

# JULY 2026 NEWSLETTER

## Road to Success

### Dear Nevada Transportation Professionals,

Every road tells a story. Some connect communities, some support economic growth, and others provide access to education, healthcare, and employment. Regardless of where they lead, each roadway exhibits the dedication, expertise, and commitment of transportation professionals who work daily to keep Nevadans moving safely.

The theme "Road to Success" recognizes the vital role transportation plays in building stronger communities and creating opportunities for future generations. Success is not measured solely by miles of pavement or completed projects—it is reflected in the outcomes. These outcomes include safer journeys, expanding accessibility to impactful community locations, connecting people, and providing roadways and transportation they can count on.

Transportation professionals are project managers, designers, engineers, maintenance crews, safety advocates, leaders, and problem-solvers. Through their efforts, communities remain connected, commerce continues to thrive, and travelers can count on reaching their destinations safely. The work transportation professionals do today builds the foundation for a successful future.

Thank you to all those who contribute to the continued success of our roadways. Together, we are creating and maintaining roads that lead to safer, stronger, and more prosperous communities.

Respectfully,  
Carrie Brown, MSML  
NVLTA Director



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# NVLTAP INSTRUCTOR SPOTLIGHT

Scott Alquist



Meet Scott Alquist, Occupational Safety and Health Administration authorized instructor for the Nevada LTAP. As the former Program Manager for Truckee Meadows Community College's Safety Center, Scott comes to training with a wealth of knowledge and experience. Scott provides various safety trainings including, but not limited to, OSHA 10, Trenching Safety, Workplace Safety, and Confined Space Entry. He took time out of his busy schedule to share more about himself with you!

**NVLTAP:** What was your first job in the field or the most interesting job you've had?

**Scott:** My first job in safety was in management in warehousing and the lumber industry. As a manager I was tasked with meeting compliance and keeping my employees safe.

**NVLTAP:** What do you enjoy most about teaching OSHA 10 – Construction?

**Scott:** Teaching people how to go home at night with 10 fingers and toes.

**NVLTAP:** What's one thing you hope participants take away from this course?

**Scott:** A heightened level of safety and know they have the right to question when they feel the job is unsafe.

**NVLTAP:** What brought you to teaching and what do you enjoy the most about it?

**Scott:** I wanted to share my knowledge with others and speaking is my favorite part - I've always said, "One or a thousand", put me in front of a group and I'm the happiest guy ever.

**NVLTAP:** What is the best piece of professional advice you've received?

**Scott:** Not to be afraid to push boundaries.

**NVLTAP:** When you're not busy teaching, what do you enjoy doing in your free time?

**Scott:** Reading or riding my Harley.

Learn more about another Nevada LTAP instructor in our next quarterly newsletter!

# Training Highlight: Traffic Control Technician



The Nevada Local Technical Assistance Program (NVLTAP) is excited to announce the launch of a Traffic Control Technician (TCT) Training beginning the fall of 2026.

This one-day course will be taught by **Chris Casio** through the Laborers' Union Local 872. This course is designed to provide the knowledge and skills necessary to safely implement and maintain temporary traffic control operations. TCT training is ideal for transportation professionals, public works employees, contractors, and individuals involved in roadway construction and maintenance activities.

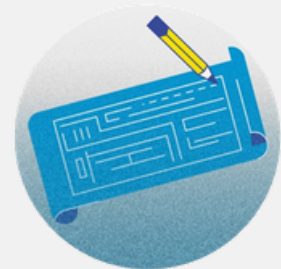
Come this fall, multiple classes will be offered throughout Nevada, providing transportation professionals with state-wide access to this impactful training.

Be sure to regularly check the NVLTAP [Class and Event Calendar](#) for course dates, locations, registration information, as well as other upcoming training opportunities. We look forward to supporting Nevada's transportation workforce through this valuable new training program!

## Technical Assistance

If you have any technical assistance questions on pavements, program development, asset management, plans, asphalt, grant writing, safety, and more, reach out to us.

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# Summer Safety Tips



Summer is full of adventures! Whether you're on a road trip or spending a weekend camping, it's important to be sure your vehicle is ready for an emergency. Readiness is not only about vehicle maintenance, but equally important to equip your vehicle with an emergency kit, as unexpected issues can often occur while you're on the road. The Nevada LTAP wants to share some information to help you take precautions before you begin your summer adventures.

First, let's review some tips on inspecting your vehicle:

- Be sure to keep up with general maintenance (oil change, tune up, etc.)
- Check all fluids (oil, brake, coolant, etc.)
- Rotate your tires to increase longevity and aid in road traction
- Check your tire pressure
- Test your wiper blades and replace them if necessary
- Test external lights (blinkers, headlights, emergency lights etc.)

