# CITY OF CORAL GABLES

#### - MEMORANDUM-

TO: EDWARD J. HUDAK, JR.

CHIEF OF POLICE

DATE:

APRIL 11, 2022

FROM:

MAJOR JENNIE HØ

SPECIALIZED EXFORCEMENT DIVISION

**SUBJECT:** 

PEDESTRIAN AND BICYCLIST

INFORMATION

As requested, below are the statistics for traffic accidents in the city involving bicyclist and pedestrians for the years of 2019 to present.

### Pedestrian or Bicyclist Fatalities

Year	Fatalities involving Pedestrian or Bicyclist
2018	2
2019	0
2020	0
2021	0
2022 -YTD	0

## **Pedestrian Accident Information**

Year	Accidents involving Pedestrian	Vehicle Fault	Pedestrian Fault	Undetermined
2019	38	22 (57%)	11 (29%)	5 (13%)
2020	14	12 (85%)	1 (7%)	1 (7%)
2021	22	14 (63%)	7 (31%)	1 (4%)
2022 -YTD	10	7 (70%)	2 (20%)	1 (10%)

Last year 2022, Pedestrian accidents experienced a 42 % reduction from 2019 (excluding 2020 due to Covid-19 due to less vehicles and pedestrian on the street).

- Approximately 40% of all accidents involving pedestrian were due to vehicles failing to yield to pedestrian on crosswalk (whether turning left, right, or traveling straight).
- Approximately 25% of all accidents involving pedestrian were caused by pedestrians walking in front of moving vehicles or not crossing in designated crosswalks.

# **Bicyclist Accident Information**

Year	Accidents involving Bicycles	Vehicle Fault	Bicyclist Fault	Undetermined
2019	22	13 (59%)	9 (41%)	0
2020	24	12 (50%)	9 (37%)	3 (12%)
2021	19	14 (73%)	3 (15%)	2 (10%)
2022 -YTD	7	4 (57%)	3 (42%)	0

Last Year 2022, Bicycle accidents experienced a 13 % reduction from 2019 and a 20 % reduction from 2020.

- Approximately 35% of all crashes involving bicyclist are due to the bicyclist not
  following the rules of the road i.e., failure to yield right of way, failure to obey stop signs,
  driving against the flow of traffic.
- Approximately 43 % of the accidents involving bicyclist were due to vehicle failure to yield to right of way i.e., in crosswalk or at intersections or four way stops.

CGPD has partnered with FDOT to educated bicyclist and pedestrian on road safety.

The Pedestrian and Bicycle Education Campaign was conducted for the month of February and March 2022 at predetermined times and locations agreed on between the police department and the Florida Department of Transportation.

Interactions with Pedestrians and Bicyclist included:

## **Pedestrian Education**

- Crosswalk usage
- Crossing in marked vs unmarked
- Parking lot safety for pedestrian and driver

## **Bicycle Education**

- Issuance of bicycle safety lights
- Bicycle educational literature:
  - Two Stage bicycle left turns
  - Florida Bicycles Signs, Signals& Markings

Social media posts with these educational materials were also disseminated.

This education campaign involved a training class and an overtime traffic detail that totaled 13,000.00 for grant issued monies.

The bicycle patrol is also working educational stops for bicyclist riding on sidewalks on the Miracle Mile.

REVIEWED BY:	<u>DATE:</u>
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