

# MWCOG 2012-13 Street Smart Public Education Campaign

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### Spring 2013 Campaign at a Glance

- \* Focus groups
- New creative components
- \* Paid media (radio, out of home)
- Spanish PSA news network
- \* Kickoff event and media tour
- ⋆ Outreach activities



- \* Further understand awareness, attitudes, motivators and barriers around behaviors related to pedestrian and bicycle safety.
- \* Evaluate degree of relevancy, ease of understanding, motivation, and impact of creative execution.



#### Four Two-Hour Groups

- Two English-language driver groups in Gaithersburg, MD
- One Spanish-language pedestrian group in Gaithersburg, MD
- One English-language pedestrian group in Washington, DC



## Focus Groups - Methodology

#### 33 Participants:

- ⋆ 24 English-language; 9 Spanish-language
- ⋆ Limited to residents of MWCOG jurisdictions in Northern VA, MD, and DC
- Demographics representative of the metropolitan Washington area
- Age range of 18-55 years old and a mix of male/female

## General Mindset Learning

- Pedestrian and bicycle safety is seen as an important issue.
- Lots of finger pointing
- But admit to unsafe behavior at some point
- \* "When I'm in a hurry."
- Aware of laws and fines but don't think they are often enforced.
- Strongest motivation: fear of getting seriously injured or injuring someone else.



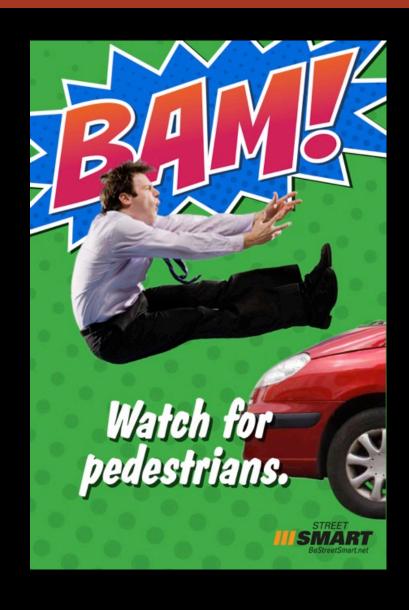
## Focus Groups - Concept Learning

#### Creative concepts are tested for:

- Communicating the overall message of the program
- Capturing attention
- Motivating a reassessment or change in behavior



## BAM! - Concept Learning





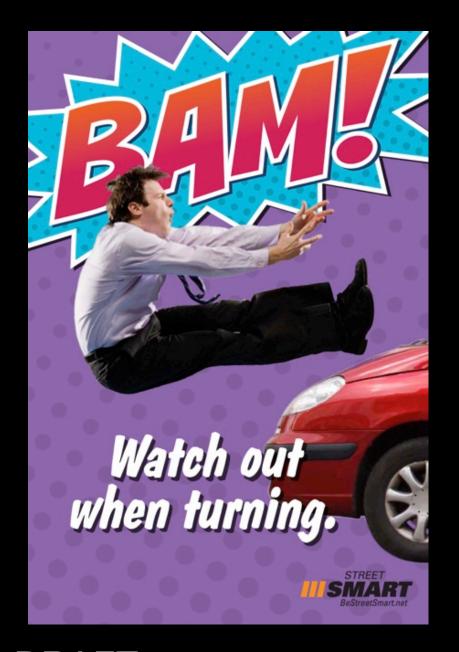
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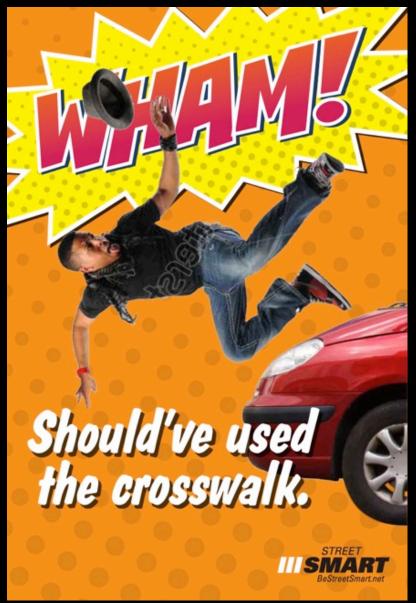
- Captured attention well, especially in the Spanish-language group
- Simple and direct with very clear call to action
- \* Humorous, more light-hearted approach appealed to some participants.