Next up, build an emergency kit for your car. Items to include:

- Phone charger
- First aid kit
- Water and nonperishable snacks
- Jumper cables
- Flashlight or headlamp
- Basic tool kit, multi-tool, and scissors
- Road flares or reflective triangles
- Road map or atlas
- Blanket; a reflective blanket is a great choice
- Tire pressure gauge
- Duct tape
- Work gloves

Summer is a great time to get out and explore, but before you do, make sure you're prepared for anything that comes your way!

## References:

Summer Driving Safety Tips. Nevada Department of Transportation. (n.d.). <https://www.dot.nv.gov/safety/summer-driving-safety-tips>



# Community Service: Adopt-a-Highway



Image from: [https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=B9e8ATf2c0aHUvdR34cIIFIOHWOnOrRJIPso8w\\_xWTVUOVM1RFQxSIhJRTAxMFYwUVdXWjgxTlpCTy4u](https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=B9e8ATf2c0aHUvdR34cIIFIOHWOnOrRJIPso8w_xWTVUOVM1RFQxSIhJRTAxMFYwUVdXWjgxTlpCTy4u)

Are you looking for ways to contribute to your community? The Nevada Adopt-a-Highway program started in 1990 with a mission of “maintaining and enhancing Nevada’s highways through community service”. Contributing to this program is a great way to give back to your community and reinforce keeping our roadways clean and cared for. As stewards of trash-free roadways, a commemorative sign recognizing you or your establishment will be posted at the roadside you oversee. Some restrictions may apply when choosing the area you’d like responsibility for. These restrictions are in place to ensure you and your clean-up group remain safe while volunteering. The ideal areas have lower traffic volume, large shoulders, safe terrain, and clear visibility of volunteers for drivers.

Check out the [Nevada DOT website](#) to learn more and start the journey roadside volunteering. Thank you to those who are currently part of the program and contribute to the cleanliness and safety of our great communities.

# 1st Annual Transportation Peer Exchange



The Annual Transportation Peer Exchange brings together educators, industry leaders, researchers, and public-sector professionals dedicated to building and sustaining a strong, innovative safety culture.

In 2026, we'll explore how collaboration, technology, and continuous learning can drive transportation safety initiatives. Safe Roads, Shared Knowledge: Transportation Peer Exchange highlights the partnerships and innovations that power safety from concept to practice — and keep safety culture in the forefront of transportation.

## Details:



**Date/Time:**

September 23, 2026 (9:00am - 4:30pm PT)



**Cost:**

FREE!

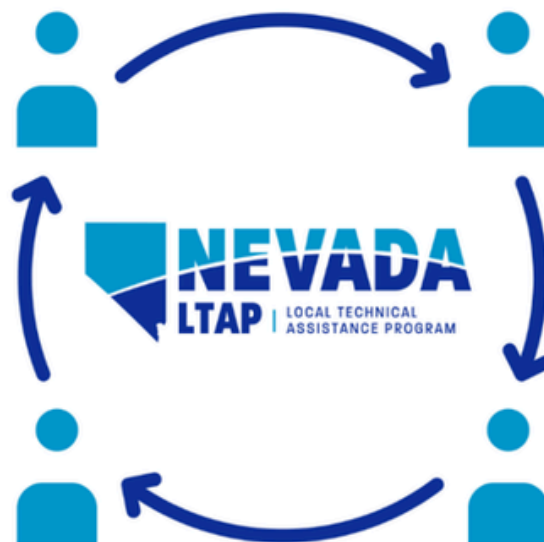


**Location:**

Virtual (Teams)



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 [www.nvltap.com/training/transportation-peer-exchange/](http://www.nvltap.com/training/transportation-peer-exchange/)

# Road Scholar Program: Recent Graduate

After enrolling in January 2022, City of Las Vegas employee, **Mike Janoff**, successfully finished the Nevada LTAP Road Scholar Program in January of 2026! Mike completed the seven required courses, along with the following four elective courses: Constructing a Quality Crack Treatment, Constructing Thin Surface Treatments for Asphalt Pavements, Flagger Training, and Weather-Related Operations for Supervisors.

"The Nevada LTAP Program is an outstanding resource for gaining practical, valuable knowledge. The skills and concepts taught in each course can be applied directly to real-world situations in the field, and the opportunity to learn from subject-matter experts across various disciplines is truly invaluable."

