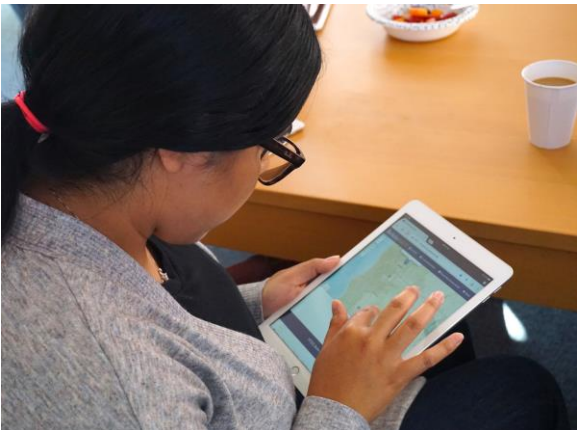# STREET STORY
Transportation Safety Community Engagement Tool

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What is Street Story?

- Street Story helps community groups and agencies collect and understand information that is important for transportation safety but is difficult to gather and analyze

Street Story Data
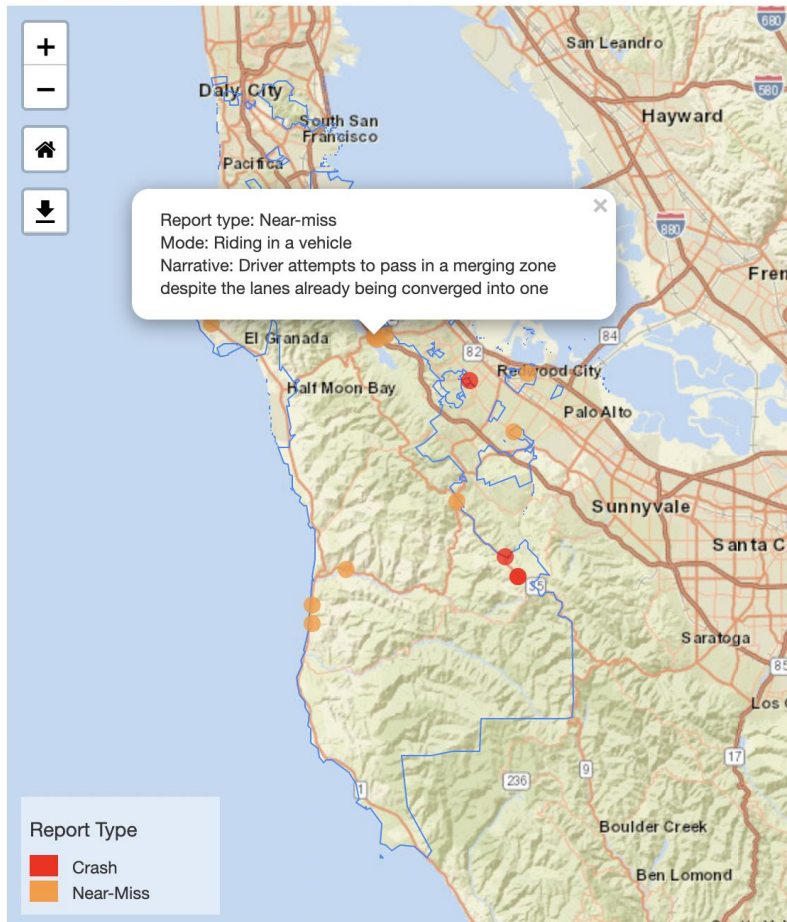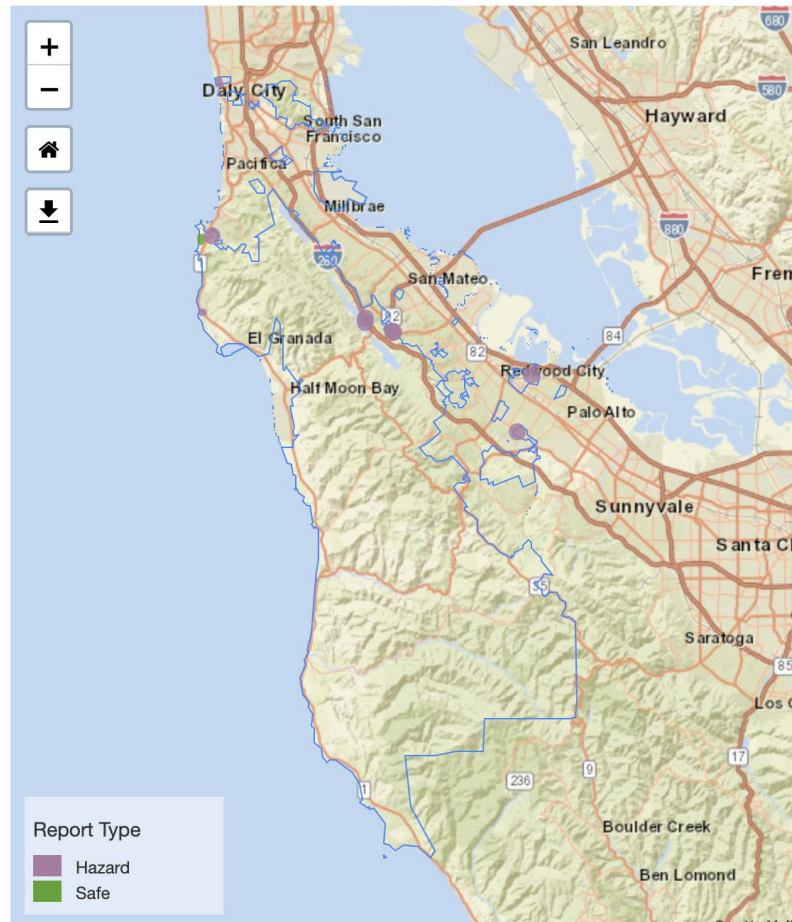
Street Story Paper Version

