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## Pedestrian and Bicycle Safety Education Campaign

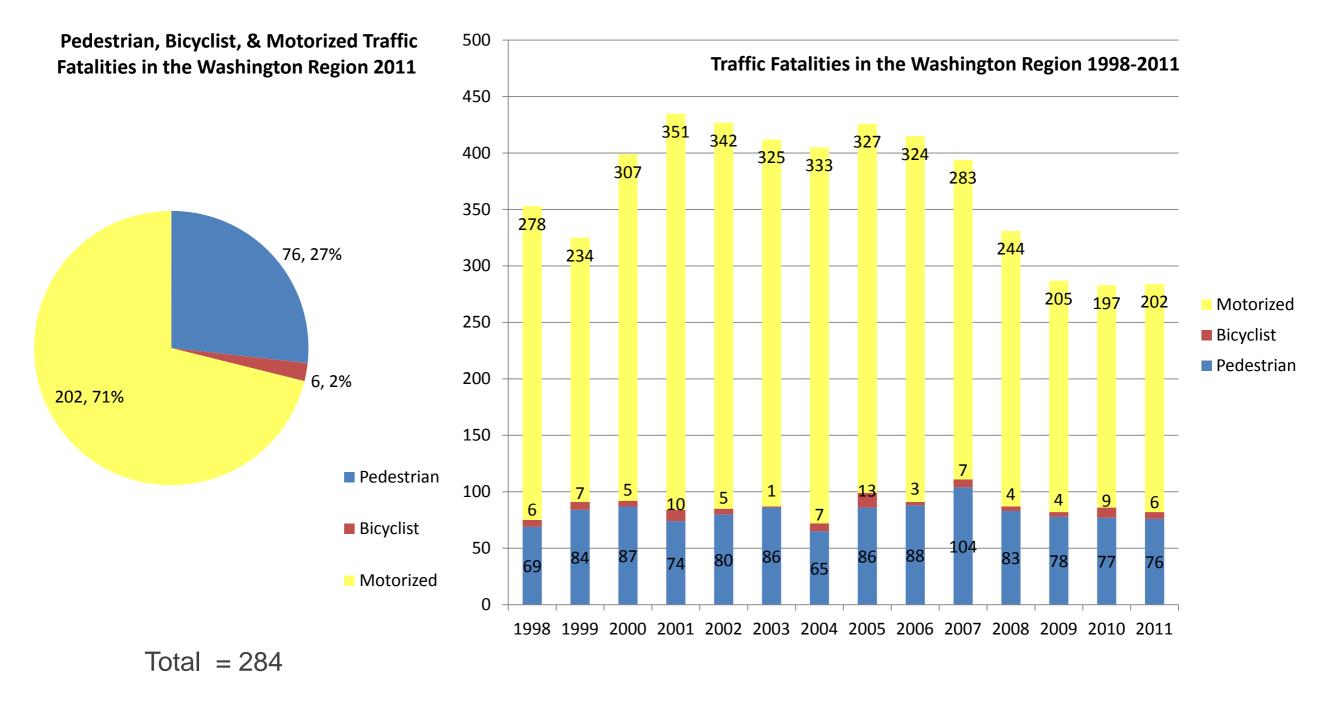
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## **Regional Traffic Fatalities\***



\*2011 Preliminary data – MHSO, VDMV, DDOT



# Pedestrian & Bicyclist Fatalities by Jurisdiction

Jurisdiction	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011*	TOTAL
District of Columbia	17	27	15	16	16	13	95
Charles County	2	6	1	3	3	9	24
Frederick County	4	1	0	1	4	0	10
Montgomery County	18	18	19	15	14	8	92
Prince George's County	20	29	41	23	23	30	166
Arlington County	1	1	1	4	1	5	13
City of Alexandria	1	2	0	0	2	2	7
Fairfax County	20	17	4	11	13	10	75
City of Fairfax	0	1	0	2	0	1	4
City of Falls Church	0	0	0	0	2	0	2
Loudoun County	1	3	0	1	2	3	10
City of Manassas	0	1	0	0	0	0	1
City of Manassas Park	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Prince William County	7	5	6	6	6	1	31
Total	91	111	87	82	86	82	530

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## What is Street Smart?

