Growing the Vision for Safe Mobility in the U.S.



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Motor vehicle crash deaths in 10 comparison high-income countries, 2013 **United States** HIGHEST **New Zealand** 5.6 Canada 5.4



Deaths per 100,000 people

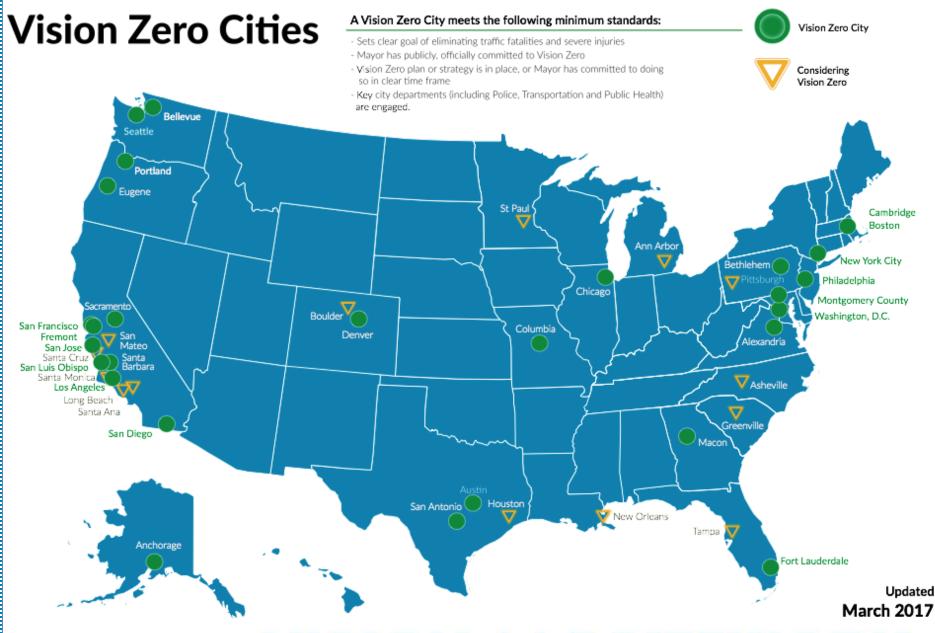
SOURCE: WHO Global Status Report on Road Safety, 2015.

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After children's deaths, a call for traffic safety

Danger. A series of pedestrian deaths has put the spotlight back on our streets.

So far this has been a bloody week for pedestrians in New York City.

On Tuesday morning, a 47-year-old man was struck and killed by a car while crossing the street in Queens. On Monday, a 65-year-old woman in East Harlem was hit and killed by a truck. A few hours before that, two pedestrians were killed when a 22-yearold lost control of his Camaro and jumped the curb on Queens Boulevard.

With a seeming uptick in traffic injuries and fatalities, some are wondering if the city could do more to prevent such tragedies.

Some safety advocates, like Transportation Alternatives, argue that the city is not doing nearly enough.

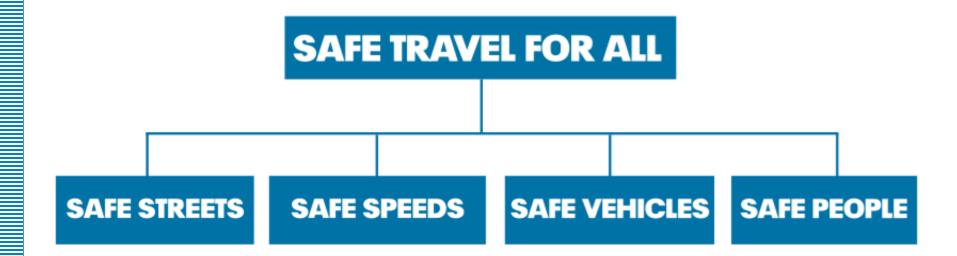
They're calling for a two-pronged approach: an



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9 Components of a Strong Vision Zero Commitment

Based on the experiences of early-adopter cities in the United States, these nine components have proven to be an effective high-level framework for communities considering a Vision Zero commitment. While these are not the only factors to consider, they are critical aspects to ensure a strong and lasting commitment to Vision Zero.

POLITICAL COMMITMENT

The highest-ranking local officials (Mayor, City Council, City Manager) make an official and public commitment to a Vision Zero goal to achieve zero traffic fatalities and severe injuries among all road users (including people walking, biking, using transit, and driving) within a set timeframe. This should include passage of a local policy laying out goals, timeline, stakeholders, and a commitment to community engagement, transparency, & equitable outcomes.

MULTI-DISCIPLINARY LEADERSHIP

An official city Vision Zero Taskforce (or Leadership Committee) is created and charged with leading the planning effort for Vision Zero. The Taskforce should include, at a minimum, high-ranking representatives from the Office of the Mayor, Police, Transportation (or equivalent), and Public Health. Other departments to involve include Planning, Fire, Emergency Services,



Public Works, District Attorney, Office of Senior Services, Disability, and the School District.

ACTION PLAN

Vision Zero Action Plan (or Strategy) is created within 1 year of initial commitment and is implemented with clear



EOUITY

City stakeholders commit to both an equitable approach to Vision Zero by establishing inclusive and representative processes, as well as equitable outcomes by ensuring measurable benchmarks to provide safe transportation options for all road users in all parts of the city.

COOPERATION & COLLABORATION

A commitment is made to encourage meaningful cooperation and collaboration among relevant governmental agencies & community stakeholders to establish a framework for multiple stakeholders to set shared goals and focus on coordination and accountability.

SYSTEMS-BASED APPROACH

City leaders commit to and prioritize a systems-based approach to Vision Zero — focusing on the built environment, systems, and policies that influence behavior — as well as adopting messaging that emphasizes that these traffic losses are preventable.

