

get to Vision Zero

Dear Mayor Walsh,

Thank you! I hope the city's commitment to Vision Zero will...

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make it so I don't ever have to read a news article about a biker killed in the city. —Kieran

protect walkers and make Boston safer and more livable for all. —Tony

develop some order to our roads! It's still a maze out there. —Emily

create more and better bike lanes, bike paths and also fix all the busted walk lights around the city. —Hillary

include a safe way to travel from Boston to East Boston. —Nick

lower speed limits for motorists, better enforcement of traffic laws. —David

make sure my dad gets to work safely every day (because he's a bike commuter!) —Sabina

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Boston is too beautiful of a city to be ruled by cars, make it safe for everyone! - Rebecca
inspire better street design throughout the city - safer cross walks! - Stacy

improve signal timing so pedestrians can cross streets safely and without exorbitant delays -
Heather

encourage more disciplined, safer riding by cyclists while adding quality bike facilities and
educating drivers to share the road - Ben

make it safer for bikes and pedestrians on all of Boston's streets - figure out ways to help people
in all modes get along! - Jean

develop some order to our roads! It's still a maze out there - if cycling was made safer we could
become a healthier, more efficient and less polluted city - Emily

focus on underserved neighborhoods and low income minority populations who are most at risk
due to bad infrastructure - Anonymous

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Educate every driver, cyclist and pedestrian about distracted driving and walking. Focused
transportation = safest transportation - Emily

provide safer streets for all! - Anonymous

Include measurable, incremental milestones that begin immediately and have a clear
completion target date. - Musif

make it easier to ride my bike with my kids in the summer - they love it! - Anonymous

Make it so I don't ever have to read a news article about a biker killed in the city - Kieran

clear a path to the sidewalk after each snow plow. - Ralph

Help drivers realize that when they accelerate to get through a yellow light turning red, I am
stepping off the curb with my grandson holding my hand - Sharon

allow private enterprise to use rights-of-way to deliver better transit solutions. Move to zero-
bill.com - Mike

Truly make it enjoyable and safe to commute via bike. Thank you! - Gordon

raise awareness and educate the public - Anonymous

help educate everyone using the roads about their own rights as well as everyone else's rights.
We all need to understand each other's forms of transportation. - Lizzie

Better road repairs. Bike lanes joined together. Possibly using car parking for a buffer. - H.

make people nicer and more accepting of others in transportation and otherwise. - Kane

more and better bike lanes - Hannah

include a safe way to travel from Boston to East Boston - Nick

fix all the potholes in Boston, Cambridge and Somerville! - Jon

Build more bike lanes like the ones on Cambridge St. (Allston) and the Alford St. bridge
(Sullivan Sq-Everett). Not the ones that share with sidewalks (like Western Ave., Cambridge) -
Josh

increasing bike lanes and providing street cameras that capture hit and runs - Francis

Make cars more aware of bikes! - Anonymous

create more and better bike lanes, bike paths and also fix all the busted walk lights around the
city. - Hillary

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Save lives (fiscally and physically) by revising/regulating large truck movement routes - Artie

Save lives and make people live healthy lifestyles. Make the city design our streets better. - Michael

give us large bike lanes and green streets! - Maya

Thank you! - Julie

protect walkers and make Boston safer and more livable for all - Tony

make it easier to bike from East Boston to downtown - Justin

Boston would be a great place to bike if it was safer - Aaron

Go Vision Zero! - Jack

Make for safer streets and encourage more cycling for work or pleasure - Khamila

An excellent - no more deaths. - Ron

increase cycle tracks on all major streets, such as Mass Ave., and into lower income neighborhoods as well. - Michelle

Reduce street speed limits so all city dwellers and visitors can safely enjoy all Boston has to offer. - Matt

Build bike lanes. - Peter

make walking and biking a more common, pleasant activity - Ben

Lower speed limits for motorists, better enforcement of traffic laws. - David

need to put in place more bike lanes - Lawler

this means I can take my daughter cycling - Anonymous

make a more bikeable Boston - Kyle

keep cycling safe - Kristin

Thank you! Boston is a much better city being friendly to cyclists! - Andrea

report accurately car-on-bike accidents - Joslyn

continue to add bike infrastructure. Add bike lanes to Boylston, Washington, etc. - Tom

