AAMVA Attends NLEOM Re-Opening and 9/11 Exhibition
At a recent event to celebrate the reopening of the National Law Enforcement Officers Memorial (NLEOM) and Museum, Chrissy Nizer, Administrator at the Maryland Department of Transportation Motor Vehicle Administration and Chair of the AAMVA International Board of Directors, and Anne Ferro, AAMVA's President & CEO, had the opportunity to view the NLEOM Museum’s exhibits. The exhibition is designed to tell the story of American law enforcement, honor the fallen, and make it safer for those who serve. With the support of AAMVA’s Board of Directors, AAMVA contributes each year to the NLEOM Fund in honor of the brave officers who have fallen in the line of duty carrying out their highway safety mission. Of particular focus is the Museum’s 9/11 exhibit, Post–9/11 - National Law Enforcement Officers Memorial Fund, pictured here.

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 is a selection of news articles regarding the effects of coronavirus on the motor vehicle community.

COVID-19 | NATIONAL NEWS COVERAGE

- Biden Announces COVID-19 Vaccine Mandates That Will Affect 100 Million Americans
- Can Employers Require a COVID-19 Vaccine? Federal Agency Says Yes, and They Can Offer Incentives, Too
- Study: Pandemic-Induced Road Rage May Have Increased Wreck Fatalities

COVID-19 | REGION 1 NEWS COVERAGE

- Maine Holiday Traffic Rebounds to 2019 Levels for 1st Time Over Labor Day Weekend
- Niagara County Ends Walk-in Service at DMV Offices (New York)
- D.C. Drivers Reminded of Deadlines for License Renewal, Ticket Amnesty Program (Washington, DC)
**COVID-19 | REGION 2 NEWS COVERAGE**

- DMV To Reopen for Walk-in Service on Oct. 5. Alternate Days for Appointments (Virginia)

**COVID-19 | REGION 3 NEWS COVERAGE**

- Suburban Chicago DMV Centers To Require Appointments To Reduce Long Lines (Illinois)
- DMV Testing Backlog Could Be Contributing To School Bus And Truck Driver Shortage (Minnesota)

**COVID-19 | REGION 4 NEWS COVERAGE**

- Massive Backlog at DMV: More Than 14k Driver’s Licenses Have Expired and Await Renewal (Hawaii)

Visit cdc.gov for more information on COVID-19, guidance, press releases, press kits, and more.

### REGION 1 NEWS

**New York Bans Sale of Gasoline-powered Cars Starting in 2035**

The sale of new gas-powered cars and trucks will be banned in New York State in 14 years, under legislation signed by Gov. Kathy Hochul on Wednesday. The measure (S.2758/A.4302) sets into law a state goal to have all New York sales or leasing of new passenger cars and trucks—as well as off-road vehicles and equipment—be zero-emissions by 2035. [Read more at news.bloomberglaw.com](http://news.bloomberglaw.com).

**NYC Sheriff’s Office Cracks Down on Bogus Temporary Tags in Queens (New York)**

Dozens of Big Apple vehicles with fake paper license plates were impounded Friday morning as the city cracks down bogus temporary tags, officials said. New York City Sheriff’s deputies seized 53 vehicles that were parked on city streets and issued another 50 summonses for various parking and traffic violations, according to NYC Sheriff Joseph Fucito. [Read more at nypost.com](http://nypost.com).

**Driver Barred From Driving Truck in Interstate Commerce After Vermont Crash**

The Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration declared a Massachusetts man an imminent hazard and ordered him not to use a commercial motor vehicle in interstate commerce until he successfully completes a substance abuse program. William Edward Dearth Jr. was placed out of service after investigators say he was driving under the influence of alcohol when he crashed his rig into a telephone pole and fled the scene of the crash on foot on Aug. 25 in Lamoille County, Vermont. [Read more at freighthwes.com](http://freighthwes.com).

### REGION 2 NEWS

**Tennessee “Smart Corridor” Project Installing HD Cameras**

Between now and the summer of 2022 over 300 ultra-HD (4K) traffic cameras will be installed along a section of Interstate 24 in Tennessee as part of the multiphase I-24 Smart Corridor project. Undertaken by the Tennessee Department of Transportation, Vanderbilt University, the Arizona-based Southwest Research Institute, and consulting firm Gresham Smith, the
cameras deployed for this project seek to capture “every minute” of behavior by all vehicles using that section of I-24. Read more at aashtojournal.org.

**New Fines for Expired License Plates To Be Imposed Tuesday (Virginia)**
If you live in Prince William County and haven’t already done so, it’s time to renew your license plates. Starting Tuesday, September 14, the county will impose a $250 $100 fine on those who have out-of-state expired tags. We first told you about the new fine in July when it was approved by the Board of County Supervisors. Read more at potomaclocal.com.