#### **CHALLENGES**

- Comic-book approach may not serious enough for this issue
- Doesn't articulate a real sense of threat or danger
- Some calls-to-action were perceived as too generic; participants preferred more specific "watch when turning"
- Not as emotionally compelling







### Tired Faces - Concept Learning





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#### **STRENGTHS**

- Strong emotional reaction
- Illustrates pedestrian vulnerability and long-term consequences
- Visual tells a story
- Shifts driver perspective
- \* Broad appeal across audiences



### Tired Faces - Concept Learning

#### **CHALLENGES**

No real challenges with concept

#### **OPPORTNITIES TO IMPROVE**

- Capture more vulnerable expressions across all subjects
- Tweak headlines or calls to action when noted



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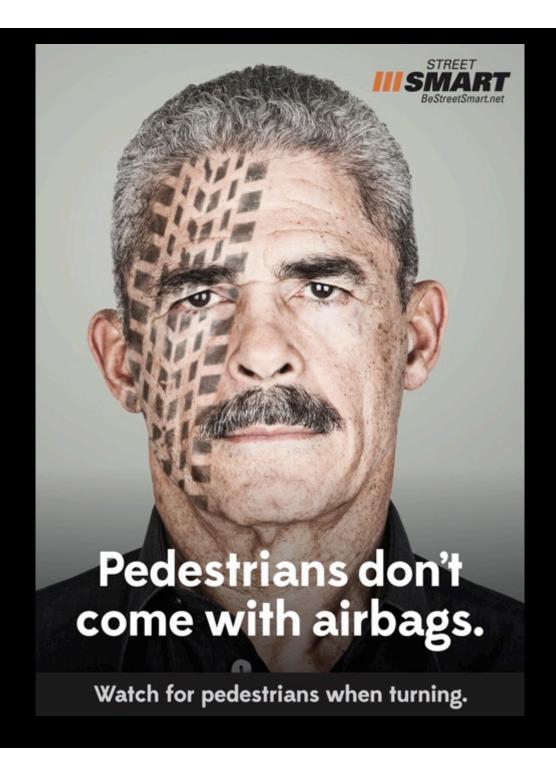
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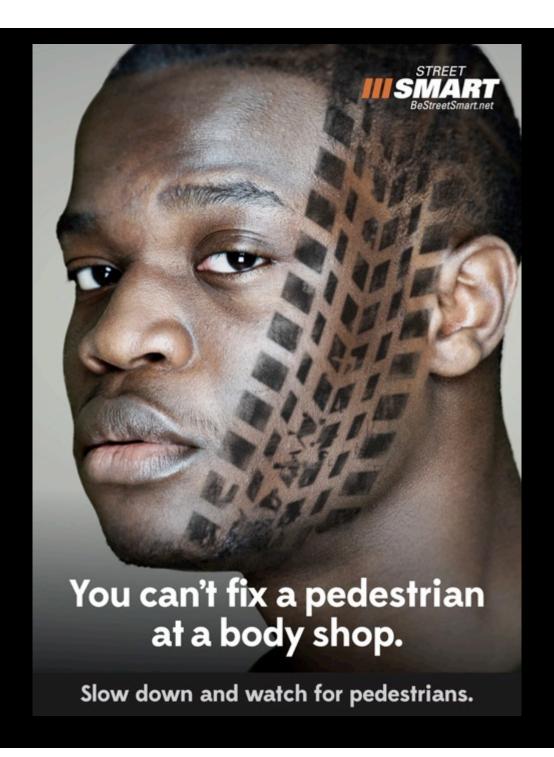
## SPRING 2013 RECOMMENDED CAMPAIGN CONCEPTS

