

Florida Pedestrian and Bicycle Safety Coalition Meeting Report

October 21-22, 2025

Embassy Suites by Hilton Tampa USF



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Attendees

Coalition Members & Program Management Support:

Last Name	First Name	Agency	Attendance
Acosta-Anderson	Libertad	FDOT District Five	✓
Alluri	Priyanka	Florida International University	<input type="checkbox"/>
Amicarelli	Mariano	FDOT District Four	✓
Askins	Jon	Florida LEL Program	<input type="checkbox"/>
Astorga	Elvira	FDOT District Six	✓
Avola-Brown	Michelle	Naples Pathway Coalition	✓
Babcock	Gina	National Coalition for Safer Roads	<input type="checkbox"/>
Baez	Paola	Miami Dade Dept. Transportation and Public Works	<input type="checkbox"/>
Barkakati	Leonie	Kittelson & Associates, Inc.	✓
Bhattacharya	Poorna	ASHA Planning Consultancy	✓
Bobo	Loreen	FDOT District Five	✓
Borms	Jotan	FDOT – TDA	✓
Bracken	Tara	FDOT Transit Office	✓
Bryant	Curtis	Creative Fuel, LLC	✓
Bush	Emily	Bike/Walk Central FL	<input type="checkbox"/>
Caldwell	Allie	FDOT Roadway Design Office	✓
Carver	DeWayne	Kittelson & Associates, Inc.	✓
Cerulli	Ronda	Florida Department of Health – Safe Kids	✓
Chico	Lina	Orlando Health-Arnold Palmer Hospital for Children	✓
Corkery	Terrence	FDOT Forecasting and Trends Office	✓
Craig	Chris	FDOT State Safety Office	✓
Crescenzi	Tara	Florida Highway Patrol	<input type="checkbox"/>
Crosby	Dana	FDOT State Safety Office	✓
Delsoin	David	Davie Police Department	✓
Discepolo	Isabella	HCA Bayonet Point Hospital-Trauma Center	✓
Downy	Julie	Florida EMS for Children	✓
Duran	Emmeth	FDOT District Seven	✓
Ehmer	James	Kittelson & Associates, Inc.	✓
Fall	Matthew	City of Jacksonville	✓
Fellerhoff	Christopher	Hillsborough County	✓
Frank	Jason	Sarasota Police Department	✓
Galloway	Alicia	FDOT State Safety Office	✓
Galoso	Franko	Gresham Smith	✓
Garcia	Migdalis	Florida Highway Patrol	<input type="checkbox"/>
George	Brittney	FDOT State Safety Office	✓
Giroux	Rupert	FDOT State Safety Office	✓
Gray	Andrew	JMT (on behalf of FDOT District Seven)	✓
Gruener	Leilani	FLHSMV	✓
Hackett	Jensen	FDOT District Seven	✓
Hardwicke	Laura	City of Orlando	<input type="checkbox"/>

Henwood	Jessica	Health First	<input type="checkbox"/>
Horst	Timothy	City of Tampa	✓
Karron	Annelly	FDOT District Two	✓
Katz	Eric	FDOT Transportation Data and Analytics (TDA) Office	✓
Kehres	Katherine	FDOT District Four	✓
Kluttz	Jessica	Alachua County	<input type="checkbox"/>
Kristiansen	Angela	Kittelsohn & Associates, Inc.	✓
Lewis	Michael	FDOT District Three	✓
Marquez	Kevin	FDOT District Five	<input type="checkbox"/>
McDaniel	Gevin	SpanPath, LLC	✓
Mello	Megan	Kittelsohn & Associates, Inc.	✓
Merkle	Tanya	FDOT District One	✓
Miller	Chris	FL Highway Patrol	<input type="checkbox"/>
Morales	Martha	FDOT District Four	✓
Morgan	Erin	FDOT State Safety Office	✓
Morris	Jaqueline	FDOT Roadway Design Office	✓
Peoples	Gretchen	FDOT District Three	✓
Phillips	Stephanie	FDOT District Five	✓
Quenneville	Kristina	Florida Highway Patrol	<input type="checkbox"/>
Qureshi	Fazal	Broward MPO	✓
Railey	Brett	IPTM	<input type="checkbox"/>
Raulerson	Mary	Kittelsohn & Associates, Inc.	✓
Reinhardt	Ken	AARP Florida	<input type="checkbox"/>
Reiser	James	City of Tampa	✓
Rendon	Patricia	Space Coast TPO	✓
Rickard	Stephanie	Florida Department of Education	✓
Robbins	Keith	FDOT District One	✓
Rodrigues-Silva	Karla	City of Gainesville	✓
Roeder	Alexandria	Tampa General Hospital	✓
Russo	Tina	FDOT District Seven	✓
Severyn	Josette	Broward County	✓
Sheppard	Derwood	FDOT Roadway Design Office	<input type="checkbox"/>
Silva	Lisa	Hillsborough County MPO	✓
Simpson	Kyle	Forward Pinellas	✓
Simpson	Paul	University of Florida – Ped Bike Safety Resource Cntr	✓
Smith	Kim	Space Coast TPO, Retired	<input type="checkbox"/>
Solomon	Rachele	Memorial Healthcare Systems/Safe Kids Broward	✓
Suguri	Vitor	FDOT District One	✓
Sully	Thuraia	FDOT Systems Implementation Office	✓
Teague	Michael	Florida Police Chief's Association	<input type="checkbox"/>
Thompson	Erika	FHWA	<input type="checkbox"/>
Torres	Lauren	Orange County	✓
Torres	Stephanie	St Lucie TPO	✓
Walford	Kevin	Miami-Dade TPO	✓

Wall	Kathy	Safe Kids Palm Beach County	✓
Wandall	Melissa	National Coalition for Safer Roads	<input type="checkbox"/>
Williams	Angel	IPTM	✓
Zenoni	Scott	Health First	<input type="checkbox"/>

Coalition Guests:

Last Name	First Name	Agency	Attendance
Barrs	Devin	Gresham Smith	✓
Blackman	Josh	City of Tampa	✓
Champlin	Lindsey	AAA	✓
Chen	Cong	CUTR	✓
Croasmun	Matt	Meeting Dedication Guest	✓
Cui	Can	CUTR	✓
Fuentes	Jesus	Miami-Dade TPO	✓
Harris	Michele	AAA	✓
Hill	Logan	Gresham Smith	✓
Jackman	Jason	City of Tampa	✓
Koplar	Madison	TGH	✓
Kourtellis	Achilleas	CUTR	✓
Lee	Chanyoung	CUTR	✓
Lynch	Michelle	Micromobility Advocate	✓
Oliveira	Livia	Hillsborough TPO	✓
Rice	Joan	Pinellas County	✓
Rieman	John	Pinellas County	✓
Roberts	Tim	Florida LEL Program	✓
Rupinta	Kelly	IPTM	✓
Sides	Ken	TYLin	✓
Williams	Andrew	Gresham Smith	✓
Wilson	Mighk	MetroPlan Orlando	✓

Tuesday, October 21, 2025

Call To Order – Chris Craig, FDOT Central Office

The meeting was called to order at 1:00 PM by Chris Craig. He welcomed the group, shared highlights from the agenda, and welcomed new members. Chris introduced District 7 Secretary, Justin Hall, and thanked District 7 for hosting the coalition meeting.

Welcome Message – FDOT District 7 Secretary Justin Hall

Secretary Hall shared his background and thanked the coalition members for the work they do. He encouraged coalition members to reach out to him to engage in any discussions relating to Pedestrian and Bicycle Safety.

Public Meeting Announcement

The meeting was opened to the public and a time dedicated for public comment period was announced.

Meeting Dedication in Honor of Ethan Weiser – Angela Kristiansen, Kittelson

The meeting was dedicated to Ethan, a high school sophomore who lost his life while walking to his school bus stop in 2022. Angela welcomed Ethan's uncle, Matt, to share more about Ethan.

Coalition Members Introductions – All Attendees

Alicia Galloway asked Coalition members and guests to briefly introduce themselves, sharing their organization and role.

Announcements – Alicia Galloway, FDOT State Safety Office; Angela Kristiansen, Kittelson

Alicia reviewed logistics for travel arrangements, parking, and dinner. Angela highlighted a few upcoming events recently shared by coalition members.

Strategic Highway Safety Plan (SHSP) Update – Chris Craig, FDOT State Safety Office

(see Appendix B for slides)

Florida's [Strategic Highway Safety Plan](#) (SHSP) was last updated in 2021. The 2026 update will focus on the ways that Florida is working toward eliminating fatalities and serious injuries. Twenty key strategies have been developed to support emphasis areas through the Safe Systems Approach. The SHSP will be available for [public comment](#) in winter of 2025.

Electric Bicycle Research and Trends – Dr. Chanyoung Lee, Center for Urban Transportation Research (CUTR)

(see Appendix B for slides)

Dr. Lee presented the results of recent research conducted at CUTR to identify e-bike crashes in Florida crash data. He noted the rising popularity of e-bikes, especially with younger age groups. Dr. Lee noted that the standard crash report form does not currently include e-bikes or e-scooters, which may result in underestimation of e-bike and e-scooter crashes. CUTR developed a method to identify e-bike crashes by scanning crash report narratives. Dr. Lee presented a summary of e-bike and bicycle crash trends between 2021-2024, including the distribution of crash severity, the distribution between conventional bicycles and electric bicycles, and the proportion of e-bike crashes by county, agency, and age group.

Dr. Lee shared common examples of illegal e-bikes that exceed maximum specifications in FL Statute. He noted that the typical weight mentioned in the recently adopted micromobility definition may not apply to all legal e-bikes. Dr. Lee described how some models can be converted from Class 2 to Class 3 by using an app. Dr. Lee shared an example of state regulation in Connecticut.

Questions & Comments:

- Jesus Fuentes noted there could be a correlation between the type of vehicles involved in crashes and land use context.
- Mike Lewis commented that there are more and more emerging issues with e-bikes, and asked if there are resources available, in particular for law enforcement.
- DeWayne Carver commented that the naming conventions for these devices might be what is causing some issues. The devices can function more like a moped, but folks still operate them as if they are bicycles (on sidewalks, etc.)

First Responders and Emerging Modes – Lina Chico and Rachele Soloman, EMS Team (see Appendix B for slides)

Rachele presented e-bike and e-scooter crash trends in South Florida, noting that there has been a large uptick in reported crashes. Some of the rapid increase may be attributed to better awareness and reporting capabilities. Trends indicate younger riders, predominantly male. Helmet use remains low, and riders are getting younger.

Lina reported similar trends in Central Florida, noting 2025 e-bike trauma cases have already surpassed 2024 cases at Arnold Palmer Hospital for Children in Orlando. The primary age range is from 11-15 years old. Lina noted that parents may not be realizing that e-bikes are heavier than bicycles, which require more strength to safely maneuver.

