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PEDESTRIAN RELATED TRAFFIC ISSUES:

MESA POLICE DEPARTMENT

METRO DIVISION

TRAFFIC SECTION

PUBLIC SAFETY
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JAYWALKING

ARS 28-796 – Pedestrian on Roadways

- A. If sidewalks are provided, a pedestrian shall not walk along and on an adjacent roadway.
- B. If sidewalks are not provided, a pedestrian walking along and on a highway shall walk when practicable only on the left side of the roadway or its shoulder facing traffic that may approach from the opposite direction.
- C. A person shall not stand in a roadway for the purpose of soliciting a ride from the driver of a vehicle.

JAYWALKING

ARS 28-793 – Crossing at other than crosswalk (Jaywalking)

- A. A pedestrian crossing a roadway at any point other than within a marked crosswalk or within an unmarked crosswalk at an intersection shall yield the right-of-way to all vehicles on the roadway.
- B. A pedestrian crossing a roadway at a point where a pedestrian tunnel or overhead pedestrian crossing has been provided shall yield the right of way to all vehicles on the roadway.
- C. Between adjacent intersections at which traffic control signals are in operation, pedestrians shall not cross at any place except in a marked crosswalk.

STATISTICS

From 5/01/2017 to 07/31/2017 there were 52 jaywalking related citations or warnings. The following is a summary of these citations/warning.

- Percent of total citations/warning issued by race:
 - White – 50% (26)
 - Hispanic – 21% (11)
 - Black – 15% (8)
 - Native American – 4% (2)
 - White, unknown ethnicity – 8% (4)
 - Unknown race – 2% (1)
- Percent of stops which resulted in a citation instead of a warning:
 - White – 77% (20 cites, 6 warnings)
 - Hispanic – 73% (8 cites, 3 warnings)
 - Black – 63% (5 cites, 3 warnings)
 - Native American – 50% (1 cite, 1 warning)

STATISTICS (CONTINUED)

- Percent of total citations/warnings issued by sex:
 - Males – 85% (44)
 - Females – 15% (8)
- Percent of stops which resulted in a citation instead of a warning:
 - Males – 73% (32 citations, 12 warnings)
 - Females – 65% (5 citations, 3 warnings)

STATISTICAL ANALYSIS FOR FATALITIES

- 2017 (January – September)
 - 23 total fatal collisions
 - Pedestrian fatalities – 13
 - Seven (7) since increased enforcement activities from May – September
- 2016 (January – December)
 - 28 total fatal collisions
 - 30 deaths
 - Pedestrian fatalities - 10

STATISTICAL COMPARISONS 2015

- Arizona State
 - 153 pedestrian fatalities
 - 2.24% of 100,000 population
- United States
 - 5,376 pedestrian fatalities
 - 1.67 of 100,000 population

EDUCATION – ENFORCEMENT - ENGINEERING

- We continue to conduct educational and enforcement contacts with the public
 - Raise awareness of the dangers to reduce deaths and injuries
 - Engage in conversation with the public
 - Provide safety reminders
 - Community engagement
 - Neighborhood Speed Watches
 - Crossing Guards
 - Safe routes for walking and riding
 - Radar Speed Trailers

- We engage in dialogue with the transportation department, ADOT, and GOHS
 - Analyze trends based on roadway/intersections
 - Address roadway improvement/upgrades/design



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QUESTIONS?

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