Crash

Point/Line Number or Address: [_____]

1. I was _____ when this crash happened.
- ☐ Walking
- ☐ Biking
- ☐ Scootering
- ☐ Taking a bus or train
- ☐ Using a mobility device
- ☐ Riding in a vehicle
- ☐ Other

1a) If you use a mobility device, what kind do you use?
- ☐ Wheel chair
- ☐ Walker or cane
- ☐ White cane
- ☐ Guide dog
- ☐ Prosthetic
- ☐ Other

2. The crash happened in:
Day _____ Month _____ Year _____

3. When the crash happened, it was:
- ☐ Day
- ☐ Night

4. Who else was involved?
- ☐ Vehicle driver
- ☐ Pedestrian
- ☐ Bike rider
- ☐ Scooter rider
- ☐ Someone taking a bus or train
- ☐ Someone using a mobility device (wheelchair, walker, etc)
- ☐ Other
- ☐ No one else

5. Were you or anyone else injured in the crash?
- ☐ No
- ☐ Someone had minor injuries
- ☐ Someone had severe injuries
- ☐ Someone died

6. Was this crash reported to the police?
- ☐ Yes
- ☐ No

7. What do you think caused this crash?
- ☐ Poor/missing sidewalk
- ☐ Poor/missing bike lanes or paths
- ☐ Cracked/uneven street
- ☐ Poor lighting
- ☐ Signs, signals or markings were not working or missing
- ☐ There was an obstacle in someone's way
- ☐ The road was curving, I couldn't see what was coming
- ☐ There was loose gravel, ice or water on the road/sidewalk
- ☐ There was an animal in the way
- ☐ There was overgrown vegetation
- ☐ Someone didn't yield
- ☐ Someone was speeding
- ☐ Someone's car door hit another person
- ☐ Other

8. What happened? Do not identify any individuals by name or include license plate numbers, etc.

Near-Miss

Point/Line Number or Address: [_____]

1. I was _____ when this near-miss happened.
- ☐ Walking
- ☐ Biking
- ☐ Scootering
- ☐ Taking a bus or train
- ☐ Using a mobility device
- ☐ Riding in a vehicle
- ☐ Other

1a) If you use a mobility device, what kind do you use?
- ☐ Wheel chair
- ☐ Walker or cane
- ☐ White cane
- ☐ Guide dog
- ☐ Prosthetic
- ☐ Other

2. The near-miss happened in:
Day _____ Month _____ Year _____

3. When the near-miss happened, it was:
- ☐ Day
- ☐ Night

4. Who else was involved?
- ☐ Vehicle driver
- ☐ Pedestrian
- ☐ Bike rider
- ☐ Scooter rider
- ☐ Someone taking a bus or train
- ☐ Someone using a mobility device (wheelchair, walker, etc)
- ☐ Other
- ☐ No one else

5. Were you or anyone else injured in the near-miss?
- ☐ No
- ☐ Someone had minor injuries
- ☐ Someone had severe injuries
- ☐ Someone died

