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2008 legislative priority: Funding for bicycle-pedestrian safety

Issue

Bicycle and pedestrian travel represents less than 5% of trips in Missouri, yet represents 7.5% of roadway fatalities and 15% of roadway injuries.

Missouri has no dedicated source of bicycle and pedestrian safety funding. MoDOT's bicycle/pedestrian program has no budget. MoDOT's Highway Safety Division typically spends far less than 1% of funding on bicycle/pedestrian safety.

Based on the experience of communities around the U.S. and the world, with a sustained and concerted effort, using simple, inexpensive, proven measures, it is possible to reduce bicycle and pedestrian injuries and fatalities by 50%.

Possible Solutions

- Work with MoDOT to spend more of existing safety funding on effective bicycle and pedestrian programs.
- Work with MoDOT to find a small, stable amount of funding for the bicycle/pedestrian program.
- Find a dedicated funding source for bicycle/pedestrian safety programs, such as a small amount with each driver's license, license plate, traffic ticket, or bicycle sold
- A revenue appropriation as small as \$10,000 or \$20,000 per year could make a real difference.

For More Information

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