Really get us down to zero! - Dick

Make cycling safer - more bikes = fewer cars - Charlie

Continue to make Comm. Ave less hostile for all road users - Arne

Save lives! - Andy

...will lead to healthier, happier people who walk, bikes, rollerblade, run and more! - Cayla

help me get across town on bike easily and safely - Alexandra

Keep my bike ride to work fun and safe for years to come! - James

I want to feel safe so I can live a better life by enjoying Boston by bike! - Carrie

save grandmothers and toddlers and give increased comfort and safety to all road users - Tom

I hope it will make my commute easier - Thomas

encourage more people to enjoy all Boston has to offer on foot, by bike or roller skates, skateboards or unicycle.... - Julia

Much appreciated. Thank you very much. - Anonymous

make sure my dad gets to work safely every day (because he's a bike commuter!) - Sabina

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- Make it safe for my 12 year old neighbor to bike to school - Mark
- Educate drivers! - Anonymous
- make Boston a safe place for children to bike and walk the city - Julia
- ...will lead to healthier, happier commuters - Adria
- Create a shared city with bikes, pedestrians and drivers safe - Daniel
- keep me safe when I bike to school everyday - Jen
- Stop making people afraid to bike on the streets - Amy
- ...result in improvements to people's attitudes towards bikers and increase safety for all bikers and pedestrians - Toby
- I'm a bike commuter and appreciate all the city is doing, but we can do so much more! Please, more bike lanes! - Elizabeth
- help improve all connections and keep bikers safe - Michael
- love the new parks and bike paths, but still looking for more bike safety initiatives - Elizabeth
- ...continue under your administration - Nathaniel
- It is coming, you can make it happen faster! - Dave
- make Boston a safer city for bikes, cars and pedestrians - Ken
- Make it possible to really commute by bike - Aaron
- make safe streets to bike to work and make it possible for to explore the city with my two little boys -- by bike -- safely. Thank you! - Gretchen
- I ride my bike from Medford to 28 State St. everyday. I'd like to see more effort toward ensuring cyclist safety. - Michael
- I'm Skeptical, but hopeful. Let's take this very seriously and make it real! - Eli
- make it safe for kids, families and the elderly to use bikes for transportation in the city - Alex
- continue to improve bike lanes, including bikeways protected from traffic - Adrian
- separate bike lanes from cars please - Jeff
- make it feel safer for more women and children to ride! - Laura
- provide more safe bike routes for residents and tourists - Kelly
- bring a wider range of age groups as homeowners in Boston - Bob
- more bike infrastructure and a new bike coordinator - Alan
- Have more traffic citations against vehicles in bike lanes - Kim
- promote tourism (\$\$) with bikes. Safe bike lanes for bike tours. - Joe
- Please increase the number of bike lanes in Boston and make notice when the city workers will take or remove the bike with proper notice - John
- include additional bike and pedestrian accommodations at Charlesgate - Jen
- Courier bikes should follow traffic rules - Patricia
- prioritize protecting the lives of all road users over maintaining the "level of service" for drivers - Tony
- continue to emphasize safety for all of us traveling through the city! Cycling is the best and I need to be safe. - Lisa
- Stop idiots from using cell phones in cars and on bikes. - Prevent me and friends from getting

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hit by drivers opening doors without looking. - Mel

make my ride from Dorchester safer. Drivers are fairly unwelcoming of bikes on Dorchester Ave. I'm sure you've noticed. Thanks, neighbor! - Vienna

increase the number of roads where the bike lane is separated from traffic by a buffer zone and parked cars. Thanks so much! - Adam

I was hit on Rt. 123 Brockton the bike path was very narrow on a congested street. - Ed

It would be nice to be able to always feel safe. - Amy

Increase the overall safety and awareness of cyclists, pedestrians, motorists. - Rick

This is a wonderful city but the drivers are awful! We need to change that -- please keep the Vision 0. - Elizabeth

make room for cycle commuters from all suburban directions. - Dave

change the bike/car culture... encourage motorized vehicles to share & be patient! - Catherine

help older people /slower people be able to cross the street with dignity - Susan

put curbcuts & traffic calming bumps in every intersection in the City of Boston - Lisa

the areas where there is construction going on are very unsafe for pedestrians in Boston & Cambridge! - Nasim

I had a bad experience when I was hit by a car in 207 and had 2 ligaments torn. It was painful. This was in Central Sq in Cambridge. - Nasim

It's hard crossing at a walk sign or zebra stripes and you have to be careful about vehicles coming around the corner. Too many bikes go through red lights and/or are too fast on sidewalks (you don't know they're coming up behind you). - Dorianne

make it safe for the elderly and children and visitors to cross our street without fear of death or injury or citation - Neil

make sure we have separated bike paths and median strips on busy streets to help pedestrians - Maria

