

Transportation Advisory Board

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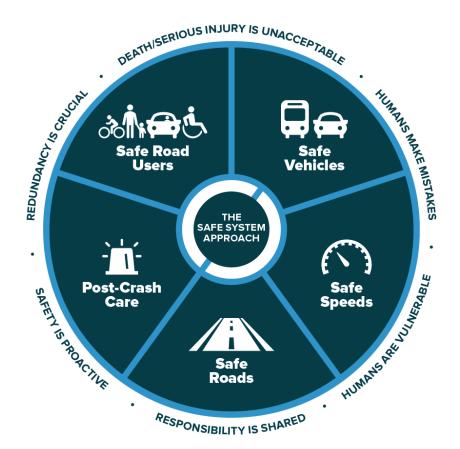
- Vision Zero and Safe System approach
- Minneapolis traffic safety priorities
 - Federal street safety grant
 - Traffic safety cameras
- Q&A

Minneapolis Vision Zero

Goal: zero traffic deaths and severe injuries on City streets by 2027

- Policy adopted in 2017
- 2020-2022 Vision Zero Action Plan adopted in 2019
- 2023-2025 Vision Zero Action Plan adopted in 2023

Aligns with "Safe System" approach



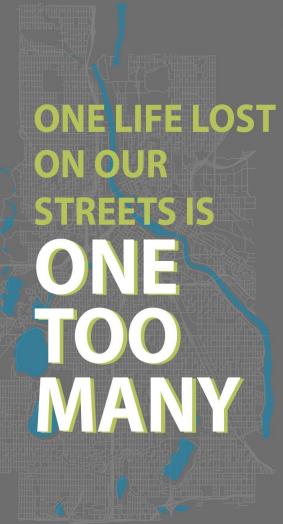
More resources: visionzeronetwork.org

Some valuable steps for traffic safety

- Set a clear safety goal
 - Provide urgency to move quickly
- Create a safety action plan
 - Safe Streets for All funding
 - Inform with analysis
 - Identify high injury streets
- Provide dedicated traffic safety funding

- Include safety as priority criteria for roadway projects
- Prioritize safety in decision making
 - Pursue traffic safety grants
 - Safe Streets for All,
 Highway Safety
 Improvement Program,
 Safe Routes to School

Minneapolis traffic safety priorities



We remember the names of people who died walking, biking and driving in Minneapolis in 2023

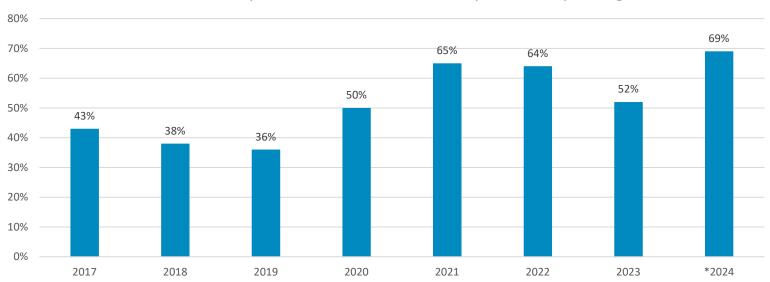
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Source: Hennepin County Medical Examiner data.

Dangerous speeding is significant and growing challenge

% of Minneapolis Fatal Crashes That Clearly Involved Speeding



*2024 figure is preliminary.

Source: 2022 Minneapolis Vision Zero Crash Study and Public Works staff review of fatal crash reports. Excludes freeway, private property, intentional, and medical emergency crashes.

Key strategy 1: Make safety improvements on High Injury Streets

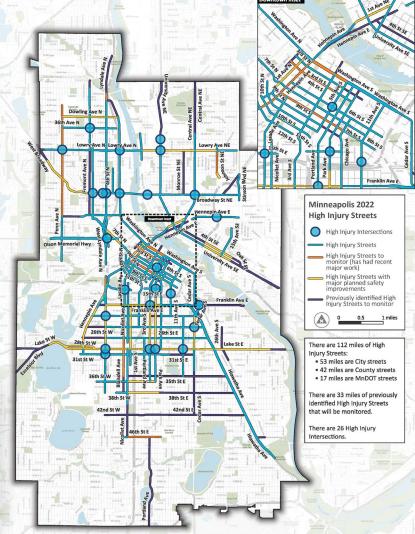
- Vision Zero capital program
- Recent federal grant

Quick build

working towards

Concrete

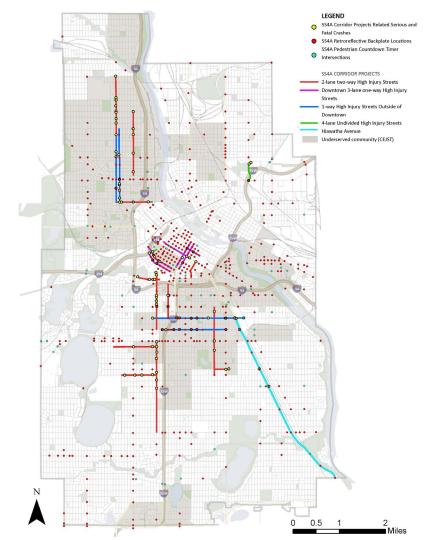




Received Safe Streets for All federal grant







Key strategy 2: reduce dangerous speeding with street designs

- More of things that are working:
 - Pedestrian safety islands
 - Medians
 - Protected bike lanes
 - Right-sized traffic lanes
- Pilot new measures on busier streets, including:
 - Raised crossings
 - Speed cushions
 - Mini-roundabouts
- Manage neighborhood traffic calming program





Key strategy 3: Traffic safety camera pilot

- Provide automated enforcement of traffic laws
- New state law allows limited pilot for speeding and red light running
- Minneapolis working to launch pilot on or after Aug 1, 2025





Photo sources: FHWA and NCSL



Thank you

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