Preventing Roadside Deaths

Vehicles failing to slow down or move over for stopped or disabled vehicles on the roadside pose a significant risk to all road users, especially law enforcement, fire, medical, towing and other responders. An average of 24 emergency responders are killed each year nationally while working roadside.

In Idaho:

◊ 1% of all fatal crashes involve a vehicle hitting another vehicle on the side of the road.
◊ 2% of all suspected serious injury crashes involve a vehicle hitting another vehicle on the side of the road.
◊ 30% of all fatal crashes involving a pedestrian was either out of their vehicle on the side of the road or walking on or in the roadway.

NEW GRANT FUNDING

NHTSA has made available grant funding through the Idaho Office of Highway Safety.

Eligible costs include:
◊ Public education and outreach to support safe driving and awareness of roadside hazards and the ‘Move Over Law’
◊ E-Digital Alert Technology
◊ High visibility enforcement that support Idaho’s ‘Move Over Law’
◊ Traffic Safety Data Collection
◊ Optical visibility measures to make disabled and stopped vehicles more visible.

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Partners:
◊ Local Law Enforcement
◊ Idaho State Police
◊ Idaho Bureau of Emergency Services
◊ Idaho Department of Health and Welfare