



Safe Street Search

Activity Guide for Kids & Parents



Introduction

About this activity:

Regardless of where you live, your neighborhood is a genuine library of street design history.

No matter how ordinary, every street, intersection corner, and crosswalk in your neighborhood was engineered based on various engineering standards used by your state's department of transportation and your local public works.

Many of these standards focused on automobile speed as a priority, not pedestrian safety. This is slowly changing towards a more balanced approach that takes walkability into account.

In this activity, you can document the different types of pedestrian-first street designs in your neighborhood, in addition to design hazards that may still exist.

You may find it beneficial to print out a map of your neighborhood to assist.

Good luck!

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Comments and suggestions

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If your question or comment relates to this guide, please provide the version number and publication date so we can provide you with accurate assistance.

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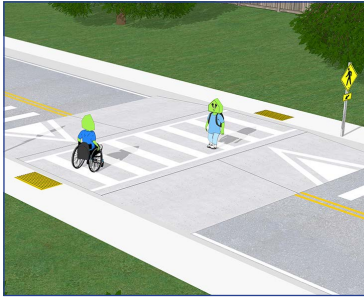
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Safe Street Search:

Any raised crosswalk



Pedestrian islands



**Wide sidewalks
(5 feet or greater)**



Instructions:

Count the number of pedestrian-friendly designs like these in your neighborhood.

Add the total in the space below each picture.

When you are finished, add *all* six totals below:

I found a total of _____

Speed limit: 25MPH or less



**Mid-block crosswalks
(with signs or signals only)**



Street trees



safer street designs in my neighborhood.

Hazard Hunt:

No sidewalks



Missing curb ramps



Missing tactile pavers



Instructions:

Count the number of designs seen here that can make walking dangerous in your neighborhood.

Add the total in the space below each picture.

When you are finished, add *all* six totals below:

I found a total of _____

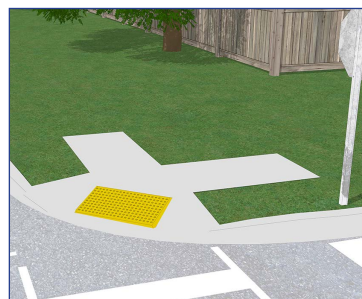
**Mid-block crosswalks
(with NO signs or signals)**



Residential speed limit over 25MPH



Dead-end sidewalks



design hazards in my neighborhood.



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