Wilshire Safety Enhancements

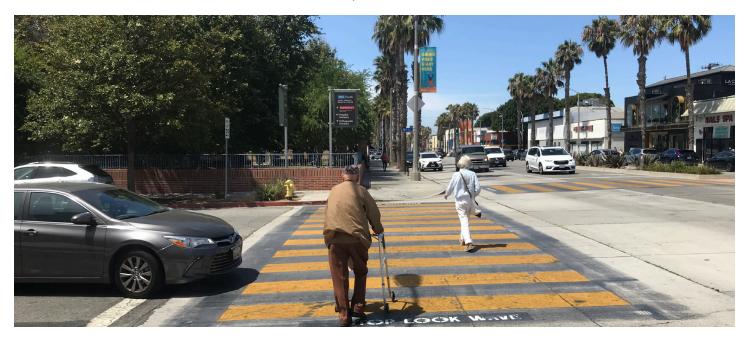
Project Area: Wilshire Blvd between Ocean Ave and Centinela Ave

We Heard Your Top Priorities:



Project Overview

Wilshire Boulevard is among the 10% of roadways that account for 50% of the fatal and severe traffic collisions in Santa Monica. In partnership with community members, the upcoming changes were developed through the Wilshire Safety Study. The year-long community engagement process built off the Vision Zero Work Plan analysis of 11 years of traffic collision data. The study found that those walking represent the majority of fatal and severe traffic injuries. Each element of the project was designed to create a boulevard that encourages pedestrian and bicycle trips, creates safe routes to school, and enhances access to health care, local retail, and public transit.



Flashing Beacons at Crosswalks

Highly visible flashing beacons at 5 intersections signal to motorists that they must yield to the pedestrian crossing the street.

Curb Extensions with Paint and Bollards

Curb extensions at 14 intersections shorten pedestrian crossing distrances, reduce vehicle turning speed, and limit erratic maneuvers by narrowing the travel lane.

Right-Turn Only at Unsignalized Intersections

Preventing left turns at all unsignalized intersections will remove the vehicle movements that account for 20% of collisions.

Bus Stop Red Zones

New pavement markings will discourage vehicle loading in bus stops that limits visibility and impacts bus stop access and performance.



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