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## Have a question?

Please send us a note at questions@ehop01748.org and we'll do our best to answer your question or get more information for you.

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# **February 6, 2017**



# Traffic & Pedestrian Safety

**Reference Brochure** 





# What You Can Do Now

# Be Mindful About Safety & Return to the Basics

#### **Everyone:**

- Be alert and make eye contact
- Eliminate distractions when in transit (earbuds, phones, food...)

#### When on foot:

- Run/walk single file
- Walk/run against traffic
- Check both ways for traffic BEFORE entering a crosswalk

#### When cycling:

- Bike single file
- Bike with traffic and obey traffic laws
- Wear a helmet

#### When driving:

- Slow down/leave space between cars
- Stop at crosswalks & for school buses
- Alternate turns at difficult intersections
- Avoid residential shortcuts
- Carpool and plan trips for efficiency

#### Be Informed

- Educate your family on safe pedestrian behavior
- Talk to friends and neighbors about what you learned
- Learn more about Massachusetts initiatives
  - Complete Streets
  - Vision Zero
  - WalkBoston
  - Safe Routes to School

#### Initiate Interim Solutions

- Notify DPW, Police and other officials if roads, sidewalks, streetlights or other safety measures need repair or improvement.
- **Report traffic violations** to the Police.
- Request police assistance (monitoring, mobile radar display, traffic barrels, other temporary improvements) in problem areas.
- Raise ideas for improvements via email, phone, forums, and meetings.

#### Follow Current Initiatives

- Attend public workshop on Hayden Rowe Corridor Study on February 15th, HHS Auditorium, 7PM
- Vote on sidewalk and other traffic & pedestrian safety items at Annual Town Meeting, Monday, May 1st
- Watch for announcements on Downtown Corridor public forums
- Follow eHop on social media (@eHop01748) for updates

## Track New Development

- New elementary school
- Hopkinton Mews on Lumber Street
- Possible 34-lot subdivision between Chamberlain and Whalen Streets
- Hopkinton Swim & Tennis Club
- Possible Saddle Hill Road subdivision
- Maspenock Woods

# **Want More Information? Read On!**

#### **PEDESTRIAN EDUCATION:**

#### **Federal Highway Administration**

3-Minute Videos (targeted by age group): http://www.pedbikeinfo.org/pedsaferjourney/

#### Safe Routes to School

Pedestrians & Cyclists: http://guide.saferoutesinfo.org/education/key\_messages\_for\_children.cfm Parents: http://guide.saferoutesinfo.org/education/key\_messages\_for\_parents.cfm Drivers Near School:

http://guide.saferoutesinfo.org/education/key\_messages\_for\_drivers\_near\_the\_school.cfm

Neighbors of School: http://guide.saferoutesinfo.org/education/key\_messages\_for\_neighbors.cfm

#### **GENERAL EDUCATION:**

#### **Federal Highway Administration**

- Alliance for Biking and Walking 2016 Benchmark Study: http://www.bikewalkalliance.org/storage/documents/reports/2016benchmarkingreport\_web.pdf
- Pedestrian and Bicycle Information Center: http://www.pedbikeinfo.org/
- Massachusetts Pedestrian Transportation Plan: https://www.massdot.state.ma.us/Portals/17/docs/pedplan/PedPlanD1\_Acc.pdf

#### **SAMPLE LOCAL INITIATIVES:**

Metrowest Moves (Framingham, Westborough, Northborough, Hudson)

- Metrowest Moves Website: http://metrowestmoves.org/
- Winter 2016 Newsletter: http://tinyurl.com/metrowest-moves-newsletter

#### **GLOBAL, NATIONAL AND STATE INITIATIVES:**

#### **Complete Streets**

- National Complete Streets Program: Smart Growth America: https://smartgrowthamerica.org/program/national-complete-streets-coalition/
- What Mass is Doing: https://smartgrowthamerica.org/how-massachusetts-is-encouraging-communities-to-take-action-on-complete-streets/
- MassDOT Funding Program: http://www.massdot.state.ma.us/highway/DoingBusinessWithUs/LocalAidPrograms/CompleteStreets.aspx
- Mass: Interactive Map of Participating Towns: https://masscompletestreets.com/Map/
- Framingham's Complete Streets Policy: http://www.framinghamma.gov/DocumentCenter/View/18411

#### **Vision Zero**

- Sweden's Vision Zero Initiative Program Site: http://www.visionzeroinitiative.com/
- Mass Vision Zero Coalition: http://www.visionzerocoalition.org/
- Boston Website: http://www.visionzeroboston.org/
- NPR News Article on Boston Vision Zero Status, December 2016: http://www.wbur.org/news/2016/12/07/vision-zero-report

# Who Can Help?

#### **ASK QUESTIONS.**

#### **GET INVOLVED.**

It takes a village to address traffic and pedestrian safety challenges. If you have questions, ideas or suggestions, please get in touch:

#### **Enforcement/Interim Solutions:**

#### **Hopkinton Police Department**

http://www.hopkintonpd.org/ 508-497-3401 (non-emergency)

#### **Long-Term Vision:**

#### **Board of Selectmen**

selectmen@hopkintonma.gov, 508-497-9701,

Meets every 2nd & 4th Tuesday of the month in Town Hall

#### **Road Repair:**

**Department of Public Works** 508-497-9740

#### **Student Safety:**

# **Dr. MacLeod, Superintendent**, cmacleod@hopkinton.k12.ma.us,

508-497- 9870

#### **School Resource Officer**

schoolresource@hopkintonpd.org

#### Strategic Initiatives:

#### **Downtown Corridor Project:**

Dave Daltorio, Town Engineer, ddaltorio@hopkintonma.gov, 508-497-9738

#### **Hayden Rowe Corridor Study:**

John Westerling, DPW, jwesterling@hopkintonma.gov, 508-497-9740

#### Sidewalk Master Plan:

Planning Board/ Elaine Lazarus: 508-497-9700

#### **Development/Long-Term Planning:**

#### **Planning Board**

Meets every 2nd & 4th Monday of the month in Town Hall.

Elaine Lazarus, Director of Land Use/

Town Operations, 508-497-9700.

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