

Our 7th Vision Zero Fleet Forum

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On October 25, DCAS hosted the 7th Vision Zero Fleet Forum at Queens Theatre in Flushing Meadows Corona Park. DCAS Commissioner Dawn Pinnock, DOT Commissioner Ydanis Rodriguez, Quebec Delegate General Martine Hebert, and DSNY Director of Safety Keith Mellis kicked off the day-long focus on fleet and traffic safety. Among over 300 participants were NYC Sheriff Anthony Miranda, DSNY Deputy Commissioner Steve Harte, DOT Fleet Chief Eric Dorcean, and Parks Fleet Chief Paris Apollon. [The program](#) can be found on our website.



Richard Simon of the U.S. National Highway Traffic Safety Administration leads a panel of safety experts.

DCAS provided an update on efforts the City fleet is making to improve safety including our [first initial report on the Intelligent Speed Assistance \(ISA\) pilot](#). Across over 60,000 miles on ISA, over 99% of all miles traveled were within the speed limits set by DCAS during the pilot which included light, medium, and heavy-duty vehicles.

Stephanie Shaw of the National Transportation Safety Board (NTSB); Richard Simon of the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA); Nivardo Lopez, Deputy Secretary for Transportation to Governor Hochul; Deputy Commissioner Owen McShane of the New York State DMV; Assistant Commissioner Kim Wiley-Schwartz of NYC DOT; Senior Director Elizabeth Adams of Transportation Alternatives; and former TLC Commissioner Matthew Daus [discussed various steps being taken to enhance vehicle safety](#) through government regulation, recommendation, and research.



NYC Department of Transportation Commissioner Rodriguez speaking at the forum.

Jacy Good and Steve Johnson of Hang Up and Drive (HangUpAndDrive.com), [shared their incredibly powerful and personal story](#) Please see their [video on the dangers of distracted driving](#).



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Senior Planner Jen Robertson of Sam Schwartz Engineering led a panel focusing on micro-mobility and road safety. Kat Krieger of Together for Safer Roads (TSR) led a panel of automotive and technology experts from GM, Ford, Nova Bus, Vision Track, and others to discuss the re-design of vehicles for safety. Finally, Vice President Collen Lucas of AB InBev shared their [campaign to discourage young people from using cars when going out at night](#).

DCAS was especially glad for the participation of students from the Thomas Edison Automotive High School and the George Washington High School Drivers Education program. They are the future leaders of a safe and sustainable fleet future.



DCAS Commissioner Pinnock and students from Thomas Edison High School.

Since COVID-19, the nation has lost some progress in making our streets and roadways safer. This year's forum was a chance for all of us to recommit to fleet and road safety and share ideas for moving fleet and transportation safety forward.

Please see our [NYC Fleet website](#) for more information about the forum. Special thanks to NYC Deputy Chief Fleet Management Officer Eric Richardson and all the NYC Fleet and Queens Theatre Staff for their great work on the event.



From left to right: DCAS Executive Deputy Commissioner Thuo, Deputy Commissioner Kerman, Commissioner Pinnock, and Assistant Commissioner Taylor at the 7th Vision Zero Fleets Forum



The NYC Fleet team at the forum.



The NYC Department of Transportation's Vision Zero Safety Van.

NYC Fleet Manual

The NYC Fleet Manual and Drivers Handbook has been updated. Please see the updated version at [NYC Fleet Manual and Drivers Handbook](#).

Fleet Vision International: The Show

[Fleet Vision International: The Show](#) was held on April 12 and 13 in London. DCAS Deputy Commissioner and Chief Fleet Officer Keith Kerman and NYPD Deputy Commissioner Robert Martinez discussed the electrification of the City's fleet and how NYC is a worldwide leader in sustainability. Presentations from the show will be posted to the [DCAS Fleet webpage](#).



COVID-19 Safety Reminder

For all fleet drivers, when interacting with others in close quarters such as within a vehicle, it is strongly recommended to wear a mask.

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