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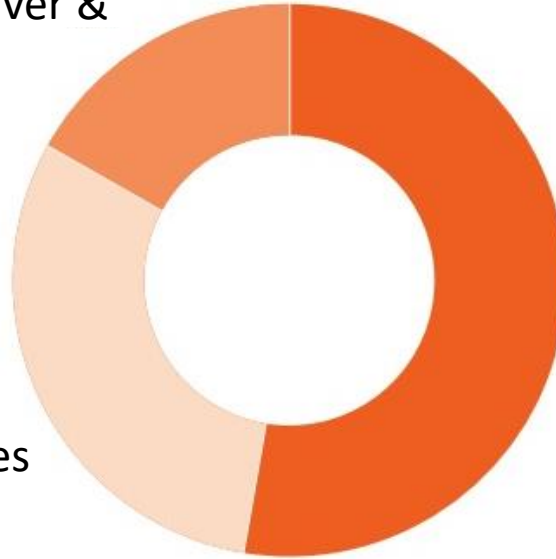
Vision Zero Goal

End traffic-related deaths and injuries in New York City



Causes of Fatal Crashes

17% Dangerous Driver &
Pedestrian Choices



53% Dangerous
Driving Choices

30% Dangerous
Pedestrian Choices

70% of pedestrian deaths involved **dangerous driver** choices

Role of Taxi & FHV Drivers

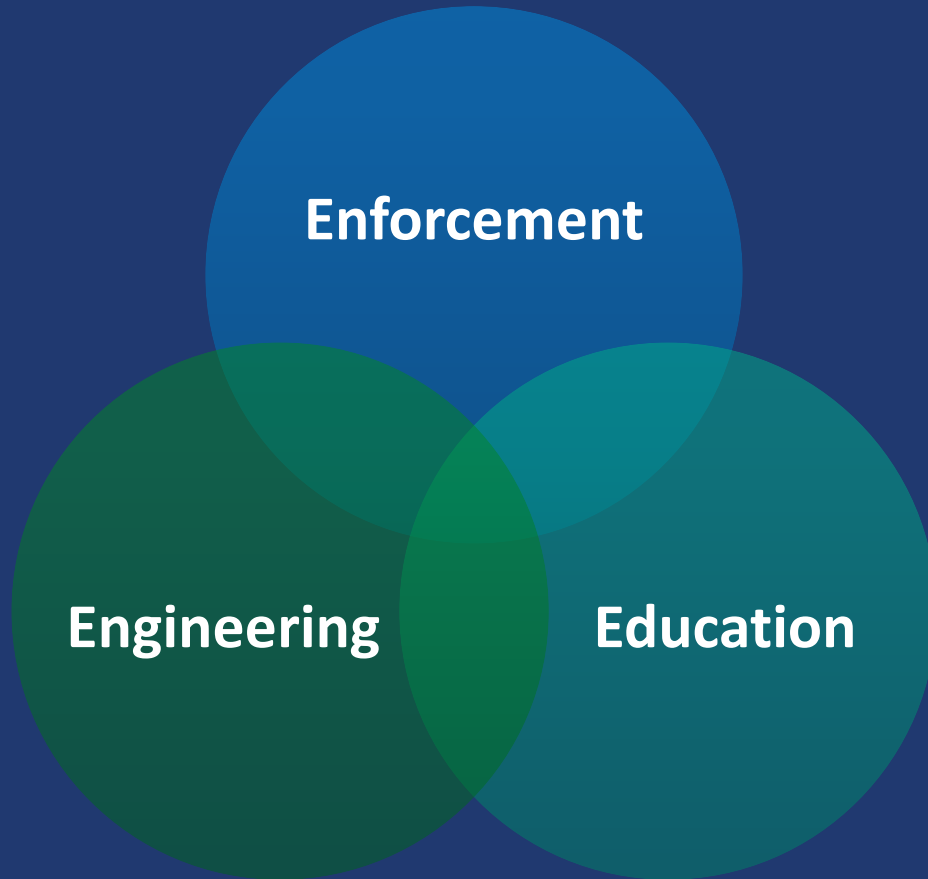


Taxis and for-hire vehicles
make up **5%** of vehicles on
the road



but account for **14%** of
fatal crashes

Vision Zero Components



Engineering: Redesigning Streets

Before



After



Better Street Design: Smart, Simple, Safe

Education: Safe Driver Actions

- **Slow** down
- **Turn** safely
- **Watch** for pedestrians & cyclists
- **Stay alert**

