



# THE TSC NEWSLETTER

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## Sorrow to Strength 2022



Congresswoman Eleanor Holmes Norton (D-DC) opened TSC's crash victim and survivor press conference at Sorrow to Strength

Sorrow to Strength was a remarkable experience! We were joined by friends new and old and were able to support one another and agitate for truck safety reforms. Over the course of the 4-days we heard from powerful and passionate safety leaders and somehow managed to have **80 meetings** with federal departments and agencies, members of congress and congressional committees!!!

It was a powerful and memorable time to deepen the connections within our community and we are already looking forward to the next one! You can check out the program and more photos from the event on our [website](#).

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Longtime TSC volunteers Nancy Meuleners and Jennifer Tierney still smiling after a full day of workshops!



Dawn King, Debra Cruz, Jamie Glavin, Beth Badger, & Elise Acosta find time for a quick photo in between Hill Meetings



TSC Board Members presenting FMCSA Administrator Robin Hutcheson with a victim collage to display in FMCSA Offices

# TSC Gift Catalog!!!

TSC offers multiple meaningful and convenient gift ideas for your friends and family this year. Skip the stress of holiday shopping and make TSC your destination for gift-giving this holiday season!



## TSC Branded T-Shirt, Hoodie, or Sweatshirt

Proudly show your support for TSC in our soft and comfortable clothing! The Hooded Sweatshirt in particular makes a great gift this time of year and is perfect for watching Netflix or a Bowl Game on a cold winter's day. All vendor proceeds support TSC!!!

## Give the Gift of Giving

Make a gift to TSC in the name of your friends and family members. You can use this opportunity to share with them how TSC is making our roads safer. Just write "X-mas Gift for [Insert Name]" in the Comments and we'll send you a PDF you can print and put in a card or stocking.



## Create an Online Memoriam w/TSC

Become a monthly donor and create a heartfelt tribute to your lost loved one(s). This tribute can be shared far and wide with all who knew and loved them and promises to be a wonderful gift in a difficult time.

## Gift a Personalized Message From Santa

Ho! Ho! Ho! Santa is ready to record a personalized message for your children, grandchildren, nieces or nephews. He'll even chat with your little one **LIVE!!!**



Purchase the memory that will last a lifetime today! Starting at \$50, ALL proceeds benefit TSC

*Truck Safety Coalition is a registered 501(c)(3), all donations are tax-deductible. Please note that clothing purchases are NOT a donation, but a portion of the sales are donated to TSC.*

## A Note from the Executive Director



It's been an incredible year deepening relationships with this community. Your friendship, your stories, and your courage never cease to inspire and amaze. Finally having the chance to meet many of you in-person at Sorrow to Strength was long overdue!

David Strickland, former NHTSA Administrator, shared at a recent event that he was forever changed after meeting with victims who lost young children in fatal backovers. This meeting inspired Strickland to become personally invested in the issue, which after MANY delays and shenanigans, resulted in a final rule requiring backup cameras in new passenger vehicles.

I share this to encourage you all that your witness and your advocacy matters. It can, and usually does, take YEARS to see results. I want to thank you all for your unyielding commitment to advancing truck safety. It is often maddening, but the support and hope we receive from one another makes it possible to navigate this path together. On behalf of TSC and its Board of Directors, I wish you all a SAFE and healthy holiday season.

-Zach

## Introducing New TSC Staff Member Johnetha Lindsey



Johnetha Lindsey is joining TSC as our new Director of Development! She'll formally join the TSC family in January 2023.

Johnetha received her Bachelor's and Master's of Business Administration from Jackson State University and is currently an Executive Leadership PH.D. candidate at the University of Holy Cross.

Johnetha has 9 years of experience as a fundraising professional and will soon have her Ph.D. She has had success across various channels of fundraising, including special events, major gifts, individual donors, as well as establishing and executing fundraising plans and strategies.

Johnetha is getting married early in the New Year and will begin in her new position on January 10, 2023.

TSC could not be more thrilled about Johnetha coming on board and looks forward to her getting to know and grow our community of volunteers and donors.

## First Response: By The Numbers

AUGUST 2022 - NOVEMBER 2022

# 110

**VICTIM & SURVIVOR FAMILIES REACHED**

The purpose of our First Response Program is to get information and resources to people affected by truck crashes as quickly as possible after their crash, when they need it most.

