

# APPENDIX B

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## **Safety Support Groups: Recordkeeping, Education, Research**

**The Traffic Records Coordinating Committee**, or TRCC, works to increase the amount of electronic reporting by law enforcement. Electronic records are both timelier and more comprehensive than paper records. The TRCC and Kansas Highway Patrol developed the Kansas Law Enforcement Reporting tool. One of the tool's uses is the electronic reporting of crashes. More than 60 law enforcement agencies use it to submit crash reports to KDOT. The agencies can view and amend these reports, lessening the amount of paperwork they maintain internally. The next TRCC project involves collection of electronic citation data, including DUI arrest and adjudication information.

**The Kansas Local Technical Assistance Program**, or LTAP, at the University of Kansas provides safety training and information to local transportation agencies. LTAP is part of a national program that provides services to improve the safety and operating efficiency of local roads and bridges. Roadway and worker safety are emphasized. Road construction and maintenance workers, public works personnel and local elected officials are the primary audiences. LTAP provides training for about 500 persons a year; houses a lending library of training videos; publishes a quarterly newsletter that's mailed to about 3,500 LTAP customers and stakeholders; and maintains a website. LTAP courses focus on roadway safety assessment, traffic-impact studies, low-cost safety improvements and safety effects of geometric design features on two-lane rural roads. LTAP partners with the Kansas County Highway Association and the Kansas Chapter of the American Public Works Association on safety training activities through the Kansas Road Scholar certificate program and other safety-related efforts.

**The AAA Foundation for Traffic Safety** provides research and educational resources to support strategic highway safety planning. In addition to research on teen driving, distracted driving, senior mobility, child passenger safety and licensing issues related to crashes, the foundation has studied the problem of criticism by drivers of others' behavior (such as aggressive or distracted driving) that they fail to recognize in themselves. The AAA foundation reported the results in its [Traffic Safety Culture Index](#). The AAA also works to identify roadways that are crash-prone and funds improvements to them.