STAY SAFE.

KNOW THE FACTS.

ABOUT OPERATION LIFESAVER:

OPERATION LIFESAVER IS A MISSION DRIVEN RAIL SAFETY EDUCATION NON-PROFIT POWERED BY DEDICATED PEOPLE. OUR GOAL IS TO END COLLISIONS, DEATHS AND INJURIES ON AND AROUND RAILROAD TRACKS AND TRAINS.

- Free in-person and virtual safety presentations across the U.S.
- eLearning programs for professional drivers, first responders and school bus drivers.
- Visit oli.org to schedule a presentation, find safety materials, become a volunteer and share public awareness campaigns, videos and more.

HELP STOP TRACK TRAGEDIES

Know the facts. Make good decisions. Share the message.

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GET OUT! GET AWAY! FIND THE BLUE AND WHITE SIGN

If your vehicle gets stuck or stalls at a crossing, get everyone out and far away immediately, even if you do not see a train. Call the number on the Blue and White Emergency Notification System (ENS) sign and share the crossing ID number with the dispatcher.

No sign? Dial 911.

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FIRST RESPONDERS ARE A CRITICAL RAIL SAFETY PARTNER.

Train tracks are considered live, active tracks until there is confirmation from the railroad company that train traffic has been stopped. It’s imperative for first responders and dispatchers to be aware that each crossing has a Blue and White ENS sign with a specific 800 number and crossing identification number.

Railroad companies need to be notified immediately regarding anything on or near railroad tracks. On-scene responders should be prepared to give their dispatch the 800 number and crossing identification number in emergencies.

FOR MORE INFORMATION, VISIT OLI.ORG.

THINK AHEAD
Anticipate your route. Don’t get caught waiting for a train in an emergency.

APPROACH WITH CAUTION
Slow down as you approach railroad crossings. Look and listen for a train. Multiple tracks may mean multiple trains. And remember trains can come from either direction.

Make sure the railroad has been notified and that train activity has been stopped before personnel or equipment is allowed on or near the tracks.

When responding near train tracks, park vehicles at least 15 feet from the nearest rail. Never park your vehicle on or near the tracks.

ACT SAFELY
Whether helping someone else, or if your vehicle is stuck or stalled on tracks, always get everyone out immediately. If a train is approaching, move away from the tracks at a 45-degree angle in the direction the train is approaching to avoid debris.

Find the Blue and White ENS sign posted at or near the crossing. Call the number on the sign. Give the crossing identification number so the railroad knows your location. Report the problem.