

# Keeping Summit Safe

On the Roadways and In Your Homes





# Mission

## Keeping Summit Safe

Motorists and Pedestrians  
In-and-Around Your Home



## Partnering with Engineering Division (3 E's)

1. Engineering
2. Education
3. Enforcement



# Perception vs. Reality

**“Summit has a serious issue with speeding, car accidents and pedestrians being hit / killed”**

## Traffic-Related Issues (speeding)

West End Avenue

Tulip Street

Kent Place Blvd

Blackburn Rd

Woodland Avenue



## “Crime Wave” Debunked

8 confirmed burglaries in 2017





# Reality

## Motor Vehicle Accident History\*

<u>YEAR</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
2012	978
2013	807
2014	804
2015	840
2016	814
2017 to date	664



\*Reportable and Non-reportable



# Reality

## Pedestrian Accident History



<u>YEAR</u>	<u>#</u>	<u>Resulting In</u>
2012	18	13 Minor Injuries
2013	9	7 Minor Injuries
2014	16	8 Minor Injuries
2015	16	9 Minor Injuries
2016	12	11 Minor Injuries. Bus/Pedestrian Accident

\*split % motorist/pedestrian at fault



# Reality 2017

## 8 Pedestrian Accidents\*

Overlook Parking Garage

Pedestrian struck in garage

Euclid Ave. at Summit Ave.

Pedestrian struck in crosswalk

Summit Ave. at Springfield Ave.

Pedestrian struck in crosswalk by vehicle mirror

Summit Car Wash

Two workers bumped by vehicle

Broad St. at Summit Ave.

Pedestrian struck in crosswalk. No injuries

Marco Polo Restaurant

Pedestrian wearing dark clothing in rain struck in parking lot. No injuries

Springfield Ave. at Passaic Ave.

Pedestrian struck in crosswalk. Minor injuries

Summit Ave. at Springfield Ave.

Pedestrian struck in crosswalk





# The 3 E's

## Education

Grant from TransOptions – Street Smart Summit  
Community Outreach with Local Organizations

- PSA with Summit Running Club
- Bicycle Safety Initiatives with Local Biking Groups



Traffic Studies - Gather Data to Address Traffic Concerns  
Working in the Schools

- Drivers Ed Classes
- Sack the Phone
- Share the Keys



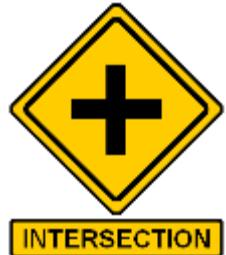


# The 3 E's

## Engineering

### Redesigned Intersections:

- Hobart Avenue/Springfield Avenue
- Whittredge Road/Essex Road, Whittredge Road /Hobart Avenue
- Maple Street /Oakland Place
- Blackburn Road/Valley View Avenue
- Deforest Avenue/Norwood Avenue



### Central Retail Business District

- Converted to LED Bulbs for Improved Visibility



# The 3 E's

## Engineering

### Improved Signage

- Installed Blinking Stop Sign at High Street/Hobart Avenue
- Painted Fog Lines to Minimize Road Width throughout Summit
- Installed Four-way Stop at Blackburn Road/Pine Grove Avenue
- Plotted every Stop Sign in Summit – Updated Ordinance
- Installed Pedestrian Crossing Signals at:
  - ✓ Broad Street/Elm Street
  - ✓ Morris Avenue/Weaver Street
  - ✓ Deforest Avenue/Norwood Road





# The 3 E's

## Enforcement

### **Motor Vehicle Stops**

- Approximately 6000 Motor Vehicle Stops To Date
  - ✓ Changes Behavior of Driver Who Is Stopped
  - ✓ Changes Behavior of Others Who Witness Stop
  - ✓ Police Presence Deters Potential Criminal Activity



### **Summons**

- Doubled 2016 Statistics (in 9 months)
- Traffic Unit Issued Over 1,000+ Summons in 2017 (to date)

**Summit Residents Need to Set Example for All Drivers and Pedestrians**



# Progress

- For Six Consecutive Years, Received Awards from AAA for Successful Pedestrian Safety Initiatives
- Honored by TransOptions with Government Official of the Year Award for Significant Transportation, Mobility and Safety Efforts
- Contributed to Sustainable Jersey Champion Award Status for Pedestrian and Bicycle Safety Programs





# Teamwork

For **US** to help you, **WE** need to hear from you.



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# Thank You

For making Summit a safer place  
to live, work, and visit.

