

Community Conversation – Accelerating Pedestrian Safety

**Learning from successes
NYC, GR & A2**

Policies for Improvement

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Learning from successes NYC

Traffic deaths in New York City dropped to 200 last year, the lowest level in more than a century. Credit Elizabeth D. Herman for The New York Times Jan. 1, 2019



Learning from successes

Grand Rapids

Grand Rapids Mayor Rosalynn Bliss discussed a drop in the number of bicycle and pedestrian traffic crashes between April and September. (Brian McVicar | MLive.com Nov. 19, 2018)



Learning from successes

Ann Arbor

- Vision Zero Policy (2015) and Contract (2018)
- Crosswalk Design Guidelines
- A2 Safe Transport Report -- School Improvements
- Resolution for Monthly Report of Improvements
- A2 Fix It (Engage citizens in problem solving)
- Community: Transportation Commission, A2 Safe Transport, WBWC, Vision Zero CAC, Conversation

Policies for Improvements

- Data Driven Focus to Decrease All Crashes
- Holistic Approach – Prioritize \$\$ & Sustainability
- Immediate Focus on Education (SEMCOG)
- Enforce Vehicular Speed & Advocate w/ MDOT
- Resolution: Enforce Sight Distance (Vegetation)
- Resolution: Illumination Metrics

Policies for Improvements

- Incorporate Americans with Disabilities Act
 - Expand “White Cane Law” to Mobility Impairment
 - Advocate for Distracted Driver & Pedestrian Laws
 - Advocate for Law to Allow Enforcement Cameras
 - Greater Collaboration w/ Community Partners
 - Other
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Questions and Answers

8:45 pm Public Comment

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