Speeding

- More people are killed by speeding drivers than drunk drivers and drivers on cell phones combined
- NYC speed limit is **25 MPH** unless otherwise posted
- State law requires all TLC-licensed drivers to wear seatbelts



Failure to Yield to Pedestrians

- Pedestrians in the crosswalk always have the right of way
- Over **25%** of pedestrian deaths and serious injuries are caused by a turning driver striking a pedestrian
- Left turns are **3 times** more likely to kill or seriously injure a pedestrian than right turns



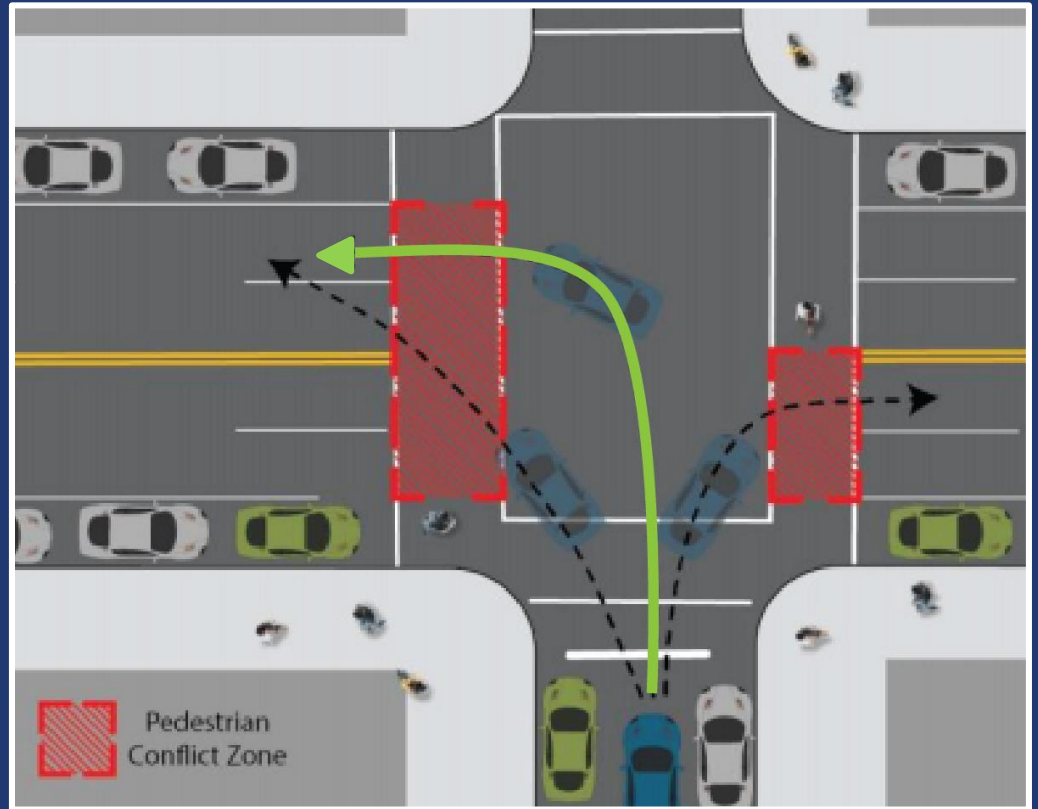






Left Turns

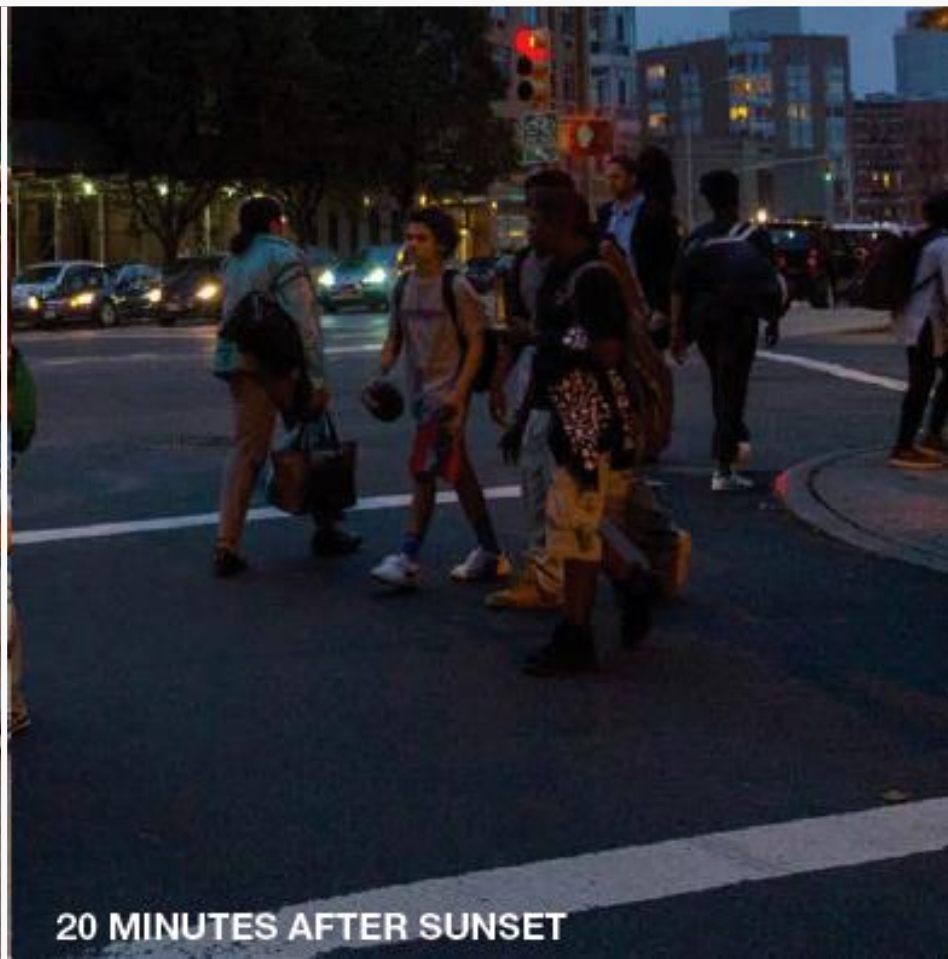
- 5 MPH is a safe speed to turn
- Always watch for pedestrians and bicyclists
- Avoid short turns



Dusk & Darkness



20 MINUTES BEFORE SUNSET



20 MINUTES AFTER SUNSET

Distracted Driving

- Driver inattention, including using cell phones and other devices, contributes to **22%** of pedestrian deaths and serious injuries in NYC
- TLC-licensed drivers are not allowed to use phones, even hands-free, while operating a taxi or for-hire vehicle



Fatigued Driving

- Fatigue limits attention and slows reaction time
- Take breaks during your work day
- Stop driving anytime you feel tired
 - A 15-20 minute nap can reduce fatigue



TLC Fatigued Driving Rules

**Track the time you spend
with a passenger**

**Drive up to 10 hours with a
passenger in any 24 hours**

**Optional:
Take at least 8 hours off to
reset your daily clock**

**Drive up to 60 hours with a
passenger each week**

Getting In and Out of the Vehicle

- Remind exiting passengers to
 - Exit on curbside only
 - Look for cyclists, vehicles, and pedestrians
- Use your right hand to open the door



Looking for Bicyclists

- **One in six** bicyclist injuries occur when a bicyclist is struck by an opening door
- **“Look for Cyclists”** window decals are available at the TLC inspection facility



Bad Weather

While driving during bad weather:

- Expect pedestrians, especially when your sight is limited
- To stop on slippery roads, leave more space between cars than you normally would
- Listen to TLC recommendations and City orders to stay off roads during extreme weather events

