Creating a Culture of Safety

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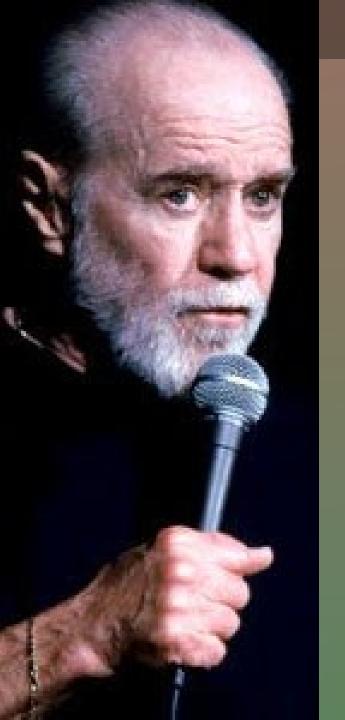
When you Think of Safety... What Comes to Mind? This?



Or This?



Or Maybe Even This?



You Might Say "Near Miss"





How 'Bout Passenger Safety?

Or Driver Safety



All of those things, plus:

Vehicle Safety Pedestrian Safety Bicyclist Safety Roadway Safety (Water, snow, ice, etc.) and much more.

It All Matters!



So, Where do We Begin?



Accreditation

Mission Statement and Vision Statement



"Fare Free Transportation is a client service-oriented organization dedicated to providing safe...." **"The Department of Fare Free Transportation** holds health and safety among our highest values."

Does Your Staff Sign Off on Policy?

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Safety Officer ?

Does your agency have someone whose job it is to train staff, focus on safety, and address safety issues?





New Hire Training

Train to Proficiency

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Policies	Motor Vehicle Accident Policy/Reporting/Forms
Initial: Date	
Employee Handbook	Accident Policy
County Policies (intranet)	Accident Reporting
Inclement Weather Policy	Procedures
ADA Policy	Resposiblities
Threshold Policy	Accident Forms
Blood Borne Pathogens	Drug and Alcohol Program
Back Care/Safe Lifting	Employee Assistance Program
Drug and Alcohol Policy	Procedures for Positive Test
Seatbelt Policy	Observation/Reporting
Cell Phone Policy	Medical Declaration Forms
Passenger Service	Worker's Comp
Portable Oxygen Tanks	Reporting Injury
Disabilities	Worker's Comp Claim Form
Mobility Aids	Uniforms
Service Animals	Uniform Policy
Incidents/Defensive Driving	Sick Time/Call outs
Incident Reporting/ Forms	Sick Time Policy
Car Seat Securement	Vehicle Operations
Railroad Crossings	Maintenance and Cleaning
Wheelchair Securement	Use of Tablets on Vehicle
First Responder Form	Fuel Procedure
Motor Vehicle	Lift Operations
All Hazard Forms	Emergency Evacuations
Pre/Post Trip Inspection Forms	Mobile Meals
DMV CDL Requirements	Meal Delivery
Vehicle Breakdown Procedure	Meal Driver Policy
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Driver Signature:	Training Officer Signature:
Date:	Date:
Supervisor Signature	
	Revised 4/26/23

Train to Proficiency

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		Incident Reports			
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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION 4 Moore Road – DN 0626 Cape May Court House, NJ 08210-1601 Volce: (609) 889-3700 E. Marie Hayes Freebolder

NEW DRIVER OBSERVATION

DRIVER'S NAME:

OBSERVER'S NAME:

Daniel J. Mulraney

DATE OF OBSERVATION:

Was driver in uniform?	YES	NO
Was driver's County ID visible?	YES	NO
Did driver appropriately complete the pre-trip inspection?	YES	NO
Did driver check for operability of surveillance system?	YES	NO
Was driver able to use the MDT?	YES	NO
Did driver exit the vehicle for every client?	YES	NO
Was driver courteous to every client?	YES	NO
Did driver check for seatbelt securement of all passengers?	YES	NO
Did driver operate the lift in accordance with training?	YES	NO
Did driver appropriately secure wheelchairs?	YES	-NO
Did driver appropriately secure mobility devices/walkers, Etc.?	YES	NO
Did driver operate the vehicle in a safe manner?	YES	NO
Did the driver park for pick-up/drop off in a safe location?	YES	NO
Did driver note each pick-up/drop off via MDT in a timely manner?	YES	NO
Comments:		

Train to Proficiency

Reasonable Suspicion





Document, Document, Document!

Keep accurate and complete training files on all employees. One of the first places that attorneys are going to look is in the employees training file.



Be Aware..... We Need More Wares

- Stay on the message:
 - Never walk/drive past a potential hazard...see something, say something
 - Frayed straps
 - Slippery substance on the floor
 - Fluid under the bus
 - Passenger that seems ill or upset or intoxicated
 - Mobility device that is damaged or not functioning
 - Damaged or messy bus stop shelter
 - Dangerous pick-up or drop-off location
 - Yada, yada, yada.

