

# WHAT IS TIM?



Traffic Incident Management (TIM) is a planned approach to detect, respond to, and safely and quickly clear traffic incidents. TIM reinforces how safe, quick clearance, reliable interoperable communication, safe vehicle positioning, unified command, and scene safety are key to **bringing responders home after every call.**



## IT TAKES EVERYONE

- Emergency communications
- Emergency management
- Emergency medical/rescue personnel
- Fire (paid and volunteer)
- Law enforcement (city, county, state)
- Roadway owners (city, county, state)
- Towing
- Other special interests

## WHY DO WE PRACTICE TIM?

Agencies across the country often embrace TIM for two reasons:

1. Traffic in their area seems to become unmanageable and delays are significant.
2. There is a tragedy where loss of life or serious injury prompts agencies to find a safer solution.

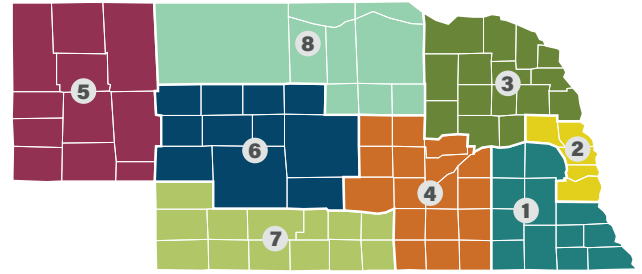
Participation in the program through regular training and attendance at TIM meetings aids in the prevention of tragedies.

For every minute that the primary incident remains a hazard, a secondary crash is 2.8% more likely to occur (FHWA). Faster response and clearance times have been shown to increase the likelihood of crash survival. The program bridges gaps between disciplines, allowing for improved communication, collaboration, and coordination.



# NEBRASKA TIM PROGRAM OVERVIEW

The Nebraska TIM program aims to build relationships and provide stakeholders with the most up-to-date standards and best practices. Active participation in the TIM program helps responders apply TIM practices more efficiently at incident scenes. Nebraska TIM fosters statewide relationships and unifies a safety culture to improve safety, meaningfully reduce secondary crashes, and decrease clearance times.



Nebraska TIM Districts

## HOW CAN YOU PARTICIPATE IN THE PROGRAM?

### NATIONAL TIM TRAINING

The National TIM Responder Training Program is a coordinated, multi-disciplinary class designed for all emergency responders and those supporting TIM operations. The **free 4-hour training** is delivered through an interactive seminar that includes case study analysis, tabletop role-play and scenario, and field practicum. You will learn the correct deployment of response vehicles and equipment, how to create a safe work area using traffic control devices, and techniques to speed up incident clearance with an emphasis on reducing the number of secondary crashes and struck-by incidents.

#### What are the benefits?

- **Resources:** access to the most up-to-date, multi-agency standards and best practices
- **Relationships:** multi-disciplinary training builds relationships between agencies
- **Proven strategies for safe, quick clearance:** less exposure on incidents reduces injuries and fatalities

#### Free Gear



**Did you know?** Drivers are less likely to drive around an “Emergency Scene Ahead” sign than a “Road Construction Ahead” sign.



Public agencies are eligible to receive free gear, like an “Emergency Scene Ahead” sign, once at least 60% of your agency is TIM trained!



Gear package options include:

- 2 signs, 5 cones and 6 vests
- 1 sign, 15 cones and 6 vests
- 25 cones and 6 vests

### COALITION MEETINGS

The Nebraska TIM program consists of eight regional districts and multiple TIM coalitions across the state. Each TIM coalition collaborates regularly to promote change and improve safety.

#### Typical Agenda

- After-action reviews (AARs) of real-world crashes
- Construction updates
- TIM training topics
- Other initiatives & statewide updates

#### Outcomes

- Best practices
- Opportunities for improvement
- Actionable next steps
- Strong relationships to promote change and improve safety

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