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Introduction

At the invitation of Healthy Azusa, the University of California at Berkeley's Safe Transportation Research and Education Center (SafeTREC) and California Walks (Cal Walks) facilitated a community-driven pedestrian and bicycle safety action-planning workshop for the Azusa Unified School District to improve pedestrian safety, bicycle safety, walkability, and bikeability across the school district and its various jurisdictions including the cities of Covina and Azusa and unincorporated Los Angeles County.

Prior to the workshop, Cal Walks staff conducted an in-person site visit on Wednesday, July 19, 2017, to adapt the Community Pedestrian and Bicycle Safety Training program curriculum to meet the local communities' needs and to provide context-sensitive example strategies for the community's existing conditions. Cal Walks facilitated the workshop on Wednesday, August 30, 2017 from 7:30 am to 1:00 pm, which consisted of: 1) student drop-off observations 2) an overview of multidisciplinary approaches to improve pedestrian and bicycle safety; 3) three walkability and bikeability assessments along three key routes; and 4) small group action-planning discussions to facilitate the development of community-prioritized recommendations to inform the Azusa Unified School District about active transportation and Safe Routes to Schools efforts. This report summarizes the workshop proceedings, as well as ideas identified during the process and recommendations for pedestrian and bicycle safety projects, policies, and programs.

Background

Community Pedestrian and Bicycle Safety Training Program

The Community Pedestrian and Bicycle Safety Training (CPBST) program is a joint project of UC Berkeley SafeTREC and Cal Walks. Funding for this program is provided by a grant from the California Office of Traffic Safety (OTS) through the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA). The purpose of the CPBST program is to train local neighborhood residents and safety advocates on how to improve pedestrian and bicycle safety and to strengthen their collaboration with local officials and agency staff to make communities safer and more pleasant to walk and bike. For each training, the program convenes a multi-sector, multi-disciplinary local planning committee to tailor and refine the training's curriculum and focus to meet the community's needs. Additionally, Cal Walks staff conduct pre-training site visits to collect on-the-ground observations of existing walking and biking conditions to inform the training's scope and focus.

The half-day training is designed to provide participants with both pedestrian and bicycle safety best practices and a range of proven strategies (the 6 E's: Empowerment & Equity, Evaluation, Engineering, Enforcement, Education, and Encouragement) to address and improve pedestrian and bicycle safety conditions and concerns. Participants are then guided on a walkability and bikeability assessment of nearby streets before setting pedestrian and bicycle safety priorities and actionable next steps for their community.

For a summary of outcomes from past CPBST workshops, please visit:

www.californiawalks.org/projects/cpbst and <https://safetrec.berkeley.edu/programs/cpbst>

Selected Pedestrian & Bicycle Safety Conditions in the Azusa Unified School District

High Speeds & Wide Streets

The posted speed limits along Arrow Highway, Azusa Avenue, and Lark Ellen Avenue near the workshop location are 45, 40, and 40 miles per hour (MPH) respectively; however, Cal Walks staff observed drivers traveling at much higher speeds during the site visit and workshop. Drivers also appear to exceed the 25 mph speed limit on residential streets in the school zones for Gladstone High School, Ellington Elementary, and Valleydale Elementary Schools. Arrow Highway, Azusa Avenue, Lark Ellen Avenue measure from 58 feet to over 80 feet in curb-to-curb width with two travel lanes in each direction, a stripped center left turn lane or dedicated left turn lane, parallel parking in various locations along one side of the street, sidewalks, and a mix of unmarked and marked crossings. Intermittently, frontage roads are found along both sides of Arrow Highway and along the west side of Lark Ellen Avenue near the Gladstone High School. Research has demonstrated that wide streets and wide travel lanes are associated with higher vehicle speeds¹, which affect the safety of people walking and bicycling.



Wide vehicle lanes on Lark Ellen Avenue.

¹ See Kay Fitzpatrick, Paul Carlson, Marcus Brewer, and Mark Wooldridge, "Design Factors That Affect Driver Speed on Suburban Arterials": Transportation Research Record 1751 (2000):18–25.