Your Team Should Always be Thinking About These 3 Questions

What did you know?

When did you know it?



What did you do about it?

Pick-up and Drop-off Locations

We all get new clients for our door to door or curb to curb service. When the new rider registers, we should send someone out to inspect the property before we send a bus!

Pre-Trip and Post-Trip Inspections



Effective Report Writing

"I went to pick up Audrey Smith today and she fell down the steps."

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Effective Report Writing

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We're All in This Together

Supervisors and Safety Officers need to do their due diligence upon reviewing reports. Pass them up the chain of command until everyone agrees that the report is ready to move on.



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Remember, some of these reports may end up in front of an attorney (or multiple attorneys), insurance professionals, medical personnel, or judges.

Class Action Park



Do Bus Schedules Play a Role in Safety?



Feedback!

Remember to give your team consistent feedback. When people do not receive communication or feedback, they fill in the blanks with their own answers! They may even stop bringing you safety issues.

Safety Committee



Statistical Compilation



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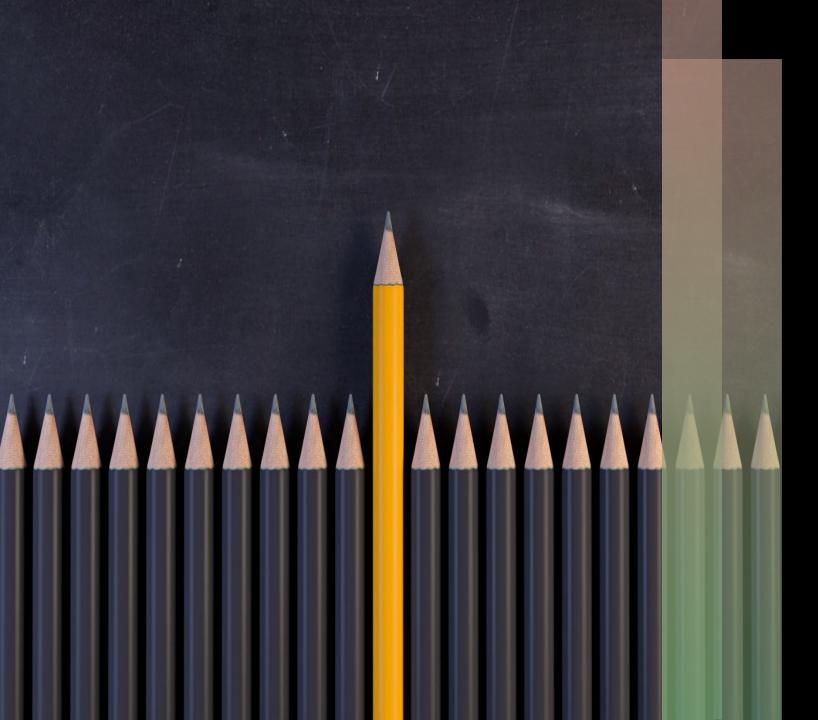
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Recognize Safety Trends / Issues

Have your team assess the frequent nature of certain types of safety issues and collectively seek solutions.



Upon Further Review...

Do we need to change the way we approach certain situations?

Do we need to re-train specific staff member?

Should we consider a change in policy?

Accident Review Committee



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Bus Driver Issues





Every / Any Meeting Starts with Safety

A proactive, preventative approach to safety and accident reduction will *bear* benefits in the long and short term

Ingrained Culture

Accident rates fall, employee ownership rises, and engagement increases. Employees start to look out for each other.



Us vs. Them Atmosphere

Mistrust caused by a reactive environment disappears and is replaced by a safety environment for all



Consistent Refresher Courses and Training Updates

- Annual Ride-Along Program
- Ghost Rider Assessments
- Local, State, National Roadeo Participation

How Many Cameras Do You Have on Your Buses?

Are You Including these?





Social Media

No one wants their safety mistakes going viral...and it happens very quickly!

Risk Normalization

Risky or dangerous behaviors gradually become acceptable over time



Risk Tolerance

If we take a risk and nothing happens, we tend to take the same gamble again. The more often that happens, the higher our risk tolerance becomes



Risk Perception

Ability to assess how perilous and action is

Risk Tolerance =

Willingness to accept the perceived danger

Employee Risk Profile

What is this employee's Risk Profile?



People Take Risks

Even avoidable and preventable risks that cause themselves and others injury

Predictable is Preventable

Even if every conceivable risk could be managed, monitored, and mitigated...you still can't plan for one thing:

Human Nature!

Why?