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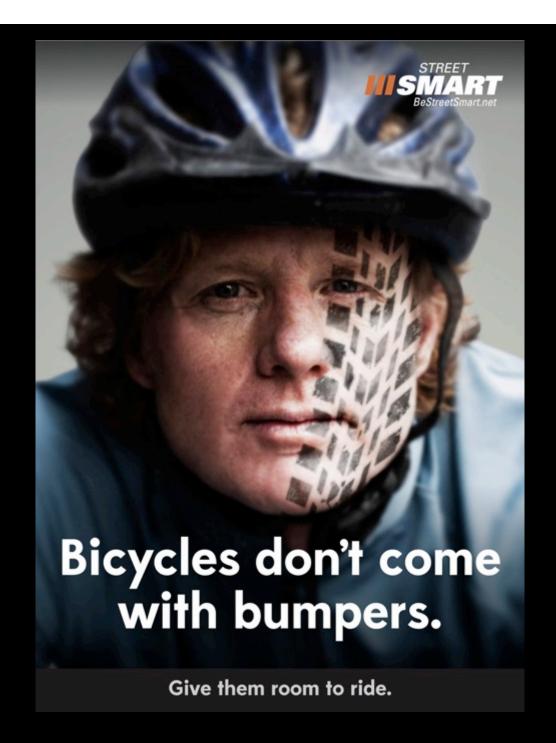