Lack of Bicycle Facilities

No bicycle lanes exist in the Gladstone High School area, but Cal Walks staff observed bicyclists riding along Arrow Highway and Lark Ellen Avenue in the travel lane, on the sidewalk, and on frontage roads. Not only did the area surrounding Gladstone High School lack bicycle infrastructure but the area also lacks safe and comfortable connections to existing off-street bicycle trails in neighboring communities. During the workshop, County representatives confirmed plans to add bicycle facilities in the near future along the Big Dalton Wash that runs through Covina and connects to nearby bicycle routes and off-street trails.



A bicyclist rides east along Arrow Highway towards Azusa Avenue.

Inadequate Enhancements for Marked Pedestrian Crossings and Unmarked Crossings

During the site visit, Cal Walk staff observed marked and unmarked crosswalks near Gladstone High School, Valleydale Elementary, and Ellington Elementary. High-visibility marked crosswalks exist observed on Lark Ellen Avenue and Tudor Street; on Aspan Avenue near Ellington Elementary School; and on Enid Avenue near Valleydale Elementary School. All crossings along Enid Avenue near Gladstone High School are unmarked (Alcross Street, Bygrove Street, Gragmont Street, Devanah Street, Nubia Street, and Groverdale Street).



An unmarked crossing along Enid Avenue in front of Gladstone High School.



A standard marked crosswalk at Enid Avenue and Arrow Highway is difficult to see by pedestrians and vehicles.

Pedestrian and Driver Behaviors at Marked and Unmarked Crossings

Cal Walk staff observed drivers blocking the length of Enid Avenue in front of Gladstone High School during morning school arrival hours, while students crossed the street outside of the unmarked crossing, in the middle of the intersection, or between cars. The lack of any marked crosswalks and pedestrian crossing signage along Enid Avenue encourages unsafe driver and pedestrian behaviors.

All crossings at Arrow Highway and Enid Avenue are standard marked crosswalks and the intersection has a traditional design. During school dismissal, large groups of students gather on the sidewalk at the intersection and wait to cross. Once the pedestrian crossing signal phase begins, students continue crossing beyond the allotted pedestrian signal timing, indicating that the crossing phase timing may not be sufficient. Additionally, drivers, turn right or left onto Arrow Highway through breaks in groups of students crossing the street, thereby not respecting the pedestrian signal or the right-of-way of the students crossing.



Gladstone High School students cross in between vehicles on Enid Avenue, an unmarked crossing is just outside of the frame of the photo.

Missing Sidewalks & Sidewalks in Disrepair

Due to the location of Gladstone High School, at the junction of three jurisdictions — Covina, Azusa, and unincorporated Los Angeles County — sidewalks vary in width and condition when they exist. The east side of Enid Avenue from Arrow Highway to Nubia Street has sidewalks buffered by a landscaping/planting strip, but they are too narrow for two adults to walk comfortably side-by-side. The west side of Enid Avenue, in unincorporated Los Angeles County, does not have sidewalks at all, and overgrown vegetation, shrubs, and fencing extend out into the street, often forcing students to walk directly in the roadway. Shade is only available from Nubia Street to Gragmont Street on the east side of Enid Avenue, where the landscape buffer contains shade trees; the rest of the east side of Enid Avenue is unshaded although there is a landscape buffer. At Gragmont Street and Enid Avenue the sidewalk is upheaved from expanding tree roots.



An unmarked crossing with a drainage channel in the crossing zone on Enid Avenue and Bygrove Street.



An uplifted sidewalk segment on Enid Avenue in front of Gladstone High School.

Lack of Pedestrian-Scale Lighting

Cal Walks staff observed a lack of pedestrian-scale lighting, especially near the commercial center at Azusa Avenue and Arrow Highway and near Valleydale Elementary, Ellington Elementary, and Gladstone High School. Pedestrian-scale lighting is also missing near transit stops and shelters along Arrow Highway.



Lack of pedestrian-scale lighting at bus shelters and transit stops along Arrow Highway.

Pedestrian & Bicycle Collision History

Between 2011-2015,² there were 87 pedestrian collisions in the City of Azusa, including four (4) fatalities and ten (10) severe injuries, with collisions concentrated on Foothill Boulevard and Azusa Avenue. 56.2% of these pedestrian collisions can be attributed to a driver violation, while 16.1% of pedestrian collisions can be attributed to a pedestrian violation. Over the 10-year period between 2006-2015, pedestrian collisions appear to be on an upward trajectory, except during the most recent recorded year, where collisions decreased.