-Mike Janoff

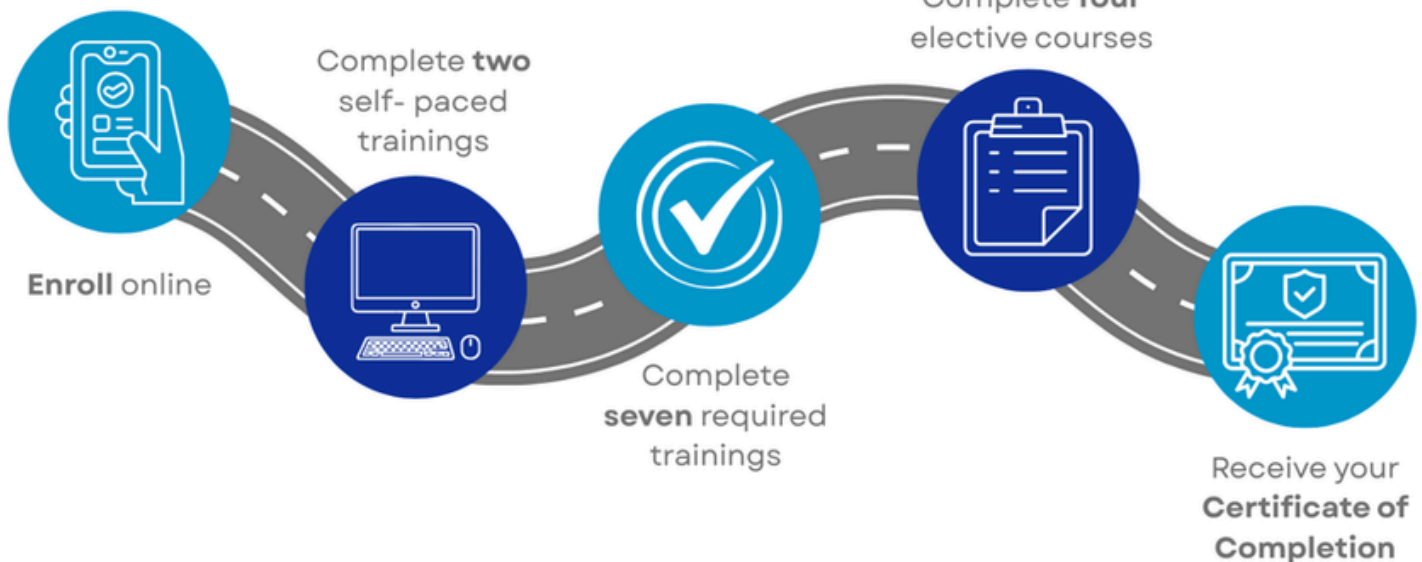


Please join the Nevada LTAP staff in congratulating Mike Janoff on this great accomplishment! If you are interested in learning more about the program, check out our Road Scholar Program webpage.



# ROAD SCHOLAR PROGRAM

The Nevada LTAP Road Scholar Program is an opportunity for transportation and public works professionals to expand their technical skills and advance their careers. Once enrolled, participants have a span of 5 years to complete 13 courses, some of their own choosing. Nevada LTAP is proud to recognize graduates with a Road Scholar Program certificate. Completion of this robust program showcases your dedication to learning and expanding your skill set.



## Funding Opportunities



Grant Title	Closing Date
<a href="#">Nationally Significant Federal Lands and Tribal Projects (NSFLTP) Program</a>	July 16, 2026
<a href="#">National Culvert Removal, Replacement, and Restoration Grants (Culverts)</a>	July 16, 2026
<a href="#">Type 3 Highway Bridge Replacement and Rehabilitation Competitive Grant Program, also known as the Bridge Improvements Type 3 (BIT3)</a>	July 16, 2026
<a href="#">Fiscal Year 2026 Type 3 Highway Bridge Replacement and Rehabilitation Competitive Grant Program</a>	July 16, 2026
<a href="#">Fiscal Year 2024 &amp; 2025 Building Resilient Infrastructure and Communities (BRIC)</a>	July 23, 2026
<a href="#">Public Transportation on Indian Reservations Program - Tribal Transit Program</a>	Aug. 25, 2026
<a href="#">Indian Community Development Block Grant (ICDBG) Imminent Threat Program</a>	Sept. 30, 2026



## Training Season

Seeking additional training opportunities? Visit the NVLTAP training event [calendar](#) and [course catalog](#).

Course Title	Date	Location
<a href="#">Traffic Control Technician</a>	July 14, 2026	Elko, NV
<a href="#">Traffic Control Technician</a>	July 15, 2026	Elko, NV
<a href="#">Traffic Control Technician</a>	July 16, 2026	Elko, NV
<a href="#">NLTAPA National Conference</a>	July 19-23, 2026	Louisville, KY
<a href="#">Gravel Roads: Shape, Materials, Maintenance, &amp; Challenges</a>	August 12, 2026	Reno, NV
<a href="#">1<sup>st</sup> Annual Transportation Peer Exchange</a>	Sept. 23, 2026	Virtual