**REGION 3 NEWS**

**Illinois Suspends 2,700 License Plates Due to Electronic Verification System**
Nearly 2,700 Illinois license plates have been suspended in the last two months. The reason? Lack of insurance. Those drivers were caught by the Secretary of State’s new electronic verification system that launched July 1. Read more at mystateline.com.

**Nebraska DMV Receives International Award for New Service**
The Nebraska Department of Motor Vehicles received an international award recognizing the department’s Fleet eServices...The service received the Improvement Through Efficiencies Award from the American Association of Motor Vehicle Administrators (AAMVA) at the organization’s annual conference. Read more at einnews.com.

**NDDOT Bucking the Trend (North Dakota)**
The North Dakota Department of Transportation has been busy adapting to new ways of providing services to the community. “We try to get people in and out in about 15 minutes max. And with appointments, and if you have all the right documents, you’re out,” said NDDOT Driver License Director, Brad Schaffer. Read more at kfytv.com.

**REGION 4 NEWS**

**California Lawmakers Pass Bill Requiring AV Electrification**
The Legislature approved SB 500, which would require that autonomous vehicles be emissions free by 2030, nudging an industry that has been clearly trending toward electric. The bill awaits the governor’s signature. Read more at govtech.com.

**Idaho’s DMV Outlines Changes**
The DMV is beginning to shift to a new operating model for vehicle registration and titles—one that had been guided by the governor’s office and county assessors and reflects their input. The shift will be done in phases to ensure the counties can begin planning for the fiscal impact, DMV Administrator at ITD Alberto Gonzales. Read more at bonnercountydailybee.com.
Nevada DMV Warns of Issues With TSA Reading Driver’s Licenses With New Card Design
Those who have received a Nevada driver's license with the state’s new card design are being advised that the Transportation Security Administration (TSA) at U.S. airports may have difficulty processing the license... The agency says that it is working with TSA on the issue and will provide an update when it is resolved. Read more at fox5vegas.com.

SGI Reminding University Students About the Dangers of Impaired Driving (Saskatchewan)
University of Regina students visiting the school’s on-campus bar will now see a visual warning of what could happen if they decide to get behind the wheel after a few drinks... According to SGI, 32 per cent of all drivers involved in impaired driving collisions in Saskatchewan last year were between the age of 18 and 25, yet only 12 per cent of drivers in the province are in that age group. Read more at regina.ctvnews.ca.

OTHER NEWS

NHTSA: Motor Vehicle Crash Fatalities Spiked in Early 2021
The National Highway Traffic Safety Administration estimates that 8,730 people died in motor vehicle traffic crashes during the first three months of 2021 – a 10.5 percent increase from the 7,900 fatalities the agency reported for the first quarter of 2020. Read more at aashtojournal.org.

Trucking Company Plus Adds Intriguing Sensor to Self-Driving System
The assortment of sensors automated vehicles should use to perceive their surroundings and detect obstacles is anything but settled upon. Cameras, radar and lidar comprise the elemental sensors needed to reach higher levels of automated driving. But more companies are now exploring the ways thermal cameras might augment their systems. Read more at autonews.com.

In recent years, research has shown that teen drivers are far more likely to be involved in a fatal crash than their older counterparts, but new technology could help buck that trend... the use of common crash avoidance features, coupled with new teen-specific vehicle technologies, could prevent over 75% of teen driver deaths. Read more at silive.com.

T-Mobile Data Breach 2021: Here’s What It Means for Securing Your Data
The alleged hacker behind T-Mobile's latest cyberattack has spoken out about the August hack. The breach includes names, driver’s license numbers, Social Security numbers and device identification (IMEI and IMSI) numbers for subscribers, former customers and even prospective customers. Read more at cnet.com.

TWITTER NEWS

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.
Virginia is the first state partner of the DADSS program and has been supporting on-road tests of the technology since 2018 – we hope you’ll tune in!

Since January, there have been 160 wrong-way crashes in the tri-county area — 88 of them in Charleston County.

Such crashes have injured 500 people and killed 49 in the past three years.
We will never forget 9/11/2001. We remember the victims of the terrorists' attacks on that day and the heroes who sought to save lives. You can support the World Trade Center Memorial Scholarship Fund with a 9/11 Remembrance Plate: dmv.ny.gov/plates/9-11-re...
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It's #NationalTeddyBearDay 🐻
Get your Trooper Teddy for only $20! Trooper Teddy Bears are provided to children in crisis & ALL PROCEEDS go to keeping the program going. Click here to buy a bear 👇
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*You can pick up at any KSP Post or have it shipped.*
Law enforcement professionals have a wealth of knowledge on traffic safety, and this summer they shared their top tips with us. #DrivewellIdaho #TrafficTips

Phone down. Eyes up. No text is this important #GADDSCares #ArriveAlive
Our FLOW bus (Florida Licensing On Wheels) made an appearance at tonight’s @Buccaneers season opener. Fire the cannons!

Think you got what it takes to take us on? We will see you at @Bandimere for Take it to the Track night!