Between 2011-2015, there were 136 bicycle collisions in the City of Azusa, including one (1) fatality and ten (10) severe injuries, with collisions concentrated on Foothill Boulevard, Azusa Avenue, and San Gabriel Avenue. For bicycle collisions, 16% are attributed to a right-of-way violation either by a bicyclist or driver and 15.3% are attributed to improper turning either by a bicyclist or driver, and 15.3% are attributed to bicyclists riding on the wrong side of the road. Over the 10-year period between 2006-2015, bicycle collisions appear to be on a downward trajectory.

UC Berkeley SafeTREC also conducted additional collision analysis of schools of interest in the Azusa Unified School District. Between 2011-2015, there were ten (10) pedestrian and bicycle collisions around Gladstone High School, including two (2) pedestrian fatalities. Between 2011-2015, there were ten (10) pedestrian and bicycle collisions near Ellington Elementary School, including one (1) pedestrian fatality. Between 2011-2015, there were 19 pedestrian and bicycle collisions around Center Middle School, including one (1) fatality and two (2) severe injuries. Between 2011-2015, there were 17

² Please note 2014 and 2015 data is provisional.

pedestrian and bicycle collisions near Valleydale Elementary School, including one (1) fatality and three (3) severe injuries. Of these collisions, nineteen (19) involved school-aged children.

A full discussion of the pedestrian and bicyclist collision data prepared by UC Berkeley SafeTREC can be found Appendix A.

August 30, 2017 Workshop

Healthy Azusa requested a workshop to 1) provide City/County staff, community organizations, and residents with a toolkit for promoting pedestrian and bicycle safety to inform future active transportation projects and safe routes to school in the Azusa Unified School District; 2) strengthen working relationships between the school district staff and board members, Bike San Gabriel Valley, the YMCA, local law enforcement agencies and other stakeholders to ensure the best outcomes for the residents of Azusa, Covina and unincorporated Los Angeles County; and 3) develop consensus regarding pedestrian and bicycle safety priority and actionable next steps.



Azusa Mayor Joseph Rocha welcoming workshop participants.

The workshop was hosted from 7:30 am to 1:00 pm, with lunch and simultaneous English to Spanish interpretation provided by the Azusa Unified School District to maximize community participation. Forty-three (43) individuals attended the workshop, including Azusa Mayor Joe Rocha, Covina Mayor Jorge Marquez, representatives from the City of Azusa, Los Angeles County Board Supervisor Hilda Solis' office, Azusa Unified School District, Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department, Healthy Azusa, the Valleydale and Ellington Elementary School Principals, Gladstone High School staff, Bike San Gabriel Valley, and numerous residents and parents. The workshop also included an optional observation of school arrival conditions at Gladstone High School.

Reflections from Walkability & Bikeability Assessment

Workshop participants conducted walkability and bikeability assessments along 3 routes:

- Route 1 traveled north from Gladstone High School towards Arrow Highway, west towards Lark Ellen Avenue, north towards Woodcroft Street, east towards Enid Avenue, north towards Newburgh Street, and south towards Gladstone High School. Route 1 focused on Arrow Highway and the area around Valleydale Elementary School.
- Route 2 traveled north from Gladstone High School towards Arrow Highway, east on one side of Arrow Highway towards Azusa Avenue, west on the other side of Arrow Highway, and south on Enid Avenue towards Gladstone High School. Route 2 focused on Arrow Highway between Enid Avenue and Azusa Avenue, a common destination for students on their way home from school.
- Route 3 traveled south from Gladstone High School towards Tudor Street, west along Tudor Street across Lark Ellen Avenue to Aspan Avenue, north along Aspan Avenue to Groverdale, east on Groverdale to Lark Ellen Avenue, south on Lark Ellen Avenue to Tudor Avenue, east along Tudor Avenue to Enid Avenue, and north on Enid Avenue to Gladstone High School. Route 3 focused on Tudor Street, crossings on Lark Ellen Avenue, and the area around Ellington Elementary.