This work is supported through the generous donations of our volunteers and the broader community. Please consider a donation to help us continue to be there when someone needs us most. To donate, visit our [website](#).

## Recent & Upcoming Events

### Giving Tuesday



On November 29th, TSC volunteers took it upon themselves to ask their friends and family to donate to the Truck Safety Coalition. Donations are still coming in, but we've already raised over \$27K!!!

#### **THANK YOU to our Giving Tuesday VOLUNTEERS!!!**

Dawn King  
Linda Wilburn  
Elise Acosta  
Julie Huntington  
Nancy Meuleners  
Pam Biddle  
Lisa Alleman  
Beth Badger  
Raven Williams  
Tami Friedrich  
Gage Evans  
Kiera Davis  
Jessica Riedel  
Cat DeSalvo  
Barbara Galgiani  
Ed Slattery

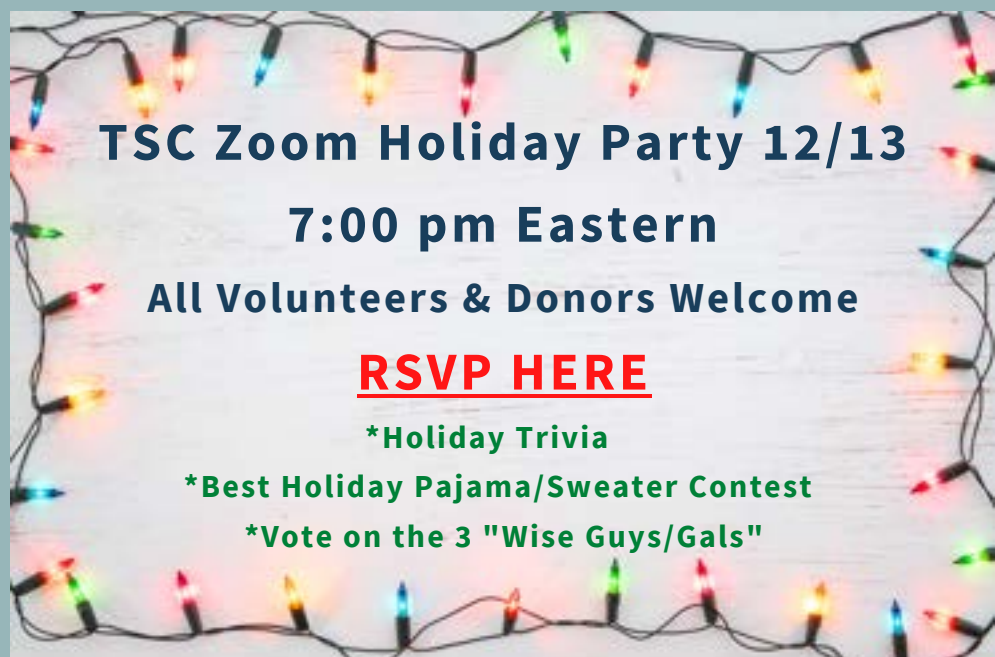
Additional thanks to Baum-Hedlund for their generous Giving Tuesday support

### Ride for your Life



On November 19th, TSC Volunteer, Daniel Langenkamp, organized the "Ride for Your Life," a ride to Congress in memory of his wife, Sarah Langenkamp, who was killed while cycling by a flatbed truck. The ride culminated by asking Congress for funding to support enhanced biking infrastructure and CMV safety reforms.

**KUDOS ON A REMARKABLE EVENT DANIEL!**





## TSC VOLUNTEER SPOTLIGHT: BRIAN GOGGIN



Brian is new to the Truck Safety Coalition this year. Last year, Brian's mother, Karen, was killed by truck violence when a semi failed to slow in a construction zone and struck his parent's vehicle from behind.

Brian is native to Washington, DC and works at the Arlington Partnership for Public Housing where he helps create new multifamily subsidized housing in the Washington, DC area.

Brian attended Sorrow to Strength this past year and was blown away by ALL of the issues negatively affecting truck safety in this country. He took it upon himself to raise awareness to this overlooked need and synthesized multiple fact sheets into one compelling editorial post in [Greater Greater Washington](#) online. TSC shared his post on Facebook and Twitter and it was the HIGHEST read tweet of the month!

