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**Solar Power May Help Prevent Snow and Ice on Bridges**

Every winter, considerable amounts of labor, salt and other chemicals are used to remove snow and ice from the state's roads and bridges. Now MoDOT will become one of the first agencies in the nation to use solar energy in an effort to prevent the buildup of snow and ice on bridge decks. [Solar](#)

**Providing Needed Transit for Thankful Seniors**

What were you thankful for this Thanksgiving? Residents at a St. Louis-area independent living facility were thankful for quality transportation, thanks to the quick-thinking of some MoDOT employees. [Transit](#)

**SAFER ROADS**

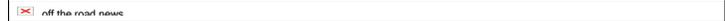
**Give the Gift of a Safe Lift this Holiday Season**

*Designated Driver Gift Cards Available at [saveMOLives.com](#)*

Looking for the perfect gift for that friend who has everything? Send a Designated Driver Gift Card and serve as their sober driver this holiday season to ensure they make it home safe and avoid a DWI arrest. [Gift Card](#)

**New Bill to Keep Repeat Drunken Drivers Off the Road**

Gov. Jay Nixon recently detailed legislation to overhaul the way Missouri deals with drunken-driving cases by eliminating loopholes that block prosecutions and ensuring that all DWI offenses are accurately recorded and tracked. [DWI](#)



**New Track Adds Capacity and Reduces Delays for Amtrak Customers**

A new \$8.1 million, 9,000-foot railroad side track recently opened that adds capacity and reduces delays on the route used by Amtrak *Missouri River Runner* trains between Kansas City and St. Louis. [Track](#)

**Working Together Improves Rail Safety**

Recently, a highway-rail crossing north of the town of Winfield, Mo. presented a quandary to the staff of MoDOT's Railroad Section. Thanks to the cooperation of several groups, motorists can now feel safer crossing this area. [Rail](#)

**Amtrak On Time 100 Percent During Busy Holiday Week**

Missouri Amtrak trains ran 100 percent on time during the Thanksgiving holiday week. The week was measured from Tuesday, Nov. 24 through Monday, Nov. 30. During this period, each of the four trains leaving St. Louis and Kansas City arrived at its final location exactly on time. [Amtrak](#)

**HAVE YOU SEEN THIS?**

**Don't Get Left in the Cold This Winter**

Get current road condition information before you travel this winter, and visit MoDOT's Traveler Information Map. It's your first source of information when planning your trip across the Show-Me state. [Map](#)

**Rahn Honored for Making a Difference**

Rahn's willingness to take risks and his desire to make a difference helped him become the first state transportation director to be named as one of the 2009 Public Officials of the Year by Governing Magazine. Watch a video to learn more about this honor and the other 2009 recipients. [Rahn](#)

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