Participants were asked to 1) observe infrastructure conditions and the behavior of all road users; 2) apply strategies learned from the 6 E's presentation that could help overcome infrastructure concerns and unsafe driver, pedestrian, and bicyclist behavior; and 3) identify positive community assets and strategies which can be built upon.

Following the walkability and bikeability assessment, the participants shared the following reflections:

- **Lack of Sidewalks and Poor Sidewalk Conditions:** Sidewalks are continuous along larger thoroughfares like Arrow Highway, Azusa Avenue, and Lark Ellen Avenue in the workshop area, but small residential streets like Enid Avenue, Woodcroft Street, and Tudor Street are missing sidewalks leading up to the schools. Residents noted that there are no sidewalks on the west side of Enid Avenue across from Gladstone High School, and the sidewalks on the east side of Enid Avenue are too narrow for two adults to walk side-by-side or pass comfortably. They also noted that during school dismissal, students walk in large groups and spill over into the street along the east side of Enid Avenue. The lack of continuous sidewalks is a major deterrent for Valleydale and Ellington Elementary parents to allow their students to walk or bike to school.



Overgrown vegetation blocks the walking path along the County portion of Enid Avenue.

Although there are shade trees and sidewalk landscape buffers along the main thoroughfares, the community noted there are large segments of sidewalks that offered no shade due to small trees with little foliage and landscape areas with missing trees. In some areas, overgrown vegetation from nearby homes narrowed the walking path and left debris. Participants noted sidewalks along Arrow Avenue on Route 2 are sufficiently wide, buffered from vehicle traffic, shaded, and clean.



An empty landscape buffer on Enid Avenue adjacent to Gladstone High School creates a sunny walking path.



Tree wells in front of Ellington Elementary School have been paved over.

- **School Zone Signage:** Participants on Route 1 and 2 noted there are no School Zone signs along Arrow Highway on the Covina side and it is difficult for fast moving vehicle traffic to identify the Gladstone High School marquee. Gladstone Principal Chris Silvas shared during the workshop that he expects a new, more visible marquee to be installed by the District within a year—which should help make the school more visible to passing vehicles.
- **Lack of Bicycle Facilities:** Participants noted a lack of bicycle infrastructure such as bicycle lanes and bicycle route signage throughout the workshop area. Despite this, several bicyclists were observed during the assessment riding on Arrow Highway. Participants expressed concern about riding in the roadway due to the high speed of vehicle traffic.
- **Lack of Marked & Enhanced Marked Crossings:** The standard marked crossings along Arrow Highway and Azusa Avenue are faded, with standard markings and require pedestrians to cross 5 lanes of vehicle traffic with few pedestrian crossing enhancements. Participants noted a lack of current ADA curb ramps along Arrow Highway. Participants who walked Route 1 toward Valleydale Elementary expressed concern over the lack of marked crossings at Enid Avenue and Woodcroft Street.
- **Bus Shelter at Enid Avenue and Arrow Highway:** The bus shelter on the northeast corner of Arrow Highway at Enid Avenue is located too close to the corner nearest Gladstone High

School. Participants noted there is often not enough space to wait. Further, the bench next to the bus shelter does not provide sufficient shade and is not well-lit at night.

- **Pedestrian and Vehicle Conflicts at Enid Avenue and Arrow Highway:** The intersection of Enid Avenue and Arrow Highway experiences pedestrian-vehicle conflicts, especially during Gladstone High School arrival and dismissal times. Participants expressed concern for students using the western crosswalk on Arrow Highway due to vehicles turning left onto Arrow Highway. As students cross in large groups, vehicles attempt to turn left in between groups of students. Similarly, as students cross in the eastern crosswalk on Arrow Highway, right-turning vehicles attempt to turn in between groups of students.

Community Resident Recommendations

Following the walkability and bikeability assessment, Cal Walks facilitated small-group action planning discussions. Workshop participants discussed two sets of questions: the first focused on identifying and prioritizing non-infrastructure community-led programs that can be sustained with little or no funding. The second focused on prioritizing infrastructure improvements in Azusa and identifying priority projects for Azusa and Los Angeles County.



Participants engaged in small group action planning discussions.