Lina shared information about AAA's Safe Streets for Small Wheels Campaign and Rachele provided a comparison of traditional helmets (which are rated for only up to 15 mph) and the NTA 8776 Standard (which covers speeds up to 28 mph). She noted that any helmet is still better than no helmet.

FDOT District 7 Spotlight – Tina Russo and Emmeth Duran, FDOT District 7 (see Appendix B for slides)

Emmeth shared some awards that District 7 recently earned and touched on project work. The Howard Franklin Bridge project will include a 12-foot shared use path separated from the roadway, and the Courtney Campbell Causeway Overpass will connect to the Courtney Campbell Trail.

Tina highlighted District 7 safety outreach, including a run for Pedestrian Safety Month, a Lunch & Learn with seniors at Bayonet/HCA Hospital, helmet fitter trainings, and other events in Hernando and Citrus counties. Tina shared the "Stop it Like It's Hot" video, as part of a campaign that targeted school children from 2nd grade to 6th grade.

Breakout: Collaboration & Work Session – All Participants

Megan Mello introduced the agenda for the breakout sessions. Emphasis area teams, including the E-Bike Focus group, met to discuss their respective implementation plans.

Collaboration Needs – Coalition Team, Goal Leaders

Emphasis area representatives noted who they planned to connect with on day 2 for key collaboration topics.

Public Comment Period

No public comments were received.

Day 1 Wrap Up – Coalition Management Team

The meeting concluded with announcements to wrap up day 1 and prepare for day 2.

Wednesday, October 22, 2025

Coffee Talk – All Attendees

Coalition members were encouraged to discuss how they were honoring National Pedestrian Safety Month and/or School Bus Safety Week.

Call to Order – Chris Craig, FDOT State Safety Office

The meeting was called to order at 8:15 AM by Chris Craig.

Bike Safety Exercise – All Participants

The management team introduced the three bike safety activity stations and reviewed group assignments. Participants circulated between three stations: E-Bike Test Rides, Experiencing 3 feet as a Cyclist, and Experiencing 3 feet as a Driver.

Bike Safety Exercise Debrief – All Participants

Megan Mello led a group reflection on the activities, asking participants to compare and contrast the experiences from a driver's perspective and a cyclist's perspective. The group rotated through three stations: E-bike demonstration ride with 3 classes of e-bikes, Experience 3ft as a Cyclist, and Experience 3ft as a Driver. Some participants shared the following reflections:

- When describing the e-bike demo, "I wasn't expecting how much fun it was" and "People had such huge smiles on their faces."
- "I didn't like that the Class 2 e-bike went without pedaling. I want to pedal when I'm on a bike."
- "It can be hard to judge three feet. Three feet feels short for cyclists and long for drivers."
- The indoor activities gave participants different ways to visualize three feet (i.e. with loaves of bread, footballs, cartons of eggs, etc.) that they will think of whenever they see bicyclists riding on the road.
- E-bikes cut across every emphasis area on the coalition.
- Leilani shared that [HB243](#) proposes a change in regulation for e-bikes.
- The EMS team shared that the American Academy of Pediatrics recommends limiting e-scooters to ages 16 and older.

FDOT District 4 Spotlight – Martha Morales, FDOT District 4

(see Appendix B for slides)

Martha provided an overview of the District 4 Bicycle and Pedestrian Master Plan updates. She demonstrated a Non-Motorized Traffic Monitoring count location and how it illustrated the need for a crosswalk where pedestrians and bicyclists cross. Martha highlighted several projects underway in the District, including a separated bicycle lane project on US 1 and the US 1 Jupiter Bridge Replacement Project. Lastly, she shared some recent and upcoming safety events, highlighted an example of an innovative tool being used for the Broward MPO's Safety Action Plan, shared a project success story in Canal Point, and shared a SUN Trail update.

FDOT Safety Research – Mary Raulerson, Kittelson

(see Appendix B for slides)

Mary outlined several research topics from the FDOT State Safety Office. The item most closely related to pedestrian and bicycle safety is evaluating the effectiveness of automated school zone speed detection. It was noted that the program already requires FLHSMV to compile an aggregate report and submit to the governor's office each year.

There was some discussion about current automated school zone speed enforcement efforts. Representatives from the enforcement emphasis area clarified that automated enforcement is active beginning 30 minutes prior to school starting, during school, and ending 30 minutes after school ends. Clear and consistent messaging is key to gaining public support. Review by the local law enforcement agency is also critical for a program to be successful. Jason Frank noted that the City of Sarasota saw an 85% compliance rate.

Mary noted that consistency across the state is the next critical step before assessing effectiveness.

Emmeth Duran commented that the research could potentially expand to school bus cameras.

Jesus Fuentes and Lisa Silva suggested that an additional research topic could be related to micromobility crash analysis, especially at the nexus of context class and land use (specifically college towns and/or island/coastal communities).

Breakout Sessions: Emphasis Area Implementation Plans and Priorities – All Participants

The management team displayed collaboration requests before kicking off the breakout sessions.

Emphasis area teams met to discuss their respective implementation plans. Several groups connected across emphasis areas to discuss topics requiring collaboration.

Emphasis Area status Updates – Goal Leaders *(see Appendix B for slides)*

- Vision Zero:
 - o Closing Out:
 - Objective 7 Strategic Partnerships: Discussion of traditional versus non-traditional partners, the role of Bike/Ped Advisory Committees (BPACs), differences between advisory and advocacy, non-profits/grassroot organizations, online community messaging boards (another resource for strategic partnerships)
 - Katie Kehres is working on getting PE Trainees to assist with cataloging these kinds of partnerships statewide
 - Objective 4 Work with Planning, Design & Operations: Separated Bike Lane strategies
 - Vision Zero team is interested in understanding how standards are being implemented by district
 - District 4 has started to implement separated bike lanes on state roads. A task team is creating a resource that can be used internally and shared with partners working on off-system projects.

- District 5 hearing and monitoring concerns from folks; plan to update standards for design exceptions/unique cases (e.g. removing section of separation on far side of intersection to accommodate truck U-turns)
 - Coming Up
 - Ongoing discussions and monitoring of countermeasure deployment strategies and approaches
 - Develop advocacy groups list for collaboration opportunities "non-traditional" (clearinghouse style for Objective 7 Strategy 2 Task 2)
 - Planning, Design, and Operations
 - Closing Out:
 - N/A
 - Coming Up:
 - Coordinate with Local Technical Assistance Program (LTAP) on bike/ped temporary traffic control (TTC) training so that more information from the federal level can be shared with locals
 - Sent proposal to Florida Transportation Builder's Association (FTBA) to present on bike/ped TTC at their conference
 - Update status of specification on new bike/ped TTC devices
 - Reached agreement on methodology for planning level transition zone assignment
 - Coordinate with Policy team on traffic signals around schools. Discussed current practices and what could be done better as current policy and criteria are applied in projects.
 - Communication, Outreach, and Education
 - Closing Out:
 - Tip Card Review Process/Workflow
 - Tip Card Updates in Process
 - Implementation Plan Updates
 - Coming Up:
 - Web Site Update Recommendations
 - Tip Card Review Process Implementation
 - Review Sharrow Tip Card & maybe a video!
 - In collaboration with Planning, Design, and Operations
 - Law Enforcement
 - Closing Out:
 - Tip Card review with Communications
 - Updated and documented our progress on Implementation Plan
 - Coming Up:
 - Task given to Law Enforcement Liaisons (LEL) to summarize existing micromobility/electric bicycle ordinances and classifications of bikes
 - Policy & Programs
 - Closing Out:
 - Work Zone Safety Cameras: on pause
 - Implementation Plan Clean-Up

- Coming Up:
 - Assess locally approved e-bike and micromobility ordinance language
 - Draft model ordinance language to be shared on Alert Today Florida website. (goal: consistency across agencies)
 - January Presentations
 - Permissive Left Turns
 - Sharrow Thresholds
 - Support [Hands Free Florida](#) (2027)
- Data, Analysis, and Evaluation
 - Closing Out:
 - Crash Data Geolocation
 - EMS Coordination
 - Selection of Safety Projects by District
 - Coming Up:
 - Safety Projects - comparing conditions before and after at select projects
 - Data Gaps Brief
 - Annual Bike Ped Data Highlights
 - Give people a sense of annual trends and where the state is headed
 - Children's Crash Summary - In process
 - Speed Management Pilots
 - Corridors where speed management treatments are being implemented
- Emergency Medical Services
 - Closing Out:
 - Responder Education
 - Trauma Centers follow up with EMS agencies (Quality Assurance Meetings, Death Review Meetings, etc.)
 - EMS agencies are provided ongoing training (Survive the Ride, assigned online education, etc.)
 - Emergency Vehicle Preemption
 - Most EMS agencies already have some type of preemption.
 - Preemption companies teach to see the signal and not to rely on preemption technology
 - Coming Up:
 - Create social media posts on Helmet safety/E-device safety as the holidays are approaching
 - Work with Safe Kids Worldwide to see if they can leverage relationship with Amazon to add appropriate helmet type when purchasing an E device

Public Comment Period

Kathy Wall highlighted that Ronda Cerrulli recently received an award at the National Safe Kids conference.

Michele Avola-Brown shared information about an upcoming event in Naples.

Day 2 Wrap Up and Next Steps – Coalition Management Team

The meeting concluded with announcements regarding the next quarterly meeting and travel reimbursement.

Closing Remarks – Chris Craig, FDOT State Safety Office

Chris thanked the coalition members for their participation and noted the great progress that was made in the breakout sessions and on implementation plan task items.