- Street Smart focuses on Education through Mass Media
  - One media campaign for one media market
  - http://bestreetsmart.net
- Concentrated waves of Radio, Transit, Cable, and Internet advertising designed to change driver, pedestrian, and cyclist behavior
- Supported by concurrent law enforcement
- Since Fall 2002
- Funded by:
  - Federal Funds administered by the States
  - WMATA
  - TPB Member Governments
- Total Budget \$634,000
  - TPB member government contributions have ranged from \$38,000 to \$158,000
- FY 2013: \$63k will come from COG dues

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#### Street Smart Funding, 2002-2012 (in thousands)

Source	Oct-02	Apr-04	Jun-05	Mar-06	Mar-07	Fall 2007 & Spring 2008	Fall 2008 & Spring 2009	Fall 2009 & Spring 2010	Fall 2010 & Spring 2011	Fall 2011 & Spring 2012 (to date)
DDOT	\$100	\$100	\$100	\$100	\$100	\$200	\$200	\$200	\$200	\$200
DDOT	\$100	\$100	-	\$100	\$100	\$200	\$200	\$200	\$200	\$200
DC MPD			\$80		\$30					
Maryland SHA	\$115	\$100	\$58	\$50	\$100.1	\$130.3	\$130	\$143	\$100	\$120
Virginia SHSO	\$100	\$100	\$75	\$100	\$75	\$100	\$100	\$100	\$110	\$116.616
WMATA						\$150	\$150	\$150	\$150	\$150
Local Gov't	\$100	\$90	\$80	\$91.3	\$113.7	\$158.5	\$120.6	\$54.8	\$37.8	\$47.3
Private					\$10					
Grand Total	\$415	\$390	\$393	\$341.3	\$428.8	\$738.8	\$700.6	\$658.7	\$597.8	\$633.916

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## Fall 2011







- November 14 Press Event @ Piney Branch Road in Montgomery County
  - Coverage Reached 900,000 People
- November Media
  - "Giant Pedestrian
    Safety Problem"
  - 2 weeks radio
  - 1 month transit ads
- Law enforcement



October 18 Best Practices in Pedestrian Enforcement Workshop
 6/27/2012

#### STREET SMART Spring 2012 Campaign

- March 18 April 14
  - \$218,000 media budget
  - Four weeks Cable TV, Outdoor
  - Two weeks Radio
    - Weighted Wednesday Sunday, 3 pm 8
  - Press Event
    - March 28<sup>th</sup>, 11:30 a.m., in District Heights, MD
    - Followed by live enforcement Intersection of Silver Hill Road and Marlboro Pike
    - Covered on WJLA 7, WUSA 9, WTOP
  - Law Enforcement in High-Incidence Areas
    - Prince Georges, Montgomery, Capitol Heights, District of Columbia, Arlington, City of Fairfax, Prince William, others





## 2012 Campaign

Example Ad (Bus Side):



