# Improved Fleet-Efficiency via Telematics





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# Agenda

- Brief Introductions
- Telematics Overview
- **Proof** Fleet Success Story: City of Arlington
- Fleet Success Story: Snohomish County Sheriff's Office
- 🛂 Q&A

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Topic: *Telematics Overview* 

# Today's Presenters

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Topic: Convenience of Telematics & Cost-Savings

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Snohomish County Sheriff's Office

Topic: Safety Benefits of Telematics

#### What is Vehicle Telematics?





Telematics is a technology that utilizes informatics and telecommunications for various applications

Vehicle telematics relays vehicle data over long distances to central offices for access and analysis

#### How Does it Work?



Technological advancements in telecommunications and informatics has enabled vehicles to "connect" and "communicate"

Connectivity + Intelligence = Connected Vehicles

# Factors to Consider When Using Telematics



What are the **top priorities** for my fleet?



What data do I need to address those top priorities?



**Choosing** a telematics software based on data needs and other important needs

# Why Consider Telematics?



Can provide real-time alerts regarding vehicle operations, maintenance, and location



Enables evaluation of driver behavior and vehicle performance to improve fleet efficiency and safety



Can address inefficient practices that waste time and money

#### Access to Telematics Data



Data is collected and transmitted to service provider



Software analyzes the data to reveal performance indicators based on identified fleet priorities



Customize your program to track vehicle data that suits your purposes

#### How Does it Work? Data Sources

#### Combines Two Data Sources:

- GPS
  - Spatial and temporal information of the vehicle
- On-Board Diagnostics (OBD)
  - A vehicle's computer system that monitors performance of major engine components



Vehicle telematics tracks location, movement, and behavior of a vehicle

# OBD Systems by Vehicle Type

OBD-II	J1939
New standard for LD Vehicles (Classes 2-4)	For MD & HD Vehicles (Classes 4-8)
Specific channels must be requested in back-and-forth communication	Live stream of data broadcasted in channels
Less efficient	More efficient as data can be accessed directly (live feed)

## Data Available with Telematics

<b>GPS and Route Data</b>	Vehicle and Engine Data
Location coordinates	Engine and vehicle speeds
Time	Acceleration and braking
Speed	NO <sub>x</sub> sensor
Ambient conditions	Exhaust temperatures
Route profiles	Engine fluid temperatures

# How Does it Work? Telematics Options



#### **Embedded Devices**

Built-in *connectivity* and *intelligence* 



#### **Tethered Devices**

Built-in *intelligence* only, *connectivity* provided externally



# Integrated Smartphones

Leverages its connectivity and intelligence

# **OEM Telematics Availability**

The "connected vehicle" is a major trend in the industry—virtually all leading car manufacturers have telematics services in key geographic regions

Leading adopters of embedded telematics include: GM, BMW, and PSA

Other major car brands include: Mercedes-Benz, Hyundai, Volvo, Toyota, and Tesla

# Benefits of Telematics: Cost Savings

#### **Cost Savings**

Better driving habits improve fuel economy

Maintenance reminders

Route optimization

Reduced insurance premiums

#### Benefits of Telematics: Convenience

#### Convenience

Automated record keeping

**GPS** monitoring

Asset management

Improved on-time performance

# Benefits of Telematics: Safety

#### Safety

Alerts when vehicle operates outside designated area and time slots

Encourages lawful driving (e.g. Speed alerts)

Promotes safer roadway networks

#### Success Stories: California



Eastern Municipal Water District of Riverside County, California



350-vehicle fleet



**Objectives**: Initially focused on driver's habits, improving mpg while reducing accident risk. System allowed supervisors to more efficiently dispatch vehicles.



**Solution**: Install telematics OBD-II systems on all 1996 or newer vehicles, allowing them to remotely monitor engine diagnostics, fault codes, and emissions control system status.



**Results**: Employees drove  $\sim$ 165,000 fewer miles and fuel costs declined  $\sim$ \$79,000 compared to the previous year. Productivity savings valued at nearly \$354,000 in first six months alone.

