

Helping Tampa Reach its Vision Zero Goals



What is Vision Zero?

Vision Zero is a strategy to eliminate all traffic fatalities and severe injuries, while increasing safe, healthy, equitable mobility for all. Vision Zero recognizes that road users sometimes make mistakes, and therefore a system designed to accommodate these inevitable mistakes is necessary to help reduce death and serious injuries. Many factors contribute to safe mobility under Vision Zero -- including roadway design, speed management, education, enforcement, and evaluation.



THEA's Commitment to Safety

THEA is focused on safety for all roadway users and the surrounding community first and foremost with each investment. Here are some examples:



Evacuation and Resiliency Support

As an elevated facility, the Selmon Expressway provides a safe route without flooding and is a critical regional evacuation route.



South Selmon Safety Project

THEA continually invests in safety on the Selmon Expressway. The Selmon South Safety Project provides a median barrier to reduce crossover crashes.



Pedestrian and Bicycle Trails

THEA's trails offer safe mobility alternatives for vulnerable users like bicyclists and pedestrians with the Selmon Greenway, Meridian Trail, and Brandon Parkway.



Enhanced Lighting

Lighting improves visibility and reduces crashes. THEA is integrating enhanced lighting with Meridian Ave LED lighting upgrades, Selmon Expressway lighting upgrades, and pier uplighting.



Intersection **Enhancements**

The Twiggs Street project includes pedestrian countdown heads at every signalized crosswalk, safer crosswalks, and more signs to alert drivers to pedestrians.



Education

THEA regularly engages with the community to educate about the importance of safety through events, social media posts and the THEA newsletter.



Enhancement Projects

THEA enhances its underpasses for improved safety and walkability with lighting, wider sidewalks, and landscaping, like those at Swann Ave, Morrison Ave, and MacDill Ave.



THEA's CV Pilot explores innovative safety improvements including alerts to notify drivers of safety concerns like wrong way drivers, ramp backups, and streetcar and pedestrian conflicts.



Limited access roads remove higher speed traffic, regional trips, and are vulnerable road users. This allows for slower speeds and more safety improvements on local roads.



Wrong way countermeasures are located at ramp locations throughout trucks from local streets where there the Selmon Expressway, and include signage and pavement markings, detection devices, and flashing signs to alert drivers to reverse direction.



Road Ranger Incident Response

THEA works with the Road Rangers to provide free roadside assistance and services to motorists traveling on the Selmon Expressway.



Meridian Pedestrian Enhancements

In addition to the Meridian Trail, THEA provides enhanced safety and visibility for pedestrians and cyclists along Meridian Ave with crosswalks and pedestrian refuge islands, and pedestrian lighting.