

Safe Streets for Seniors - Outreach

East Harlem, Manhattan

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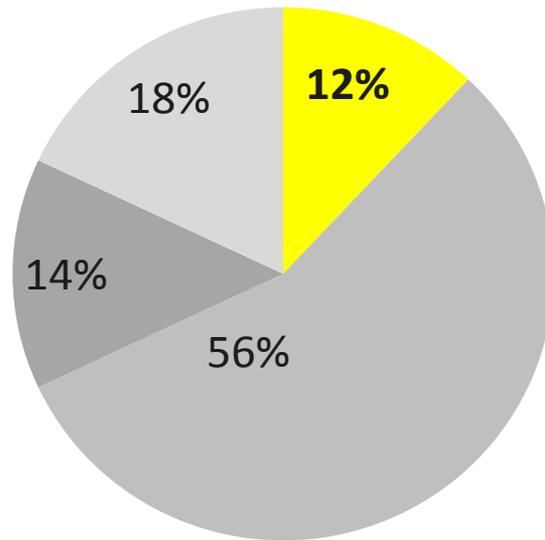
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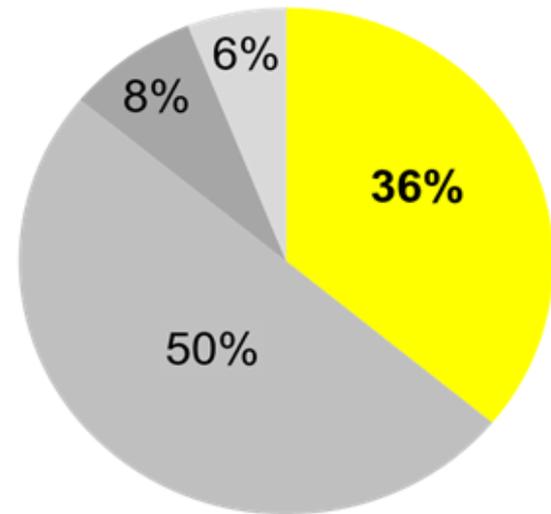
Senior Pedestrians

- 12% of the population in NYC are seniors
- 36% of pedestrian traffic fatalities are seniors