#### Success Stories: New Mexico



Public Service Company of New Mexico



700-vehicle fleet



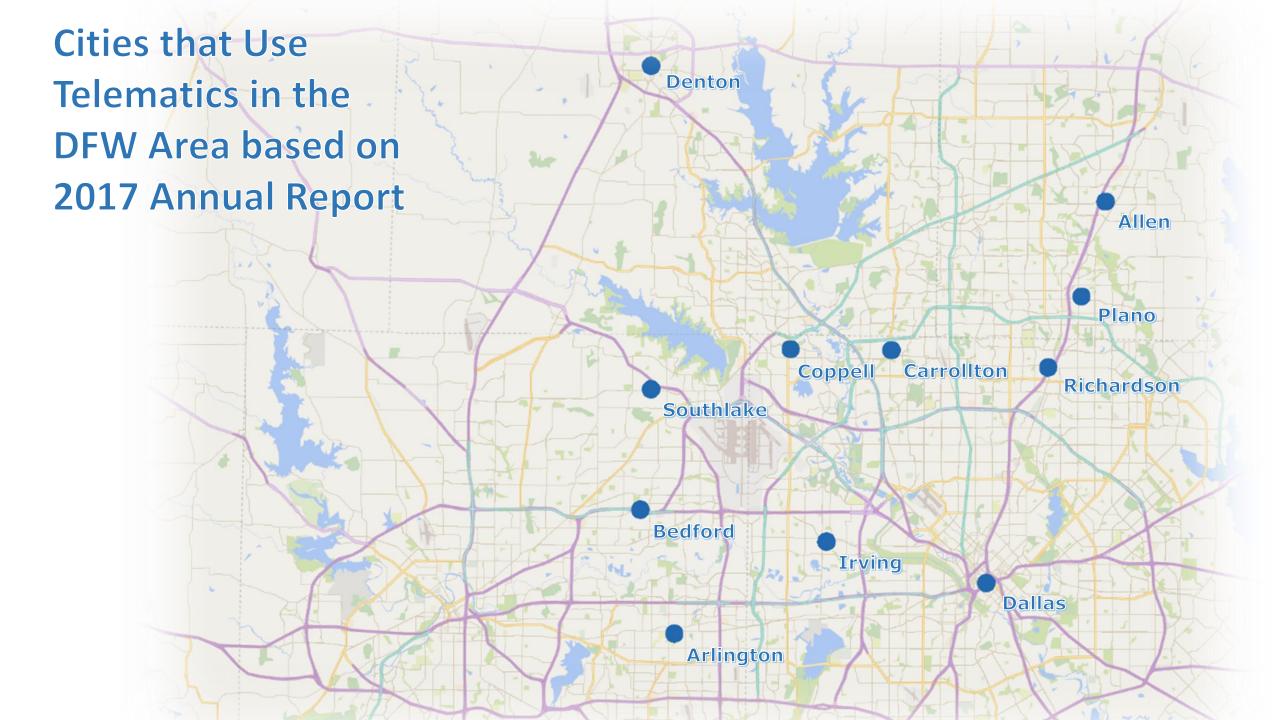
**Objectives**: Transition a portion of fleet to PHEVs and EVs with included EVSE infrastructure, while monitoring fleet performance, and driver behavior through telematics



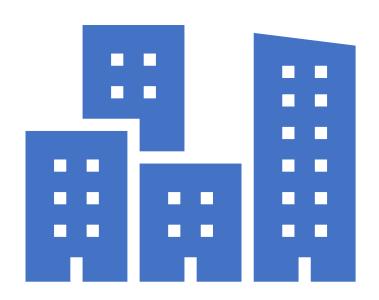
**Telematics Results**: Improved the fleet's average fuel economy by 15%.



**Combined Results**: 606 tons of GHGs reduced annually, and a cost savings of around \$166,000 per year.







**GPS** and Telematics

**GPS** 

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CITY OF ARLINGTON CURRENTLY HAS 305 GPS'S INSTALLED ON EQUIPMENT.



PUBLIC WORKS HAS

115



WATER DEPARTMENT HAS 69



CODE/ANIMAL CODE HAS 56



INSPECTIONS HAS



FIRE DEPARTMENT HAS
36



Networkfleet











Route activity

Fuel Usage

Driver Behavior Idling

Maintenance

## **GPS** and Telematics

### What Are We Doing?

#### **PARTNERSHIPS**

- Below 100 Organization
- NHTSA
- Risk Management
- Fleet
- Labor Groups/Leadership
- LEO Near Miss
- Municipal/State LE agencies
- Telogis
- WSTSC
- Behind the Badge Foundation







#### **Integration to Training**

- FTO Program
- EVOC Program
- Essential Skills Training
- Supervisor Training
- Below 100 Roll Call Training
- Near Miss Roll Call Training
- Below 100 Spouses Training
- Dispatch Center Supervisors



#### **Changing Agency Culture**

#### Pursuit Policy

- Decrease pursuits through training and education
- Increase direct supervision
- Better define need for a pursuit

### Driving Review Board

- Consistency in findings
- Identify training needs
- Identify trends
- Education and support opportunity



# THINK OUTSIDE THE



## **Changing Agency Culture**

#### **Telematics – A Powerful Tool**

- > Speed and seatbelt
- ➤ Overall vehicle operation
- ➤ Airbag deployment
- > Emergency locate
- > Vehicle malfunction
- > Drivers scoring
- ➤ Operational advantages
- ➤ Significant fleet savings



## CHANGING AGENCY CULTURE

- Promotional Testing
- Expenditures
- Mission and Goals
- Upgraded Armor
- Upgrade Lighting Systems
- Visual
  - Posters
  - Stickers
  - Computer screen
  - Data updates











