Re: Item No. 14.2.2



## Strategic Road Safety Plan

Traffic Management Transportation & Public Works

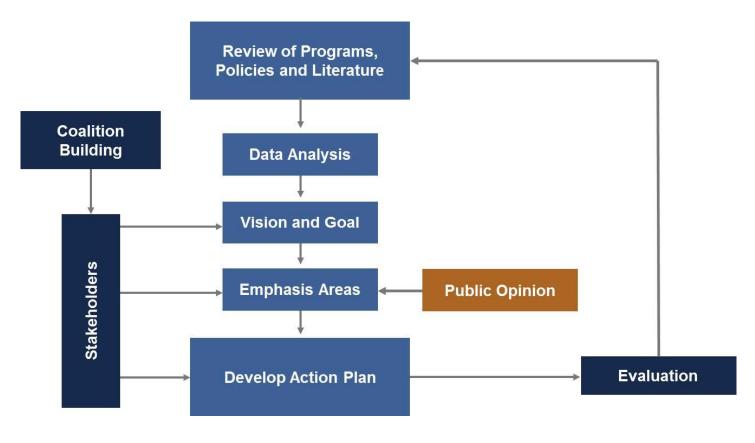
Halifax Regional Council July 17, 2018

## **Timeline**

- 2016/17 TPW Business Plan objective: Create an overall road safety strategy to encompass all road users, including pedestrians, cyclists and motorists
- February 2017 RFP awarded to CIMA Canada Inc.
- March 2017 Project Kickoff
- April to May 2017 Public Engagement
- June to August 2017 Stakeholder Engagement
- December 2017 Interim Report to TSC
- June 28, 2018 Final Report to TSC
- July 17, 2018 Final Report to Regional Council



## **Project Methodology – HRM SRSP**





## **Stakeholder Engagement**







Halifax Regional Police











**Ecology Action Centre** 







Dalhousie Transportation Collaboratory





Canadian National Institute for the Blind



Crosswalk Safety Society



## - Vision -

## Moving towards zero fatalities and injuries for people using any mode of transportation.





### 15% reduction of fatal and injury collisions within five years.



# **Emphasis Areas**

- Emphasis areas are the highest priority areas to focus resources to have the greatest impact in reducing injuries and fatalities
- Generally, six to eight emphasis areas are selected for SRSP's
- The sources for the selection of emphasis areas come from :
  - Collision analysis
  - Public opinion



## **Public Engagement**

### HALIFAX STRATEGIC ROAD SAFETY PLAN

The plan will aim to identify traffic issues within the municipality and set out targets and actions for road safety improvements for the next five years (2018-2022).

The Halifax Regional Municipality (HRM) is developing a Strategic Road Safety Plan (SRSP) to improve road safety in the Municipality. This SRSP will set out the vision, goal, and action plans to guide the Municipality and its road safety partners towards creating safer roads and reducing the number of collisions and, thus road fatalities and injuries. The HRM will work and consult with a broad range of partners including the Province, police, and advocacy groups in the development of this plan. It is very important for us to have a better understanding of safety issues and priorities perceived by the public.

#### Let us know what your priorities are regarding road safety so we can make improvements where it counts most.



Strategic Road Safety Plan Work Flow

#### The survey closes on May 19, 2017.

Provide your input on road safety.

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Fill out a survey at: www.halifax.ca/surveys

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	5 - Highest	4 - High	3 - Medium	2 - Low	1 - Not a	No
	Priority	Priority	Priority	Priority	Priority	Opinion
Aggressive Driving	0	0	0	0	0	0
Distracted Driving	0	0	0	0	0	0
Impaired Driving	0	0	0	0	0	0
Seat Belt and Car Seat Usage	0	0	0	0	0	0
Speeding	0	0	0	0	0	0
Bicyclists	0	0	0	0	0	0
Motorcyclists	0	0	0	0	0	0
Older Drivers	0	0	0	0	0	0
Pedestrians	0	0	0	0	0	0
School Zones	0	0	0	0	0	0
Unlicensed, Suspended, or Revoked License Drivers	0	0	0	0	0	0
Young Drivers	0	0	0	0	0	0
Animal-related Collisions	0	0	0	0	0	0
Buses	0	0	0	0	0	0
Intersections	0	0	0	0	0	0
Nighttime Collisions	0	0	0	0	0	0
Roadway/Lane Departure Collisions	0	0	0	0	0	0
Trucks	0	0	0	0	0	0
Vehicle-Train Collisions	0	0	0	0	0	0
Winter Weather-Related Collisions	0	Ó	Ó	Ó	0	0
Work Zone Related Collisions	0	Ó	Ó	Ó	Ó	0