Next Meeting Announcement:

The next Coalition Meeting will be held:

January 27, 2025, 1:00PM – 5:30PM

January 28, 2025, 8:00AM – 12:30PM

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3705 Spectrum Boulevard

Tampa, FL 33612

Appendix A – Meeting Agenda



Florida's Pedestrian and Bicycle Safety Coalition

Meeting Agenda

October 21 – 22, 2025 Tampa

Tuesday, October 21, 2025 – General Session 1	
1:00 – 1:05 PM	Call to Order – Chris Craig, FDOT Traffic Safety Administrator
1:05 – 1:15 PM	Welcome Message – Justin Hall, FDOT District 7 Secretary
1:15 – 1:25 PM	Meeting Dedication in Honor of Ethan Weiser
1:25 – 1:40 PM	Introductions – Coalition Members and Guests
1:40 – 1:50 PM	Announcements – Alicia Galloway, FDOT Traffic Safety Program Manager
1:50 – 2:20 PM	Electric Bicycle Research and Trends, Dr. Chanyoung Lee, CUTR
2:20 – 2:50 PM	First Responders and Emerging Modes – Lina Chico and Rachele Solomon, EMS
2:50 – 3:05 PM	BREAK
3:05 – 3:25 PM	FDOT District 7 Spotlight – Tina Russo, Bicyclist & Pedestrian Program Manager
3:25 – 3:35 PM	Implementation Plan Updates – Megan Mello, Kittelson
3:35 – 5:10 PM	Breakout Session: Emphasis Areas Implementation Plan Working Session – All
5:10 – 5:15 PM	Task Collaboration Needs – Emphasis Area Goal Leaders
5:15 – 5:25 PM	<i>Public Comment Period</i>
5:25 – 5:30 PM	Day 1 Wrap Up

Wednesday, October 22, 2025 – General Session 2	
8:00 – 8:15 AM	Coffee Talk – All Attendees
8:15 – 8:20 AM	Call to Order – Chris Craig, FDOT Traffic Safety Administrator
8:20 – 9:40 AM	Bike Safety Exercise – All Participants
9:40 – 9:55 AM	BREAK
9:55 – 10:15 AM	Bike Safety Exercise Debrief – All Participants
10:15 – 10:35 AM	FDOT District 4 Spotlight – Martha Morales, Bicycle/Pedestrian Coordinator
10:35 – 10:50 AM	FDOT Safety Research – Kittelson
10:50 – 11:50 AM	Breakout Session: Collaboration & Partnerships
11:50 AM – 12:10 PM	Emphasis Area Status Updates – Goal Leaders (3 Min Each)
12:10 – 12:20 PM	<i>Public Comment Period</i>
12:20 – 12:25 PM	Next Steps – FDOT, Kittelson, IPTM
12:25 – 12:30 PM	Closing Remarks – Chris Craig, FDOT Traffic Safety Administrator

Appendix B – Presentation Slides




FLORIDA'S PEDESTRIAN AND BICYCLE SAFETY COALITION MEETING

October 21, 2025
Tampa, FL





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CALL TO ORDER


Chris Craig
FDOT Traffic Safety Administrator





WELCOME MESSAGE

Justin Hall
FDOT District 7 Secretary





PUBLIC MEETING ANNOUNCEMENT

October 21, 2025
5:15 – 5:25 PM

October 22, 2025
12:10 – 12:20 PM



MEETING DEDICATION



In honor of Ethan Weiser, who was struck by a vehicle while crossing to get to his bus stop in 2022

MEETING DEDICATION



Ethan's family has since rallied around improving roads and making bus stops safer for pedestrians.



GET TO KNOW THE COALITION

INTRODUCTIONS

In 15 seconds or less, share your:

- Name
- Role/Organization
- Emphasis Area





Code = ESHNP

COALITION ANNOUNCEMENTS


Alicia Galloway, FDOT Traffic Safety Program Manager





BIKE HELMET TRAINING - SANFORD

- November 8
- Contact Stephanie Phillips or Seminole County Sheriff's Office for more info





CELEBRATING FLORIDANS

Champions of Safer Streets!

Recognizing the courage, ingenuity, and commitment leading safer, more vibrant communities.

Seminole County

Organization	Individual	Individual
Seminole County Sheriff's Office	Det. [Name]	Det. [Name]
Seminole County Sheriff's Office	Det. [Name]	Det. [Name]
Seminole County Sheriff's Office	Det. [Name]	Det. [Name]

FLORIDA BICYCLE SUMMIT

- Summit will include
 - e-bike panel discussion
 - Bike Rodeo train-the-trainer
 - Opportunity to participate in bike rodeo
 - Group rides







Please nominate an outstanding school crossing guard for Florida School Crossing Guard of the Year 2025

Nominating a guard is open to the public via the Florida School Crossing Guard Training Program website (FSCGTP): [Crossing Guard of the Year Nomination Form](#)

The nomination deadline is December 21, 2024

All guards nominated will receive an official letter of appreciation.

Winners will be honored on Crossing Guard Appreciation Day, the first Friday in February: Friday, February 6, 2026.



SAFE MOBILITY FOR LIFE PED BIKE SAFETY RESOURCES

2026 Safe Mobility for Life
Resource Updates



safemobilityfl.com




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NEW ARRIVALS


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IMPLEMENTATION PLAN UPDATE



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BREAKOUT AGENDA – ZOOM IN

Focus on 2-3 tasks identified in your agenda

- Share updates on recent progress
- Discuss what happens next
- Assign task leaders
- Determine upcoming deadlines

GOAL: MAKE PROGRESS
ON 2-3 PRIORITY TASKS

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IP PROGRESS

Average % Complete	
% Complete	Emphasis Area
84%	Vision Zero
86%	Planning, Design, and Operations
63%	Communication, Outreach, and Education
31%	Data, Analysis and Evaluation
85%	Law Enforcement
29%	Emergency Medical Services
51%	Driver Ed. and Licensing & Log, Reg. and Policy

Percent of Tasks - Completed	
Total Tasks Completed	Emphasis Area
5/7	44% Vision Zero
6/8	88% Planning, Design, and Operations
2/9	45% Communication, Outreach, and Education
1/2	21% Data, Analysis and Evaluation
2/7	29% Law Enforcement
1/3	11% Emergency Medical Services
3/7	43% Driver Ed. and Licensing & Log, Reg. and Policy

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COLLABORATION PREP

- Which tasks require collaboration?
 - What Objective, Strategy, and Task #?
- Who are your task leaders?
 - Who are you sending from your team?
- Who can support you from another emphasis area?
 - Who do they need to talk to?



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Please return at 5:10 pm

BREAKOUT LOCATIONS



Lobby




Main Room




Citrus Room

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BREAKOUT: EMPHASIS AREAS

3:35 – 5:10 PM





TASK TEAM COLLABORATION

- Goal leader report out
 - Communication
 - Data
 - Enforcement
 - Vision Zero
 - EMS
 - Policy and Programs
 - Planning, Design, and Operations
 - E-bike Focus Group






PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

5:15 – 5:25 PM





TUESDAY WRAP UP



PEDESTRIAN AND BICYCLE SAFETY COALITION MEETING

October 22, 2025



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COFFEE TALK


How are you honoring Pedestrian Safety Month and/or School Bus Safety Week?





CALL TO ORDER

Chris Craig
FDOT Traffic Safety Administrator





PUBLIC MEETING ANNOUNCEMENT

12:10 – 12:20 PM







BIKE SAFETY EXERCISE



Group A		Group B		Group C	
Last	First	Last	First	Last	First
Severyn	Josette	Kahres	Katherine	McDaniel	Gavin
Askins	Jon	Amicarelli	Mariano	Acosta-Anderson	Libertad
Astorga	Eivira	Baez	Paola	Bobo	Loreen
Avola-Brown	Michelle	Caldwell	Allie	Bracken	Tara
Bhattacharya	Poorna	Chico	Lina	Champlin	Lindsey
Borns	Jotan	Crosby	Dana	Craig	Chris
Bryant	Curtis	Delsol	David	Discepolo	Isabella
Cerulli	Ronda	Fall	Matthew	Fellenhoff	Christopher
Downey	Julie	Giloux	Rupert	Frank	Jason
George	Brittney	Gray	Andrew	Fuentes	Jesus
Gruener	Leilani	Harris	Michelle	Galloway	Alicia
Katz	Eric	Horst	Timothy	Galoso	Franko
Lewis	Michael	Morales	Martha	Hackett	Jensen
Merkle	Tanya	Morris	Jacqueline	Karron	Anneli
Phillips	Stephanie	Peoples	Gretchen	Morgan	Erin
Queeneyville	Kristina	Qureshi	Fazal	Rendon	Patricia
Rodrigues-Silva	Karla	Reiser	James	Rickard	Stephanie
Roeder	Alexandria	Simpson	Paul	Robbins	Kath
Silva	Lisa	Simpson	Kyle	Solomon	Rachelle
Smith	Kim	Sully	Thurata	Teague	Michael
Suguri	Vitor	Walford	Kevin	Torres	Lauren
Williams	Angel	Wall	Kathy	Torres	Stephanie





Group C → Experience 3' (as a driver)

Group B → Experience 3' (as a cyclist)

Group A → E-Bike Test Ride



BREAK

Until 9:55 AM



PEDESTRIAN SAFETY AWARENESS



BIKE SAFETY EXERCISE DEBRIEF





BIKE SAFETY EXERCISE DEBRIEF






3 FEET AS A DRIVER

- How did it feel to visualize 3' from your "car"?





3 FEET AS A CYCLIST


- How did it feel to be 3' from the vehicles?
- How would speed factor into passing?








E-BIKE TEST RIDE

- Could you tell differences in class?



Category	Class 1 (15.5 mph)	Class 2 (20 mph)	Class 3 (25 mph)
Motor			
Description	Motor-assisted bicycle that only engages motor when rider is pedaling and cannot be used to propel the vehicle in neutral.	Motor-assisted bicycle that can be engaged at any time with or without the rider pedaling.	Motor-assisted bicycle that only engages motor when rider is pedaling, cannot be used in neutral.
What is the max power output?	750 watts	750 watts	750 watts
Is it used as a transport?	Yes	Yes	Yes
Do I need to register my vehicle?	Yes	Yes	Yes
Where can I ride?	Highways, state parks, trails, multi-use paths, and sidewalks.	Highways, state parks, trails, multi-use paths, and sidewalks.	Highways, state parks, trails, multi-use paths, and sidewalks.
Do I need to wear a helmet?	Required for those under 18, recommended for all.	Required for those under 18, recommended for all.	Required for those under 18, recommended for all.

BIKE SAFETY EXERCISE
DEBRIEF

FDOT SAFETY RESEARCH

Mary Raulerson, Kittelson & Associates

RESEARCH IDEAS

1. Potential Research Statements/Objectives

2. Gather input from Coalitions

3. Prioritized by DSAs/DSEs

4. FDOT Research Center - Ask Universities/Research Centers to propose

5. Earliest deployment – next Summer/Fall (26/27 school year)

RESEARCH IDEAS

Potential Topics So Far:

• Explore Why Run off Road Crashes occurring on median side

• Assess Effectiveness of Safety Edge

• Motorcycle Lane Departure Patterns

• Connected Vehicles Technology with Motorcycles

• Effectiveness of Truck Lane Restrictions

• Effectiveness of Automated School Zone Speed Detection

• Understanding Safety at Unconventional Intersections

• Tradeoffs of System and Spot Safety Improvements

• Quantifying Safe System Principles

BREAKOUT:
COLLABORATION & WORK SESSION

10:50 – 11:50 AM

E-Bike
Focus Group

BREAKOUT AGENDA –
ZOOM OUT

• Collaboration Partners – Connect and discuss your collaboration needs

• Everyone else – Take this time to track progress and make a plan for the next quarter:

• What are you closing out?

• What is coming up?