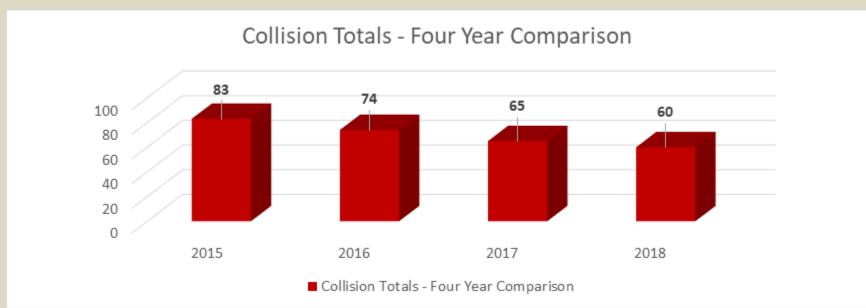
#### **Overview**

- We drive over 350,000 miles per month
- Fully Commissioned Deputies = 300
- Personnel = 800
- Since 2015:
- Average speed of accidents down 50%-70%
- The number of pursuits went down ~30%
- One significant injury. (Eleven in 2015)

Are we saving lives?

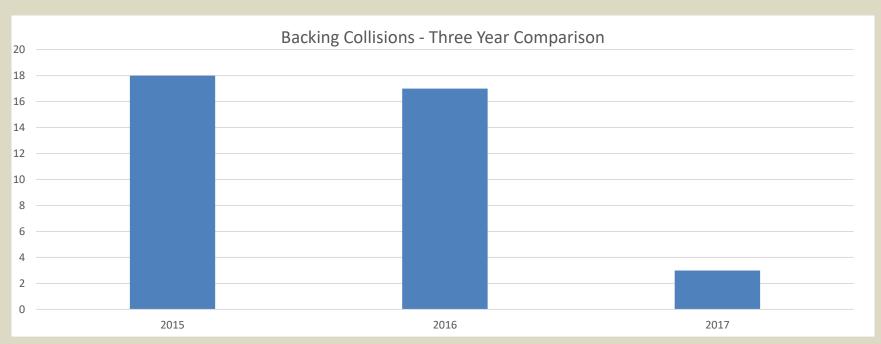


# **Collision Trend**

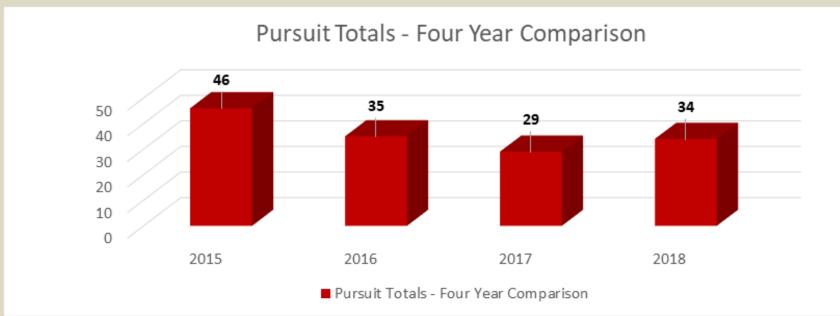




# Does Backing Training Work?

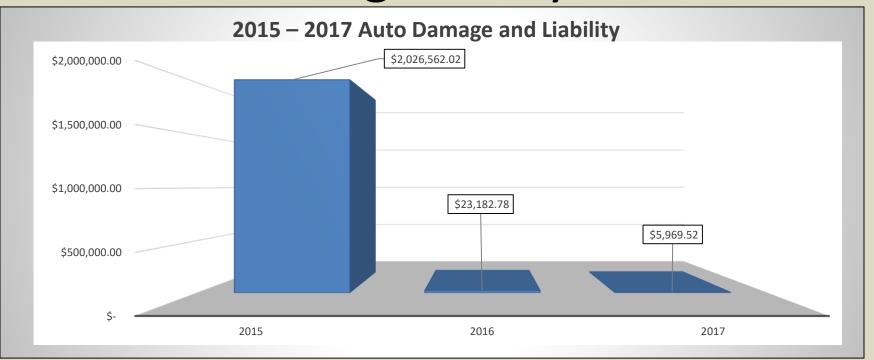


# **Pursuit Trend**





# Saving Money??





# What's your role?



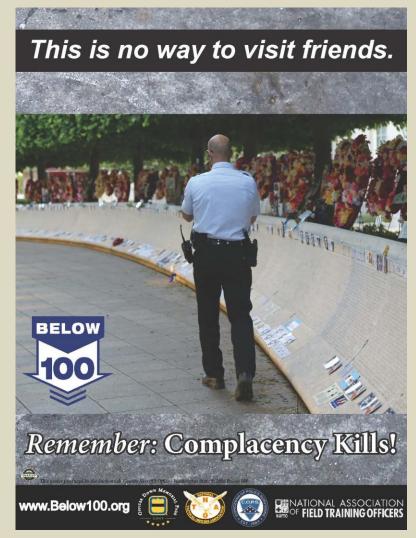


Wear Your Seatbelt. Watch Your Speed.













# Questions?