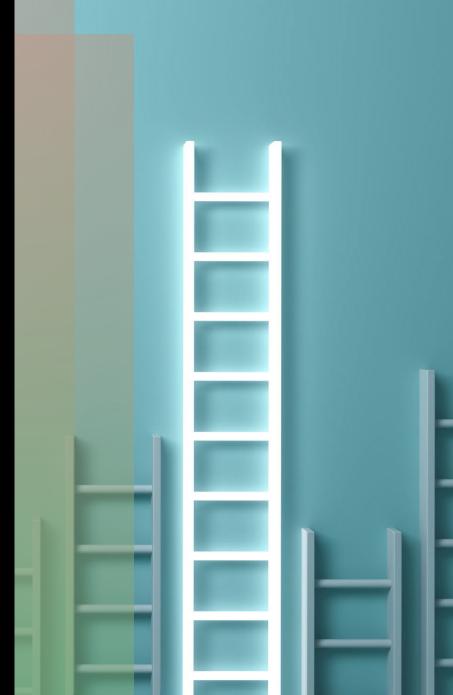
Because they're in a rush:

They stand on a table or a desk instead of a ladder.

"This will only take a minute"

Taking action before proper assessment:

"I've done this before, no need to worry"



Careless Work





Overconfidence in their abilities:

"I'm really good at this, I'll take care of it"

Underestimating the work involved and the associated risks:

"No problem, this will take two minutes"

Cutting corners and saving money:

"I'll save us \$3.00!"

Complacency

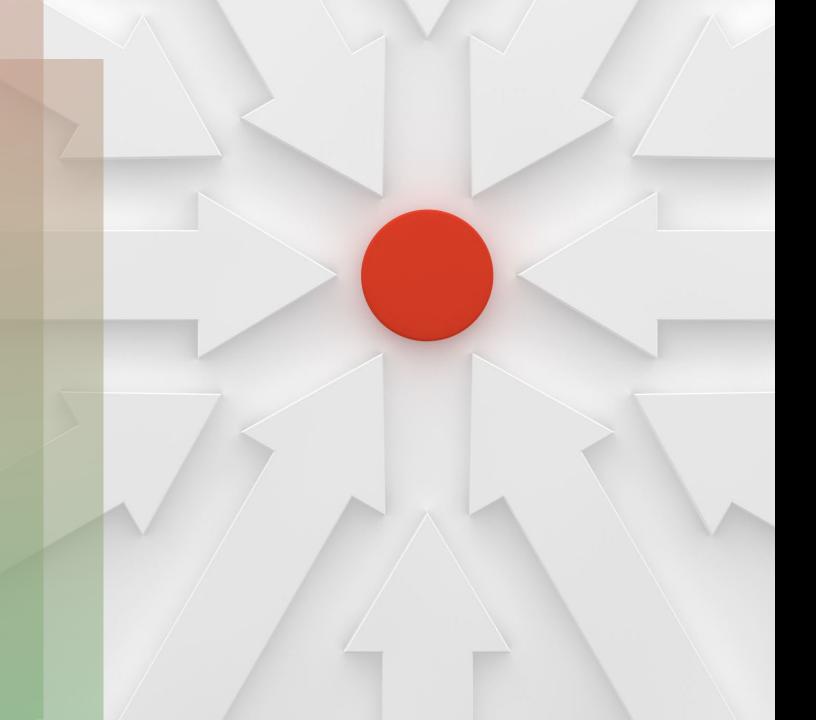
Complacent workers are often "in-the-moment" and on auto –pilot. They move through their process without critical thoughts concerning their actions.

Complacency can happen regardless of age or experience. Routine, comfort and too much time on a task can lead to complacency.

Situational Awareness

Actively monitoring your surroundings to spot potential hazards or risks so that you can quickly act to mitigate them





Situational Awareness

Focusing on this process becomes a habit of being observant and anticipating potential threats, thus responding to them effectively producing safer outcomes.



Safety Leadership

Studies show that an atmosphere of safety leadership produces workers who are less willing to take risks on the job.

Your Impact on Workers' Risk-Taking Behavior

Do they see you:

Walk away with a person on the lift?Drive with the doors open?Fail to secure a wheelchair?Driving while distracted?





Investment in Culture

It takes 3-5 years for an organization to build a culture of safety...then it comes down to the organization's ability to reinforce that culture by staying on the message and ongoing training



"We don't do things right once in a while, we do them right all the time..."

Vince Lombardi



Let's Review Using "The Law of the Harvest"

Cultivate the soil: Create the perfect environment for your safety program to grow by setting good policy and procedure



Plant the Seeds of Growth

 Teach your team safety principles and continue to water and cultivate them by sticking to the message, continually reinforcing the principles and setting good examples



Harvest Your Crop

See the end results of your efforts as your team looks out for each other, cuts down on mistakes, risks, and injuries by growing up on your farm.



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