Vision Zero Houston

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What is Vision Zero?

- Global strategy to end traffic deaths and serious injuries.
- No loss of life by traffic crash is acceptable.
- Traffic deaths are preventable.
- We are humans and we make mistakes.
- Transportation as a system designed to improve the quality of human life.
- Equitable; prioritize investments in areas disproportionately impacted by traffic deaths and serious injuries.

Resource:

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Vision Zero for Houston means...

- Commitment to end traffic deaths and serious injuries by 2030.
- Paradigm shift to improve mobility for everyone who walks, uses a wheelchair, drives, bikes, and takes transit.
- Prioritizes street safety and accessibility for people of all ages and abilities.
- Traffic deaths and serious injuries are an unacceptable and preventable public health issue.





The Problem

• nearly **220 people killed** every year in traffic crashes on Houston streets.

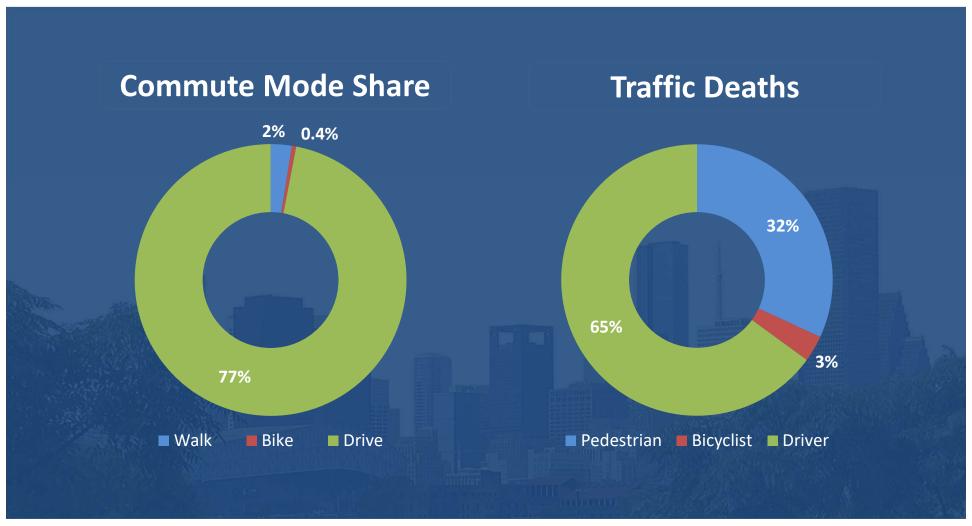
• more than 1,000 people seriously injured every year in a traffic crash on Houston streets.

All of these crashes were preventable.





Disproportionate Impacts to Vulnerable Road Users







Draft Action Plan

- Prioritize investments in areas disproportionately impacted by traffic deaths and serious injuries.
- Combine crash data and community feedback to learn about dangerous streets and intersections.
- Collaborative and multidisciplinary approach to traffic safety.





























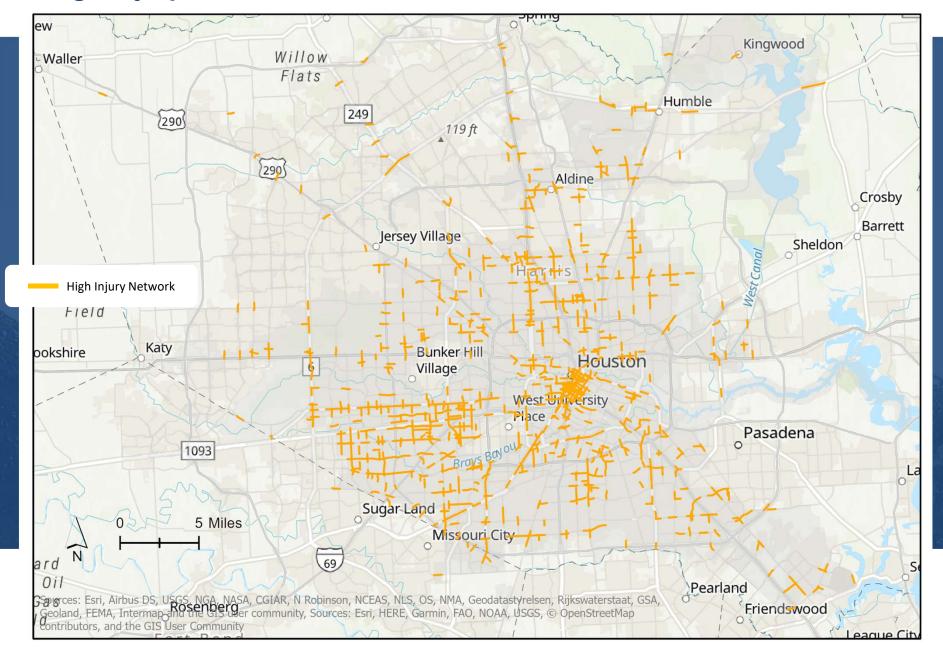
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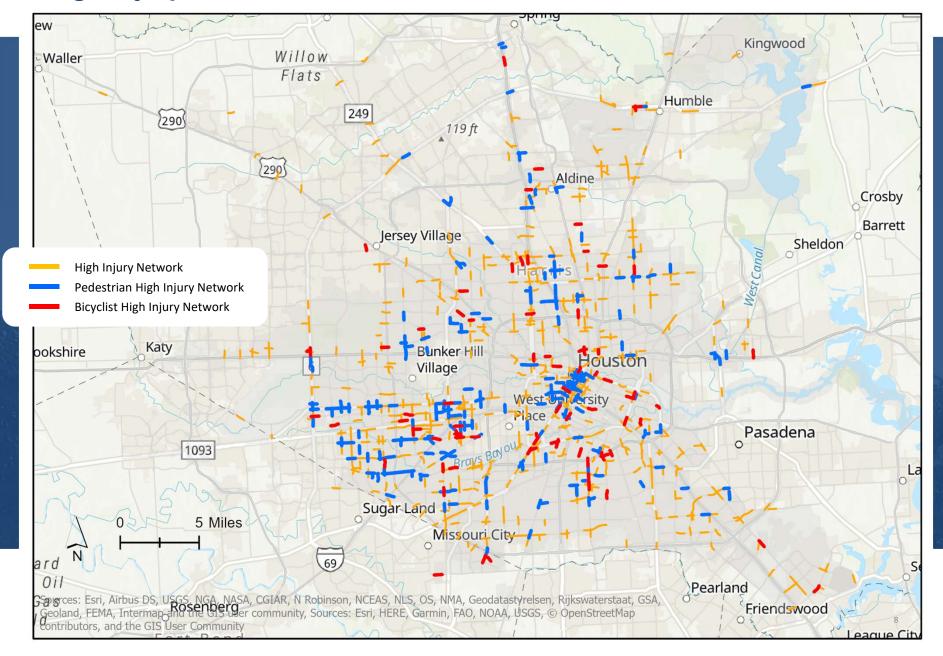




High Injury Network



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Goals



14 approaches, 12 priority actions, 50 total actions



Community Engagement

Previous

- Virtual public meetings
 - June 9; what do safe streets mean to you?
 - August 18/19; what actions are important to you?
- Public comment on draft actions
 - August 18 September 1

Upcoming

- TIRZ/Management District virtual meeting on Oct. 6
- Public comment period #2 on draft actions
- METRO Transit Center outreach



Follow-up

Traffic safety concerns

- Interactive Vision Zero Map Tool
 - www.letstalkhouston.org/vision-zero

Additional Information

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Questions/comments

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