

Stamford Parks and Recreation Commission
Vision Zero and Parks in Stamford
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## Transportation, Traffic \& Parking Department

Mission:

Ensure the safe and efficient movement of people and goods in the City of Stamford.


## ROAD DEATHS: A NATIONAL ISSUE

US Traffic Fatalities
Total \& Speeding-Related, 2012-2022


Source: NHTSA's Fatality Analysis Reporting System (FARS) 2012-2020 Final File, 2021 Annual Report File

## What is Vision Zero?

## A fundamental rethinking <br> of street safety

## How is Vision Zero Different

## Traditional Road safety Thinking

- Traffic deaths are inevitable
- Perfect human behavior
- Prevent collisions
- Individual responsibility
- Saving lives is expensive


## Vision Zero Thinking

- Traffic deaths are preventable
- Integrate human failing in approach
- Prevent fatal and severe crashes
- Systems approach
- Saving list is not expensive


## Focus on the System, not the Individual

The roadway system should be designed to prevent fatalities

Layered and redundant safety system
Safe Streets and Safe Speeds
Design roads to

- Reduce speeds
- Physically separate users
- Improve visibility



## STAMFORD VISION ZERO

A comprehensive Citywide effort to eliminate serious and fatal roadway crashes by 2032

We are inspired by the belief that even one fatality is too many.

Launched in 2022
Broad group of stakeholders
This is a plan for Stamford


## DATA ANALYSIS: HIGH INJURY NETWORK



Tier 1 captures $41 \%$ of KSI on just $3 \%$ of intersections and 4\% of roadway miles.

Tiers 1-3 capture 59\% of KSI on just $6 \%$ of intersections and 15\% of roadway miles.

## VISION ZERO ACTION PLAN

Citywide plan to guide us to zero

- Policy
- Procedure
- Projects
- Plans

Work with the community
Data backed approach

Total Crashes




## VISION ZERO AND PARKS AND RECREATION

Mayor Caroline Simmons Park Goal:
"Ensure every resident has access to a quality park within a 10 -minute walk of where they live."

How do we ensure people can safely walk to our parks?


## WHAT WE'RE ALREADY DOING

Quick Build Projects


Capital Construction


## HOW YOU CAN HELP

## Map with Us! Join us! <br>  <br> Kick-off workshop <br> - Mill River Park <br> Whittingham <br> Center <br> - Tuesday, May 7 (6:00-7:30 PM)



