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News, Training and Updates for IDOT's Illinois Technology Transfer Center Followers!

Build a Better Mousetrap 2024

Have you or one of your co-workers recently built an innovative gadget or developed an improved way to do a job? Well, now is the time to show off your creativity. The Illinois Technology Transfer Center is participating in the 2024 *Build a Better Mousetrap National Competition* sponsored by the Federal Highway Administration's Local Technical Assistance Program and Tribal Technical Assistance Program centers.



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Chainsaw Safety

Spring is often a time for an increase of chainsaw operations as the leaves are off the trees, allowing for greater visibility to work more productively and safely.

NEW! MFT eligibility and spend process training

Illinois LTAP/T2 Center is excited to announce a new training now available on the LMS system for viewing 24/7. The **2024 MFT Eligibility and Spend Process Training** can be a useful, necessary and timely presentation on a critical funding source to our local agency partners: Motor Fuel Tax funding.

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Illinois T2 Center partners with Ameren Illinois to offer live-line training

The Illinois Technology Transfer Center is excited to partner with <u>Ameren Illinois</u> in offering live-line training to our local public agencies. This in-person training course is from safety expert Steve Hancock, an experienced utility lineman and now an instructor. Steve presents how to stay safe around highvoltage overhead power lines and what to do and not do near them.

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Tractor/Mower Operator Safety Training

The T2 is excited to bring back the TMOST program to several locations around Illinois this summer. This program will be offered in partnership with the Alamo Group out of Seguin, Texas. This training is focused on safe equipment operation and practices, and objectives follow the strict guidelines of the Association of Equipment Manufacturers. **READ MORE**



IPWMAN Assists Central Illinois Member Agencies Impacted by Disasters

The Illinois Public Works Mutual Aid Network coordinates mutual aid between member agencies during times of disaster and is the staterecognized public works mutual aid organization in Illinois. When a member agency is impacted by a disaster, they call the IPWMAN Call Center, where they request mutual aid resources. <u>READ MORE</u>

New 2024 laws affecting motorists, transit users, local public agencies and municipalities!



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The T2 Spring Training Program offers something for everyone!

The Illinois Technology Transfer Center has an exciting lineup of course offerings this spring. Enroll online and schedule your next training!

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2024 Highway Traffic Safety Events Calendar

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DATE	EVENT	SPONSOR	Web Link
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Janary 16-18	SHE Government/Industry Worsing (Washington, DE)	SRE International	www.sacorgittmd/jovenment-industry
January 21-27	National Passenger Sality Week	National Road Safety Tourstation & We Save Lives	http://watanalpassengersalsty.org
february 3-6	Writer Legislative & Technology Conference (Washington, DC)	National Sheriffs' Association (NSA)	www.sherift.org
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March 4-10	Vehicle Safety Recalls Week	NETSA	www.nhsa.gov/rsalis
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April 3-9	Lileaners 2024 Conference (Derver, CD)	Nultiple public and private organizations	www.ilearescarlereice.org
April 14-20	National Public Salety Telecommunicators Week	Association of Public-Safety Communications Officials (APCO)	www.spite.org
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May (Entire Nords)	Global Youth Traffic Safety Honth	5400	www.sadd.org
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May (Extino Nordh)	Older Americans Menth	Administration for Community Living	www.aclgov
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Hay 8	Bile to School Day	National Genter for Sale Boutes to School	www.subbiorauchool.org
May 12–18	National Pation Week	The National Law Enforcement Officers Memorial Ford	www.alconf.com
May 20 - June 2	Dick it or Ticles High-Robbity Enforcement	NHTSA	www.traff.caletynarieting.gov/goreanerials/leasibelts/dide/coreidat
Hay 17	Bile ta Wark Day	League of American Bicydists	http://bilelogue.org
Hay 19	Transportation Research Board Conference (Washington, DC)	Transportation Research Beard	www.trhang
May 19-25	National DYS Week	American College of Emergency Physicians	www.acp.og/eexeck
May 31	National Heatstrake Provention Day	NITSA	www.traffictaletymarieting.gov/get-exterials/child-calety/featstrale-provention

2024 CALENDAR

National Work Zone Awareness Week April 15-19, 2024



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