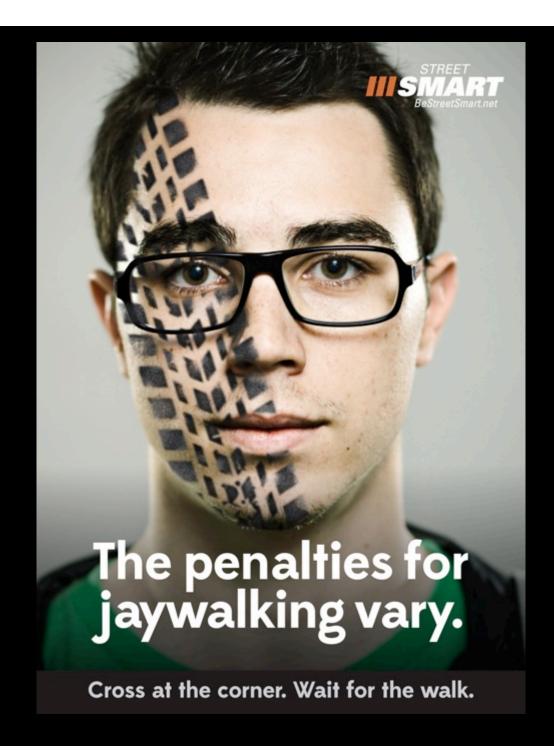








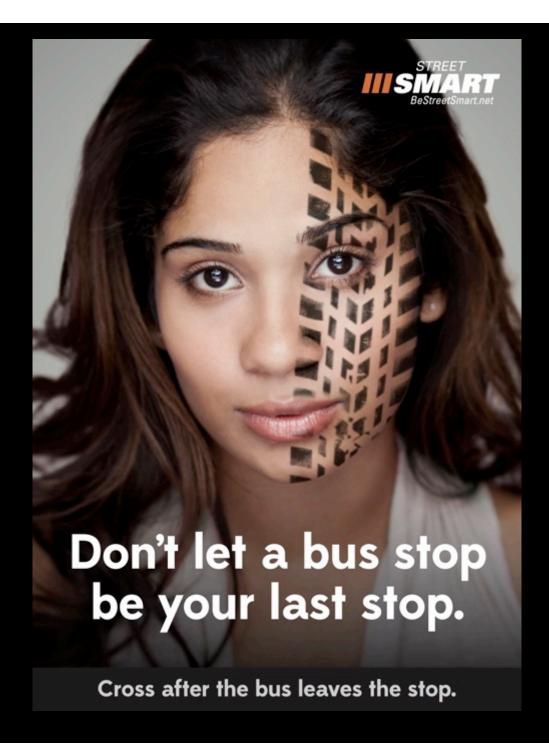






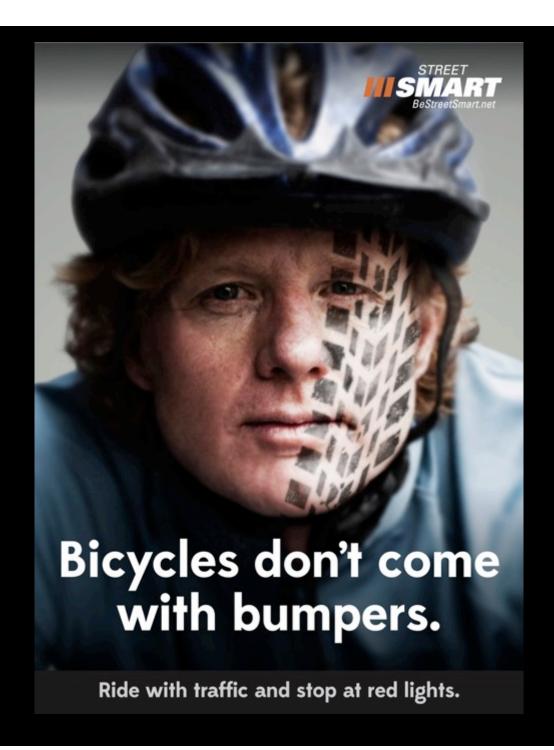






\*alternate





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## Creative Next Steps

- ⋆ Casting call for six subjects:
  - Five adults of all ages/ethnicities
  - ⋆ One child appearing age 10-12
  - \* Email non-smiling headshots to talent@sherrymatthews.com
  - ⋆ Deadline: 2/25
- ⋆ Present final talent selects 2/27
- ⋆ Photo shoot 3/1



Original budget \$560,000

Spent to date (\$193,000)

Budget reduction (\$50,000)

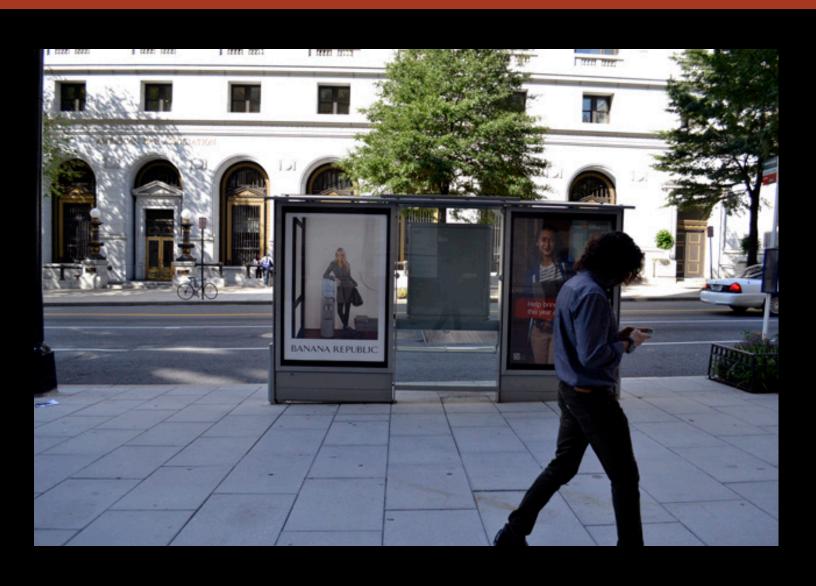
TOTAL AVAILABLE \$317,000

## Cetting the Word Out

- \* Paid media
  - Out of home ads
  - \* Radio traffic sponsorships
  - \* Outreach events
- \* Public relations
- Spanish PSA network
- Outreach and partnerships (if budget allows)
- Social media (if budget allows)

