

# Ohio Department of Public Safety

## Ohio Traffic Safety Office

### 2018 Automated Enforcement Survey Report



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## **1. Overview**

The Section 402 program, officially known as the State and Community Highway Safety Grant Program, provides federal funding to states for the purpose of improving driver behavior and reducing the number of injuries and fatalities from vehicle crashes. In order to comply with the funding conditions for this program, states with jurisdictions/political subdivisions that use automated enforcement (AE) systems are required to perform a biennial voluntary survey of their systems (according to §1300.13 of the Federal Register). Ohio is a Section 402 grant recipient with a number of jurisdictions/political subdivisions currently utilizing AE.

The Ohio Traffic Safety Office distributed an automated enforcement survey to 746 law enforcement agencies in the State of Ohio requesting information. Responses were received from ten (10) agencies, two (2) currently utilizing automated enforcement equipment. It should be noted that the results reported in this document are based solely on the survey responses; there was no attempt made to independently verify the answers reported.

## 2. Survey Request

The Ohio Department of Public Safety (ODPS) - Ohio Traffic Safety Office (OTSO) is required under federal law (Fixing America's Surface Transportation (FAST) Act, US Code Title 23, § 402) to conduct a biennial survey of all automated traffic enforcement systems (specifically automated speed enforcement cameras and automated red-light enforcement cameras) installed in the state of Ohio, including political subdivisions. **If there are no automated traffic enforcement systems currently in use in your jurisdiction, no response is needed.**

**This survey is voluntary.** The survey is one page is designed to minimize the time spent fulfilling all federal requirements.

Please fill out the survey and return to the Ohio Traffic Safety Office by email at [TRAFFICSAFETY@DPS.OHIO.GOV](mailto:TRAFFICSAFETY@DPS.OHIO.GOV) or by FAX at (614) 752-4646, **by March 15, 2018.**

Your cooperation during this process, as well as your continued support as a partner in traffic safety, is greatly appreciated. If you have any questions, or if this notice has been sent to you in error, please contact Felice Moretti, Traffic Safety Administrator, at (614) 644-7641 or via email at [FMoretti@dps.ohio.gov](mailto:FMoretti@dps.ohio.gov).

Thank you for your cooperation

### 3. Survey Form

#### FIXING AMERICA'S SURFACE TRANSPORTATION (FAST)



#### US CODE Title 23; Public Law 114-94, Title IV – Highway Safety

#### § 4002 – Special Funding Conditions for Section 402 Grants

#### OHIO TRAFFIC SAFETY OFFICE

#### Biennial Survey of State Automated Traffic Enforcement Systems

##### General

1. Name of Jurisdiction/Political Subdivision: \_\_\_\_\_
2. Type of Government Entity (city, state, etc.):
3. Population: \_\_\_\_\_
4. Type of automated enforcement system used:  
Red light camera  Speed Enforcement Camera  Both
5. Did the jurisdiction/political subdivision refer to and follow federal DOT “*Speed Enforcement Camera Systems Operational Guidelines*” when implementing its automated enforcement system?  
Yes  No  Not Applicable (No Automated Speed Cameras)  Don’t Know
6. Did the jurisdiction/political subdivision refer to and follow FHWA “*Red Light Camera Systems Operational Guidelines*” when implementing its automated enforcement system?  
Yes  No  Not Applicable (No Automated Red Light Cameras)  Don’t Know
7. Ownership of system (camera & equipment):  
**Speed Camera:** Jurisdiction-owned  Contracted/leased   
**Red Light Camera:** Jurisdiction-owned  Contracted/leased

##### Transparency

1. Are placement locations of automated enforcement publicly available?  
**Speed Camera:** Yes  No  **Red Light Camera:** Yes  No
2. Is information regarding automated enforcement revenue publicly available?  
**Speed Camera:** Yes  No  **Red Light Camera:** Yes  No
3. Is information regarding the disbursement of this revenue publicly available?  
**Speed Camera:** Yes  No  **Red Light Camera:** Yes  No
4. Is the number of automated enforcement citations issued publicly available?  
**Speed Camera:** Yes  No  **Red Light Camera:** Yes  No

5. Upon deployment at a specific location, is there a warning period before citations are issued?

**Speed Camera:** Yes  No       **Red Light Camera:** Yes  No

**Accountability**

1. Are citations reviewed and signed by a sworn law enforcement officer?

**Speed Camera:** Yes  No       **Red Light Camera:** Yes  No

2. Is there a process in place for dispute resolution?

**Speed Camera:** Yes  No       **Red Light Camera:** Yes  No

3. Is the automated enforcement program audited?

**Speed Camera:** Yes  No  If yes, how often? \_\_\_\_\_

**Red Light Camera:** Yes  No  If yes, how often? \_\_\_\_\_

**Safety Attributes**

1. Is traffic data (engineering & crash) utilized to determine placement of enforcement platforms?

**Speed Camera:** Yes  No       **Red Light Camera:** Yes  No

2. Does the jurisdiction/political subdivision analyze traffic data to determine its automated enforcement's impact on safety elements (i.e. crashes, speed, etc.)?

**Speed Camera:** Yes  No       **Red Light Camera:** Yes  No

Data recorded by:

\_\_\_\_\_ Name

\_\_\_\_\_ Date

## 4. Response

Name of Jurisdiction	Type of Entity	Population	Type of Auto Enforce System
Summit County Sheriff's Office	County	500000	None
Monroeville Police Department	Village	Not Reported	None
Lorain County Sheriff's Office	County	Not Reported	None
Bellville Police Department	Village	1871	None
Brown County Sheriff's Office	County	45000	None
Fairfield County Sheriff's Office	County	156000	None
Wyandot County Sheriff's Office	County	24000	None
Middlefield Police	Village	2750	None
Toledo Police Department	City	283000	Speed and Red Light Cameras
Newburgh Heights	City	2100	Speed Cameras

	Toledo	Newburgh Heights
General Questions	Did not know if listed guidelines were being followed. Equipment is being contracted / leased.	Yes to following guidelines.  Equipment is being contracted and leased.
Transparency	Yes to all questions.	Yes to all questions.
Accountability	Yes to all questions.  Monthly audits.	Yes to all questions.  Biennial audits.
Safety Attributes	Yes to all questions.	Yes to all questions.