• Goal Leaders – Prepare to share status updates

GOAL:

MAKE A PLAN FOR THE NEXT QUARTER



Please return at 11:50 am

BREAKOUT LOCATIONS



Lobby




Main Room




Citrus Room

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Be prepared to start report outs at 11:50 am


COLLABORATION REQUESTS & LOCATIONS




Collaboration Requests & Locations




Sharow



Paul Simpson Helmets




Marketing - Helmet Safety Blasts




Questions about

- Helmet warnings/tickets
- Ticketing and minors getting drivers license




Review best practices for permissive left turns - not providing within 2 miles of schools




EMPHASIS AREA STATUS UPDATES

1. What are you closing out?

2. What is coming up in the next quarter?



14 members



VISION ZERO

Goal: Eliminate fatalities and serious injuries for people walking and biking.

Josette Severyn, Broward County	★
Gina Babcock, National Coalition for Safer Roads	
Loreen Bobo, FDOT District Five	
Matt Fall, City of Jacksonville	
Christopher Fellerhoff, Hillsborough County	
Laura Hardwicke, City of Orlando	
Timothy Horst, City of Tampa	
Katherine Kehres, FDOT District Four	
Ken Reinhardt, AARP Florida	
Keith Robbins, FDOT District One	
Lisa Silva, Plan Hillsborough	
Kyle Simpson, Forward Pinellas	
Kim Smith, Space Coast Advocate	
Melissa Wandall, National Coalition for Safer Roads	

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VISION ZERO


Closing Out (Jul – Oct)

- Objective 7 Strategic Partnerships: Discussion of traditional versus non-traditional partners, the role of BPACs, non-profits/grassroot organizations, online community messaging boards
- Objective 4 Work with Planning, Design & Operations: Separated Bike Lane strategies district by district for how standards are being implemented

Coming Up (Oct – Jan)

- Ongoing discussions and monitoring of countermeasure deployment strategies and approaches
- For Jan-April: develop advocacy groups list for collaboration opportunities "non-traditional" (clearinghouse style for Objective 7 Strategy 2 Task 2)

13 members



PLANNING, DESIGN, & OPERATIONS

Goal: Prioritize safety for non-motorized users on Florida's transportation facilities to encourage implementation of safe systems resulting in safer behavior by and increased safety for all road users.

Michael Lewis, FDOT District Three	★
Mariano Amicarelli, FDOT District Four Traffic Services Program Engineer	★
Allie Caldwell, FDOT Central Office Roadway Design	
Emmeth Duran, FDOT District Seven	
Andrew Gray, FDOT District Seven	
Jensen Hackett, FDOT District Seven	
Gevin McDaniel, SpanPath	
Tanya Merkle, FDOT District One	
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Derwood Sheppard, FDOT Central Office Roadway Design	
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Sol Tangvik, Palm Beach TPA	


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Pedestrian and Bicycle Safety Coalition

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PLANNING,
DESIGN, & OPERATIONS





Closing Out (Jul – Oct)

- N/A

Coming Up (Oct – Jan)

- Coordinate with LTAP on bike/ped TTC training
- Sent proposal to FTBA to present on bike/ped TTC at their conference
- Update status of spec on new bike/ped TTC devices
- Reached agreement on methodology for planning level transition zone assignment
- Coordinate with Policy team on traffic signals around schools

COMMUNICATIONS,
OUTREACH, & EDUCATION


Goal:
Develop and deploy clear and targeted communication, outreach, and educational campaigns both internally and externally with the goal of increasing awareness, facilitating behavior change for all road users, and decreasing fatalities and injuries to people walking and biking.

Emily Bush, Bike/Walk Central Florida	★
Paola Baez, Miami-Dade County	
Tara Bracken, FDOT Central Office Transit	
Curtis Bryant, Creative Fuel LLC	
Franco Galoso, Gresham Smith	
Martha Morales, FDOT District Four	
Erin Morgan, FDOT State Safety Office	
Stephanie Phillips, FDOT District Five	
Tina Russo, FDOT District Seven	
Paul Simpson, University of Florida Ped Bike Safety Resource Center	
Erika Thompson, FHWA	
Brittney George, FDOT State Safety Office	
Gretchen Peoples, FDOT District Three	

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COMMUNICATIONS,
OUTREACH, & EDUCATION



Closing Out (Jul – Oct)

- Tip Card Review Process/Workflow
- Tip Card Updates in Process
- Implementation Plan Updates

Coming Up (Oct – Jan)

- Web Site Update Recommendations
- Tip Card Review Process Implementation
- Review Sharrow Tip Card & maybe a video!

LAW ENFORCEMENT


Goal:
Identify, develop, and implement diverse enforcement strategies in support of Target Zero.

Jason Frank, Sarasota Police Department	★
Jon Askins, Florida Law Enforcement Liaison (LEL) Program	
David Delsoin, Davie Police Department	
Kevin Marquez, FDOT District Five	
Chris Miller / Magdalliss Garcia, Florida Highway Patrol	
Angel Williams, Institute of Police Technology and Management (IPTM)	
Kristina Quenneville / Tara Crescenzi, Florida Highway Patrol	
Chief Brett Railey, Institute of Police Technology and Management (IPTM)	
Sgt. James Reiser, Florida Law Enforcement Liaison (LEL) Program	
Michael Teague, Retired Police Chief	

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LAW ENFORCEMENT






Closing Out (Jul – Oct)

- Tip Card review with Communications
 - Awaiting updates to tip cards, then will review
- Updated and documented our progress on Implementation Plan

Coming Up (Oct – Jan)

- Task given to LEL to summarize ordinances and classifications of bikes



POLICY & PROGRAMS

Goal:
Strengthen legislation, regulations, policies and programs to support the overall goal of eliminating fatal and serious injury crashes involving people walking and biking.

Leilani Gruener, Florida Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles (FLHSMV)	★
Stephanie Torres, St. Lucie Transportation Planning Organization (TPO)	★
Libertad Acosta-Anderson, FDOT District Five	
Dana Crosby, FDOT Central Office	
Michelle Avola-Brown, Naples Pathways Coalition	
Kelly Morphy, Florida Bicycle Association	
Patty Rendon, Space Coast TPO	
Vitor Suguri, FDOT District One	
Lauren Torres, National Safety Council	
Kevin Walford, Miami-Dade Transportation Planning Organization (TPO)	
Stephanie Rickard, Florida Department of Education	
Jessica Kluttz, Alachua County	

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POLICY & PROGRAMS

Closing Out (Jul – Oct)

- Work Zone Safety Cameras
- Implementation Plan Clean-Up

Coming Up (Oct – Jan)

- Assess locally approved e-bike and micromobility ordinance language
 - Draft model ordinance language
- January Presentations
 - Permissive Left Turns
 - Sharrow Thresholds
- Support Hands Free Florida
 - No current path forward until 2027.
 - Sign the petition at handsfreeflorida.org




DATA, ANALYSIS, & EVALUATION

Goal:
Increase data literacy and facilitate the use of timely, relevant, and quality data to support equitable and data-driven decision-making to improve the mobility and safety of people walking and biking in Florida.

Poorna Bhattacharya, ASHA Planning Consultancy★
Rupert Giroux, FDOT State Safety Office★
Priyanka Alluri, Florida International University
Jotan Borms, FDOT Transportation Data and Analytics (TDA) Office
Terrence Corkery, FDOT Forecasting and Trends Office
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Eric Katz, FDOT Transportation Data and Analytics (TDA) Office
Karla Rodrigues-Silva, City of Gainesville
Elvira Astorga, FDOT District Six

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DATA, ANALYSIS, & EVALUATION

Closing Out (Jul – Oct)

- Crash Data Geolocation
- EMS Coordination
- Selection of Safety Projects by District

Coming Up (Oct – Jan)

- Safety Projects Presentation
- Data Gaps Brief
- Annual Bike Ped Data Highlights
- Children’s Crash Summary
- Speed Management Pilots




EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES

Goal:
Improve medical response and reduce mortality and morbidity resulting from crashes involving people walking and biking.

Lina Chico, Orlando Health
Ronda Cerulli, Safe Kids Florida
Julle Downey, Florida EMS for Children
Isabella Discepolo, HCA Bayonet Point Hospital-Trauma Center
Jessica Henwood, Health First
Alexandria Roeder, Tampa General Hospital
Kathy Wall, Safe Kids Palm Beach County
Scott Zenoni, Health First
Rachele Solomon, FDOT District 3

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EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES

Closing Out (Jul – Oct)

- Responder Education
 - Trauma Centers follow up with EMS agencies (Quality Assurance Meetings, Death Review Meetings, etc.)
 - EMS agencies are provided ongoing training (Survive the Ride, assigned online education, etc.)
- Emergency Vehicle Preemption
 - Most EMS agencies already have some type of preemption.
 - Preemption companies teach to see the signal and not to rely on preemption technology.

Coming Up (Oct – Jan)


- Create social media posts on Helmet safety/ E device safety as the holidays are approaching.
- Work with Safe Kids Worldwide to see if they can leverage relationship with Amazon to add appropriate helmet type when purchasing an E device.



PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD


12:10 – 12:20 PM







NEXT STEPS


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Kittelson & Associates, Inc.





NEXT MEETING

January 27-28, 2026
Embassy Suites Tampa USF






2026 MEETINGS


January 27 – 28 Embassy Suites Tampa USF	April 28 – 29 Embassy Suites Orlando Sunset Walk
July 22 – 23 Orlando	October 13 – 14 Orlando





CLOSING REMARKS

Chris Craig
FDOT Traffic Safety Administrator





A graphic showing a purple block with the text "Safety starts with us." and "Florida Strategic Highway Safety Plan" in white. Below it, in smaller text, is "October 2025".

- Together, we can save lives.
- No One Should Be Killed On Florida's Roadways
- We Have More Work To Do
- Some Road, Road Users, and User Behaviors Need The Most Attention
- Let's Get Everyone Home Safely!

