

# Pedestrian Safety Workshop

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# Agenda

- Walking in San Francisco
- Accomplishments and Current Pedestrian
  Activities
- Mayor's Pedestrian Safety Executive Directive
- Next Steps



#### **TRANSPORTATION PYRAMID**



Transportation Planning

Transportation Planning 2

#### **Policy Shift: City of Sustainable Mobility Choices**



## Walking is fundamental to our mobility vision



Key attributes to a successful public realm

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# 5 E's (Elements) of Good Street Design



## **Good Design and Education lead to Safety outcomes**

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#### Pedestrian to Vehicle Exposure 62.5 ft



## **Street Design is critical to safe walking conditions**



#### Trade offs: travel lane and/or parking lane removal

## **Complete Streets-Improves walking conditions**



#### Trade offs: travel lane and parking lane removal, driveways

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## **Complete Streets-promotes safety through design**

#### **Estimated Annual Pedestrian Crossings (in millions)**



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#### **City of short trips-voted most walkable city**

# Injury Collisions Involving Pedestrians 1999-2009



# Fatal Pedestrian Collisions 1999-2009



Year

Source: CHP, Statewide Traffic Records System

# Pedestrian Non-fatal Injuries: Primary Collision Factors





Source: Fehr & Peers, SWITRS.

# **Pedestrian Collision Locations 2004-2009**

#### Corridor Analysis Example: SOMA Vehicle Collisions



N-S Streets: Pedestrian and Bicycle Collisions 2004 - 2008

 Northern segments of North-South SOMA arterials stand out for collisions, particularly 6<sup>th</sup> Street.



#### Rate of Pedestrian-Involved Collisions (2004-2009)



## Pedestrian Accomplishments to Date 17

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**Better Streets Plan** 

**Pedestrian Action Plan** 

Walkable Neighborhoods

**Risk Reduction Plan** 

WalkFirst Study





A framework for pedestrian improvements in San Francisco The WalkFirst project will identify key walking streets throughout San Francisco and establish criteria to prioritize pedestrian improvements in order to improve pedestrian safety and walking conditions, encourage walking, and enhance pedestrian connections to key destinations.

This project builds on the Better Streets Plan, a comprehensive set of pedestrian oriented policies and design guidelines for public San Francisco's streets and sidewalks, and coordinates with other efforts to improve the City's streets and transportation system.

For more information visit: http://walkfirst.sfplanning.org Email us at: walkfirst@sfgov.org



**Pedestrian Planning Activities** 

#### San Francisco Priority Development Areas



**Growth is focused on creating walkable neighborhoods** 





Market Church and Duboce Cesar Chavez Van Ness Geary 4<sup>th</sup> Street EN-Trips

# Future redesign efforts focus on walkability

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# **Street Redesigns Pilots**



## Pavement to Parks replaced excess road space



#### **Open space and walking improvements**



## Parklets widened sidewalks and walking amenities

#### **SFMTA** Municipal Transportation Agency



**Powell Street Promenade link Hallidie Plaza to Union Square** 



# **Market St Pilots improvements for all users**



# **Bicycle Boxes-Increased setback for all users**



# **On Street Bicycle Corral Parking**



# **Accessibility Focus- highest priority**



#### **Valencia Street – Better Streets Plan into action**



# **Citywide Traffic Calming Studies**



#### **Home Zones Pilot: Mission Traffic Calming**



# **Pedestrian Safety Engineering Program**



# 22% Reduction of Collisions after installation\*

'SafeTREC, 2003

## **Pedestrian Countdown Signals**





Red Zones Continental Crosswalks Closed Crosswalks School Crosswalks Audible Ped Signals Countdown Signals

#### **Current Pedestrian Engineering Activities** 35



## **Pedestrian Safety Campaigns**


### Sunday Streets (Ciclovia) street closures

# Mayor's Executive Directive on Pedestrian Safety Overview

- City Agencies Coordinate through the Director's Working Group Targeting:
  - By 2016: 25% reduction in serious/fatal pedestrian injuries
  - By 2021: 50% reduction
  - Reduce safety geographic "inequities"
  - Increase walking
- Near Term Actions
- Pedestrian Safety Task Force
- Pedestrian Action Plan



## Mayor's Executive Directive why now?

- Pedestrian safety focus
- Pedestrian targets and goals first for a City
- Departments lack a coordinated vision for walking and pedestrian needs.

Task	Schedule & Status
Mayor signs Directive	December 20, 2010
Commence Nine Near Term Actions	By February 18, 2011 (SFMTA Actions Started)
Begin Pedestrian Action Plan	By December 20, 2011



## 1.15 MPH Speed Limit

- <u>Who</u>: SFMTA, SFPD
- <u>What</u>: 15 MPH Posted Speed Limit at ~255 Schools
- <u>When</u>: Up to 2 years
- <u>Cost</u>: 5 signs at each school = \$550,000 for planning, design, and construction
- Funding: TBD



#### 2. Home Zones

- <u>Who</u>: SFMTA
- <u>What</u>: Three zones with streets safe and comfortable to use in a vehicle, on a bike, or walking through effective street design
- <u>When</u>: Four years
- <u>Cost</u>: 3 home zones = \$1.8 million for planning, design, and construction
- Funding: TBD

# 3. Pedestrian Safety Engineering Program

- <u>Who</u>: SFMTA, DPH, and Planning
- <u>What</u>: Phase II of the WalkFirst project
- <u>When</u>: On-going
- <u>Cost</u>: Phase 2 = ~\$400,000
- Funding: TBD potential OTS for unfunded Phase 2

# 4. Targeted Pedestrian Safety Enforcement

- <u>Who</u>: SFPD, SFMTA, DPH
- <u>What</u>: Continue coordination and deploy targeted pedestrian safety enforcement.
- <u>When</u>: On-going
- <u>Cost</u>: \$50,000 per year
- <u>Funding</u>: TBD/Existing and Future OTS



#### **Other Actions**

- **5. Develop Injury Prediction Model**
- 6. Evaluate Pedestrian Environmental Quality Index (PEQI)
- 7. Research International Safety Practices
- 8. Identify Existing and New Funds
- 9. Outreach with Community Organizations



#### **Task Force Representation**

#### • <u>Who</u>:

- SFDPH
- SFMTA
- SFCTA
- SFPD
- SFFD
- SFDPW

- SFPUC
- SF Planning
- Recreation & Park
- SFUSD
- SF DOE
- Mayor's Office on Disability
- Pedestrian Safety
  Organization(s)
- <u>When:</u> SFMTA has made initial outreach to other city partners.



#### **Pedestrian Action Plan**

- <u>Who</u>: SFMTA, PSAC, DPH, Planning
- <u>What</u>: Goals for Pedestrian Safety, Summary of Existing Planning Efforts & Funding, Identify Future Investments & Funding Needs, CEQA Clearance
- <u>When</u>: Commence by 12/2011
- <u>Cost</u>: TBD
- Funding: TBD

# Interdepartmental and Community Partnerships

- Interdepartmental Working Group
- Better Streets Working Group
- PSAC
  - ROLE Official Advisor to the Board of Supervisors
  - CREATED in 2003
  - MEMBERSHIP 23 seats:
    - 11 district seats
    - 2 at large seats
    - Representatives of organizations
  - ASSESSED State of Pedestrian Safety in 2010 Report to BOS

## **Next Steps**

- Convene Task Force
- Coordinate City Departments
- Develop Framework on delivering early actions
- Identify immediate funding needs and resources to meet goals
- Develop Pedestrian Action Plan framework