

## Vision Zero Webinar, Partnering for Fleet Safety

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One fleet alone, even a large one like ours, can not move the fleet industry or compel changes in safety or sustainable technology. We operate over 30,000 fleet units, the largest municipal fleet in the US and nearly 1% of all government vehicles in the country. Still, there are over 8.5 million commercial and government fleet units.

It is critical that we partner far and wide to advocate and compel sustainable fleet development. In Executive Order 53 of 2020, Mayor de Blasio charged DCAS with this very effort, to create a Fleets of the Future network to lead a charge for sustainable and safe fleet development among public, private, and non-profit fleets.

### Launching the Safe Fleet Transition Plan

Technology and Process Recommendations

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*Original Safe Fleet Transition Plan.*

On February 10, the National Vision Zero Network and Together for Safer Roads (TSR) coordinated a webinar with fleets throughout the country and internationally to promote safe fleet development. Transport for London (TFL) and NYC Fleet joined the US DOT Volpe Center to discuss the latest in safe fleet design and discuss ways to further work together.

## Truck Sideguards for Vision Zero

Review and technical recommendations for Safe Fleet Transition Plan pilot deployment

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### Truck Sideguard Report.

The Vision Zero Network and Together for Safer Roads are non-profit partners who are helping to take the safe fleet message to all corners of our country and globe. DCAS has partnered with TSR on a Global Fleet Leadership initiative focused on promoting safety for medium-sized commercial fleets. Transport for London brought an international perspective to the webinar, discussing their successful and self-funding FORS initiative. FORS stands for Fleet Operator Recognition Scheme and is a comprehensive safety certification program for commercial fleets working as part of government contracts. More information on FORS can be on the [FORS Homepage](#). FORS could be a model for similar efforts in the states.

NYC Fleet's presentation for the webinar can be found [here](#). Fleet Vision International published a related piece on Vision Zero and NYC Fleet, [here](#).

NYC Fleet would like to thank Leah Shahum and Jenn Foxx from the [Vision Zero Network](#) as well as Dave Braunstein and Noah Budnick from [Together for Safer Roads](#) for organizing the webinar and our fellow presenters Dr. Alex Epstein from the Volpe Center and Peter Binhman from Transport for London for their participation and insight.

This webinar was an extension of our partnership with US DOT. Since 2015, DCAS and Volpe have worked together, led by Dr. Alexander Epstein and NYC Deputy Fleet Chief Eric Richardson. We have published a series of reports with US DOT including on [truck side-guards](#), our [original Safe Fleet Transition Plan \(SFTP\)](#) to organize safe design of fleet vehicles, and our [first SFTP update](#). We are working with Volpe now on a follow-up SFTP report focused on commercial trucks and on our first Clean Fleet Transition Plan (CFTP).

Volpe has also worked with other cities including Boston and Cambridge and with the National Association of City Transportation Officials (NACTO) on additional reports on vehicle redesign, two of which are linked here:

[“Leveraging City Fleets and Purchasing Power for Vision Zero”](#) and [“Best Practices for Redesigning Large Vehicles in Urban Environments”](#).

## Safe Fleet Transition Plan Update 2018 - 2019

Best Practice Technologies and Processes

Alexander K Epstein, Ph.D. and Rebecca Kirazos



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### Safe Fleet Transition Plan Update 2018-2019

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