Brian went on to share his story to Senator Tammy Duckworth this November. Senator Duckworth is known for her staunch support of AEB in CMVs, something which likely would have saved Karen Goggin's life. With his newly acquired expert truck safety knowledge, Brian also shared with the Senator additional needs to the cause of truck safety on our roads.

**THANK YOU BRIAN!!!**



**[Read Brian's story at https://trucksafety.org/our-stories/karen-goggin/](https://trucksafety.org/our-stories/karen-goggin/)**

# Public Policy Update

Get up to speed on important truck safety issues!

by Zach Cahalan

- Underride Activity

TSC filed a petition with NHTSA urging them to reconsider their final rear impact guard rule, which fell substantially short of what Congress requested of them in the Infrastructure Bill. Additionally, TSC nominated volunteers to serve on the Advisory Committee on Underride Protection and expects those announcements to be made soon, hopefully before the end of the year.

- Featured Public Comments

TSC makes a point to file comments on any relevant opportunities from DOT, NHTSA, and FMCSA. This practice helps remind federal policymakers we are collectively keeping a close eye on them and this can sometimes result in positive change. In October, TSC's comment helped encourage FMCSA to end the COVID-19 nationwide exemption to Hours of Service.

Recently, TSC was encouraged to see FMCSA issue an Advance Notice of Proposed Rulemaking seeking to adapt and expand Electronic Logging Device (ELD) requirements to make them far more effective. TSC also took FMCSA to task for not making more meaningful use of the Drug and Alcohol Clearinghouse System to keep known drug users from getting behind the wheel of a rig.

- Senate Confirms FMCSA Administrator

On September 22, 2022 Robin Hutcheson was confirmed by Senate voice vote to be the confirmed administrator of FMCSA. She is the 2nd confirmed Administrator of the Biden Administration, following the departed Meera Joshi. Ann Carlson continues to serve as NHTSA Acting Administrator following Steve Cliff's departure.

- Anti-Safety TRUCKS Act (S.4861) Introduced

Senators Kevin Cramer (R-ND) & Mike Rounds (R-SD) introduced legislation to exempt small businesses and other industries from Entry Level Driver Training Requirements. TSC was appalled and issued a letter to the full Senate Commerce, Science and Transportation Committee urging them to reject this anti-safety bill.

- Fond Farewell to Friends of TSC in Congress

Representatives David Price (D-NC-04) & Peter DeFazio (D-OR-04) are retiring at the end of the 117th Congress. Both Congressmen championed the needs of truck safety from the respective leadership positions, Chair DeFazio on House Transportation and Infrastructure and Chair Price on the Transportation, Housing and Urban Development Appropriations Subcommittee.

## Follow us on Social Media!

TSC is VERY active on social media. The best way to stay up to date with the latest we are up to!

Comment on our Posts

Share or Retweet our Posts

Tag Us



Questions?

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## Are You or Your Business Interested in Supporting the Truck Safety Coalition?



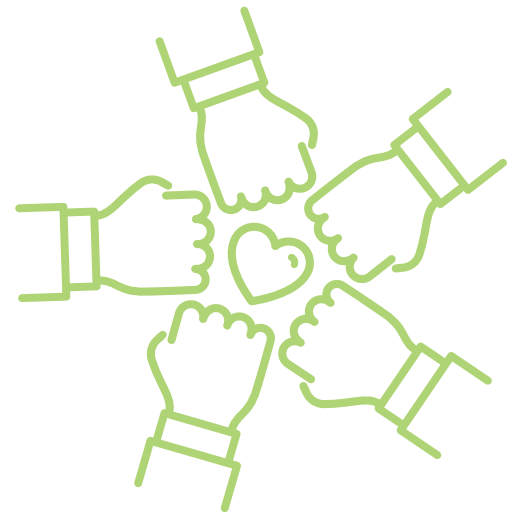
Align your business with the trusted name of the Truck Safety Coalition and stand in solidarity with truck crash victims and survivors.



**TSC's Badging Program is available to ANY donors at gift levels of \$5K and above**

### Support TSC as part of your Workplace Giving Program!

Employees can make recurring tax-deductible gifts via direct deposit that your business can choose to match.



**TSC urgently needs funding to sustain our lifesaving work!!!**

Contact us to have YOUR BUSINESS join the TSC family in support of crash victims TODAY: [info@trucksafety.org](mailto:info@trucksafety.org)

Check out current supporters at <https://trucksafety.org/our-supporters/>