NYC Population



NYC Traffic Fatalities

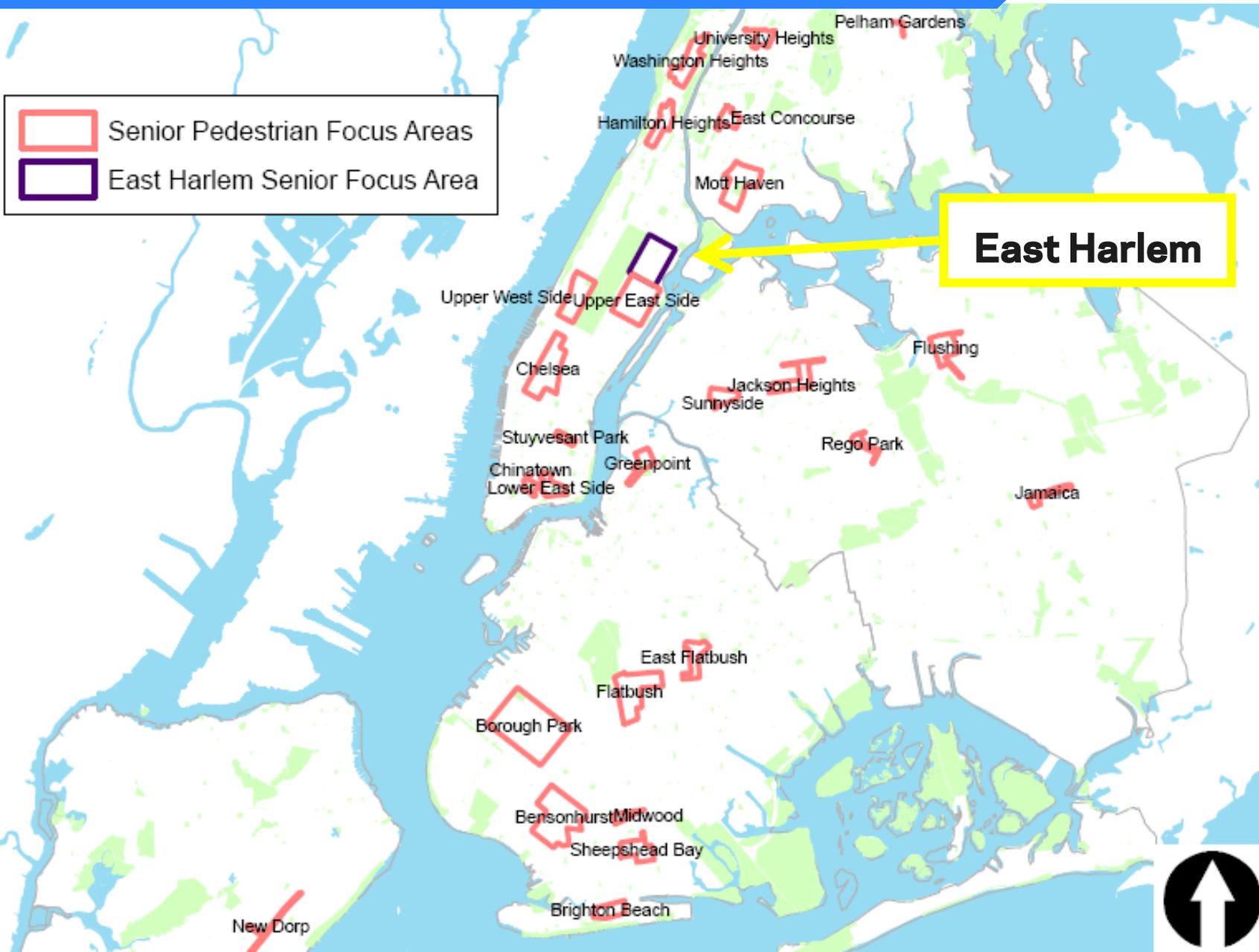


- Seniors (65+)
- Adults (25-65)
- Young Adults (15-24)
- Children (0-14)

NYC's Safe Streets for Seniors

- Senior Pedestrian Focus Areas
- East Harlem Senior Focus Area

East Harlem



East Harlem Senior Focus Area



DOT Toolbox



Daylighting: Better driver-pedestrian visibility



Countdown Signals: Tell pedestrians how much more time they have to cross



Signal Timing: Can add more time to cross where possible



Pedestrian Refuge Islands: Shortens crossings on wide streets, provides safer crossing



Road Diet: Organizes traffic, less speeding



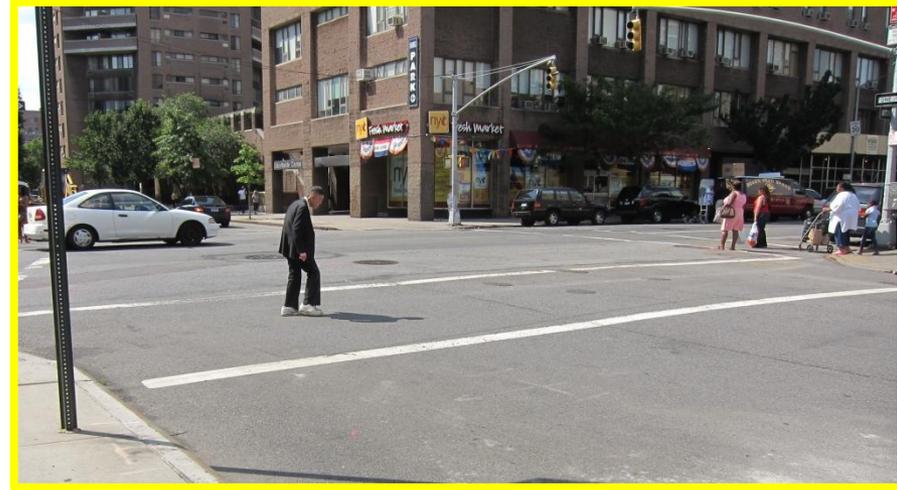
Sidewalk Extension: Shortens crossing distance, slows turning cars

