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## Pedestrian Safety Enforcement Week Results Released

12 agencies worked to reduce pedestrian fatalities and injuries

Results from the pedestrian safety enforcement week campaign in 11 cities have been released. The campaign ran from Oct. 15-21. The cities were selected due to their high number of pedestrian-related traffic crashes. Law enforcement agencies used the week to focus on changing driver behavior to keep pedestrians safe.

| City             | Motorist | Motorist | Pedestrian | Pedestrian | Participating Agencies                     |
|------------------|----------|----------|------------|------------|--|
|                  | Warning  | Citation | Warning    | Citation   |  |
| Dearborn         | 39       | 63       | 0          | 2          | Dearborn Police Department                 |
| Detroit          | 0        | 55       | 0          | 0          | Detroit Police Department                  |
| Farmington Hills | 17       | 8        | 23         | 0          | Farmington Hills Police Department         |
| Flint            | 31       | 8        | 8          | 0          | Michigan State Police (MSP) Third District |
| Hamtramck        | 4        | 1        | 32         | 0          | Hamtramck Police Department                |
| Kalamazoo        | 16       | 2        | 36         | 0          | MSP Fifth District Paw Paw Post,           |
|                  |          |          |            |            | Kalamazoo Dept. of Public Safety           |
| Macomb Township  | 9        | 54       | 2          | 0          | Macomb Co. Sheriff's Office                |
| Pontiac          | 1        | 0        | 7          | 0          | Oakland Co. Sheriff's Office               |
| Southfield       | 36       | 63       | 2          | 0          | Southfield Police Department               |
| Sterling Heights | 35       | 37       | 2          | 0          | Sterling Heights Police Department         |
| Warren           | 11       | 25       | 7          | 17         | Warren Police Department                   |
| TOTAL            | 199      | 316      | 119        | 19         |  |

Between the participating agencies, 335 citations were handed out and 318 warnings given, with a majority of citations going to motorists and a majority of the warnings going to pedestrians. Officers were focusing on drivers making illegal turns, failing to stop at a signal or stop sign before a crosswalk, failing to yield to pedestrians in a crosswalk, and blocking a roadway that interferes with the normal flow of traffic. Officers focused on pedestrians not following traffic control signals, not walking on a sidewalk where provided, and not walking facing traffic when walking on a roadway.

In Michigan, 149 pedestrians were killed in traffic crashes in 2019.

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