## Radio Ad:



### http://www.bestreetsmart.net/



## **Television Ad**

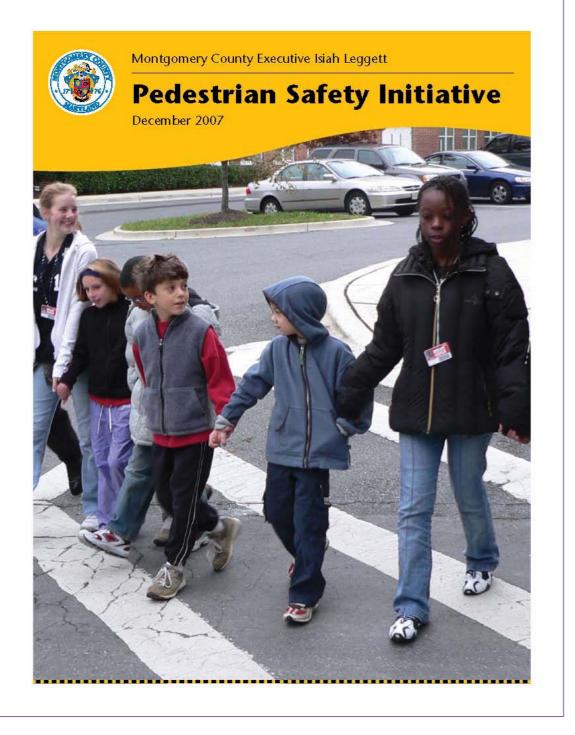
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## Evaluation

- Pre and post-campaign web-based surveys of area motorists
  - Shows that people remember the messages, and where they heard them
- Outreach success "earned media"
- Law enforcement
  - Citations and warnings issued during the campaign
- Annual Report, October 2012
- Complementary "Three E" program results
  - Fatality and Injury Reduction
  - Example: Montgomery County Pedestrian Safety Initiative



## Montgomery County Pedestrian Safety Initiative



 Identifies Seven Strategies to Reduce Collisions:

- Engineering
- Education\*
- Enforcement\*

#### \*Supported by Street Smart

## STREET Pedestrian Safety Strategies:



Countdown Pedestrian Signal Upgrade at Carroll Ave (2011)



Sidewalk Improvement Projects: Flower Ave. to Greenwood Ave. (2010) Greenwood Ave. to Arliss St. (2011)



MDSHA Piney Branch Road & University Blvd Intersection Improvements (2009)



Lighting Improvements: University Boulevard to PGC Line (2011)



Piney Branch Road HIB: Pedestrian Refuge & Flashing Beacons [UNDER DESIGN] (Spring 2012)

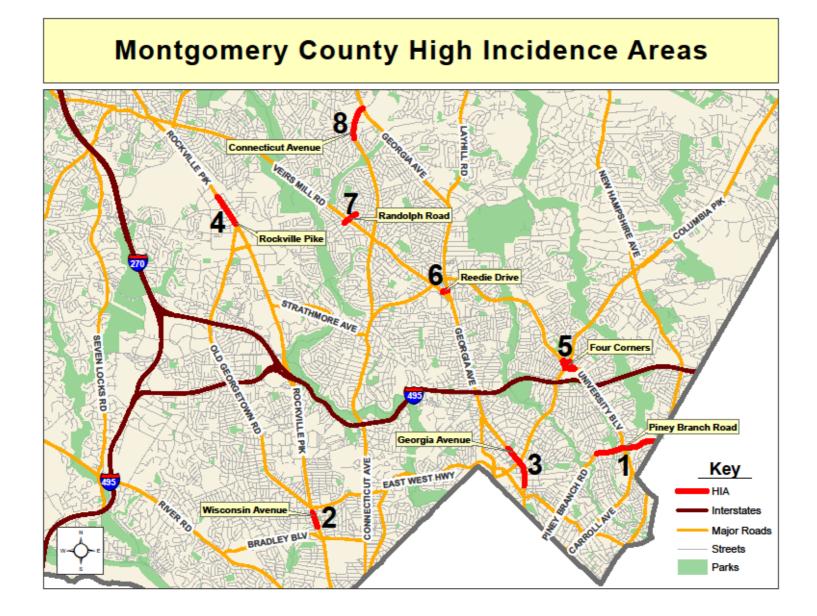


Piney Branch Road Education & Outreach Initiative (2009-2011)

Following the education & outreach in 2009, the development of engineering improvements began, with several notable projects being completed in 2011.



