

## TIM Team Hosts National Safety Training Sessions



It promotes the tenets of effective inter-agency communication, quick response and clearance measures at traffic incident scenes.

National statistics show an average of five firefighters are struck and killed each year, one police officer is struck and killed each month and one tow truck operator is struck and killed each week. These staggering figures show how dangerous conditions can be for first responders and it is why FDOT is promoting continuing education for its staff and partner agencies. Additional training sessions are being planned for Monroe County along with other classes that will be held throughout the year.

The Miami-Dade TIM Team hosted three training classes for the county's first responders. The sessions reviewed principles of the Second Strategic Highway Research Program (SHRP 2) for traffic incident on-scene management as developed by the Federal High-

way Administration (FHWA) with direct input from first responders. The program's goal is to establish a common set of core competencies that promote a shared understanding of the requirements for achieving safe conditions for responders and motorists alike.

The three sessions were held in January and were attended by representatives from Florida Highway Patrol, Fire Rescue, Emergency Medical Services, FDOT Maintenance and FDOT's Incident Management personnel.

## District Six Launches New RISC Contract in Miami

FDOT recently awarded a new Rapid Incident Scene Clearance (RISC) Contract in Miami-Dade County.

The new contract holds the same performance measures as the previous one and is also incentive-based. However, while the previous contract was exclusive with winning vendors, the new one is non-exclusive and allows qualified vendors to join the contract. As a result, the department will have more options to choose from should a vendor be unavailable to respond to an event. The goal is to expand FDOT's pool

of resources and enhance clearance efforts for these large-scale events.

District Six launched the RISC Program in 2009 to promote Florida's Open Road Policy which calls for the expedited removal of roadway blocking events. The Program is achieving this by incentivizing quick clearance efforts and requiring vendors to respond to RISC notification calls within 15 minutes, arrive at the scene with proper equipment within 60 minutes and clear all lanes within 90 minutes of notice to proceed in order to receive payment.

### What's New?

- Florida Governor Declares January 5-9 as "First Responder Appreciation Week."
- District Six Presents at Transportation Research Board's Annual Meeting in Washington D.C.

### Upcoming Events

- District Six to Launch "Move Over" Safety Campaign - Spring 2015
- Joint TIM Meeting Hosted by District Four - March 2015

## Quarterly Statistics

October 2014 - December 2014



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Total TMC  
Events Managed



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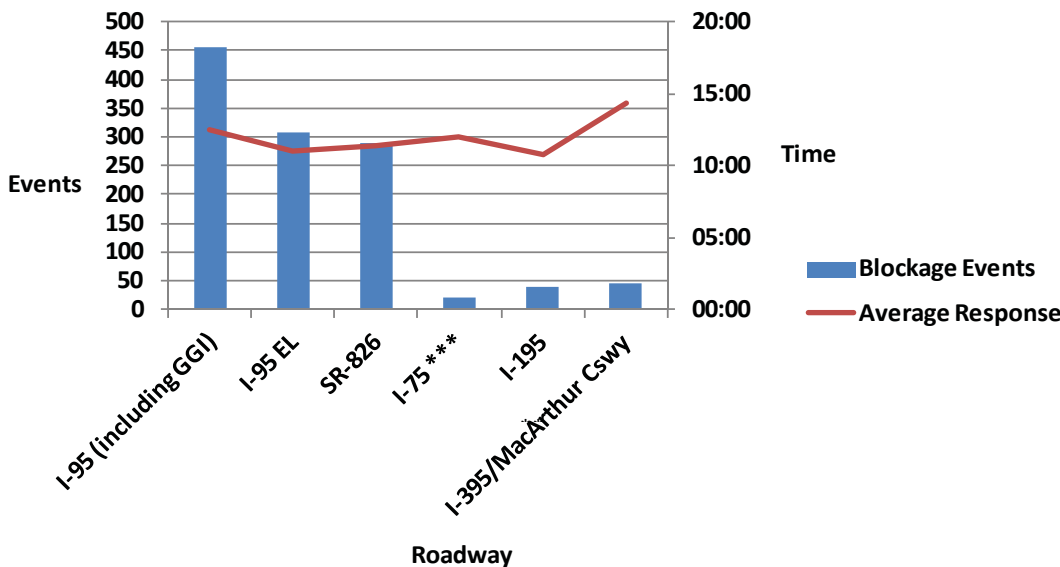
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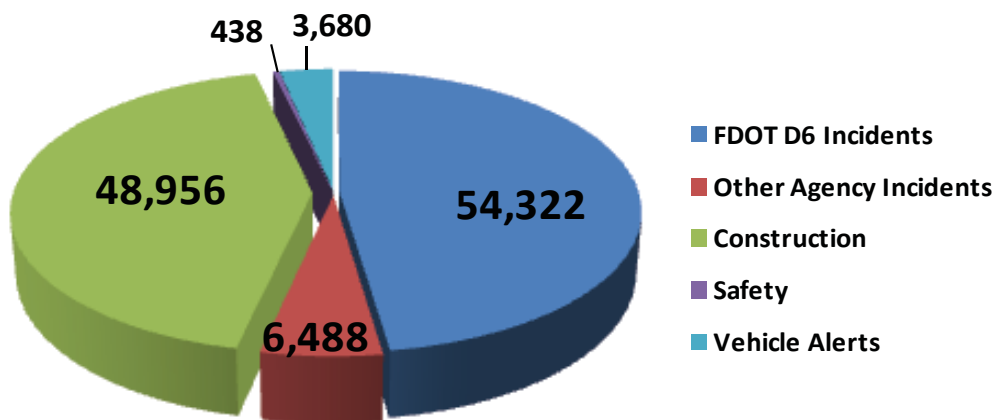
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Lane Blockage

## Lane Blockage Events, Average Response\*\*



## Quarterly DMS Usage by Type



## RISC Stats

District Six implemented the Rapid Incident Scene Clearance (RISC) Program in 2009 to reduce the impact of large-scale traffic events along our roadways. The program covers: Interstates 75, 95, 195, 395, State Road 826, Krome Avenue, Okeechobee Road and the MacArthur Causeway.

- RISC activations in Fiscal Year (FY) 14/15 Quarter 2 = **6 events**
- Average Arrival Time of RISC Vendors = **31 minutes**
- Average Travel Lane Clearance Time = **70 minutes**
- Average Total Incident Clearance Time = **170 minutes**

For more information on FDOT District Six and its incident management programs, be sure to visit [SunGuide.info](http://SunGuide.info).

\*For events not detected by a Road Ranger.

\*\*The figures presented are based only on travel lane blockage events per roadway.

\*\*\*I-75 is dispatch-only for Road Rangers.