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NO ONE SHOULD BE KILLED ON FLORIDA'S ROADWAYS

TARGET ZERO
FATALITIES & SERIOUS INJURIES

A Plan For All Of Florida

Framework For Eliminating Fatalities and Serious Injuries

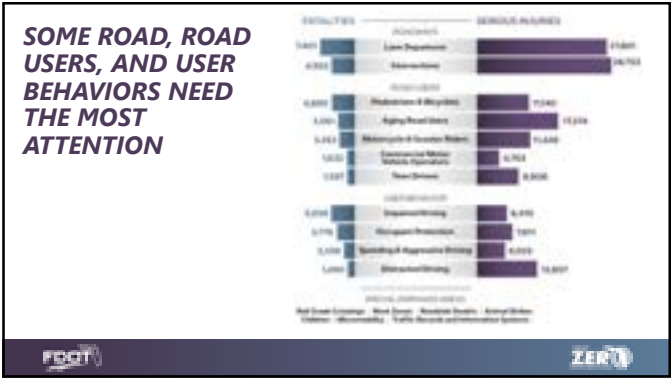
Identifies Key Safety Needs and Guides Investment Decisions

9 PEOPLE DIE & 42 PEOPLE ARE SERIOUSLY INJURED

ON FLORIDA'S ROADWAYS EVERY DAY

Based on daily average between 2019 and 2020

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SOME ROAD, ROAD USERS, AND USER BEHAVIORS NEED THE MOST ATTENTION

- 18 Tier 1 Locations
 - 9 Existing Tier 1 Locations
 - 8 Existing Tier 2 Locations
 - 1 Existing Tier 3 Location
- 123 Tier 2 Locations
- 743 Tier 3 Locations

884 1-Mile Segments make up **35.5%** of all VRU Fatal and Serious Injury Crashes

A map of Florida with several locations highlighted in yellow, representing Tier 1, 2, and 3 locations.


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Electric Bicycles

October 2025


Chanyoung Lee, Ph.D., AICP



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Problem Statement

Does your teenage son have an e-bike? Looking for opinions.

Bike purchase question

My son turns 13 in a few weeks and has been begging for an e-bike for nearly a year. Nearly all of his friends have one, but I have stood firm in the "no" camp because I'm concerned about safety. He is a responsible kid - on the A honor roll, cares about his grades, is in sports, he truly is an all around great kid. But he's still a teenage boy. And I worry about

How can I persuade my mom to let me get an ebike for my birthday?

Im turning 15 this month, and the only thing I've wanted for a pretty long time is an ebike. I've already sent her links to buy one (such as ridstar, riding times, etc.) Also I have experience riding them, as I've often borrowed ebikes from my friends. Please let me know what I can do, anything helps

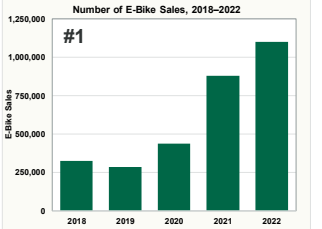
Source: Reddit



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U.S. Department of Energy, Vehicle Technologies Office: Fact of the Week #1321

#1




Year	Number of E-Bike Sales
2018	~300,000
2019	~300,000
2020	~400,000
2021	~750,000
2022	~1,050,000

Source: Business Insider. The incredible, Earth-saving electric bike is having a moment. May 24, 2023.
(Original source: Light Electric Vehicle Association)

#2

"According to People for Bikes research, around 450,000 e-bike units were sold on brand websites in 2024 for \$850 million, effectively doubling previously known U.S. e-bike sales. In addition, 98% of those e-bikes were throttle-driven."


https://bikes-international.com/us-cycling-participation-up-ebikes-around-30-of-market-share-say-people-for-bikes-report/?utm_source=chatgpt.com



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And ...

* <https://youtu.be/rK05iHHHvgc?si=iDrvpT5xMny6SFwY>



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E-Bike safety is quickly becoming one of Florida's most urgent transportation issues.



Best Gift for Kids



Jasion RetroVolt Electric Bike for Adults, [1500W Peak Motor & 30MPH] Electric Dirt Bike Dual Suspension Ebikes for Adults, 20" Fat Tire Ebike with 48V 15Ah Battery, UL 2849 Tested

Click to see full size

Color: Grey

Size: 20" / 24" / 26" / 28"


Price: \$1,449.00



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E-Bike crashes and injuries in Florida

"Until a condition is classified and named, it does not formally exist as a disease" (Fleck, 1935; Foucault, 1963).



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HSMV 90011S form

Non-Motorist Description

1 Pedestrian
2 Other Pedestrian (wheelchair, person in a
hoisting device, pedestrian conveyance, etc.)
3 Bicyclist
4 Other Cyclist
5 Occupant of Motor Vehicle Not in Transport
(parked, etc.)
6 Occupant of a Non-Motor Vehicle
Transportation Device
7 Unknown Type of Non-Motorist

Non-Motorist Location At Time of Crash

1 Intersection - Marked Crosswalk
2 Intersection - Unmarked Crosswalk
3 Inter-Section - Other
4 Midblock - Marked Crosswalk
5 Travel Lane - Other Location
6 Bicycle Lane
7 Shoulder/Headside

Action Prior to Crash

1 Crossing Roadway
2 Waiting to Cross Roadway
3 Walking/Cycling Along
Roadway with Traffic (in or
adjacent to travel lane)
4 Walking/Cycling Along
Roadway Against Traffic (in or
adjacent to travel lane)
5 Walking/Cycling on Sidewalk
6 on Roadway - Other (looking
phone, etc.)
7 Adjacent to Roadway (e.g.,
shoulder, median)
8 Going to or from School (K-12)
9 Working in Trafficway
(incident response)
10 None
11 Other, Explain in Narrative
88 Unknown

Non-Motorist Actions/Circumstances

1st
2nd

1 No Impaired Action
2 Drowsy/Drunk
3 Failure to Yield Right-of-Way,
Signal, or Other
4 Failure to Obey Traffic Sign,
Signal, or Other
5 In Roadway Improperly (standing,
lying, working, etc.)
6 Disabled Vehicle Related (locking
on, pushing, towing/approaching)
7 Entering/Exiting Parked/Stopping
Vehicle
8 Inattentive (talking, eating, etc.)
9 Not Visible (dark clothing, no
lighting, etc.)
10 Improper Turn/Merge
11 Improper Passing
12 Wrong Way Riding or Walking
13 Other, Explain in Narrative
88 Unknown

Safety Equipment

1 None
2 Helmet
3 Protective Pads Used
(elbow, knee, shin, etc.) in Narrative
4 Reflective Clothing (jacket,
backpack, etc.)

5 Lighting
6 Not Applicable
7 Other, Explain
in Narrative
8 Unknown

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Reporting E-Bike Crashes

Non-Motorist Description: Micro-Mobility

Micro-Mobility devices are not
considered motor vehicles.

Micro-Mobility device type:
1. E-Bike
2. Non-Motorist
3. Other Pedestrian

Motorized Scooter's Top Speed:
Exceeds the greater of 20 mph,
or:
1. E-Bike
2. Non-Motorist
3. Other Pedestrian

Detailing Micro-Mobility

Reason:
Should have been reporting device
and respondent's device also not
require that user to have a license,
registration, or insurance.

Motorized Scooter vs. Motorcycle:
How do you identify the difference?

Current status to
identify the difference:
1. Speed Measurement
2. Size/Weight
3. Other

Details:
1. Explain the device
2. Explain the device
3. Explain the device

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Disclaimer

- Our team developed a method to identify e-bike crashes in Florida crash data through the CUTR Internal Grant Award Program
- Most comprehensive estimate so far, but not yet complete
- Underestimation is likely
- May be vulnerable to systematic errors such as agency protocols or crash investigator judgment

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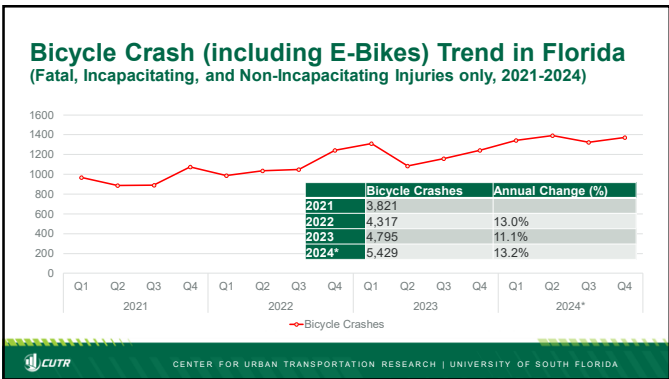
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Identified E-Bike Crashes in Florida (2021-2024)
(Fatal, Incapacitating, and Non-Incapacitating Injuries only)

S4_CRASH_SEVERITY	E-Bike	Conventional Bicycle	Total
Fatal (within 30 days)	70	804	874 (8%)
Incapacitating Injury	350	2,983	3,333 (11%)
Non-Incapacitating Injury	1,305	12,850	14,155 (9%)
Total	1,725	16,637	18,362 (9%)

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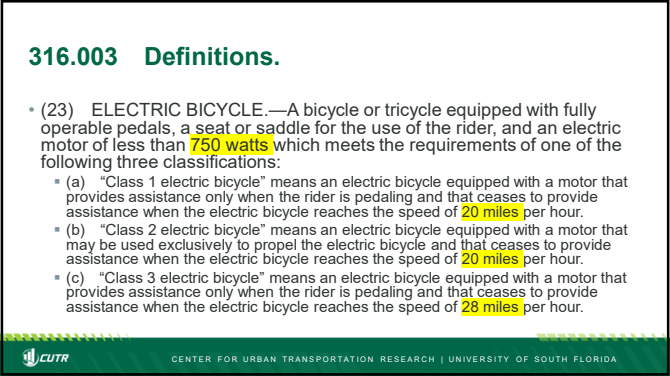
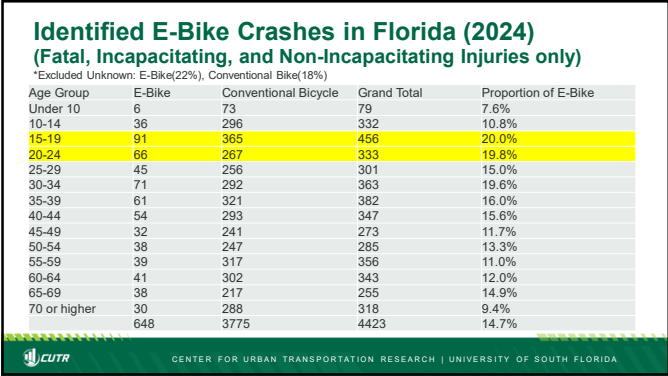
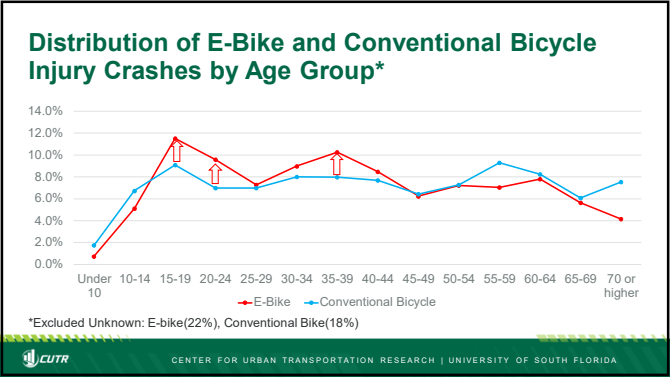
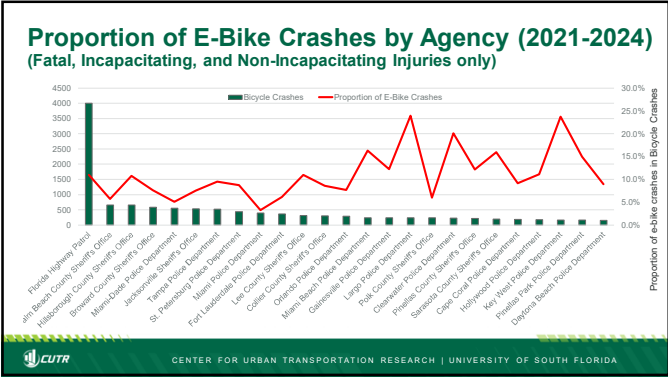
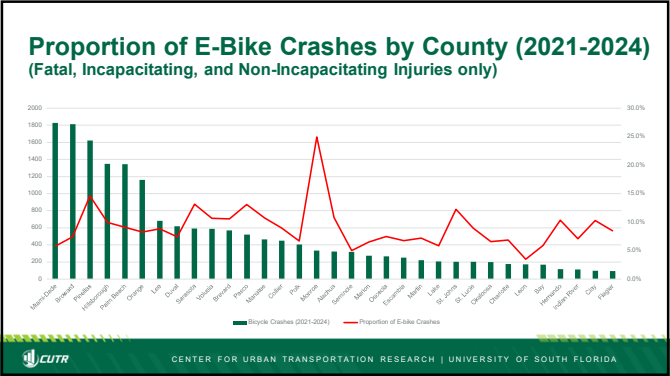
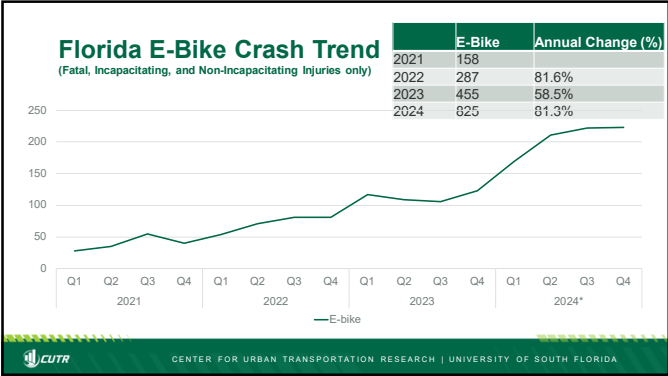


