



# Complete Communities: Transportation Safety Assessment

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#### **Severe Crash Trends**





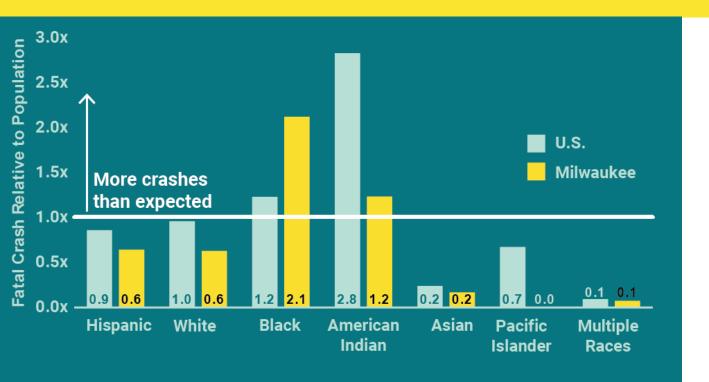
Over 30 years, Milwaukee County saw reduced fatal and serious injury crashes... until recently.

Since 2014, fatal crashes have been increasing more drastically in Milwaukee County than across the US



### **Crash Disparities**





Black residents are **2.1 times as likely** to be victims of fatal or serious injury crashes in Milwaukee County

High Vulnerability Census tracts are 1.9 times as likely to see fatal or serious injury crashes than the rest of Milwaukee County



### **Summer of Engagement**





#### **Safe Streets Roadshow Highlights**

**22 Roadshow Meetings** (+ more County-specific engagement)

- 4 meetings in the City of Milwaukee
- 1 full Spanish-language meeting
- Partners: VIA CDC, Bublr Bikes, MADD, TMJ4, and more

Engaged almost 600 residents and collected close to 1,000 written responses, place-based feedback, and verbal comments







| Feedback Theme                    | Residents' Concerns   | Residents' Desires  |
|-----------------------------------|---|---|
| Policy + Enforcement              | <ul> <li>Lack of driver's education, general traffic<br/>rules</li> <li>Lack of traffic rule enforcement</li> </ul> | <ul> <li>Greater traffic enforcement through various means<br/>(including photo technology)</li> <li>Addressing root causes: social issues, mental health,<br/>supporting youth</li> <li>Normalizing alternative modes of transportation</li> </ul> |
| Observed Behaviors +<br>Locations | <ul> <li>Speeding is a major concern and cause for<br/>crashes and disruption of travel habits</li> </ul>           | Corridors frequently mentioned: 76 <sup>th</sup> St, Capitol Dr, Lake Dr  |
| Infrastructure +<br>Interventions | Wide roads are unsafe for <i>all</i> users and still congested  | <ul> <li>Community-wide interest in improving the streetscape</li> <li>Interventions that create safer and more accessible transportation options (bike lanes, traffic calming, etc.)</li> </ul>  |
| Personal Travel Habits            | <ul> <li>Safety is playing a larger role in travel habits and personal decisions</li> </ul>                         | Increase "normalization" of active transportation and public transit  |

## **Project Timeline & Next Steps**





Public Engagement & Crash Data Analysis



**Draft Transportation Safety Assessment Report** 



Final Transportation Safety Assessment Report



Phase 2: Safe Streets Action Plan

