

## TIM QUARTERLY NEWSLETTER

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# HONORING LELAND DEBOOY: A LEGACY OF SERVICE



The Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) bids farewell to Mr. Leland DeBooy, who dedicated 25 years of stellar service to the Road Ranger Program in southeast Florida. Mr. DeBooy, a powerful force in the transportation community, will retire to spend his golden years with his wife and great-grandchildren. Though he is hanging up his orange vest, his legacy will continue through

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Mr. DeBooy was a pioneering member when the program began in the 1990s. A salesman by trade, he transitioned to FDOT after receiving an opportunity to work for the agency. Without much knowledge

of the job, he accepted the role in February 1995. He received training, a marked agency vehicle, and a mobile phone. Those early days were challenging, as there were no traffic monitoring devices or Transportation Management Centers to

assist with dispatching. He patrolled the highways, providing towing and repair services to stranded motorists while FDOT expanded both the Transportation Systems Management and Operations (TSM&O) and Road Ranger Programs. He gained a wealth of knowledge and became a cornerstone for both the program and his peers.

Mr. DeBooy shared pivotal moments that shaped his career. One such momen't was when the Florida Highway Patrol and local partners advocated for the re-establishment of the program when it was temporarily halted in the early 2000s. This validation motivated him to excel and solidify his legacy. Another milestone was his employer recognizing his leadership skills, allowing him to flourish as a lead trainer for new staff. Additionally, the FDOT District Six's Traffic Incident Management (TIM) team played a crucial role in his growth

by fostering a sense of community and collaboration among responder agencies. One of Leland's most notable contributions was serving as the spokesperson for the District's Road Ranger Service Patrol during press conferences and media events.

His efforts brought increased awareness and appreciation for the vital work of the Road Rangers.

Leland DeBooy leaves an indelible mark in District Six. His contributions have been invaluable, and his presence will be greatly missed. The transportation community wishes him a joyful and fulfilling retirement, confident that his legacy will continue to inspire future generations of Road Rangers.

### WHAT'S NEW?

 D6 Unveils New Video Wall at the TMC – June 2024

### **UPCOMING EVENTS**

 D6 to Present at Transpo Conference – August 2024



# TMC PROVIDES TRAFFIC MANAGEMENT SUPPORT FOR FORMULA 1 EVENT

The FDOT District Six Transportation Systems Management & Operations (TSM&O) Office played a crucial role in supporting the Hard Rock Stadium in Miami Gardens during the Formula 1 Miami Grand Prix.

Throughout the three-day event, SunGuide Transportation Management Center (TMC) staff provided on-site support, participating in pre-event meetings to coordinate roles and responsibilities for a seamless race weekend. Acting as the liaison between the stadium's transportation and security teams and the TMC, District Six staff monitored traffic conditions on nearby roadways via closed-circuit television cameras. This information was relayed to stadium support staff to

efficiently manage special event traffic, including large caravans, buses, and rideshare activities, thus preventing potential delays. Additionally, SunGuide TMC staff managed dynamic message sign plans and offered incident management support throughout the event.

This initiative aligns with the District's commitment to supporting local partners during special events that impact our region. Recognizing the importance of interagency coordination, the District provides essential resources to promote the safety and mobility of our roadways during high-traffic events.

# INCIDENT MANAGEMENT AT A GLANCE

(April 1, 2024 - June 30, 2024)

#### **ROAD RANGER STATS**

15,268

25,939

**12:07** min

**Total Responses** 

**Total Activities** 

Average Response Time

#### **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, the MacArthur Causeway, and US 1 in Monroe County.

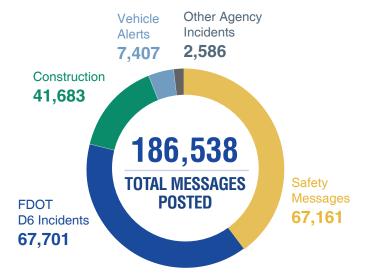
RISC Activations

**♀**I-95

61 Arrival Time 48 min\*
Travel Lane
Clearance Time

122 min\* Total Incident Clearance Time

#### **DYNAMIC MESSAGE SIGN POSTS**



### **LANE BLOCKAGE EVENTS & AVERAGE RESPONSE**

**♀**I-75

\*\* The figures presented are based only on travel time blockage and events not detected by a Road Ranger.

685
Events

Including GGI

11:23 min
Avg. Response Time

25
Ever

35 17:59 min
Avg. Response Time

**♥SR 826 515 11:45** min

**♀**I-195

60 Events 13:00 min

**♀ 95 Express** 

280 12:17 mil

**♥75 Express** 

2:52 min
Events
Avg. Response Time

**Palmetto Express** 

Avg. Response Time

63 14:36 min Avg. Response Time

**♀**I-395

88 14:51 mil Avg. Response Time

For more information on the FDOT District Six Incident Management Program, please visit: **sunguide.info** 

**Events** 



<sup>\*</sup> These numbers are an average