connor
Safety Culture	Quick Bite	Description pending	Fall 2026	Bryan Katz and Bryce Hallmark
Micromobility Safety	Quick Bite	Description pending	Fall 2026	Siddharth Shah
Rural Road safety	Quick Bite	Description pending	Summer 2026	Tim Barnett, Shauna Hallmark, and Pedram Izadpanah
Rural Road safety	Technical Brief	Description pending	Early 2027	Tim Barnett, Shauna Hallmark, and Pedram Izadpanah

New Activities – DDSA Committee

Title	Project Type	Description	Publication Date: Proposed	Project Champion
Automatic Collision Diagram	Technical Brief	An expansion on the existing quick bite	Q4 2026	Ron Knezevich
Synthesis of AI in Safety analysis	Technical Brief	A literature review	Q1 2027	Shen Dong
WZ Safety Analysis	Quick Bite	AI strategies in work zones	Q1 2027	Shen Dong

New Activities – Committee TFARM

Title	Project Type	Description	Publication Date: Proposed	Project Champion
NONE				

New Activities – Committee VZ

Title	Project Type	Description	Publication Date: Proposed	Project Champion
Post Crash Care and the Safe System Approach	Quick Bite	Highlight the emerging opportunities in Post-Crash Care and how they effectively address the Safe System Approach	Late-2026	Eric
Safety-oriented activities at the District and Section Levels	ITE Journal	Feature committees and workgroups at the District and Section level that are focused on safety	Early 2027	Enamul
Partnerships	Quick Bite	Feature partnerships that have helped to advance Vision Zero	Early 2027	TBD
Succession Planning	Committee Administration	Focus on succession planning	Late-2026	Eric

Webinars Ideas

Number of Webinars Planned: 4+8 (as part of webinar series)

#	Title/Topic	Short Description	Requested Date	Webinar Lead Contact	Council Level or Committee Name
1	Emerging Opportunities and Partnerships in Post Crash Care	This webinar to focus on emerging opportunities to enhance post-crash care activities as part of the Safe System approach	TBD	Eric	VZ
2	Building Effective Interdisciplinary Tactical Relationships with Enforcement, Emergency Services, Health, and Providers of Transportation Services	This webinar to focus on collaborative efforts in cities to develop and implement a Vision Zero plan by building partnerships, stakeholder engagement, and setting and monitoring performance measures	TBD	Eric	VZ
3	Reckless Driving	This webinar focuses on studies related to aggressive and reckless driving	TBD	Eric	VZ
4	Speed Management Action Plans: State-of-the-practice	This webinar will include short presentations from agencies with Speed Management Action Plans (SMAPs) from around the U.S., ending in an introduction to the web resource, our council product.	Fall 2026	Virginia O'Connor	Safety Council
5	Safer land-use webinar series	A total of 8 sessions. This will be our council-led product.	2026-2027	Virginia O'Connor	Safety Council
6	Safety and land use planning (could be a part of the safer land-use webinar series)		TBD	Phillip Bobitz and Stephen Ratke	Safety Council

Meetings

Council Meetings for 2026 - Leadership

Leadership/Executive Meetings			
Specific Meeting Date	Meeting Platform (Virtual/In-Person)	Owner (Who will own the calendar invite?)	Meeting Purpose
Recurring: 2 nd Wednesday of the Month from 3 – 3:30 PM ET	Virtual	Vice Chair	Council Administration

Council Meetings for 2026 - Membership

Membership Meetings			
Specific Meeting Date	Meeting Platform (Virtual/In-Person/Hybrid)	Owner (Who will own the calendar invite?)	Meeting Purpose or Other Notes (Business Meeting/Showcase, etc.)
April 15, 2026 3:00 – 4:30 PM ET	Virtual	ITE https://uso6web.zoom.us/meeting/register/-ZIHOOngTGu5A2LYoXM4Dg	Spring Virtual Meeting – Update on the Council Action Plan
July 19–22, 2026	In-person/Hybrid	ITE	Showcase Council Products
Oct 21, 2026 3:00 – 4:30 PM ET	Virtual	ITE https://uso6web.zoom.us/meeting/register/E6JiuFfjRMCQLE8S1gKMow	Fall Virtual Meeting – Student Spotlight
Jan 10-14, 2027	In-person/Hybrid	ITE	Council Action Plan for 2027

Committee DDSA Meetings for 2026

Specific Meeting Date	Meeting Platform (Virtual/In Person)	Meeting Attendees (Executive/Entire Membership)	Meeting Purpose or Other Notes (Business Meeting/Showcase, etc.)
April 9, 2026 11:00 AM – 12:00 PM	Virtual	Entire Membership	Q2 Meeting
July 9, 2026 11:00 AM – 12:00 PM	Hybrid	Entire Membership	Q3 Meeting
October 8, 2026 11:00 AM – 12:00 PM	Virtual	Entire Membership	Q 4 Meeting
Monthly every 3 rd Thursday 12:00 PM -1:00 PM	Virtual	TR-9 Task Force	TR-9 Task Force
Monthly every 3 rd Thursday 1:00 PM – 2:00 PM	Virtual	TR-2 Task Force	TR-2 Task Force
Third Wednesday every other month 10:00 AM -11:00 AM	Virtual	Tools and Application Subcommittee	Tools and Application Subcommittee Meeting

Committee TFARM Meetings for 2026

Specific Meeting Date	Meeting Platform (Virtual/In Person)	Meeting Attendees (Executive/Entire Membership)	Meeting Purpose or Other Notes (Business Meeting/Showcase, etc.)
February 12, 2026	Virtual Only	Entire Membership	Quarterly Meeting to discuss progress on the Informational Report
May 14, 2026	Virtual Only	Entire Membership	Quarterly Meeting to discuss progress on the Informational Report
August 13, 2026	Virtual Only	Entire Membership	Quarterly Meeting to discuss progress on the Informational Report
November 12, 2026	Virtual Only	Entire Membership	Quarterly Meeting to discuss progress on the Informational Report

Committee VZ Meetings for 2026

Specific Meeting Date	Meeting Platform (Virtual/In Person)	Meeting Attendees (Executive/Entire Membership)	Meeting Purpose or Other Notes (Business Meeting/Showcase, etc.)
April 8, 2026	Zoom	Membership	Quarterly membership meeting to discuss Ongoing Activities
July 8, 2026	Zoom	Membership	Pre-Annual Meeting progress discussion
October 14, 2026	Zoom	Membership	Quarterly membership meeting to discuss Ongoing Activities
Jan 10-14, 2027	In Person/Hybrid	Membership	Meeting focusing on the VZ Committee Annual Action Plan