

IMPACT STATEMENT

Title: Accept Portland Bureau of Transportation 2015 Traffic Safety Report (Report)

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Purpose of background information:

- The numbers of pedestrians, bicyclists, and motorists killed on our roadways each year has remained relatively flat over the past 20 years.
- In 2015, 37 people in Portland died of traffic crashes. This was an increase over 2014.
- In 2015, ten pedestrians died as a result of traffic crashes. Nationally, pedestrians make up 14% of all traffic fatalities. In Portland, over the past ten years, they have made up a third of fatalities, more than double the national average.
- In 2015, twenty people died as an occupant of a car or a truck. While other modes remained at a constant level or improved compared to 2014, fatalities for occupants of cars and trucks increased from a historic low of 7 in 2014 and then increased to 20 in 2015.
- In 2015, five motorcycle fatalities occurred in Portland. Motorcycle crashes in 2015 stand out for having a high proportion involving DUII, excessive speed, and other high-risk Behaviors
- There were two bicycle fatalities in 2015. Over the past decade, there are an average of 1.7 bicycle fatalities each year in Portland.
- In July of 2015, Portland City Council adopted a Vision Zero goal which stated that one death on our city streets is one too many. Portland families deserve safe streets on which to walk, bike, operate mobility devices, access transit, and drive. The City of Portland aims to make our transportation system the safest possible and to move toward zero traffic-related fatalities and serious injuries.

Financial and budgetary impacts:

- There are no costs to the City.

Community impacts and community involvement:

- The Vision Zero goal has been embraced by community groups with members representing thousands of Portlanders and Oregonians. The Vision Zero Task Force represents a wide range of interests and agency partners.

Budgetary Impact Worksheet

Does this action change appropriations?

- ☐ **YES:** Please complete the information below.
☒ **NO:** Skip this section

Fund	Fund Center	Commitment Item	Functional Area	Funded Program	Grant	Sponsored Program	Amount

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