

# TRANSPORTATION SAFETY

This priority recognizes the important role planning, development, and delivery of safe transportation networks play in safe communities. Being able to move around safely is a core requirement for keeping Burnaby a great place to live, work, learn and play.

## 3.1 BURNABY TRANSPORTATION PLAN

PROGRESS

The City is creating a new Burnaby Transportation Plan which will include a new vision, themes, goals, targets, policies, actions and networks. It will establish a long-term framework for how to move people, goods and services in the city. The Transportation Plan will take a holistic approach to transportation and will address public realm, walking and accessibility, cycling, public transit, goods and services movement, and driving. It will also include specific policies and actions to improve safety and accessibility in the city and reduce injuries and fatalities for all modes. Consultation on Phase 2 of the Plan wrapped up at the end of 2020. Input on the Phase 2 targets, big moves, policies and networks will be incorporated into a draft Plan in Phase 3. The draft Plan will include actions and an implementation strategy which will be brought forward for public consultation in 2021.

## 3.2 STREET SAFETY IMPROVEMENTS

PROGRESS

Numerous transportation safety improvement projects are completed every year to enhance street safety for all road users. This includes full roadway upgrades with curb, gutter, boulevards, sidewalks, street lighting and multi-use urban pathways along a stretch of roadway. It also includes numerous traffic control modifications at very specific locations such as a new traffic signal, curb bulges, traffic medians, speed humps, speed reader boards and regulatory signs. The aspirational goal is to have sidewalks on every street in Burnaby and to have no traffic injuries. The short-term goal is to trend in the right direction with more sidewalks and fewer traffic injuries every year. This is part of an ongoing annual street safety improvement program.

## 3.3 SAFE & ACTIVE SCHOOLS

PROGRESS

Burnaby RCMP provides outreach and enforcement to increase road safety in and around Burnaby schools. The RCMP also uses social media to increase education and engagement on this topic. The RCMP Traffic Unit conducted several campaigns focused on child and youth pedestrian safety, and school zone speed enforcement. In 2020, this included four playground pedestrian safety campaigns, to encourage safer driving behaviour in these areas. The RCMP Communications team also reached over 15,000 people on social media with Back-to-School road safety messaging. RCMP Youth Section conducted 121 traffic patrols outside Burnaby schools during this three month reporting period. Uniformed members went out on foot to patrol crossing points during school drop-off and pick-up times.

## 3.4 SAFETY CAMPAIGNS

PROGRESS

The Burnaby RCMP Traffic Unit used strategic enforcement efforts to target a range of unsafe driving behaviours. This included several impaired driving roadblocks, commercial vehicle safety inspection campaigns, distracted driving operations, and ticketing initiatives for illegal ride-shares. Burnaby RCMP also reached more than 120,000 social media users with road safety messaging. The City contributes funding to HUB to host the Fall Bike to Work Week which includes safe biking messaging.