



What's Next for Roadway Safety?

A Surface Transportation Reauthorization Town Hall

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MOBILITY PIONEERS



1903
AAA supports the Good Roads Bill, federal legislation establishing the U.S. Bureau of Public Roads (now the Department of Transportation).

1915
AAA first provides signature emergency road service through the Automobile Club of St. Louis. In its earliest forms, service includes fixing tires, engines or small problems, rather than towing.



1902
AAA founded to promote the safety and interests of U.S. motorists



1907
AAA established a bureau of touring information to supply members travel information on roads, hotels, service facilities and motor vehicle laws



1920s
AAA-sponsored School Safety Patrol program established



AAA: More Than Roadside Assistance

A federation of motor clubs advancing safety, mobility, member value, and public trust.

- **124** years of service
- **58M** members across the United States
- **1 in 4** households have at least one AAA member





AAA's Public Affairs Role

AAA Brings a Trusted, Research-Based Voice to Public Policy

- Represents AAA nationally with policymakers, safety organizations, federal agencies, industry partners, and the media.
- Uses research, testing, data, and subject matter experts to educate AAA Members, the public, and key stakeholders.



AAA Automotive Engineering

AAA Automotive Engineering Tests Vehicle Technology in the Real World



Researches and tests new vehicle technology to evaluate system benefits and limitations.



Research areas include advanced driver assistance systems, electric vehicles, automotive batteries, fuels, and emerging vehicle technologies.



Since 2014, AAA Automotive Engineering and the Automobile Club of Southern California Automotive Research Center have conducted almost 50 projects examining the functionality of multiple ADAS technologies.



We
**Save
Lives**

AAA Foundation for Traffic Safety

The AAA Foundation Turns Research Into Safer Roads



Founded in 1947 as a nonprofit organization dedicated to preventing traffic crashes and reducing injuries through rigorous research and public education.



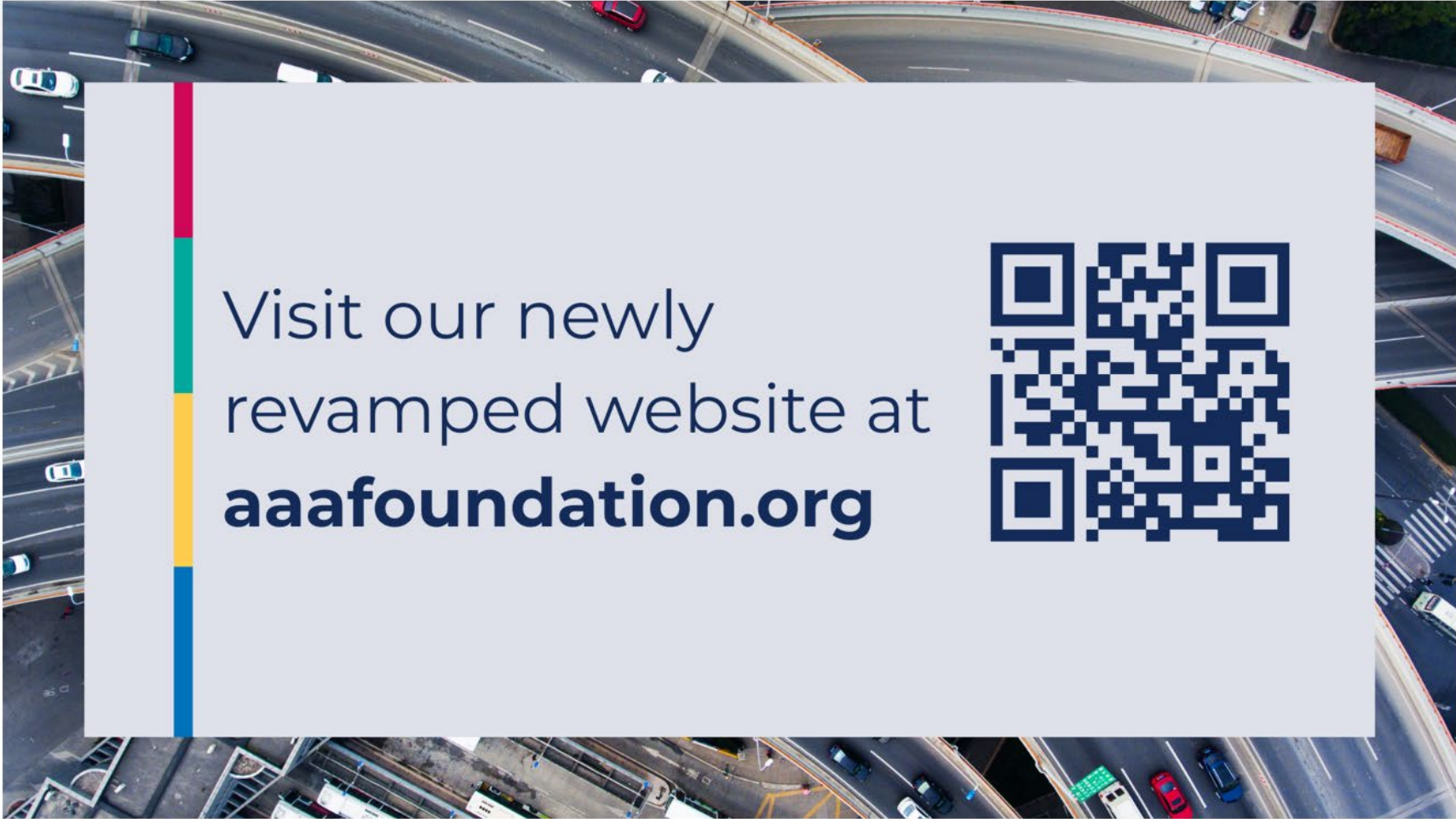
Focus Areas: Driver Behavior and Performance, Emerging Technologies, Roadway Systems and Drivers, and Vulnerable Road Users.



Foundation research helps AAA advance safety priorities through advocacy, public education, driver training, policymaker engagement, and media visibility.

AAA Foundation's New Website

Updated to provide easier access to research and key Foundation resources.



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revamped website at
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BUILD America 250 Act

Key AAA Policy Priorities

- Preserve the HALT Act's impaired-driving technology provisions and require NHTSA to continue developing a federal safety standard.
- Creates an industry roundtable focused on impaired driving prevention technologies.
- Establishes a national drug-involved crash data collection system.
- Creates a new Traffic Safety Enforcement Center of Excellence.
- **Expands safety data collection to include occupants and pedestrians associated with disabled vehicles to address data gaps and improve understanding of roadside incidents.**
- **Creates an interagency working group to develop recommendations related to roadway worker protections.**
- Provides \$50 million for a National Motor Vehicle Per-Mile User Fee Pilot Program and continues the State and Regional Road Usage Charge Grant Program.
- Directs DOT to evaluate the safety risks associated with micromobility devices and technologies, with an emphasis on children and young adults.



BUILD America 250 Act

Provisions that warrant continued attention

- Authorizes a pilot program allowing states to permit six-axle trucks weighing up to 91,000 pounds on interstate highways for up to 10 years.
- Continues a pilot that allows drivers under 21 to operate large commercial vehicles in interstate commerce.
- Requires USDOT to issue regulations establishing minimum safety standards for autonomous commercial vehicles.



Thank you