110th Street

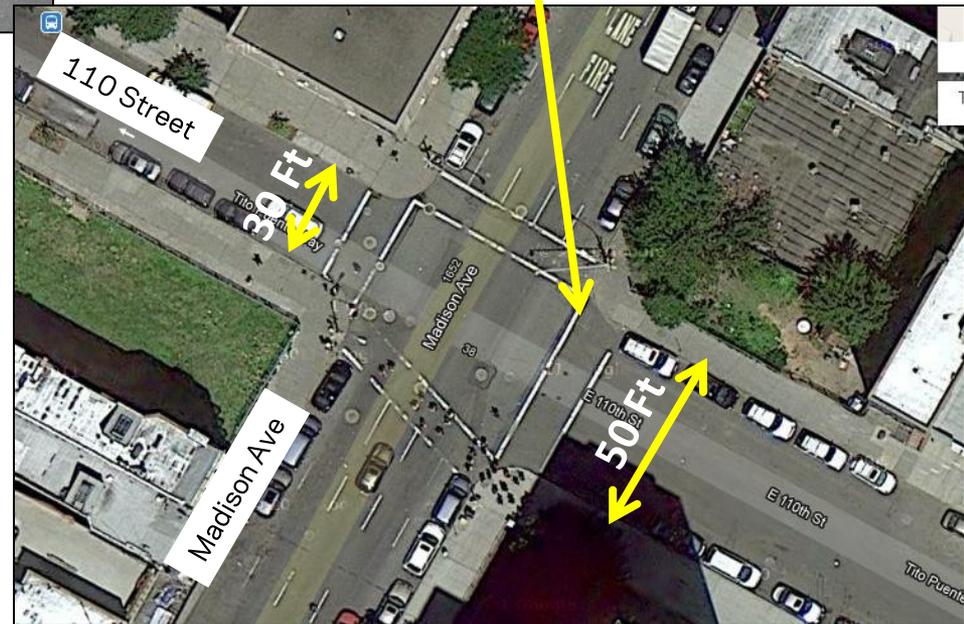


110th Street looking east

- Street transitions from 30 feet to 50 feet wide between blocks
- Five seniors injured along 110th St (two injured at 110th and Madison Ave)



50-foot-wide crossing



106th Street

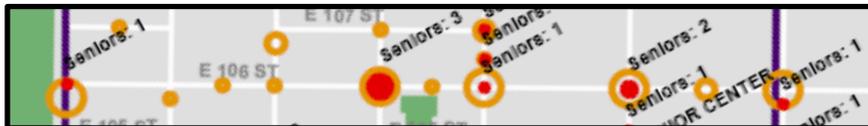


Aerial of E 106th Street and Madison Ave

- 106th Street: one lane 5th Ave – Madison; expands to two lanes east towards 1st Ave
- 8 senior injuries along 106th St between 5th Ave and 1st Ave



Example safety improvements on W 106th Street and Columbus Ave (one lane each way with center median)



3rd Avenue



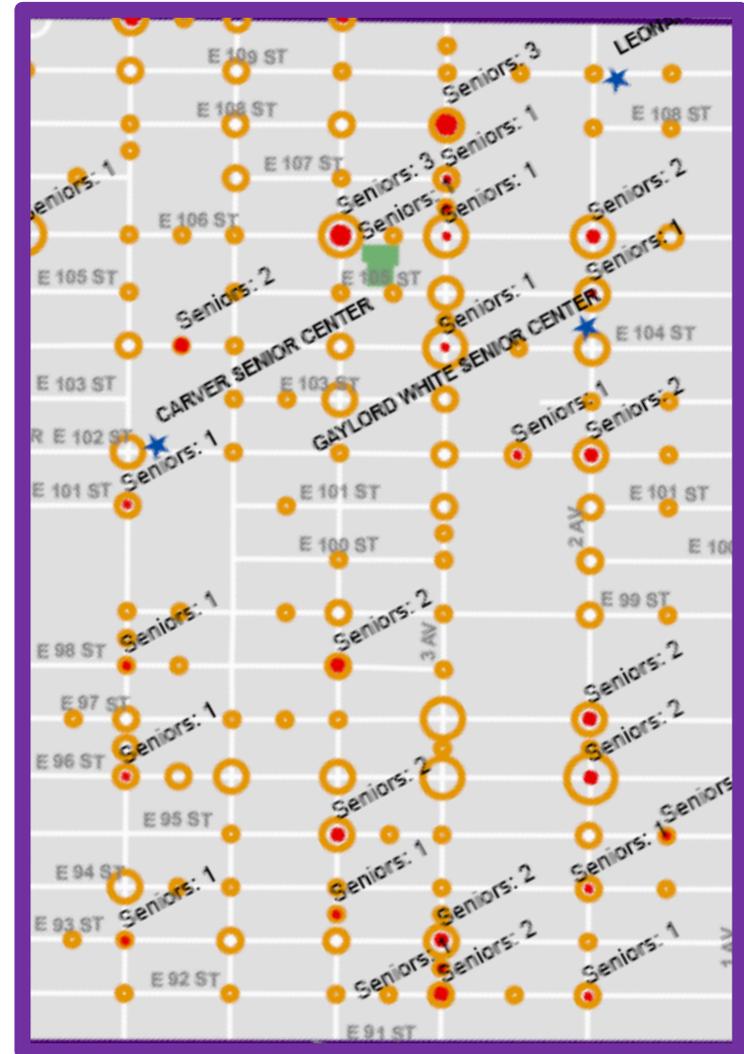
- 70 feet wide and seven lanes across (five travel lanes & two parking lanes)
- 14 senior injuries along avenue



Example curb extension safety treatment from Fordham Senior Area (Bronx)

East Harlem Senior Focus Area

- How do you usually travel around your neighborhood?
- Do seniors get around the same way?
- Which crosswalks in the study area feel least safe to cross?
- Does the senior crash data cover the most important locations?
- What other locations need safety improvements for seniors/disabled?
- Are there treatments from the DOT toolbox that would help your neighborhood?
- What other street treatments would you suggest in the study area?



Questions?

Thank
You

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