AAMVA Hosts 2020 Annual Regional Membership Meetings Virtually
As part of AAMVA's ongoing efforts to keep members connected and informed, we hosted annual membership meetings for all four AAMVA regions online from July 28-31, 2020. The meetings included updates from each region's leadership team and AAMVA's President & CEO, Anne Ferro, as well as the annual election of the region's board of directors. Congratulations to our four new regional presidents: Walter "Bud" Craddock, RI (Region 1); Pam Goheen, VA (Region 2); Peter Lacy, IN (Region 3); Eric Jorgensen, AZ (Region 4). We will be hosting our annual international membership meeting on September 1, 2020 from 2:30 – 4:30 pm EDT. Tune in for an update from Whitney Brewster, Chair of the Board and Anne Ferro, as well as the annual election of the International Board of Directors. Click here to register.

Jurisdiction Response to COVID-19
Click here to view consolidated information and see how motor vehicle administrations are handling driver licensing and vehicle registration. This document will be updated with the most current information on our homepage.

Motor Vehicle Industry Response to COVID-19 Pandemic
Below are a selection of news articles regarding the effects of coronavirus on the motor vehicle community.

**COVID-19 | NATIONAL NEWS COVERAGE**
- CVSA's International Roadcheck Rescheduled for Sept. 9-11
- Canadians Are Reporting U.S. License Plates Spotted in Canada
- FMCSA Extends Emergency Relief Declaration to Sept. 14
- Trucking Fares Better Than Overall Economy, Experts Say
- Trucking Employment Continues to Increase in July

**COVID-19 | REGION 1 NEWS COVERAGE**
- Massachusetts RMV Extends Free REAL ID Upgrades
- RMV Expands Drop-Off Registration and Title Services to Seven Total Locations (Massachusetts)
- NH Vehicle Registrations Rebound After Pandemic Slowdown (New Hampshire)
- The MVC Put 20 Forms Online to Cut Down on Lines and Wait Times (New Jersey)
COVID-19 | REGION 2 NEWS COVERAGE

- Coronavirus in Florida: Simple Tasks Like Visiting DMV and Renewing Driver’s License Increasingly Difficult
- Visiting the DMV Amidst COVID-19 Pandemic (Mississippi)
- Expect Drivers License Backlogs After Coronavirus (Texas)
- Five More DMV Customer Service Centers Set to Reopen (Virginia)
- BMV Launches ‘Schedule Online: Anytime, Anywhere’ Appointment System (Virgin Islands)
- DMV Offers Updates on Procedures in Light of COVID-19 Outbreak (West Virginia)

COVID-19 | REGION 3 NEWS COVERAGE

- MPI Resumes Mobile Drivers Testing (Manitoba)
- New Executive Order Extends Driver License Renewals in North Dakota Beyond August 31

COVID-19 | REGION 4 NEWS COVERAGE

- Canadians Reportedly Damaging Cars With American Plates Over COVID-19 Fears (British Columbia)
- Quarterly Sales of New Cars in California Down Almost 50%
- DMV Closed Aug. 15, 22; Other Rev and Tax Services Adjust Access (Guam)
- Hawaii County DMV Modifies Skills Test For Driver’s Licensing
- Nevada DMV Announces Extended Weekday Hours, Will No Longer Be Open Saturdays
- Some MVD Life Hacks to Get You Through the Pandemic (New Mexico)
- Yellowknife DMV Closed Due to Flooding (Northwest Territories)
- DMV to Cancel Registration Renewal Reminder Postcards (Utah)

Visit [cdc.gov](http://cdc.gov) for more information on COVID-19, guidance, press releases, press kits, and more.

REGION 1 NEWS

Gov. Cuomo Signs Bill Requiring Seatbelts for Backseat Passengers Ages 16 and Older (New York)
A bill requiring all car passengers 16 and older to wear a seat belt was signed by Gov. Andrew Cuomo on Tuesday morning. The new law is an effort to reduce automobile accident fatalities and casualties and will take effect November 1. Previously, the law only required passengers over 16 years old to wear a seat belt in the front seat. [Read more at cnycentral.com](http://cnycentral.com).

Sheriff: Man Lost Driver's License 20 Times (New York)
Delaware County's sheriff said a man involved in a Sunday night vehicle crash had 20 license suspensions or revocations...According to the release, a state
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Department of Motor Vehicles driver's license inquiry revealed that Roof's driving privilege was revoked as a result of a prior alcohol-related offense and was also suspended for failure to answer summonses. Read more at thedailystar.com.

REGION 2 NEWS

DMV Mistake Involving Empty Chair Goes Viral (Tennessee)

A trip to the DMV is usually a tedious process, but a Tennessee woman is laughing about her most recent experience...After recently renewing her license online, she was stunned when her new ID arrived in the mail without a photo of her on it. Instead, it was an empty chair..."My boss thinks it's funnier than anyone. I was at work Friday, and he pointed to a chair outside of his office door and was like, 'I thought this was you. I waved at it this morning!' And I was like, 'Thanks,'" Dodd said. Read more at wowktv.com.

