



New Mexico DEPARTMENT OF
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NMDOT seeking comments on Pedestrian Safety Action Plan

SANTA FE – The New Mexico Department of Transportation has developed a statewide Pedestrian Safety Action Plan and welcomes public feedback.

In 2019, 6,205 pedestrians were killed, including 83 in New Mexico. It was the most pedestrian deaths in 30 years, according to the Governors Highway Safety Association, and represents 17% of all traffic fatalities.

In addition, across the country 193,866 individuals were treated in emergency departments for injuries resulting from being struck by a vehicle, according to the Centers for Disease Control. That is the equivalent of more than 22 pedestrians injured by a vehicle every hour in the United States.

The draft Pedestrian Safety Action Plan is available for review at walksafenewmexico.com. Pedestrians, drivers, transit users, and bicyclists are asked to provide feedback, which provides a five-year framework of actions to reduce the number of pedestrian-involved injuries and fatalities in New Mexico.

This feedback will help the department create a plan to combat the state's high pedestrian fatality rate. The public comment period closes June 13, 2021.

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