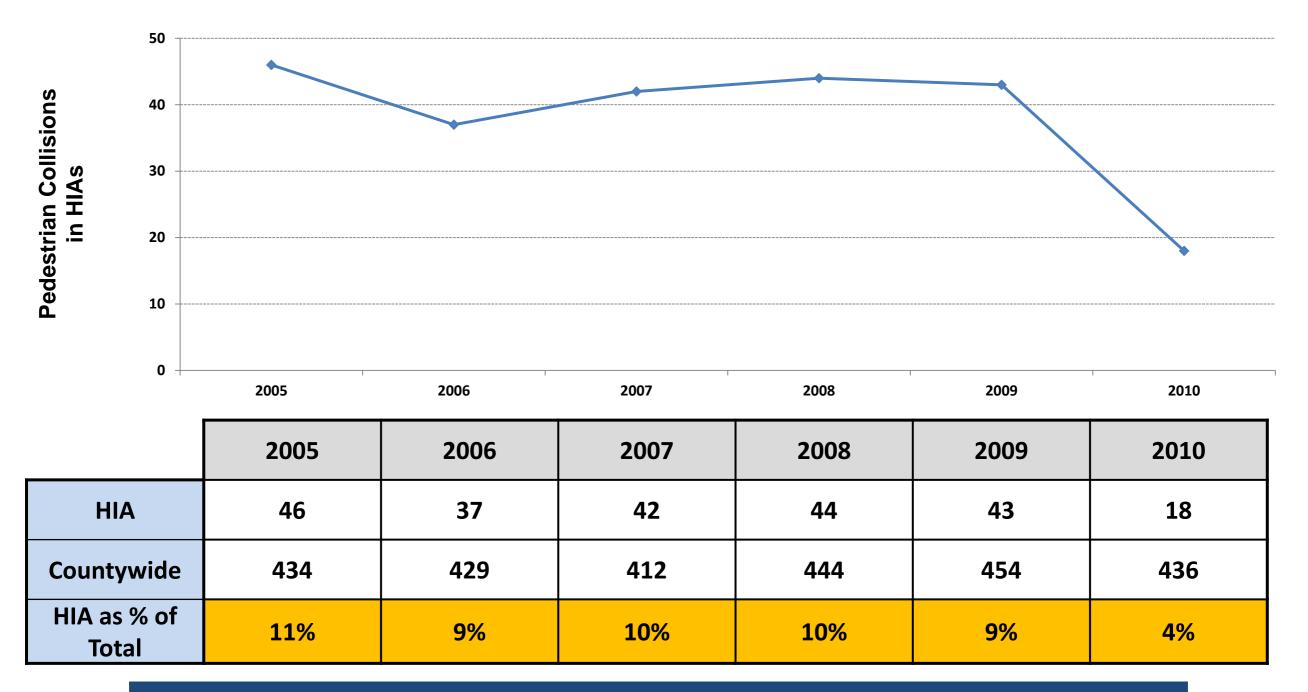
#### **High Incidence Areas Strategy**



- 1. Piney Branch Rd
- 2. Wisconsin Ave
- 3. Georgia Ave
- 4. Rockville Pike

- 5. Four Corners
  - 6. Reedie Dr
- 7. Randolph Rd
- 8. Connecticut Ave

#### STREET Collisions in High Incidence Areas: Annual Trend



Since the first PRSA in 2008, HIA collisions as a percent of total pedestrian collisions has decreased from 10% to 4%

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#### Pedestrian Safety Strategies: Education



#### i Esté Atento! Sea Street Smart.

Cada 8 minutos una vida se detiene de manera abrupta.





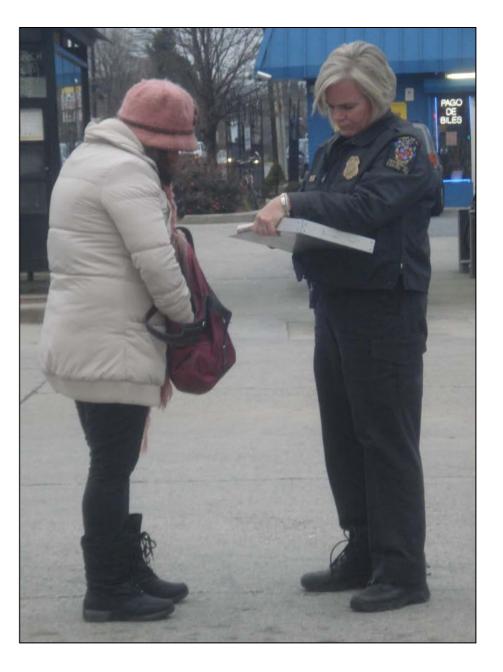
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## Pedestrian Safety Strategies - Enforcement