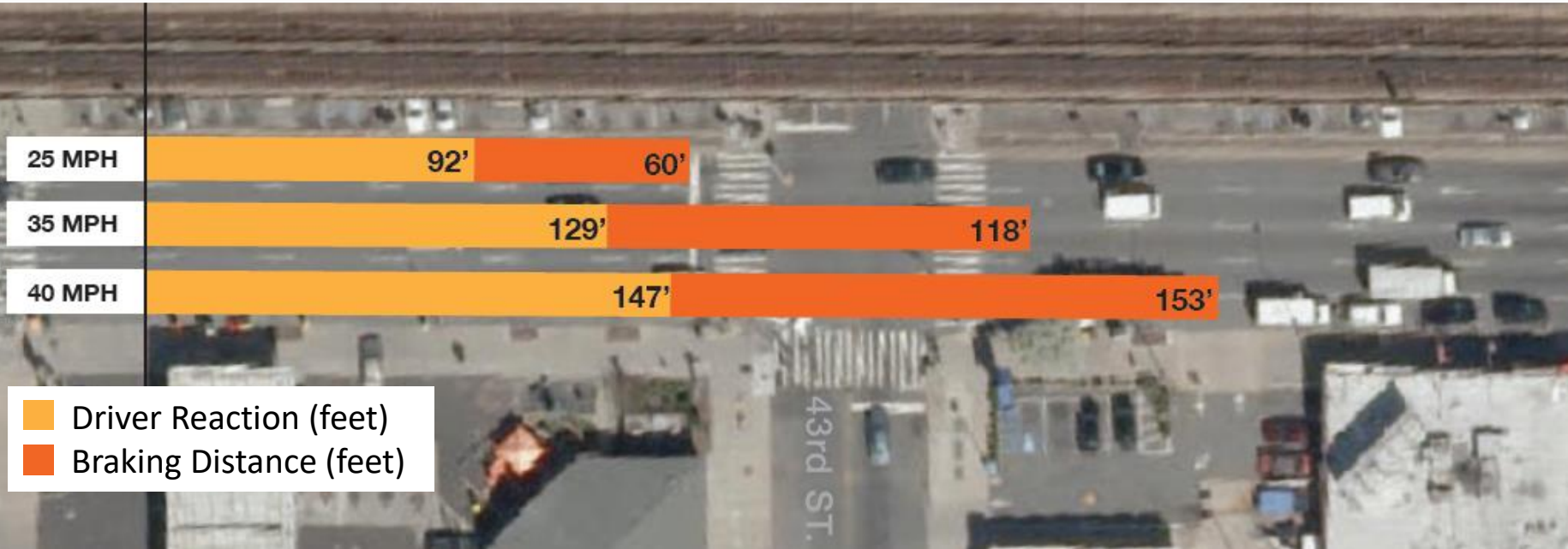




Rules of the Road

Citywide Speed Limit: 25 MPH

- A pedestrian stuck at 30 MPH is **2 times** more likely to be killed than a pedestrian struck at 25 MPH



Speed Cameras & Red Light Cameras

- **15%** fewer injury crashes at locations with speed cameras since their installation
- Cameras reduce speeding and running red lights, making our streets safer
- To avoid a ticket, drive at the speed limit and stop for red lights



Driving with Bicyclists

- Never drive or park in bike lanes
- Leave at least **3 feet** between you and the cyclist in all directions
- Stay behind the cyclist until there is enough room to safely pass
- Signal before pulling over



Modified Intersections

Mixing Zone



Stop Bars



Bike Boxes



Bus Lanes

- Driving or standing in the bus lane is not allowed during hours bus lane is in effect
- Bus lane hours are posted on signs along the bus line

Curbside Bus Lane



Offset Bus Lane



Bus Lane Enforcement

- No **driving, parking, or standing** in a bus lane during posted hours of operation
- Signs are posted where bus lane cameras are in use to warn drivers to keep out
- Drivers who receive bus lane violations can view the video footage used to issue the violation
- NYPD regularly patrols bus lanes, and issues tickets to bus lane violators

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Enforcement



Speeding:

NYPD issued 150,000 tickets in 2017

↑ 95% from before Vision Zero



Failure to Yield:

NYPD issued 52,000 tickets in 2017

4x more than before Vision Zero



Right of Way:

Penalties for hitting a pedestrian range from \$250 to 30 days in jail

License Consequences

- TLC-licensed drivers will have their licenses immediately suspended if their actions contributed to a car crash
- Too many points on your TLC or DMV record can lead to suspension or revocation of your TLC license under Critical Driver and Persistent Violator rules



TLC Safety Honor Roll

- **Criteria:** for the past 4 or more years:
 - No crashes involving injuries or fatalities
 - No traffic violations
 - No violations of TLC safety rules





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