Workshop participants provided the following recommendations for overall pedestrian and bicyclist safety improvements:

Non-Infrastructure Priorities & Recommendations

- **Expand and Support Existing Safe Routes to School Efforts:** Participants would like to support Safe Routes to School (SRTS) efforts by highlighting community members who are already engaged in SRTS work and building capacity for future projects. They would like to apply for an SRTS education and encouragement grant through the Active Transportation Program (ATP) to expand and build programs across the Azusa Unified School District.

Healthy Azusa, District staff, and parents have already conducted Safe Routes to School assessments for elementary schools in the District, and they would like to expand the existing Walk to School Day walking school bus program to a bi-annual program potentially during Bike to School Day in May to complement the current annual event during Walk to School Day in October. Los Angeles County Public Works representatives shared Safe Routes to School maps for nearby elementary schools with preferred walking routes during the workshop, and workshop participants hoped to use these maps to support current walking school bus efforts. The program can also be supported by allowing student volunteer hours to be used during SRTS events.

Participants also discussed the need to develop SRTS programs that are relevant and engaging to older junior high and high school students. A funded SRTS program would support the formation of an SRTS Task Force and school champions that can develop sustainable SRTS programs with little or no funding.

Participants would like to add active transportation education messaging throughout the community by taking advantage of the Southern California Association of Government's (SCAG) *Go Human* campaign, which provides lawn signs with safety education messages to school districts and cities. They would also like to prioritize adding pedestrian safety messages on sidewalks where students are likely to walk. Additional SRTS education efforts will focus on teaching safe walking and biking skills at a young age and providing helmet safety programs to the community.

Infrastructure Priorities & Recommendations



A well-worn walking path on the east side of Enid Avenue leading to Valleydale Elementary.

- **Sidewalk Installation:** Participants highlighted the need to install sidewalks in the workshop area, especially near schools and places where students are likely to walk. Priority locations identified by participants include the west side of Enid Avenue from Arrow Highway to Tudor Street and the east side of Enid Avenue from Arrow Highway leading to Valleydale Elementary School. Residents also expressed the need to address overgrown vegetation along existing sidewalks and walking paths. Los Angeles County Public Works staff recommended residents use the County's [SeeClickFix](#) online and mobile reporting system.

- **School Zone Signage:** Participants called for the installation of a school zone sign on the City of Covina segment of Arrow Highway to signal to drivers to expect students in the area.
- **Crossing Enhancements:** Throughout the workshop area and particularly at intersections near schools, participants noted crossing challenges due to faded standard transverse crosswalks, lack of bulb-outs/curb extensions, lack of ADA compliant ramps, and other traffic calming measures. Participants recommend the installation of high-visibility crosswalks near schools and across Arrow Highway, bulb-outs at Enid Avenue and Arrow Highway. Parents of Valleydale Elementary School students were also interested in the installation of a Rectangular Rapid Flash Beacon (RRFB) at the intersection of Enid Avenue and Woodcroft Street. Lastly, many workshop participants identified the installation of a dedicated left-turn signal for drivers on Arrow Highway and Enid Avenue as their top priority to improve safety. Los Angeles County Public Works staff shared with participants that the County is already planning on making the requested improvement and provided a project timeline with an expected completion of no later than December 2018.
- **Additional Street & Pedestrian-Scale Lighting:** Participants recommended improving existing lighting conditions by installing additional street lighting and pedestrian-scale lighting, especially near schools. Currently, there are long stretches of both large arterials and residential streets with limited lighting. Parents shared that after-school programs extend into the evening and that they want their children to feel safer with lighting when such programs released students. Parents of Valleydale Elementary School also recommended adding pedestrian-scale lighting to the intersection of Woodcroft Street and Enid Avenue to improve safety for students and parents walking to school.



A high-visibility crosswalk at Aspan Avenue and Tudor Street across from Ellington Elementary.