1. a commitment to enforce laws giving pedestrians the right-of-way in crosswalks. 2. increase in "no turn on red" signs. - J.

make it easier for people to cross main streets safely, especially near T stations and get more help from police for crossings at main intersections. - Anonymous

allow seniors like me to cycle safely when biking on the city streets! - Pepper

choose Kenmore Sq where my Dad was killed crossing in the crosswalk at noon in 1982. - Rob

clearly marked bike lanes at intersections and driveways; stop-signs for vehicles wherever they cross bike paths - John

lead to safe, one-cycle crossings, a cycletrack from end-to-end. - Claire

be serious and not just public lip service. – Anonymous

"- bring Hubway to South Dorchester - Now!

- have bike parking facilities at Fairmount Line stations" – David

Make Boston a destination city for people who want to experience a beautiful urban environment on foot, bicycle, or rollerblades, and with their families. – Peter

encourage more people to *enjoy our city*. – Tom

mean I can bike with my daughter. – Rich (& Lilli)

mean no more cyclists getting killed by trucks but safe streets for all people that use them! –

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Andrew

make it safe for bicyclists and improve public transportation. – Sally

make Boston a safer place. – Philip

help keep bike riders in Boston safe. – Julianna

my children live here; we hope to retire in Boston in a couple of years. Having safe ways to access the city *without* cars is a priority for all of us. Thank you! – Liane

make the streets safer for all who want to bike, rollerblade, skateboard, run, or walk. By doing this you'll make them safer for cars too! – Ken

allow hundreds more to experience the beautiful feeling of cycling in this wonderful city without fear. Thank you! – Daniel

result in fewer roadway deaths and a safe, fun, healthy city! – Herb

provide safe, pleasurable network of roads / off-roads to connect the greenways of Boston & Greater Boston. – Elizabeth

make Boston streets safer for cyclists & pedestrians. I bike from JP to MIT for work, mostly on bike paths, but there's still room for improvement! Thanks. – Lorna

improve roadways to make walking and biking more common by making the roads safe or at least giving the appearance of safety for all modes of transportation. – Nadia

help show how serious your administration is about keeping our streets safe and livable. – Ian

provide better streets now and for the future. My daughter Lilli says, "it will keep us healthy and it's better for the world!" Much love, – Erik, Traci, Lilli, & Clem

continue progressing at a steady pace, so for generations to follow yours & mine can enjoy biking safely. – Matthew

eliminate all accidents and deaths in metro Boston! – Jeannie

make all of Boston's streets enjoyable places to be, rather than just a necessary connection between other destinations, and inspire other cities nearby to make the same commitment. – Rob

include having traffic engineers review every place where there is a bike-vehicle accident and improve it. – Jeremiah

continue because I would like my children to be safe. – Lauraine

be done soon. Our city is great but this will make it way better. It's not fun to be scared of riding. Thanks! I am looking forward to seeing change. – Rosa

happen quickly. My wife rides her bike to work and I ride my bike to class. It's scary and that has to change. Thank you! – Mike

help save lives. It is a reasonable and attainable goal to improve Boston's infrastructure. Let's make getting around Boston easier, safer, and more fun. It could even help involve youth in positive activities. I live and work in Boston. – Wendy

make our city's streets safer! – Justin

gain momentum and provide our community with truly safer and more bike-conscious streets. – Kristina

be successful! This is a perfect issue for you to get out front -- to lead your Transportation Department in a new direction and to encourage the residents and businesses of Boston to put safety first. Thanks. – Ken

make our streets safe for kids to move around on their own. – Steve

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protect my loved ones who bike to work everyday. – Sarah

provide safe transit options for all modes (cars, train, bike, and walkers). – Paul

encourage more parents to bike & walk with their children. – Julia

make bike commuting safer, and make drivers more aware of the cyclists & pedestrians around them. – Gail

make Boston's streets *safe for all users* and make it more conducive to choosing *healthy transportation!* – Sarah

be about making our streets safer for all users, including drivers, bicyclists, and pedestrians. – Glen

demonstrate that the city agencies can coordinate among themselves & across silos for the benefit of *people*. – Barbara

save lives. – Julia

make my ride (bike) to work safer as a business owner. – Michael

keep the streets safe for commuter bicycling. – Dolores