Florida E-Bike Crash Trend
(Fatal, Incapacitating, and Non-Incapacitating Injuries only)

Year	E-Bike	Conventional Bicycle	Grand Total	Proportion of E-bikes in Bicycle Crashes
2021	158	3,663	3,821	4.1%
2022	287	4,030	4,317	6.6%
2023	455	4,340	4,795	9.5%
2024	825	4,604	5,429	15.2%
Grand Total	1,725	16,637	18,362	

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Which of these is not considered an e-bike under the current Florida Statute (316.003)?

A

B

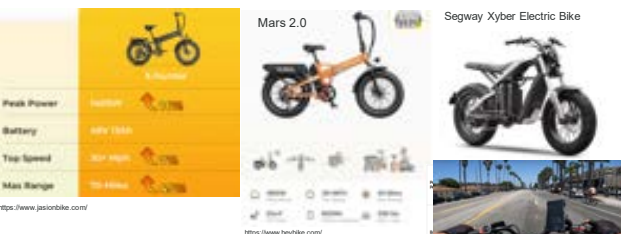
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They are ...



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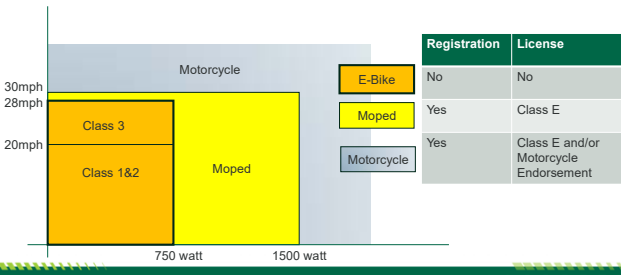
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Powered Two-Wheelers (PTW) in Florida Statute




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Beyond these limits — e.g., motor >750 W or top speed >28 mph — is no longer considered an E-Bike




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E-Bikes are typically more than 50 pounds

316.03

(41) MICROMOBILITY DEVICE.—A motorized transportation device designed for individual use which is **typically** 20 to 36 inches in width and **50 pounds or less in weight** and which operates at a speed of **typically** less than 15 miles per hour but no more than 28 miles per hour. This term includes both a human-powered and a nonhuman-powered device such as a bicycle, electric bicycle, motorized scooter, or any other device that is owned by an individual or part of a shared fleet.

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Selected E-Bike Models

E-Bike Brand	Model	Price	Top Speed (mph)	Motor (Watt)	Weight (lbs.)	Payload
Hyper Bicycles	1	\$ 337.00	20	250	50.7	
Ancheer	2	\$ 539.00	20	500	61	275
Qilife	3	\$ 599.00	28	1200	67.5	
Schwin	4	\$ 600.00	17.5	250	42	
Schwin	5	\$ 600.00	17.5	250	56	330
AMYET	6	\$ 648.00	28	1000	65	265
Ancheer	7	\$ 789.00	28	750	80	
Hyper Bicycles	8	\$ 798.00	20	250	64	
Jasion	9	\$ 1,199.00	30+	1000	73	330
Aventon	10	\$ 1,199.00	20	350	46	300
Rad Power Bikes	11	\$ 1,399.00	20	750	73.4	330
Aventon	12	\$ 1,699.00	20/28	500	58.2	300
Co-op Cycles	13	\$ 1,799.00	20	418	54	400
Blix	14	\$ 1,799.00	20	500	61	
Aventon	15	\$ 1,899.00	20/28	500	67	300
Rad Power Bikes	16	\$ 1,999.00	28	750	74.5	320
Rad Power Bikes	17	\$ 2,229.00	28	750	82	420



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Micromobility devices

316.2128 Micromobility devices, motorized scooters, and miniature motorcycles; requirements.—

- (1) The operator of a motorized scooter or micromobility device has all of the rights and duties applicable to the rider of a bicycle under s. 316.2065, except the duties imposed by s. 316.2065(2), (3)(b), and (3)(c), which by their nature do not apply. However, this section may not be construed to prevent a local government, through the exercise of its powers under s. 316.008, from adopting an ordinance governing the operation of micromobility devices and motorized scooters on streets, highways, sidewalks, and sidewalk areas under the local government's jurisdiction.
- (2) A motorized scooter or micromobility device is not required to satisfy the registration and insurance requirements of s. 320.02 or the licensing requirements of s. 316.605.
- (3) A person is not required to have a driver license to operate a motorized scooter or micromobility device.



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316.20655 Electric bicycle regulations.—

- (1) Except as otherwise provided in this section, an electric bicycle or an operator of an electric bicycle shall be afforded all the rights and privileges, and be subject to all of the duties, of a bicycle or the operator of a bicycle, including s. 316.2065. An electric bicycle is a vehicle to the same extent as a bicycle. However, this section may not be construed to prevent a local government, through the exercise of its powers under s. 316.008, from adopting an ordinance governing the operation of electric bicycles on streets, highways, sidewalks, and sidewalk areas under the local government's jurisdiction or to prevent a municipality, county, or agency of the state having jurisdiction over a bicycle path, multiuse path, or trail network from restricting or prohibiting the operation of an electric bicycle on a bicycle path, multiuse path, or trail network.
- (2) An electric bicycle or an operator of an electric bicycle is not subject to the provisions of law relating to financial responsibility, driver or motor vehicle licenses, vehicle registration, title certificates, off-highway motorcycles, or off-highway vehicles.
- (3) Beginning January 1, 2021, manufacturers and distributors of electric bicycles shall apply a label that is permanently affixed in a prominent location to each electric bicycle. The label must contain the classification number, top assisted speed, and motor wattage of the electric bicycle.
- (4) A person may not tamper with or modify an electric bicycle so as to change the motor-powered speed capability or engagement of an electric bicycle, unless the label indicating the classification number required in subsection (3) is replaced after such modification.
- (5) An electric bicycle must comply with the equipment and manufacturing requirements for bicycles adopted by the United States Consumer Product Safety Commission under 16 C.F.R. part 1512.
- (6) An electric bicycle must operate in a manner so that the electric motor is disengaged or ceases to function when the rider stops pedaling or when the brakes are applied.
- (7) An operator may ride an electric bicycle where bicycles are allowed, including, but not limited to, streets, highways, roadways, shoulders, bicycle lanes, and bicycle or multiuse paths.



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#1 A prominent location? Can we trust the label?



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E-Bike?

Spec & Size

Vehicle specifications

Charging Time 4-6 hours	Charger 5A/40V 1A	Speed 32MPH	Product Weight 73.4LBS
Distance Display 7-panel	Battery 48V 15.5AH Lithium-Ion Battery	Hub Motor 750W Brushless Gear Motor	Range 40-50 Miles Pedal Assist
Front 1.5-L and 700c 32mm	Brakes Hydraulic Disc Brakes	Tires 28" x 2" Schwalbe Road Race	Weight Capacity 440 LBS 440 LBS

Hub Motor
750W 48V

Top Speed
32 MPH

Power Cut
YES

Motor Range
40-50 Miles

Motor
750W 48V

Motor Load
440 LBS

What's in the Box



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#2 App-based unlock. Switch as needed...

70 miles
Range (up to)

Automatic
PAS & Gear Shifting

Connectivity
iOS, Android App

Safety Certified
In accordance with UL 2849

Class 2 & 3
Switch as needed

500W
Motor Power

What is the e-bike class rating of this bike?

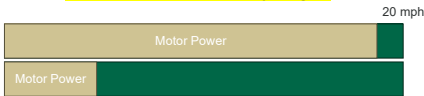
The bike is a class 2 e-bike that can be changed to a class 3 e-bike with the company app, increasing the pedal assist top speed from 20 mph to 28 mph.



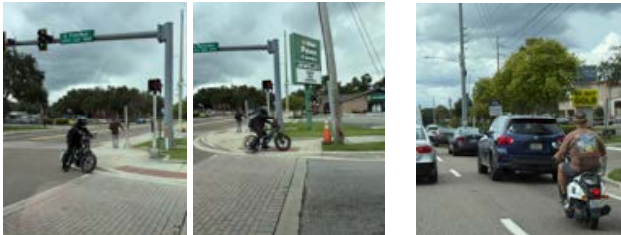
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#3 Pedal Assist?