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1219 Responses Received

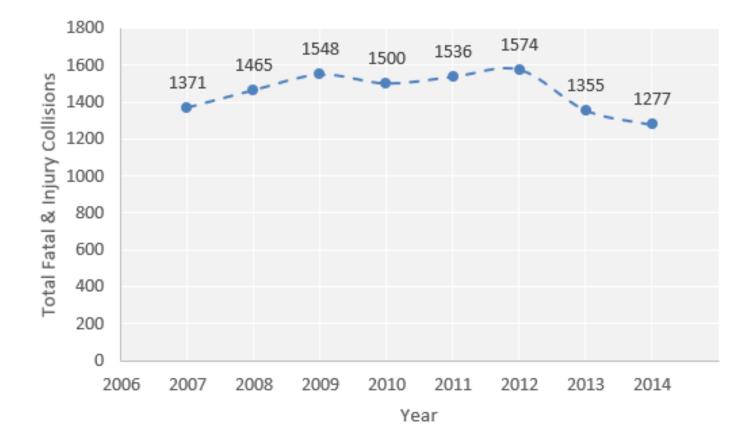


# **Collision Data**

- The objective of analysis was to identify groups of large frequencies of fatal or injury collisions
  - $\circ$  a type of collision (e.g. angle),
  - a behaviour resulting in collisions (e.g. aggressive driving),
  - o a specific demographic (e.g. young drivers),
  - a facility type within the transportation network (e.g. intersections),
  - or modes of transportation (e.g. walking, bicycling, trucks)
  - Data was available for 2007-2014

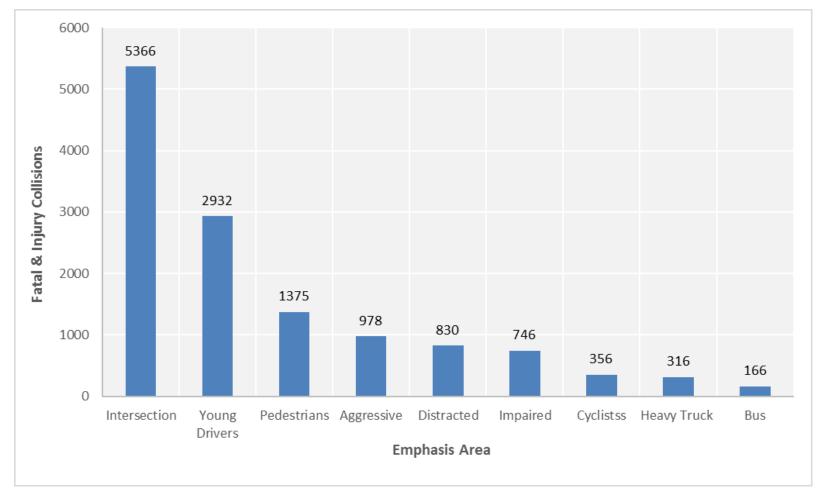


## **Total Fatal & Injury Collisions (2007-2014)**





## **Data Analysis Results**





### **Data Analysis**

Intersections Young Demographic Pedestrians Aggressive Driving Distracted Driving Impaired Driving Bicyclists Heavy Trucks Buses

## **Public Opinion**

Distracted Driving Impaired Driving Pedestrians Aggressive Driving Intersections Bicyclists School Zones Buses Motorcycle Collisions



### INTERSECTION RELATED

All collisions occurring within an intersection

### YOUNG DEMOGRAPHIC

Collisions that involve people under 25

### **PEDESTRIAN COLLISIONS**

Collisions that involve any person who is not riding in or on a vehicle

#### **AGGRESSIVE DRIVING**

Collisions that result from behaviours like following too close, speeding, disobeying traffic control, improper passing and more

### **DISTRACTED DRIVING**

Collisions that result from inattention

### **IMPAIRED DRIVING**

Collisions where the driver is impaired or under the influence of drugs or alcohol

### **BICYCLIST COLLISIONS**

Collisions that involve someone on a bicycle



# Countermeasures

- A countermeasure is an action taken to reduce the incidence or severity of motor vehicle collisions.
- The basic categories of countermeasures for the SRSP are the traditional 3 "E"s of road safety, Engineering, Enforcement, and Education.
- Stakeholders were asked to identify and evaluate all current programs related to road safety and assess how they align with the seven emphasis areas.
- In addition to the existing programs, the consultant proposed a number of new countermeasures to the stakeholders.



# Countermeasures

- Existing and proposed countermeasures were discussed with stakeholders who have the capability to commit to and deliver the programs.
- Countermeasures chosen must have two primary characteristics
  - They have a likelihood of reducing collision frequency or severity in their associated emphasis area
  - A stakeholder or stakeholders are prepared to support and deliver the countermeasure.



# **Action Plans**

- Create a Towards Zero Task Force
  - Develop Terms of Reference
  - Meet regularly to hold stakeholders accountable
  - Develop a safety culture
- Procure Data Analysis System
  - Populate with historic data
  - Conduct location-specific assessments
  - Use approved countermeasure lists to develop action plans
  - Identify baseline for evaluation
- Develop Outreach Program
- Implement Countermeasures
- Evaluate implemented countermeasures



# Year One

- Form Toward Zero Task Force
- Procure Data Analysis System ullet
- **Review of Internal Resources**
- Bring forward initiatives during the 2019/20 TPW budget and business plan presentation



Thank you.

