

Welcome New Members!

We appreciate the following members that have joined our mission:

Towing Companies:

Abyss Towing

ACT Towing

Boise Valley Towing

Canyon County Towing

Crossroads Towing and Salvage

Deuce's Auto Transport and Towing

Pegasus Transport and Towing

Reliable Towing

Schaffers Towing

Silverback Towing

Torch Towing

Treasure Valley Towing

WTF Towing

Associate Members:

Michael Severson –
Country Repair and
Wreckmaster



IT&A NEWS

We are pleased to provide you with the first newsletter from the Idaho Towing Association. We have been very busy forming a quality organization for all towing professionals.

We need your ideas for our newsletter name! Please submit your ideas to info@idahotow.org. We will post the submissions on our website for voting.



Spirit Ride July 24, 2018

American Towman Spirit Ride

The American Towman Spirit Ride sponsored by Abyss Towing and Crossroads Towing rolled through the streets of Treasure Valley on Tuesday, July 24th and received much public exposure. We were pleased that the local news agencies covered the ceremony. We also had tremendous support from our local law enforcement agencies, ITD and ACHD making it possible to escort the ceremonial casket from Boise to Caldwell. Thank you to all the tow companies who participated in the relay and took time out of their busy day to show support for this important cause.

If you would like to learn more and support the Spirit Ride campaign, visit www.atspiritride.com.

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Virtual Join Meetings

Out of convenience during the busy holiday season, will be conducting several virtual join meetings in early December. We will be contacting all local towing companies in each district notifying them when their join meeting will be held. We look forward to welcoming many more members to the ITA so we may become a strong force promoting positive changes in our industry in Idaho.



ITA Join Meeting

We had a successful join meeting on April 19th. Thank you to all of you who came out to see what we are all about. If you were unable to come, here are a few items we covered:

Q. What is the Idaho Towing Association?

A. The ITA was formed to be an organization to promote, educate, advocate and provide information for the towing industry of Idaho.

Q. Why should I join?

A. There are several benefits to joining the ITA including legislative advocacy, legal aid, industry discounts, training and much more!

Q. Where can I find out more about ITA?

A. Visit our website at www.idahotow.org or give us a call. We are here to help.

Updates with the ITA

Congratulations to our recently elected Legal Committee Director, Sarah Biggers. We are looking forward to making positive changes to our laws that govern our industry.

We are currently looking to fill the following ITA positions:

- District Directors
- TRAA Director (State Elected)
- Legal Committee Members
- Event Committee Members

Sign the SDMO Petition

Help amend Idaho's Slow Down Move Over Law to include Tow Operators, DOT and stranded motorists. Idaho's SDMO laws are out of date and do not offer protection to many of our Incident Response workers who work in the most dangerous road and weather conditions, risking their lives to clear our roadways and keep us safe. Sign the petition at <https://www.change.org/p/sarah-biggers-amend-idaho-s-sdmo-laws-to-include-tow-operators-dot-and-the-stranded-motorist>. Thank you in advance for your support of this important amendment.





Please give us your Feedback

Do you have an idea or issue you would like to see addressed? We are always open to feedback and invite you to share obstacles you are encountering or ideas we can incorporate to help our towing industry. Please write us at info@idahotow.org and give us some feedback.



Legal News Update

By Sarah Biggers, Legal Director

Taking advantage of the support for Idaho's towing industry's safety gained from this summer's Spirit Ride events, the Idaho Towing Association is making tightening our Slow Down Move Over law a top priority for this year's legislative session. The way the law is written currently, tow vehicles are only protected by Idaho's SDMO law when impeding all or part of a lane of traffic. The ITA is working to amend Idaho Statute to ensure any time we are working the roadways, we are protected by Idaho's SDMO Law. Strength in an association is beginning and will continue to give the towing industry a strong enough voice to be heard and respected by the entities we work with. Reach out to your local State Representatives and Senators and stress the importance of tightening this law and ask them to support the Idaho Towing Association by supporting our cause this winter during the 2019 legislative session.



ITD recently held Abandoned Vehicle Training sessions on the changes made to Idaho Statutes and the paperwork process for towing and storing of motor vehicles. I hope you all received the email and Facebook member alert letting our members know of these rare and very informative classes! This is just one of the advantages of being an ITA member – we strive to keep you informed.



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Please make sure to visit the Idaho Towing Association website for updates, member discounts and information on everything ITA. Spread the news to your fellow tow operators about our mission and invite them to visit our website. Please let us know if you need help with any towing related issues. We are always here to lend a hand!