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# In 2018, Vision Zero Will Work on Project Delivery with a Focus on School Zones

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The City of Los Angeles released its plan to reduce traffic deaths in 2018, as part of its Vision Zero initiative. Last year, over 1,100 safety improvements were installed on streets with the highest concentration of severe and fatal crashes. Today, crashes are trending downward. Vision Zero will continue to install improvements at intersections, while breaking ground on construction projects near schools and along high crash corridors.

To kick efforts off, LADOT secured \$17.5 million in construction funds to install safety improvements in high-need school zones by the end of this year. Construction crews have already completed work at Hollywood High School and Selma Elementary School in January of 2018, setting pace for an aggressive construction schedule throughout the year. Construction will continue on Breed Street Elementary, Sheridan St Elementary, Dolores Huerta Elementary, 28th Street Elementary, Quincy Jones Elementary, and Menlo Avenue Elementary throughout 2018.

Increasing LAPD's ability to enforce excessive speeding will remain a focus. Virtually 100 percent of streets on High Injury Network (HIN) are enforceable by radar. Refer to the Office of Mayor Eric Garcetti's press release on speed enforcement [here](#), along with a map of speed limit changes [here](#). As part of this effort, Vision Zero will relaunch an education campaign around unsafe speeding and travel behavior in the summer of 2018.

"Vision Zero's holistic approach to keeping Angelenos safe is helping to create safer and more walkable communities for our neighbors," said Councilmember Mike Bonin. "Whether you commute by foot, bike, use mass transit or a car, no one should fear a preventable traffic collision."

Vision Zero will roll out additional safety improvements along the HIN. The Bureaus of Street Services, Engineering, and LADOT will begin reconstruction on six major thoroughfares on the HIN. City leadership identified streets based on failed pavement condition and demonstrated safety needs. LADOT will also begin construction on 100 signal improvements, safer crossing opportunities, and minor construction work on the HIN.

"This year is one of action for Vision Zero. We are delivering safety projects across the city in the places that need it most," said Seleta Reynolds, General Manager for LADOT. "Safety projects of 2018 also have a triple bottom line: they improve safety, are cost effective, and will help manage congestion across the city."

In 2017, LAPD reported that 244 people died in a traffic crash on Los Angeles streets, a 6.2% reduction in fatalities from 2016. This data is provisional but the most up to date available. Historic investments in safety improvements send a strong signal that Los Angeles is on track with programmatic goals for Vision Zero. See below for a detailed list of projects installed to date.





To view the Action Plan in full, visit [visionzero.lacity.org/resources](http://visionzero.lacity.org/resources). For more information on Vision Zero, visit [visionzero.lacity.org](http://visionzero.lacity.org). For more information about LADOT, visit [ladot.lacity.org](http://ladot.lacity.org).

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**VISION ZERO: PROJECTS**  
As of January 2018

Improvement	Completed	
	On 40 priority corridors	Off 40 priority corridors
Crosswalks Upgrade <sup>1</sup>	586	-
Speed Feedback Signs <sup>2</sup>	139	5
Intersection Tightening/Curb Extensions	191	-
Crosswalk Paddle Signs	38	72
Pedestrian Refuge Islands	1	6
Leading Pedestrian Intervals	45	23
Flashing Beacons for Existing Crosswalks	10	-
Scramble Crosswalks	3	1
New Crosswalks with Flashing Beacons	-	-
New Traffic Signals	-	-
Left-Turn Traffic Signal Phasing Upgrade	-	-
<b>TOTAL*</b>	<b>1,013</b>	<b>107</b>
	<b>1,120 total improvements completed</b>	

\* Does not include Vision Zero-aligned improvements as part of stand-alone grant projects

1. Does not include crosswalks upgraded to continental outside of VZ Program e.g. resurfacing, other capital projects
2. Does not include a small number of speed feedback signs installed outside of VZ Program as part of capital project





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