

TOLEDO POLICE DEPARTMENT
TRAFFIC SECTION PRESS RELEASE

DATE: September 22, 2019
TIME OF INCIDENT: 0800
LOCATION: City of Toledo
SUBJECT: "Operation Clear Track"

NARRATIVE:

The Toledo Police Department Traffic Section will participate in "Operation Clear Track," the single largest railroad safety detail in the United States. Violators will receive citations or warnings. Officers will monitor the railroad crossings at Phillips and Canada Southern, and Consaul and Paine.

On Tuesday, September 24 during Rail Safety Week, the Toledo Police Department, the Amtrak Police, and Operation Lifesaver will participate in "Operation Clear Track" along with more than 600 law enforcement agencies nationwide. The goal is to raise awareness and enforce state railroad grade crossing and trespassing laws. The 3rd annual rail safety detail, carried out in 48 states, is the single largest rail safety law enforcement initiative in the United States.

Federal statistics show that **about every three hours in the United States**, a person or vehicle is hit by a train. "Operation Clear Track" is an effort by law enforcement, Operation Lifesaver, Amtrak and rail safety partner organizations to raise awareness of the dangers around railroad tracks during **Rail Safety Week**, which is being observed in the U.S. September 22-28, 2019.

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