REGION 3 NEWS

’Ring Leader’ of Massive, Multi-State Car Theft Scheme Charged in Hamilton County (Ohio)

Four more people were indicted late last week in an elaborate car theft scheme that stretches up and down the east coast. Among them, according to Assistant Hamilton County Prosecuting Attorney Andy Berghausen, is the scheme’s ring leader. Read more at fox19.com.

REGION 4 NEWS

Share the Road Campaign Pushes for Vehicle Safety (Arizona)

Jennifer Canziani was riding her motorcycle north on Scottsdale Road and was nearly to Cave Creek when tragedy struck. A woman who was playing with gadgets in her boss’ car swerved near Canziani, whose husband saw it all through a rear-view mirror. “My husband was in front of me and I said, on the microphone, ‘I don’t think that girl is going to stop,’” said Canziani, a Red Mountain High School graduate who now lives in Maricopa. Read more at eastvalleytribune.com.

Arizona Department of Transportation Debuts 5 New Specialty License Plates

Drivers have more options when it comes to specialty license plates after five new ones were debuted Monday by the Arizona Department of Transportation. Arizonans can now purchase plates supporting Alzheimer’s awareness, Habitat for Humanity and the Fiesta Bowl. Read more at ktar.com.

California Judge Rules Uber, Lyft Drivers Are Employees

A judge on Aug. 10 ordered ride-hailing giants Uber and Lyft to treat their California drivers as employees instead of independent contractors, a shift that would guarantee benefits such as overtime, sick leave and expense reimbursement for workers who make up much of the freewheeling gig economy. Read more at ttnews.com.

Former Driver's License Examiner Faces 5 Years in Federal Prison (Guam)

A former employee of the Department of Revenue and Taxation admitted she conspired to commit fraud in a driver’s license scam in 2015. Linda Jean Pangelinan
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Palacios pleaded guilty to unauthorized access of a protected computer in furtherance of fraud before District Court of Guam Magistrate Judge Michael Bordallo on Tuesday. Read more at postguam.com.

Northern Nevada Law Enforcement 'Join Forces' for Pedestrian Safety Campaign

August 10 through 21 multiple northern Nevada law enforcement agencies are 'joining forces' to raise awareness about pedestrian safety...During this time, the agencies will heighten the enforcement of the state's pedestrian safety laws through the addition of extra traffic patrol deputies -- this is made possible by the Joining Forces grant received from the Nevada Department of Public Safety/Office of Traffic Safety. Read more at mynews4.com.

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One Million South Koreans Now Have Blockchain Drivers Licenses

One million South Koreans have foregone their physical drivers license in favour of a blockchain-powered digital alternative used in conjunction with the PASS smartphone app. This represents more than 3% of the entire driving population in South Korea, which sat at 32.6 million licensed drivers in 2019 according to Statista. Read more at cointelegraph.com.

The Life-Saving Car Technology No One Wants

Early in the morning of August 10, 2019, a man in a Dodge Charger drove along Miami's MacArthur Causeway. Encountering traffic, he swerved onto the shoulder and accelerated to 100 miles per hour — more than double the speed limit. That's when he slammed into a man riding his bicycle. The force of the impact was so powerful that the rider was decapitated. The driver had been inebriated at the time of the crash, according to police who spent five months investigating the hit-and-run. Read more at bloomberg.com.

Fake Driver's Licenses Flooding Into US From China, Other Countries, US Says

Counterfeit documents are giving criminals a license to commit a host of offenses, including terrorism, U.S. officials say -- and young adults who are lax with their personal information may be their biggest enablers. In the first six months of 2020, Customs and Borden Protection officers seized nearly 20,000 counterfeit U.S. driver's licenses at Chicago's O'Hare airport alone, according to a report. Read more at fox32chicago.com.

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Stay on top of the chatter in the MVA and LE community on social media. You may be surprised at what you're missing! Here are a few highlights of last weeks' activity.

Massachusetts RMV @MassRMV | View the Tweet

The #TauntonRMV is joining @MassGovernor & @MassDPH in keeping Massachusetts Safe. Let's all do our part and #MaskUpMA
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Trooper Christopher Engel and Trooper Colin Reilly sat down with Ted Greenberg of @NBCPhiladelphia to talk about their rescue of a stranded motorist in rising flood waters. Check out the interview at the link below.

nhtsagov @NHTSAgov | View the Tweet

Quick-thinking bystander, Sarah Oropeza, took action to save a baby's life. If you see a child alone in a vehicle, don't hesitate to act. Don't assume a parent will be 'right back.' Act fast. Save a life. https://youtube.com/watch?v=Qtba14WcfcM #HeatstrokeKills #CheckForBaby
Drive Safe Kansas - KDOT @DriveSafeKansas | View the Tweet

Drink and drive and you may be up a creek without a paddle.

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