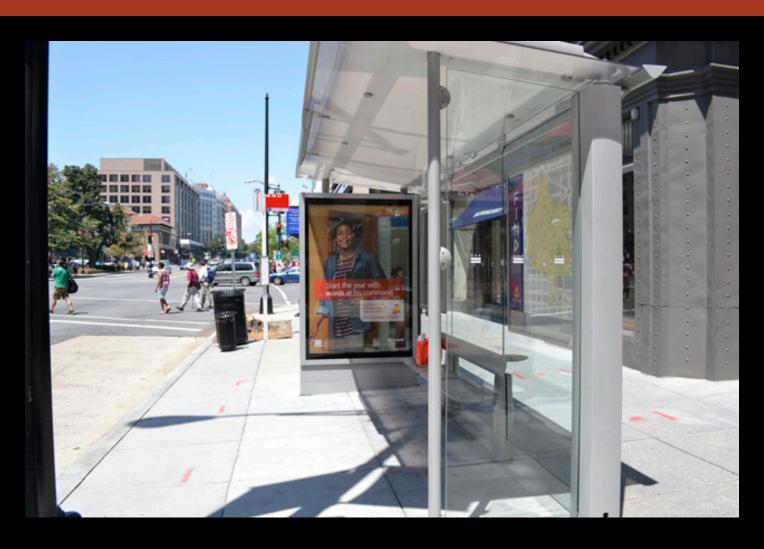


## Transit Shelter Ad Sample





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## Transit Ad Samples



L-side



King



Super Ultra-King



# Metro Station Ad Sample



## Paid Media Options - Outdoor (4 wks)

⋆ Metro station posters (45) \$40,000

⋆ Transit shelters (28) \$58,300

⋆ Digital transit shelters (30)\* \$21,300

⋆ Buses – Ultra super kings (15) \$53,250

\* Buses – Kings (175) \$100,300

⋆ Buses – L-sides (40) \$41,700

\* Rail cards (250) \$30,600

\* Two weeks



### Recommended Outdoor (4 wks)

Metro station posters (45) \$40,000

⋆ Transit shelters (28) \$58,500

★ Buses – Ultra kings (15) \$53,500

\* TOTAL \$152,000

## Spring 2013 Campaign - Paid Radio

- \* \$49,000 budget
- \* Adults 18-49
- April (3 weeks)
- ⋆ Wed-Fri, 3-8 pm, Sat 6 am-8 pm
- ⋆ 15-second spot, English and Spanish
- ⋆ Primary target: Motorists
- \* Primary message: Watch for pedestrians



## Spring 2013 Campaign - Stations





- WPGC-FM (rhythmic contemporary hits)
- WIAD-FM (hot adult contemporary)
- ⋆ WJFK-FM (sports)
- \* WLZL-FM (Spanish)
- \* WNEW-FM (news talk)
- \* WKYS-FM (urban contemporary)



# Spring 2013 Campaign – Events (3)









## Spring 2013 Media Campaign Recap

- \* \$201,000 budget
- Approximately 575 radio spots
- Three safety outreach events
- Public affairs interview(s)
- \* Radio spot production
- \* 138 out of home ads

## 💫 Spring 2013 Campaign – PR

- Launch event (April date TBD)
- \* PR event support
- ⋆ Media kit
- Pitching/local media tour
- \* \$34,000 budget



## Spring 2013 Campaign - PSA Network

- \* Hispanic Market
  - ⋆ 7 Spanish stations
  - March-August air dates
  - \* 2 60-second news features
  - \* 150-200 spots
  - \* \$12,500 budget



### Spring 2013 Campaign - Budget

Paid media \$201,000

Outreach collateral \$ 3,000

PR/event support \$34,000

Spanish PSA network \$12,500

Creative services \$28,000

Account mgmt \$30,000

Survey or outreach \$ 8,500

TOTAL \$317,000



# Street Smart Campaign

### Discussion



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