

Who Are We?



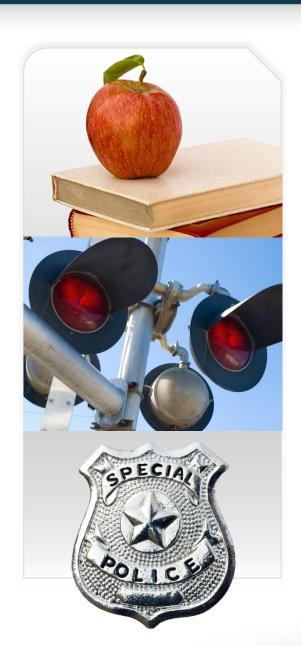




- Non profit organization
- Public safety education program
- In all 50 states, and International, including Mexico and Canada
- **Mission** Eliminate deaths and injuries caused by collisions at highway-rail grade crossings and trespassing on railroad rights-of-way.



Components



Education

public presentations, PSAs, videos, printed materials

Engineering

endorse safety improvements at crossings through design and technology

Enforcement

encourage active enforcement of existing laws



Supporting Partners



- Federal (FRA, FHWA)
- Class 1 Railroads
- State (DOT)
- Short Line Railroads
- Corporate
- Grant Funding

Sharing the Rail Safety Message

THROUGH DEDICATED VOLUNTEERS

Operation Lifesaver Authorized Volunteers make free presentations throughout the state

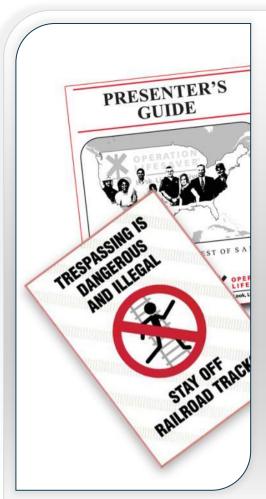
Tailored message for all audiences:

• Variety of audiences: K-12, civic groups, law enforcement, first responders, professional drivers and more.





Public Education



- Presentations
- Safety Booths
- Public Service Announcements
- Videos
- Printed Materials
- Train Authorized Volunteers for OL Rail Safety Presentations



CAOL Collaborates With

- Railroads and Transit providers
- City governments
- Law Enforcement
- School districts
- Public service agencies
- Private industry organizations
- Area businesses

To raise awareness about rail safety among the groups and communities that need it most



California Safety Education Results

In 2015, California Operation Lifesaver volunteers gave:

- 1229 presentations to groups throughout the state
- Combined educational presentations and events reached 204,390
 Californians
- In 2015, 5 million people in California were personally exposed to the Operation Lifesaver message via Billboard and Transit Advertising
- Since 1972, when Operation Lifesaver was founded, train-vehicle collisions in the U.S. have been reduced from approximately 12,000 to approximately 2059 in 2015



Rail Safety Education... IMPORTANT and NEEDED

California ranks Number 1 in Trespass Incidents

 California ranks Number 2 in Grade Crossing Incidents





The Numbers in Our State

	2014	2015
Total Grade Crossing Incidents	128	148
Crossing Fatalities	33	32
Crossing Injuries	45	42
Total Trespassing Casualties	143	148
Trespass Fatalities	91	97
Trespass Injuries	52	51



Santa Barbara County

18 Casualties (both injuries /fatalities) since 2012

2 Casualties in 2014 - 5 casualties in 2015

150% increase from 2014

4 of the 5 causalities in 2015 were fatalities



Raising Awareness – Changing the Numbers

- Identify the areas and demographics in need of the message
- Create rail safety campaigns to reach those communities
- Create partnerships to encourage proactive participation from all sectors of the community
- Create a "rail safe" community educated and aware
- Proactive vs Reactive
- Grow the effort together
- Sustain the message



Grow and Sustain the Message

- Community involvement is key
- Every Community has its own unique needs
- Work together to identify and target the message to educate the community
- Create varied and specific campaigns to reach those community groups



Community Partnership

Rail Safety Campaigns:

- City/County Rail Safety Proclamations -September
- Law Enforcement Partnerships Positive Enforcement Campaigns
- Schools Student Involvement Peer Education
- Community Events
- State Parks
- Linking to OLI and Rail Safety Messaging
- Local Access Channel PSA's
- Community Magazines/Articles
- Hotel/Community Rail Safety Card
- Social Media Messaging

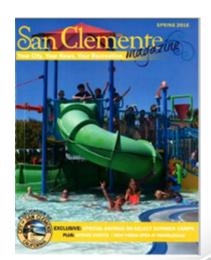
Campaigns are tailored to meet your community needs



Graphic Messaging















Community Rail Awareness Visuals



Digital Traffic Sign Messaging





Grade Crossing Sidewalk Decal



How Can You Help:



Be proactive about Rail Safety get involved with CAOL



Support CAOL with Volunteers



Share See Tracks? Think Train message!





Share the Message





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