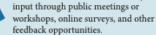


DATA-DRIVEN

City stakeholders commit to gather, analyze, utilize, and share reliable data to understand traffic safety issues and prioritize resources based on evidence of the greatest needs and impact.

COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

Opportunities are created to invite meaningful community engagement, such as select community representation on the Taskforce, broader community



TRANSPARENCY

The city's process is transparent to city stakeholders and the community, including regular updates on the progress on the Action Plan and performance measures, and a yearly report (at minimum) to the local governing board (e.g., City Council).

For more visit the Vision Zero Network at visionzeronetwork.org. Ouestions or ideas? Contact leah@visionzeronetwork.org.

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LEADERSHIP STRUCTURE



Mayor's office

Commits the city to Vision Zero and plays a key role in managing the process to achieve it

In New York City, the Mayor's Office of Operations created and continues to convene the Vision Zero Task Force.

When Vision Zero first launched in San Francisco, the Mayor dedicated a full-time staff member to Vision Zero.

Vision Zero Task Force / Steering Committee

Key city agencies — including transportation, police, health and the mayor's office — appointed by the mayor to lead the strategy and implementation of Vision Zero









The NYC Vision Zero Task Force includes the Police Dept, Dept of Transportation, Taxi & Limousine Commission, Dept of Health & Mental Hygiene, Dept of Citywide Administrative Services, Law Dept and Office of Management & Budget.

In LA, the Mayor appointed the General Manager of the Dept of Transportation and the Chief of Police (or their designees) as cochairs of the Vision Zero Executive Steering Committee.

In D.C., the Mayor tapped the Department of Transportation as the lead agency on the Vision Zero Task Force.

Many cities engage community stakeholders in their Task Forces in some way, too

Vision Zero Working Groups / Subcommittees

Often interdisciplinary groups focused on specific aspects of achieving Vision Zero, like engineering or marketing









San Francisco has standing committees on Engineering, Enforcement, Education, Policy, Evaluation, and Budget.

In Los Angeles, subcommittees include Engineering, Enforcement, Education, and Evaluation.

New York City convenes Marketing and Data Working groups.



Vision Zero Task Force



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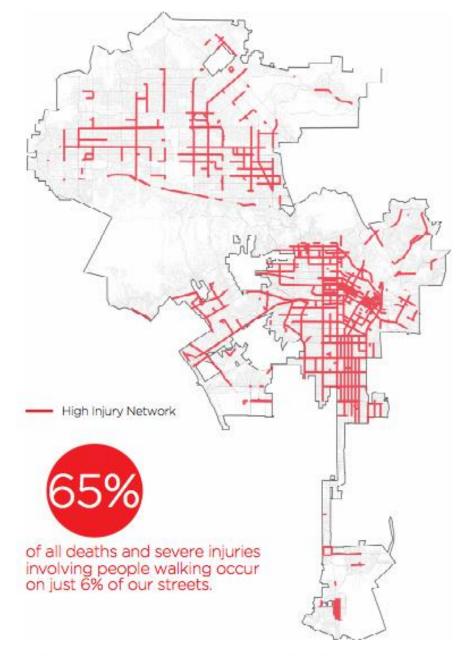








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People Killed While Walking by Income



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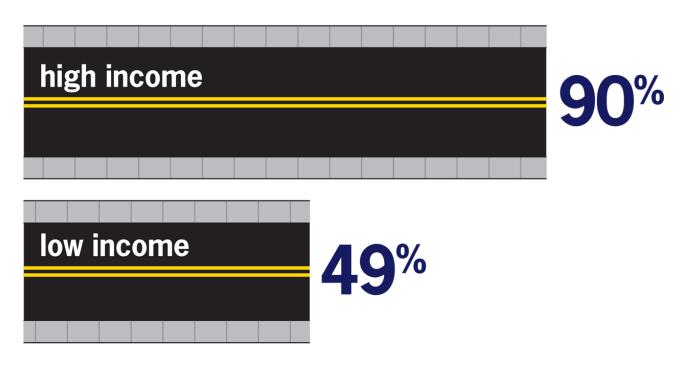


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Communities with Sidewalks

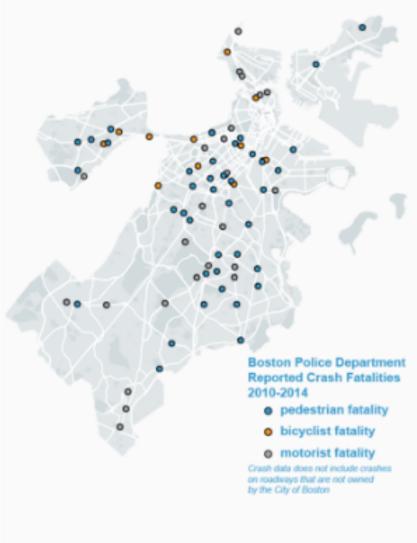


Bridging the Gap, Income Disparities in Street Features that Encourage Walking, 2012

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Focusing on the Issues



While fatal crashes have occurred throughout the city, they are more concentrated in certain areas.

Arterial roadways are disproportionately dangerous for all modes.





more pedestrians died on arterial roads than on local roads

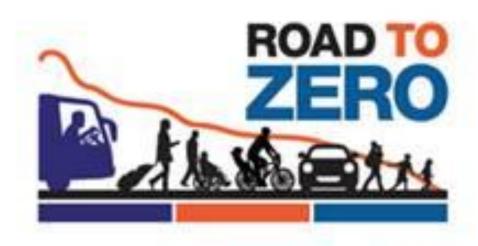


more bicyclists died on arterial roads than on local roads



more drivers died on arterial roads than on local roads

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