



## Media Advisory

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Richmond, Virginia

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### ***High Visibility Crosswalks Installed at Various Intersections in the Fan***

*~ DPW and RPD working in concert to improve transportation safety ~*

**RICHMOND, VA** – The Department of Public Works and the Richmond Police Department have teamed up to make several intersections in the Fan safer for those crossing the street as well as for vehicles entering intersections in the Fan included on the High Injury Street Network (HISN). Streets in the network tend to be major routes with higher volumes. This citywide network comprises 16 percent of the Richmond streets and makes up 58 percent of the serious injuries and deaths from traffic-related crashes.

DPW has been installing high visibility crosswalks and corner clearance marks at intersections along the network, which include Franklin, Main, Lombardy, Harrison and Meadow streets. The high visibility crosswalks use a thermoplastic material which lasts longer and is brighter than paint. Corner clearance markings identify where parking is allowed with white 'L' shapes near the intersection and are intended to promote better sight distance and fire trucks access for effective emergency response. Funding for these pilot safety improvements was provided by the Special Parking District Program fund.

DPW is working together with RPD's designated Motors Officers whose primary function is to address traffic enforcement and complaints about speeding and parking. The department produced a video detailing the program. It is available at <https://youtu.be/u2p9xS52bEU>.

The coordination between DPW and RPD to further enhance transportation safety aligns with the city's Vision Zero initiative, which aims to eliminate all traffic related fatalities and severe injuries while implementing measures to increase safety and equitable mobility on our city streets.

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