- It's not easy to find a public spec from E-bike company that says "PAS level 1 = 20 % motor power, 2 = 40 %," etc. Those values are often proprietary to the controller firmware and can vary between bike models.
- Most state laws talk about when assist is allowed and when it must cut off, **not "how much" assist you get**.



#4 Traffic Lane vs. Sidewalk. 2028 mph vs. 30 mph



#5 Wear a helmet?



316.2065 Bicycle regulations.--

- (d) A bicycle rider or passenger who is **under 16 years** of age must wear a bicycle helmet that is properly fitted and is fastened securely upon the passenger's head by a strap and that meets the federal safety standard for **bicycle helmets, final rule, 16 C.F.R. part 1203**. As used in this subsection, the term "passenger" includes a child who is riding in a trailer or semitrailer attached to a bicycle.
- (e) Law enforcement officers and school crossing guards may issue a bicycle safety brochure and a verbal warning to a bicycle rider or passenger who violates this subsection. A bicycle rider or passenger who violates this subsection may be issued a citation by a law enforcement officer and assessed a fine for a pedestrian violation, as provided in s. 318.18. The court shall dismiss the charge against a bicycle rider or passenger for a first violation of paragraph (d) upon proof of purchase of a bicycle helmet that complies with this subsection.

316.211 Equipment for motorcycle and moped riders

- (1) A person may not operate or ride upon a motorcycle unless the person is properly wearing protective headgear securely fastened upon his or her head which complies with Federal Motorcycle Vehicle Safety Standard 218 promulgated by the United States Department of Transportation. The Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles shall adopt this standard by agency rule.
- (2) A person may not operate a motorcycle unless the person is wearing an eye-protective device over his or her eyes of a type approved by the department.
- (3)(a) **This section does not apply to persons riding within an enclosed cab or to any person 16 years of age or older who is operating or riding upon a motorcycle powered by a motor with a displacement of 50 cubic centimeters or less or is rated not in excess of 2 brake horsepower and which is not capable of propelling such motorcycle at a speed greater than 30 miles per hour on level ground.**
- (b) Notwithstanding subsection (1), a person over 21 years of age may operate or ride upon a motorcycle without wearing protective headgear securely fastened upon his or her head if such person is covered by an insurance policy providing for at least \$10,000 in medical benefits for injuries incurred as a result of a crash while operating or riding on a motorcycle.
- (4) A person under 16 years of age may not operate or ride upon a moped unless the person is properly wearing protective headgear securely fastened upon his or her head which complies with Federal Motorcycle Vehicle Safety Standard 218 promulgated by the United States Department of Transportation.

Reported Helmet Use Among Bicyclists Involved in Traffic Crashes (2021–2024)
(Fatal, Incapacitating, and Non-Incapacitating Injuries only)

SAFETY EQUIPMENT	Conventional Bicycle	E-Bike	Grand Total
Helmet	13.5%	11.5%	13.3%
Lighting	2.6%	3.6%	2.7%
Not Applicable	0.3%	0.1%	0.3%
Other	0.3%	0.2%	0.3%
Protective Pads	0.1%	0.0%	0.1%
Reflective Clothing	0.5%	0.5%	0.5%
Unknown	1.7%	1.4%	1.6%
(blank)	81.0%	82.7%	81.1%
Grand Total (N)	100.0% (16,637)	100.0% (1,725)	100.0%

Findings

- Still, more than two-thirds of bicycle crashes and injuries involve conventional bicycles.
- Florida has experienced a significant increase in e-bike crashes.
- E-bike crash reporting needs improvement.
- How should illegal e-bikes be classified — as mopeds, motorcycles, or something else?
- Age group (16-24) represents a higher proportion of e-bike crashes than conventional bicycle crashes.


Anatomy of Powered Two-Wheelers (PTW) in Florida Statute (316.003 Definitions)

MOTORCYCLE.—Any motor vehicle having a seat or saddle for the use of the rider and designed to travel on not more than three wheels in contact with the ground. The term includes an autocycle, but **does not include a tractor, a moped, an electric bicycle**.

MOPED.—Any vehicle with pedals to permit propulsion by human power, having a seat or saddle for the use of the rider and designed to travel on not more than three wheels, with a motor rated not in excess of 2 brake horsepower and not capable of propelling the vehicle at a **speed greater than 30 miles per hour on level ground** and with a power-drive system that functions directly or automatically without clutching or shifting gears by the operator after the drive system is engaged. If an internal combustion engine is used, the displacement may not exceed 50 cubic centimeters. The term **does not include an electric bicycle**.


MICROMOBILITY DEVICE.—A motorized transportation device designed for individual use which is typically 20 to 36 inches in width and 50 pounds or less in weight and which operates at a speed of typically less than 15 miles per hour but no more than 28 miles per hour. **This term includes both a human-powered and a nonhuman-powered device such as a bicycle, electric bicycle, motorized scooter, or any other device that is owned by an individual or part of a shared fleet.**

	Registration	License
E-Bike	No	No
Moped	Yes	Class E
Motorcycle	Yes	Class E and/or Motorcycle Endorsement

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Food for thought

- E-bikes are much heavier than conventional bicycles and are difficult to pedal, especially for children.
- Most models come with a throttle and are being used more like mopeds.
- Effective e-bike enforcement?
- No e-bike helmet standard in the U.S.
- Helmet for under age 21?
- How can we work together to reduce e injuries in Florida?




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Connecticut E-Bike Laws

As of October 1st

- E-bikes by manufacturer design cannot exceed **28 mph**.
- A person under **16 years old** cannot ride a Class 3 E-bike.
- As of 10/1/2025 CT Law requires all e-bike riders to wear a helmet, **regardless of age**.
- E-bikes over 3,500 watts will require registration and insurance, similar to motorcycles.
- E-bikes are **prohibited from sidewalks**, limited access highways and turnpikes. E-bikes shall follow all of the rules of the road, like any motor vehicle, including yielding the right-of-way to pedestrians in a crosswalk.
- If the speed limit of the roadway is more than the maximum speed of the e-bike, the e-bike must be operated in the right-hand lane or on the shoulder.
- E-bikes are not allowed on bike trails, bike paths or multi-use trails or paths.
- CT law allows cyclists to ride two abreast but no more than two abreast.

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FIRST RESPONDERS & EMERGING MODES

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E-BIKE & E-SCOOTER CRASH TRENDS IN SOUTH FLORIDA

E-bike & E-scooter injuries have skyrocketed across South Florida.

There has been a **160% increase** in 2024 alone.

Data from **Memorial Healthcare System & Joe DiMaggio Children’s Hospital:**

- 11 cases in 2022 to 52 in 2024
- 2025 is tracking to surpass 2024 total
- 41 cases already in Q1 2025

E-BIKE & E-SCOOTER CRASH TRENDS IN SOUTH FLORIDA

Summary of 2025 e-bike and electric scooter related injuries

- **Most riders are male** (78–85% are male)
- **Youth involvement** is rising (ages 2-73)
- Rider age is getting **younger**
- **Trauma alerts are increasing** (traumatic brain injuries)
- **Helmet use remains low** — only ~17% documented wearing helmets

E-BIKE & E-SCOOTER CRASH TRENDS IN SOUTH FLORIDA

Year	Counts	Gender (Male %)	≤ 18	Age Range	Trauma Alert (1 or 2)	Helmet^
2022	N=11	82%	n=2	11-83	n=5	1 helmet; 8 no
2023	N=20	85%	n=5	10-64	n=17	3 helmets;17 no
2024	N=52	81%	n=11	9-71	n=40	7 helmets;44 no
2025*	N=41	78%	n=16	2-73	n=25	4 helmets;36 no

*Data from Q1 of 2025 only

E-BIKE & E-SCOOTER CRASH TRENDS IN CENTRAL FLORIDA

E-bike & E-scooter injuries have skyrocketed across Central Florida.

There has been a **218% increase** in 2025 so far compared to 2024.

Data from **Orlando Health Arnold Palmer Hospital for Children:**

- **Trauma Patients**
- 2025 has already surpassed 2024
- 33 cases Jan 2024 to Aug 2024, 72 cases Jan 2025 to Aug 2025

E-BIKE & E-SCOOTER CRASH TRENDS IN CENTRAL FLORIDA

Summary of e-bike and electric scooter related injuries

- **Youth involvement** is rising
- **Primary Age Range** (11 – 15 yrs old)
- Rider age is getting **younger**
- **Trauma alerts are increasing** (traumatic brain injuries)
- **Helmet use remains low** — only ~17% documented wearing helmets

“SAFE STREETS FOR SMALL WHEELS” AAA SAFETY CAMPAIGN

Safe Streets for Small Wheels Key Messages

A Statewide Initiative to:

- Encourage e-vehicle riders to follow road rules, remain alert, and wear a helmet
- Remind drivers to be alert and look especially for children, as e-vehicle use increases
- “We are not here to villainize or condemn the use of e-bikes and scooters, but we do want to raise awareness about their presence.”
—AAA Public Relations Manager Mark Jenkins



“SAFE STREETS FOR SMALL WHEELS” AAA SAFETY CAMPAIGN

Safe Streets for Small Wheels Engagement

- Presentations at universities across Florida
- Billboards
- Messaging on social media

- AAA – The Auto Club Group Facebook: [Post](#)
- AAA – The Auto Club Group LinkedIn: [Post](#)



“SAFE STREETS FOR SMALL WHEELS” AAA SAFETY CAMPAIGN

Campaign Launch at UCF, September 2nd, 2025

- UCF speakers included Dr. Marc Levy - a pediatric surgeon at Orlando Health, and a high schooler, Hunter Ford, recently involved in an e-bike crash.
- Hunter’s crash resulted in serious injuries, but he is recovering
- Importance of wearing a helmet and being aware of driver behavior



HELMET COMPARISON

Consumer Product Safety Commission (CPSC)

- Certified for speeds up to 15mph
- Designed to provide protection for pedal-powered bike riders



NTA 8776 Standard

- Certified for speeds up to 28mph
- Specifically designed for e-bikes and e-scooters
- Covers more of head



SMALL DESIGN DIFFERENCES FOR SAFETY AT HIGHER SPEEDS



1 MORE COVERAGE AT THE TEMPLE

Our premium safety helmet provides enhanced protection, specifically at the temple region, addressing the area where the skull bone is thinner and vital blood vessels are more susceptible to injury.

2 MORE COVERAGE AT THE BACK

Our advanced safety helmet offers extended coverage at the back of the head, ensuring superior protection for the neck and shoulders, making it a top choice for those prioritizing comprehensive head safety.

Which Helmet for Which Activity?


