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# Three Tips for Your Trip

## How You Can Help Make our Streets Safer for Everyone

#### 1. Slow Down!

- Speed is responsible for ten times the number of pedestrian injuries in San Francisco as driving under the influence
- Most San Francisco streets are 25 MPH, but speeding is common. On most 25 MPH streets, 50 percent of drivers exceed the limit
- Vehicle speeds are the strongest predictor of whether people are seriously injured or killed when hit by a car: if hit by a vehicle travelling at 40 MPH, 50 percent of people will die compared to only 10 percent at 25 MPH. 90 percent of people will die at 55 MPH.

### 2. Yield the Right-of-Way to Those Walking

- In 2011, 41 percent of violations in pedestrian injuries and deaths in vehicle collisions were motorists violating the pedestrian's right-of-way
- Motorist behavior is implicated in pedestrian injuries and deaths in vehicle collisions over two times as much as pedestrian behavior (64 percent vs. 30 percent in 2007 - 2011)

#### 3. Take Left Turns Carefully

- Of motorists violating pedestrian right-of-way and injuring or killing a pedestrian, 53 percent were making a left turn
- 27 percent of vehicles were turning left when hitting a pedestrian in 2007-2011



 There are more than 1 million walking trips taken per day in San Francisco, with walking now accounting for over 25 percent of the four million average trips per day in the city.



- Over the past decade in San Francisco, on average 20 pedestrians were killed and 800 injured in collisions with motor vehicles every year.
- Only six percent (70 miles) of San Francisco streets account for 60 percent of severe and fatal injuries, and 55 percent of total vehicle pedestrian injuries in 2007-2011.
- These high-injury corridors are concentrated in Districts 3 and 6, areas of San Francisco with high concentrations of both traffic and pedestrians.