6. What do you think caused this near-miss?
- ☐ Poor/missing sidewalk
- ☐ Poor/missing bike lanes or paths
- ☐ Cracked/uneven street
- ☐ Poor lighting
- ☐ Signs, signals or markings were not working or missing
- ☐ There was an obstacle in someone's way
- ☐ The road was curving, I couldn't see what was coming
- ☐ There was loose gravel, ice or water on the road/sidewalk
- ☐ There was an animal in the way
- ☐ There was overgrown vegetation
- ☐ Someone didn't yield
- ☐ Someone was speeding
- ☐ Someone's car door hit another person
- ☐ Other

7. What happened? Do not identify any individuals by name or include license plate numbers, etc.

Hazard

Point/Line Number or Address: [_____]

1. I feel unsafe here when I'm:
- ☐ Walking
- ☐ Biking
- ☐ Scootering
- ☐ Taking a bus or train
- ☐ Using a mobility device
- ☐ Riding in a vehicle
- ☐ Other

1 a) If you use a mobility device, what kind do you use?
- ☐ Wheel chair
- ☐ Walker or cane
- ☐ White cane
- ☐ Guide dog
- ☐ Prosthetic
- ☐ Other

2. I feel unsafe here at:
- ☐ Day
- ☐ Night

3. I feel unsafe here because:
- ☐ Poor/missing sidewalk
- ☐ Poor/missing bike lanes or paths
- ☐ Cracked/uneven street
- ☐ Poor lighting
- ☐ Signs, signals or markings are not working or missing
- ☐ There are obstacles in the way
- ☐ There is loose gravel, ice or water on the road/sidewalk
- ☐ The road is curving, I can't see what is coming
- ☐ There are loose dogs or other animals
- ☐ There is overgrown vegetation
- ☐ People don't yield
- ☐ Unsafe speeds
- ☐ Other

4. Tell us more. Do not identify any individuals by name or include license plate numbers, etc.

Safe Place Questions

Point/Line Number or Address: [_____]

1. I feel safe here when I'm:
- ☐ Walking
- ☐ Biking
- ☐ Scootering
- ☐ Taking a bus or train
- ☐ Using a mobility device
- ☐ Riding in a vehicle
- ☐ Other

1a) If you use a mobility device, what kind do you use?
- ☐ Wheel chair
- ☐ Walker or cane
- ☐ White cane
- ☐ Guide dog
- ☐ Prosthetic
- ☐ Other

2. I feel safe here because:
- ☐ Safe speeds
- ☐ Low car traffic
- ☐ Safe sidewalks
- ☐ Safe bike lanes or paths
- ☐ Good lighting
- ☐ Signs, signals or street markings work well
- ☐ Well maintained vegetation
- ☐ Other

3. Tell us more. Do not identify any individuals by name or include license plate numbers, etc.

Other Resources

Useful links:

☰ See Data   ❓ Resources ▾   👤 Community Stories   ℹ About

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Starter Kit for Communities and Agencies

This guide includes an explanation about what Street Story is, how information is collected, how organizations can use the tool in community engagement efforts, and how people can use the information collected to improve street safety.

To learn more about Street Story, visit Street Story's Community Stories page. To get updates about Street Story, sign up for our newsletter.

Street Story was created by a team at UC Berkeley's Safe Transportation Research and Education Center (SafeTREC), with city planning, public health, engineering, social welfare and computer scientist backgrounds. Street Story was created with significant input from members of the public, agency and organization representatives and industry experts.

1. What is Street Story?

Street Story is a community engagement tool that allows residents, organizations and agencies collect local information about transportation collisions, near-misses, general hazards and safe locations to travel. The platform and the information collected are free to use and publicly accessible.

Street Story includes a survey about roadway experiences and a dataset of community input with maps and tables that can be downloaded. Once the surveys have been completed, organizations and agencies can use the information as part of community needs assessments, transportation safety planning or evaluations.

Street Story can be used to complement other forms of transportation safety information, including built environment characteristics or collisions reported to police. Street Story data is not a substitute for police-reported collisions. To access police-reported collision data, visit SafeTREC's Transportation Injury Mapping System (TIMS platform). Section 4 in this guide explains how Street Story data can be used with a number of other types of safety information.

Street Story data

STREET STORY: A Tool for Self-Reporting Transportation Safety Issues

Help improve safety in your community! Share stories on Street Story of where you've been in a crash or near miss, or where you feel safe or unsafe traveling:

https://streetstory.berkeley.edu/

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Additional Resources

Tutorial video:

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=6ekhkOACub8&feature=youtu.be

How communities are using the tool:

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=XqIIIzdDPYU

From Practice to Progress:

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=8cQ3mW4BRdA&t=12s

New features:

https://safetrec.berkeley.edu/news/new-features-added-street-

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