

eCitation Project Summary

Over the past two years both the Kansas Criminal Justice Information System (KCJIS) Committee and the Traffic Records Coordinating Committee have identified and included a tactical project for planning and implementing a new eCitation system. This project was approved by the KCJIS Committee and the TRCC in November 2008 and is being funded via the state Traffic Records Enhancement Fund. The deliverable from the project is a eCitation Strategic Plan which will be completed by April, 2009.

Strategic Plan Goals and Objectives

The goal of the eCitation program is to develop and implement a interconnected set of systems through which traffic citation data can be collected and distributed quickly, effectively, and at cost savings over the current manual system. By use of a uniform and consistent system throughout the state by both state and local agencies, the accessibility, timeliness, completeness, and accuracy of the vital information disseminated will be significantly enhanced. The following objectives have been identified for creating a strategic plan to guide KCJIS on the implementation of a statewide eCitation system:

- Educating Kansas on other state eCitation programs and their architecture, software and technologies.
- Documenting the requirements of the state eCitation system based on interviews with state and local personnel.
- Developing a vision and design for the implementation of a system for the state of Kansas that incorporates the technologies and work already in process by affected agencies.
- Developing and approving a plan for implementing the strategies and achieving the desired vision over the next few years.
- Ensuring compatibility with current KCJIS and TRCC technologies and plans.
- Promoting a common understanding of the direction and vision for eCitation among management and executive personnel.

eCitation Project Organization

The eCitation Project organization structure has been set up to leverage the individuals and leadership already included in both KCJIS and the TRCC. The structure includes both a Work Group and a Steering Committee.

The project is lead by a Work Group with representatives from KCJIS, TRCC, KHP, KBI, OJA and local law enforcement. This group meets every other week and provides review and guidance on the deliverables for the project and assists in indentifying and coordinating input by local agencies.

The project intends to utilize the TRCC with additional ad hoc members as a Steering Committee to receive broad input into the vision and the plan for a statewide eCitation system. Meetings of the Steering Committee are tentatively planned to coincide with the monthly TRCC meetings on the 3rd Thursday of the month starting in February.

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What are the TRCC and the TRS?

The Traffic Records Coordinating Committee (TRCC) is an interagency committee that has been working since June 2005 to develop a statewide Traffic Records System (TRS). The TRS will provide state and local agencies with the ability to properly assess and plan for the safety of the motoring public. By bringing together information that is now housed in separate, isolated repositories in KDOR, KDHE, KBI, KBEMS, and other organizations, new analysis can be performed that will allow the state to have a much more complete picture of traffic safety in Kansas.

Traffic Records System Strategic Plan

The TRCC developed and maintains a Strategic Plan to guide and coordinate the development of the overall Traffic Records System. The plan includes a number of projects that are both currently underway or will be started in the near future. The plan was recently updated and is published on www.kansastrs.org.

eCitation XML Schema Definition

The TRCC has developed two draft XML Information Exchange Process Descriptions (IEPDs) for exchanging data between law enforcement systems and state agency repositories following the standards and conventions defined in the National Information Exchange Model (NIEM). The two draft IEPDs created by the TRCC are the Crash Report and the Citation Report and are available online at www.kansastrs.org. The use of national standards increases data compatibility and conformity with other states and the federal government. More information can be found at www.niem.gov.

How does this impact you?

Many of projects identified in the Traffic Records Strategic Plan lead to the development or improvement of statewide systems and repositories, which will be available for use by most Kansas law enforcement agencies and organizations. The TRCC and KCJIS is actively encouraging collaboration at both the state and local levels, and is using Section 408 grant funding from the National Highway Transportation Safety Administration (NHTSA) and state funds to help assist with the implementation of these initiatives.

For more information on the TRC, the program and its projects, go to www.kansastrs.org. For more information on the eCitation Project go to the project library at www.kansastrs.org/ecitation.aspx.

The TRCC includes representatives from the following agencies and organizations throughout the state of Kansas:

- Association of Chiefs of Police (KACP)
- Board of EMS (KBEMS)
- Bureau of Investigation (KBI)
- Criminal Justice Information System (KCJIS)
- Department of Health and Environment (KDHE)
- Department of Revenue (KDOR)
- Department of Transportation (KDOT)
- Highway Patrol (KHP)
- Insurance Department (KID)
- Kansas Corporations Commission (KCC)
- Mid-America Regional Council (MARC)
- Office of Judicial Administration (OJA)
- Peace Officers Association (KPOA)
- Sheriff's Association (KSA)
- Division of Information Systems and Communications