California Walks/SafeTREC Recommendations

California Walks and SafeTREC also submit the following recommendations for consideration by the Azusa Unified School District, City of Covina, City of Azusa, and Los Angeles County:

- **City of Azusa, City of Covina, and Los Angeles County**
 - **Traffic Calming Measures along Arrow Highway & Lark Ellen Avenue:** Participants consistently identified Arrow Highway and Lark Ellen Avenue as two challenging streets for residents to cross and use while on foot or on bike. We recommend the County and Cities of Azusa and Covina collaborate to engage residents to identify long-term traffic calming measures, such as implementing a road diet, installing bulb-outs, enhanced crossings, transit-priority lanes, and physically-separated bicycle infrastructure, for consideration on Arrow Highway and Lark Ellen Avenue. Because of concerns around speed, it would be helpful for the county to gather speed data along Arrow Highway, Azusa Avenue, and Lark Ellen Avenue. These types of improvements can decrease vehicle speeds and improve safety for pedestrians, bicyclists, and drivers. We

recommend that the County engage the community in the Fall 2017/Winter 2018 in order to prepare an application to the state's Active Transportation Program in Spring 2018.

- **Apply for Infrastructure Funds for Gladstone High School:** Sidewalks are needed on the west side of Enid Avenue in unincorporated Los Angeles County and marked crossings are needed along Enid Avenue across from Gladstone High School in the County and City of Covina. Cal Walks and SafeTREC recommend continued collaboration between the School District, City of Covina, and LA County to apply for infrastructure funding for pedestrian safety improvements along Enid Avenue. Additionally, we recommend that the street owner(s) install a raised crossing with high-visibility crosswalk markings on the southern leg of the Enid Avenue and Devanah Street intersection.



Example of raised crosswalk leading to a school in Eureka, CA.
Photo Credit: Humboldt Partnership for Active Living

- **Crossing Enhancements at Enid Avenue and Arrow Highway:** Signal timing during school arrival and dismissal hours should be observed and retimed across Arrow Highway at Enid Avenue to allow a walking pace of no more than 2.8" per second near the schools to help students and parents cross safely. We recommend that City/County staff collaborate to do a district-wide analysis of pedestrian signal timing at intersections near schools. We also recommend the City/County consider enabling a leading pedestrian interval(LPI) when the left-turn signal is installed by the County in December 2018. Other crossing safety enhancements such as bulb outs should be considered to shorten the crossing distance and time for pedestrians. Pedestrian refuge islands on Arrow Highway would also allow pedestrians to stop at the halfway point and finish crossing the street on the next pedestrian walk signal. Pedestrian refuge islands provide a safe place to stop for seniors, students, parents with small children, and others with limited mobility.

- **Azusa Unified School District**
 - **Improve Gladstone High School Pick-Up and Drop-Off Zone:** Cal Walks and Planning Committee members conducted observations of student arrival hours prior to the workshop. In the school drop-off zone, drivers failed to move forward in the school arrival and departure parking lot but concentrated in the area near the Main Office gate, creating a vehicle backup onto Enid Avenue. Drivers in the drop-off zone also double-parked, resulting in students having to walk between vehicles to get to the sidewalk. Cal Walks and SafeTREC recommend restriping the drop-off zone to create two dedicated drop-off lanes and installing signage instructing drivers to pull forward and watch for passing students. Additionally, we recommend that the School District collaborate with Healthy Azusa to launch a student safety patrol program that can help assist with managing the drop-off zone area.
 - **Establish a District Safe Routes to School Task Force:** The Azusa Unified School District, although based in Azusa, serves students in the City of Azusa, City of Covina, City of Glendora, and unincorporated LA County. Cal Walks and SafeTREC recommend the District establish a SRTS Task Force to engage all jurisdictions and in more frequent communication with one another and with residents, parents, and other SRTS champions.
 - **Develop Community Bicycle Plan:** Although there are some bicycle facilities in each of the jurisdictions, more and improved bicycling facilities and wayfinding are needed to ensure safety for students and community members along Arrow Highway, Lark Ellen Avenue, and Azusa Avenue. Wayfinding is needed to direct cyclists to existing and preferred bike routes. Cal Walks and SafeTREC recommend the District and City of Azusa collaborate and pursue funding for the development of a bicycle plan to identify bicycle infrastructure needs and develop a bikeway planning guide.

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We would like to acknowledge the many community members and agencies present at the workshop and their dedication to pedestrian and bicycle safety. Their collective participation meaningfully informed and strengthened the workshop's outcomes.