E-bikes not mentioned in CPSC guide

Source: [www.cpsc.gov](#)




E-BIKE HELMETS

A neurosurgeon's perspective



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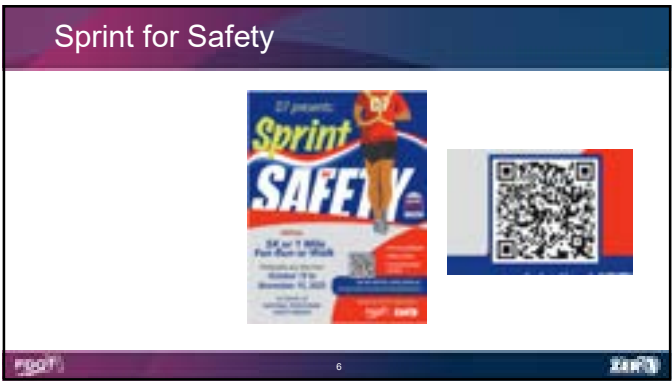
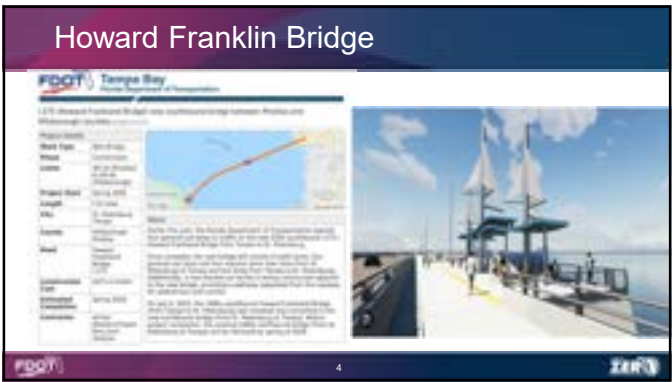
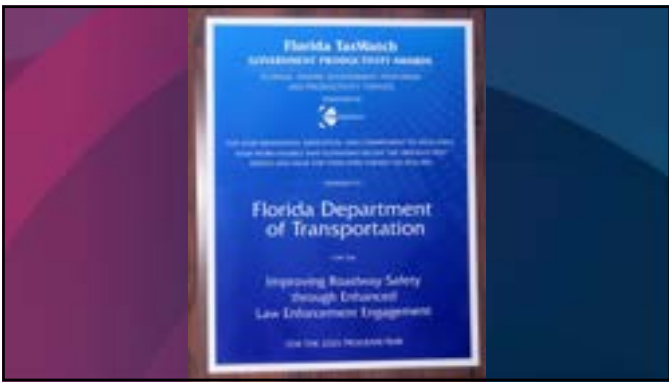
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D7 Safety Outreach

- Lunch and Learn; Bayonet/HCA Hospital
- Helmet Fitter Trainings
- Stop it Like It Hot
- School Outreach
- Stop on Red

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HCA Lunch and Learns

Seniors Moving Safety

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Helmet Fitters Training/Safe Kids

Several Bike Helmet Trainings provided

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Stop on Red

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Stop it Like It's Hot; World Tour

- https://youtu.be/qBypyNh21r0?si=_9yI9FiqQaxkUqUL


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Safety Message Q/A

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Agenda

- Roles of Bicycle and Pedestrian Coordinator
- Bicycle and Pedestrian Master Plan
- District Spotlight Projects
- Recent and Upcoming Events
- Innovative Tools
- Project Success Story
- SUN Trail Update
- Q&A




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Bicycle and Pedestrian Master Plan

District Four Bicycle and Pedestrian Master Plan

- Pedestrian and Bicycle Needs Assessment
- Overlay using a Context Classification approach
- Review sidewalk segments
- Potential Improvements to Address Needs:
 - Buffered Bicycle Lanes
 - Separated Bicycle Lanes
 - Shared Use Paths



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Non-Motorized Traffic Monitoring Program

Post and Bike Trajectories

06/12/2025-06/14/2025

Crossing Location Aerial

South

West

North

East

District Spotlight Projects

Bicycle

Pedestrian

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District Spotlight Projects

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District Spotlight Project: Separated Bicycle Lane Project

FM# 438386-5: SR 5/US-1 Bike Lane/Sidewalk Improvement Project

Project purpose is to improve mobility along the corridor

Lane Repurposing Project converting the travel lanes from 6 lanes to 4 lanes

Provide physically separated bicycle lanes with 11-foot-wide sidewalks

[Link to Project Website](#)

Existing Condition

Proposed Condition

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District Spotlight Project: US-1 Jupiter Bridge Replacement Project

FM# 428400-2: US-1 Jupiter Bridge Replacement Project

7-foot-wide buffered bicycle lanes

8-foot-wide separated pedestrian facility:

- Pedestrians will be separated from traffic with permanent concrete barriers

Non-Motorized Traffic Counters are strategically placed along the bridge

[Link to Project Website](#)

jupiter us bridge



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Recent and Upcoming Events

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Other internal and external coordination efforts

Community Traffic Safety Team (CTST)

- The CTST is a locally based, data-driven coalition of highway safety advocates dedicated to improving traffic safety in their communities.
- These teams collaborate to reduce crashes and fatalities by:
 - Identify safety concerns
 - Develop Countermeasures
 - Promote education and awareness campaigns

Attended quarterly meetings:

- Broward County – August 25th
- Palm Beach County – August 26th

Palm Beach County Micro-Mobility Committee

- This committee focuses on emerging modes of transportation:
 - E-Bikes
 - Scooters
 - Other micro-mobility devices
- Participation in these meetings supports efforts with local partners:
 - Policy development
 - Safety initiatives
 - Infrastructure planning
 - Attended meeting on August 27th

Feeling tired while driving?
Wipe away fatigue with these Target Zero playlists!

Let's Get Everyone Home Safely



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Recent Events – Walk Bike & Roll to School

- National Walk, Bike & Roll to School Day held on Wednesday, October 8, 2025
- Grab your sneakers, bikes, and scooters — it's time to get moving!
- Join us as we celebrate healthy habits, safety, and community engagement
- This event is a fun way to:
 - Start the day with fresh air and movement
 - Practice safe walking and riding
 - Show school spirit alongside your fellow classmates
- For more information visit the website at: www.walkbikeloschool.org



WALK BIKE & ROLL TO SCHOOL

National Walk & Roll to School Day on October 8, 2025!

Sign Up Today!




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Photos from Walk Bike and Roll to School Day

Location: Manatee Community Elementary School








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Upcoming Events - Construction Career Days – Learning Labs

- Hands-on experiences / Learning Labs:** Visual Impairment obstacle course and Bicycle Maintenance to advocate and promote bicycle and pedestrian safety awareness





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Upcoming Events – District Four Showcase

- Purpose:** Provide staff with insights into the various District Four offices and their functions
- Desired Outcomes:** Networking and relationship-building
- Safety Aspect:** District to promote bicycle and pedestrian safety awareness
- When:** Wednesday, November 5th, from 9:00am to 12:00pm in the FDOT District Four Headquarters





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Upcoming Events – District Four Showcase

- Safety packets/brochures promoting bicycle and pedestrian safety
- Helmet fitting
- Visual impairment obstacle course

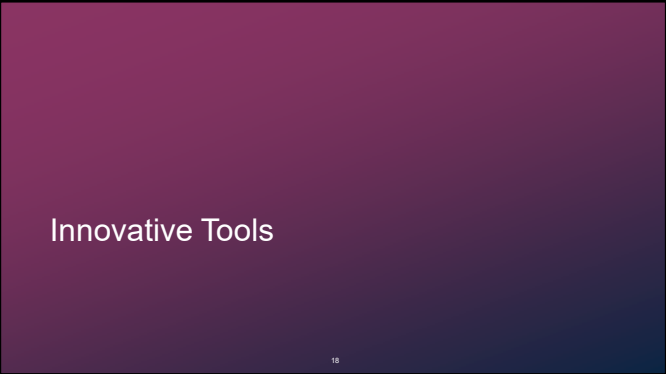






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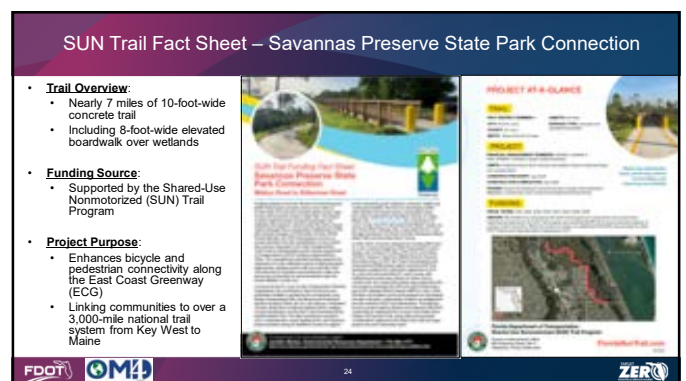
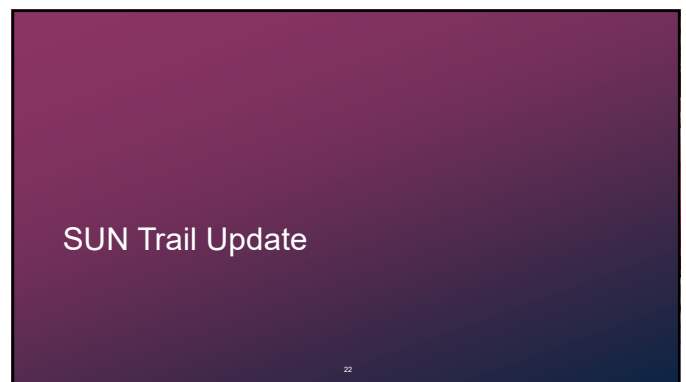
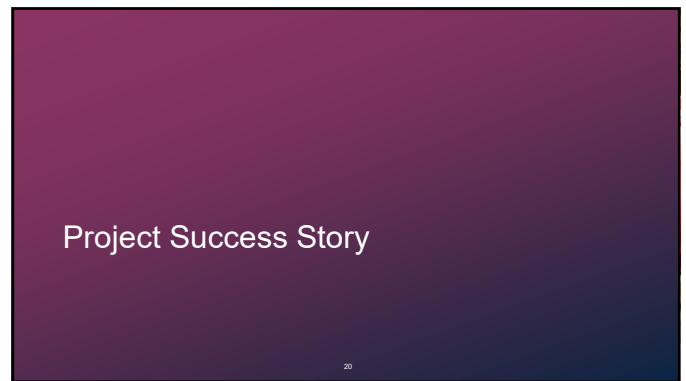
Innovative Tools





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Questions and Answers





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FDOT Safety Message



OCTOBER IS NATIONAL PEDESTRIAN SAFETY MONTH

Share kind courtesy on the roadway and
Let's Get Everyone Home Safely

Take these safe steps together:

- 1 Drivers – yield to pedestrians in crosswalks
- 2 Pedestrians – stay visible at night, with reflective items or lights
- 3 Avoid distractions while driving and walking

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