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BICYCLES / PEDESTRIANS

Detroit Bikeshare Hits 237,000 Rides; Some MoGo Memberships Up Despite Scooters

Detroit Free Press

<https://www.freep.com/story/news/local/michigan/detroit/2018/11/28/detroit-bike-share-mogo/2136079002/>

How Long Will Bird, Lime Scooters Be Left on Lansing-Area Streets?

Lansing State Journal

<https://www.lansingstatejournal.com/story/news/2018/11/14/bird-lime-scooters-transportation-lansing-eastlansing-michiganstateuniversity-spartans-police-ingham/1986479002/>

Bicycle, Pedestrian Crashes on Decline in Grand Rapids

MLive

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Ann Arbor Approves Updated Pedestrian, Street Safety Program

MLive

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Detroit's Mobility Options Changing Faster Than We Think

Detroit Free Press column

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ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Fiat Chrysler Plans to Open New Factory in Detroit

The Hill

<https://thehill.com/policy/transportation/420133-fiat-chrysler-plans-to-open-new-factory-in-detroit>

Ann Arbor Company Awarded Autonomous Transportation Contract

WLNS-TV

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Detroit Airports to House 6,000-Acre Automotive Hub

CarBuzz

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INFRASTRUCTURE

Whitmer Tells Trump: 'Let's Fix the Damn Roads'

Detroit Free Press

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GM Closing Plants in Hamtramck and Warren, Cut White-Collar Workforce

Detroit Free Press

<https://www.freep.com/story/money/cars/general-motors/2018/11/26/ontario-plant-closure/2112539002/>

Ford Shuffles Workers Adding 500 Jobs at Livonia Plant, Moving 650 from Flat Rock

AP

<https://www.wxyz.com/news/ford-shuffles-workers-adding-500-jobs-at-livonia-plant-moving-650-from-flat-rock>

Snyder Drops Plan to Task Bridge Panel with Tunnel Oversight

AP

<https://www.apnews.com/5e75d16598984af0bf99cfb6b04530e3>

MDOT's Innovation, Leadership Leads to Mobility Accomplishments

Crain's Detroit Business

<https://www.crainsdetroit.com/other-voices/mdots-innovation-leadership-leads-mobility-accomplishments>

Health Startup Wins Grand Rapids Mobility Challenge

Grand Rapids Business Journal

<https://www.grbj.com/articles/92163-health-startup-wins-grand-rapids-mobility-challenge>

MDOT Collaboration Helps Preserve Sanilac Petroglyphs

MDOT

<https://content.govdelivery.com/accounts/MIDOT/bulletins/2205a23>

RAILROADS

Michigan DOT and Amtrak Dispute Delays Rail Bridge Construction in Kalamazoo

WWMT-TV

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ROADWAYS

MDOT Awards Funding for Grade Crossing Projects

Progressive Railroading

<https://www.progressiverailroading.com/safety/news/Michigan-DOT-awards-funding-for-grade-crossing-projects--56242>

Michigan Receives \$20 Million Grant to Complete US 31 Connection to I-94 in Berrien County

South Bend Tribune

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Most Michigan Rest Areas Open Throughout Winter for Travelers

WGTU/WPBN-TV

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MDOT Upgraded Traffic Signals in Houghton

WLUC-TV

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ROAD SAFETY

MDOT, Police Testing New Wrong-Way Alert System on I-94 Ramp in Jackson County

WLIX-TV

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Michigan Drowsy Driving Crashes Increasing

Holland Sentinel

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TRANSIT

Former MAX Transit Director Behind Bars

WHTC Radio

<https://whrc.com/news/articles/2018/nov/27/former-max-transit-director-behind-bars/>

VEHICLES

Mcity: Augmented Reality Technology Improves Driverless Vehicle Testing

All About Ann Arbor

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Michigan Nears Rule Changes to Accommodate Truck Platoons

Land Line

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VEHICLE ELECTRIFICATION

Chevy Volt Was Going to Save Detroit. Now Its Workers Are Losing Jobs

Detroit Free Press

<https://www.usatoday.com/story/money/cars/2018/11/27/chevy-volt-donald-trump-general-motors/2126033002/>

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