YOUTH OF VIRGINIA SPEAK OUT ABOUT TRAFFIC SAFETY

Spring Project 2026 | Project GPS: Get Places Safely

PARTNERSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

PROJECT GPS
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Learn more about our Partnership Opportunities, including guest speakers and interactive sessions, designed to support and enhance your traffic safety initiatives.

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VR SIMULATOR LENDING PROGRAM

The Just Drive Virtual Reality Simulator is an immersive virtual reality experience designed to raise awareness about the dangers of distracted driving. Users experience how distraction behind the wheel can lead to life-altering consequences, and learn about the responsibility of speaking-up.

OPPORTUNITIES:

- **VR Headset Information:**
  - Schools and organizations may request up to two headsets for a three-week period.
  - This free, self-led program, funded by a Virginia DMV grant, includes a simulation experience with multiple scenarios, lasting approximately 4–15 minutes per participant.
  - Headsets are shipped to you and returned using pre-paid shipping materials.
  - Simulators are offered on a FIRST-COME, FIRST-SERVE basis.

Drive Smart is giving YOVASO programs participating in Project GPS the first opportunity to experience their brand-new program before it's offered to other schools and organizations!

FOR QUESTIONS:

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DRIVE SMART VIRGINIA

TO REQUEST THE VR HEADSETS , VISIT
DRIVESMARTVA.ORG/JUST-DRIVE-VR-SIMULATOR/

CHRISTOPHER KING FOUNDATION

A Virginia nonprofit dedicated to preventing traffic tragedies through education, awareness and advocacy. Founded by Christy King after the loss of her son Christopher in a preventable crash, the foundation delivers impactful traffic safety programs to students from elementary school through college.

OPPORTUNITIES:

- **Junior Speed Busters –** An interactive program introducing younger students to traffic safety through hands-on demonstrations, including live radar activities that teach the dangers of speeding in school zones and the importance of seat belts. To learn more about the program, visit https://www.drivesmartva.org/junior-speed-busters/.

- **Middle & High School Programs –** 45–60 minute presentations focused on seat belt use, speeding, distracted driving, impaired driving, and the real-life consequences of unsafe driving decisions.

- **Safe Choices College Program –** A college-focused program addressing impaired driving, risky behaviors, and responsible decision-making among young adults.

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Saving Lives One Seat Belt at a Time
Christopher King Foundation

FOR MORE INFORMATION, VISIT CHRISTOPHERKINGFOUNDATION.COM

GWEEDO MEMORIAL FOUNDATION

Through the tragic death of Conner Guido, Conner's mom, Tammy, has become a strong advocate for teen safe driving education in Virginia and across the country, raising awareness among new teenage drivers and their parents about the dangers of unsafe driving decisions.

OPPORTUNITIES:

- **Speaking Engagements:** Tammy speaks both locally and nationwide to various schools and organizations at no charge, eagerly spreading the word about Conner and how to stay safe on the road.

- **Anonymous Tip Line:** The foundation also created a website to give teens and community members a safe, anonymous way to speak up when they witness something concerning. IfYouSeeSomethingSaySomething.org provides a platform for teens to report unsafe driving, bullying, and drug or alcohol abuse among their peers. It empowers young people to speak up when they know something is wrong—without fear of retaliation—and the tips submitted have the potential to save lives.

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FOR MORE INFORMATION, VISIT: CONNERGWEEDO.COM

MARY WASHINGTON TRAUMA EDUCATION & OUTREACH

The Education & Outreach Team at Mary Washington Hospital participates in community outreach and injury prevention.

OPPORTUNITIES:

- **Speaking Engagements:** MWH offers the Stop the Bleed presentation and Mock Crash demonstrations. Both opportunities can be customized to meet the school's needs regarding number of participants and the length of the program.

- **MWH Region Includes:**
  - Caroline County
  - Fauquier County
  - City of Fredericksburg
  - King George County
  - Spotsylvania County
  - Stafford County
  - Westmoreland County
  - *Parts of Culpeper County, Orange County, and Louisa County

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VIRGINIA PASSENGER RAIL AUTHORITY

The Virginia Passenger Rail Authority and Amtrak provide rail safety education to teens, raising awareness about the dangers of railroad crossings and promoting safe behaviors near tracks to ensure everyone can travel safely and responsibly.

OPPORTUNITIES:

- **Speaking Engagements:** VPRA offers presentations to educate teens on rail safety, providing important information about railroad crossings and how to stay safe near tracks through engaging, informative presentations.

- **Rail Safety Resources:** VPRA encourage students to take action by using the statistics and safety tips provided in the Rail Safety packet available on their resource page at vapassengerrailauthority.org/resources/railsafety. Plan ahead for Rail Safety Month in September.

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