CITY OF MENLO PARK

SAFE ROUTES TO SCHOOL TASK FORCE MINUTES

Date: March 17, 2022 Time: 9:00-10:30 am

1. Introductions

- Andre-Anne Cadieux (Menlo Park SRTS Coordinator)
- Ashley Guilliot (Laurel School, Assistant Principal)
- Christy Peetz (Encinal Elementary School SRTS Champion)
- Shelby Crespi (Stanford Children's Health & Safe Kids)
- Hanieh Houshmandi, (Traffic Engineer, County of San Mateo Public Works)
- Jasmine Law (AmeriCorps Fellow with SMCOE)
- **Nicholas Yee** (City of Menlo Park, SRTS Project Manager)
- Sergeant Chris Adair (Menlo Park Police Department, Traffic Unit)
- Sonali Suratkar (San Mateo County Health Policy and Planning)
- Wilfin Morales (Menlo Park City School District)
- Cindy Chin (Ravenswood City School District)
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- Nicholas Yee (City of Menlo Park Public Works)
- **Nell Curran** (Las Lomitas Elementary School District, wellness coordinator and SRTS coordinator)
- Danny Chui (Assistant Principal, Hillview Middle School)
- Wendy Valencia (Menlo Park City School District)
- **Grace Young** (Alta Planning and Design)
- Nick Muys (Menlo-Atherton High School, Assistant Principal)

2. San Mateo County High Injury Network

Grace Young, Alta Planning, presented the San Mateo County youth-based high injury network. The HIN is to be finalized in the next upcoming weeks.

- Each road in the county get a given density collision score. Menlo Park includes 9% (30 miles) of the HIN roads.
- The schools near a concentration of HIN road segments are Oak Knoll Elementary, Hillview Middle and Kipp Valiant Community Prep.

The infographics also shows the top 5 of collision factors. Sergent Chris Adair commented on the "unsafe speed" factor. Unsafe speed does not mean a speed infraction. For example, a collision with something that is not moving falls under the cause "unsafe speed".

See presentation for more details.

3. Safe Routes to School Program Updates

See the presentation for details.

- a) Crossing Guard Appreciation Week, March 21-25
 The SMCOE has created a toolkit and resources for the Crossing Guard Appreciation Week.
 The materials can be found here.
- b) May Bike Month / Video Contest

 More information on how to participate on the website.
- c) Curriculum Teacher Training
 Virtual training on May 12, 2:15 pm.
- d) Family Bike Rodeo in Belle Haven
 In collaboration with the Silicon Valley Bike Coalition. In May, TBD.
- e) School Walk Audits
 Hillview Middle school December 8, 2021.
 Laurel School Upper Campus March 17, 2022.

School-led activities:

- Las Lomitas School District is participating in a virtual walk audit around the schools with Stanford's' Our Voice program in March. The data collected will be compiled and share with the district.
- Ravenswood City School District is also using Our Voice to conduct a virtual walk audit at the Belle Haven school and in East Palo Alto. School activities are planned in June with EarthCapades Education Theater and Safe Moves.
- San Mateo County Office of Education will be providing incentives for school-led activities for Earth Day and Bike Month. Here is the link to request incentives.
- Menlo-Atherton High School has a bike rodeo, a Bike to School Day and other activities planned on May 4th. The school bike shed still accepts bike donations.

4. Traffic and Safety Updates

The Menlo Park Police Department is trying to increase staff in the traffic unit. Facebook is re-opening in the next weeks.

5. City Project Updates

See the presentation for details.

- a) Ravenswood westbound bike lane pilot project
- b) Oak Grove Ave/Merrill St-Garwood Way new left-turn restrictions

6. Announcements/School Updates