# STREET Curb Marker Campaign -

#### COMING SOON TO A CURB NEAR YOU!



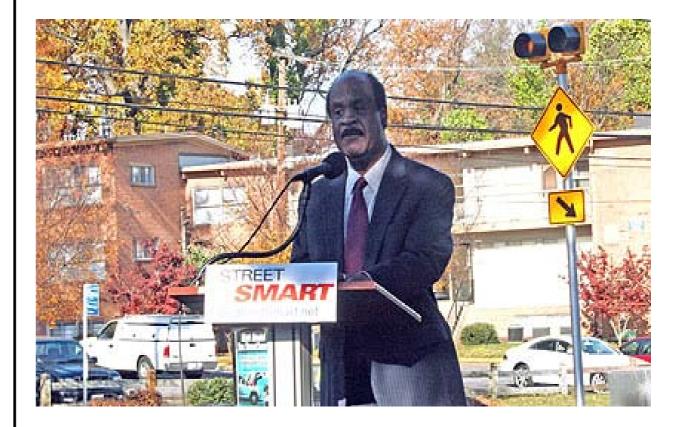
Piney Branch Road within the Long Branch Community has been identified as one of Montgomery County's High Incidence Areas for pedestrian crashes. Soon, this corridor will be participating in a pedestrian safety education project. Special safety messages will be placed along Piney Branch Road to remind pedestrians that it is unsafe to cross in unmarked locations. In addition, community representatives will be reminding pedestrians to follow safe walking rules and police officers will be issuing warnings or tickets to drivers and pedestrians who break the law.

#### What are some things you can do to be a safe pedestrian?

- Cross the street at marked crosswalks and intersections whenever possible.
- Always stop and look left, right, then left again, and over your shoulder for turning vehicles before crossing a street, even when you have the right-of-way.
- Make eye contact with drivers so they see you. Never assume they do.
- Stay visible after dark and in bad weather with light colored clothing, reflectors, or reflective clothing.



For more information, please visit www.montgomerycountymd.gov/walk



## **Enforcement - Pedestrian Crash Data**

Source: Montgomery County Police Department (2-21-2012)

	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011
January	36	31	32	48	34	34	28
February	28	28	33	30	37	39	27
March	37	28	34	37	31	33	38
April	26	25	35	34	28	33	36
May	27	36	34	47	46	33	28
June	41	33	29	24	41	33	17
July	24	29	20	37	36	33	24
August	28	37	26	36	32	26	33
September	39	39	38	35	30	41	32
October	48	42	37	31	41	44	43
November	48	49	60	38	46	43	42
December	52	52	34	47	52	44	50
Total Collisions	434	429	412	444	454	436	399
Per 100,000	46.7	45.9	43.8	46.6	46.8	44.9	40.5
Level 4 & 5 Collisions as % of all Collisions	30%	33%	29%	26%	29%	26%	26%
Total Fatalities	10	18	17	19	14	13	11
Per 100,000	1.1	1.9	1.8	2.0	1.4	1.3	1.1



# Next Steps

- Submit funding applications to States for FY 2013 (Fall 2012 – Spring 2013)
- COG Board has voted to incorporate \$63,444 into the COG dues for FY 2013 Street Smart
  - No letters will be sent this year requesting voluntary contributions
  - Voluntary contributions are still welcome
  - In-kind support (enforcement, host press event, local safety efforts) remains vital
    - Example: Montgomery County Pedestrian Safety Initiative

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