



## Destination Safe Committee Meeting Summary

July 26, 2023 | 9:00am – 10:30am

MARC Lewis & Clark Room

600 Broadway Blvd, Suite 200, Kansas City, MO 64105

Sherri Miller, Missouri Co-Chair  
Vacant, Kansas Co-Chair

### Attendance:

Bruce Summa, Lawson Police Department	Brandon Grantham, Grandview Police Dept.
Sherri Miller, Tri-County Mental Health Services	Stacy Benninghoff, Platte County Health Dept.
Grant Ruark, KC MUPD	Brian Phillips, MoDOT
Michael Davis	Carol Hoormann, First Impact
Chris Hess, PTRPC	Courtney Garrett, KTSRO
David Church, WSP	David LaRoche, FHWA KS
Debra Huwar, MoDOT MCRS	Drew Pearson, Wilson & Co.
Jessica Giacone, St Luke’s Hospital	Josh Thompson, City of Odessa
Kacey Wilson, MoDOT Highway Safety	Kelly Alvarez, MoDOT
Martin Rivarola, MARC	Melissa Black, MoDOT
Nick Anderson, Blue Springs PD	Theresa Havenstein, KDOT
Katy Harlan, MoDOT	Noel Schneider, KDOT
Mike Davis, MoDOT	Nordia Epps, MARC
Tia Bigus, Platte County Health Dept.	Selina Zapata Bur, MARC
Rose Simone, ThinkFirst	Scott Wilson, MoDOT Highway Safety
Jen Jordan-Spence, City of Gardner	Alicia Hunter, MARC
Ron Achelpohl, MARC	Justin Ewing, MO Highway Patrol
Bob Renton, Charlie’s House	Patrick Trouba, MARC
Susan Cohen, Americans for Older Driver Safety	Tenille Kimberlin, KS Traffic Safety Resource Office

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### 1. Welcome & Introductions!

### 2. Vote: May Meeting Summary Approval

Debra Huwar moved to approve the meeting minutes from May 31. Rose Simone seconded the motion; no oppositions were made. Meeting minutes approved.

### 3. Vote: Co-Chair Nomination & Selection

After serving nearly three years, Tenille Kimberlin has stepped down as the KS Co-Chair for the Destination Safe Committee. This left an opening for the KS Co-Chair position, so the Executive Committee met to discuss potential candidate and decided to nominate Jen Jordan-Spence, City of Gardner, for the KS Co-Chair position. Chris Hess moved to approve the nomination; Rose Simone seconded the motion; no oppositions were made. Nomination approved.

### 4. Presentation: Funded Project Updates

Tia Bigus, Platte County Health Department, along with Stacy Benninghoff discussed aspects of their hosted safety event in April. Students responded well to the event.

Officer Bruce Summa, Lawson Police Department, discussed their enforcement equipment request, they were awarded three Stalker2 handheld radars. They were able to increase their total number of speed related stops by 60%.

### 5. Discussion: MARC Policy Updates

#### Complete Streets Policy & Network Assessment

Patrick Trouba, MARC, provided background information on updating MARC's Complete Street Policy. The policy recommends re-evaluating the plan regularly to review the language for improvement and/or clarification. Committee members can provide comments and feedback through a survey: [MARC Complete Streets Policy and Congestion Management Policy & Toolbox Feedback](#).

#### Congestion Management Policy

Selina Zapata Bur, MARC, provided background information on MARC's Congestion Management Policy and Toolbox update. The policy recommends a review and revision to occur in coordination with updates to the Metropolitan Transportation Plan (MTP) and that the Toolbox be updated at least every four years.

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6. Presentation: DS Committee Safety Topics & Participation Polling Exercise  
Alicia Hunter, MARC, presented a poll exercise asking committee members to provide input on future topics they'd like discussed at future meeting and their preference for participation. MARC will send out the poll to members seeking more participation and will summarize the results and present them at the next Destination Safe Committee meeting.
  
7. Presentation: SS4A Grant Application Update  
Alicia Hunter, MARC, presented an overview of MARC's FY23 Safe Streets and Roads for All Grant (SS4A) grant application. MARC's proposed scope of work includes developing a Comprehensive Safety Action Plan and a more user-friendly crash data dashboard and conducting a vulnerable road user assessment. USDOT will announce grant awards in October 2023. Updates on this application will be announced at the next Destination Safe Committee meeting.
  
8. Other Business
  - [Missouri's 2023 Highway Safety and Traffic Conference](#). Early registration ends August 24. Debra Huwar, MoDOT, announced the upcoming conference and informed the committee that there are a few scholarships remaining to cover the cost of registration. The conference is located in Columbia Missouri from September 25 through September 27.
  - Proposal to reschedule Destination Safe Committee Meeting from September 27 to September 20. Alicia Hunter, MARC, announced that the Missouri conference conflicts with the next scheduled Destination Safe meeting on September 26. It is anticipated that several members of the Destination Safe Committee will be attending the conference. MARC staff and the Executive Committee propose changing the date of the next Destination Safe Committee to September 20. With no objections the next Destination Safe Committee meeting will be on Wednesday, September 20, 2023.

Meeting adjourned at 10:15AM.

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Destination Safe Committee 9:00-10:30 AM		DS Public Information & Education Subcommittee 10:45-11:15 AM		DS Data Subcommittee 9:00-10:30 AM	
07/26/2023	Hybrid	07/26/2023	Hybrid	08/1/2023	Virtual
09/20/2023	Hybrid	09/20/2023	Hybrid	10/03/2023	Virtual
11/29/2023	Hybrid	11/29/2023	Hybrid	12/05/2023	Virtual
01/31/2024	Hybrid	01/31/2024	Hybrid	02/06/2023	Virtual
03/27/2024	Hybrid	03/27/2024	Hybrid	04/02/2024	Virtual
05/29/2024	Hybrid	05/29/2024	Hybrid	06/04/2024	Virtual

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