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Appendix A

Pedestrian and Bicycle Collision Data Analysis

Community Pedestrian and Bicyclist Safety Workshop –Azusa, CA – 8/30/17

Pedestrian and Bicycle Collision Analyses, 2006-15*

PEDESTRIANS

Number of Collisions Involving Pedestrians, 2006-15



The **blue** line shows the number of pedestrian collisions where a fatality and/or injury occurred. There were 189 people injured or killed in 174 pedestrian collisions over the last 10 years.

The **green** line shows the three-year moving average of the number of pedestrian collisions where a fatality and/or injury occurred. The moving average is useful for tracking trend change over time, especially when the number of collisions is subject to variability. Data points are the midpoint of the three years of data specified.

The following analyses are based on the most current five years, 2011 to 2015, of data for Azusa, CA. There were 94 people killed or injured in 87 pedestrian collisions.

Top Violation Types for Collisions Involving Pedestrians

Type of Violation	Collisions N(%)
Driver must yield pedestrian right of way in a crosswalk	34 (39.1%)
Pedestrian yield, upon roadway outside crosswalk	14 (16.1%)
Sidewalk, failure to yield to pedestrian on.	7 (8.0)
Unsafe speed for prevailing conditions (use for all prima facie limits)	5 (5.7%)
Unsafe turn with/without signaling.	3 (3.4%)
Other violation*	24 (27.6%)
Total	87 (100.0%)

* Note: Each violation type accounted for two or fewer collisions.

Pedestrian Actions in Collisions Involving Pedestrians

Pedestrian Action	Collisions N(%)
Crossing in Crosswalk at Intersection	41 (47.1%)
Crossing Not in Crosswalk	24 (27.6%)
Not in Road	9 (10.3%)
In Road, Including Shoulder	7 (8.0%)
Not Stated	4 (4.6%)
Crossing in Crosswalk Not at Intersection	2 (2.3%)
Total	87(100.0%)

* Data Source: California Statewide Integrated Traffic Records System (SWITRS). Collision data for 2014 and 2015 are provisional at this time.

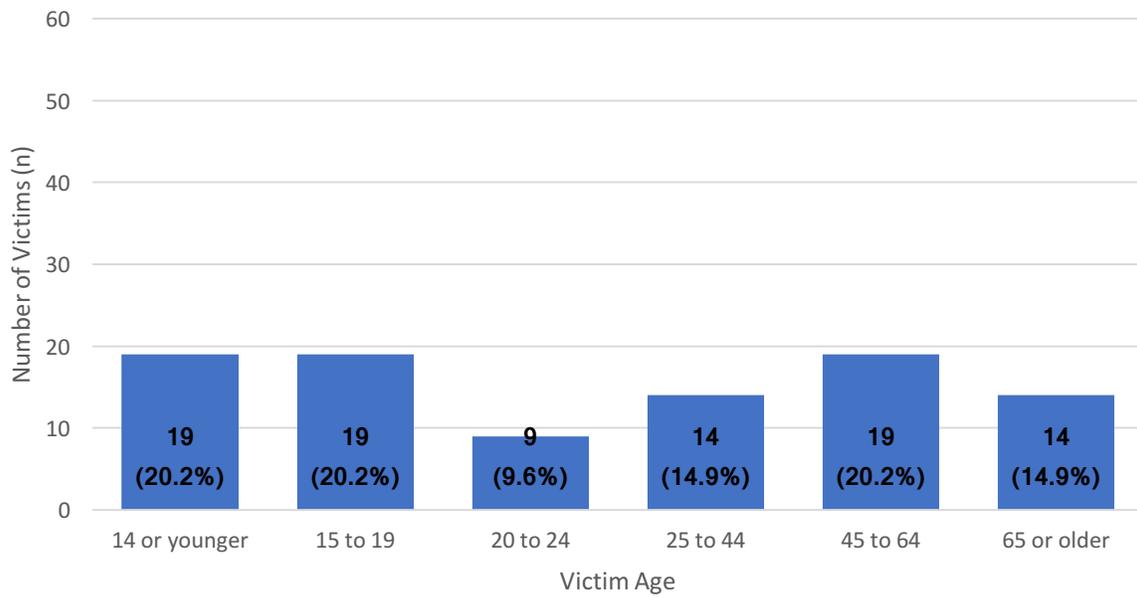
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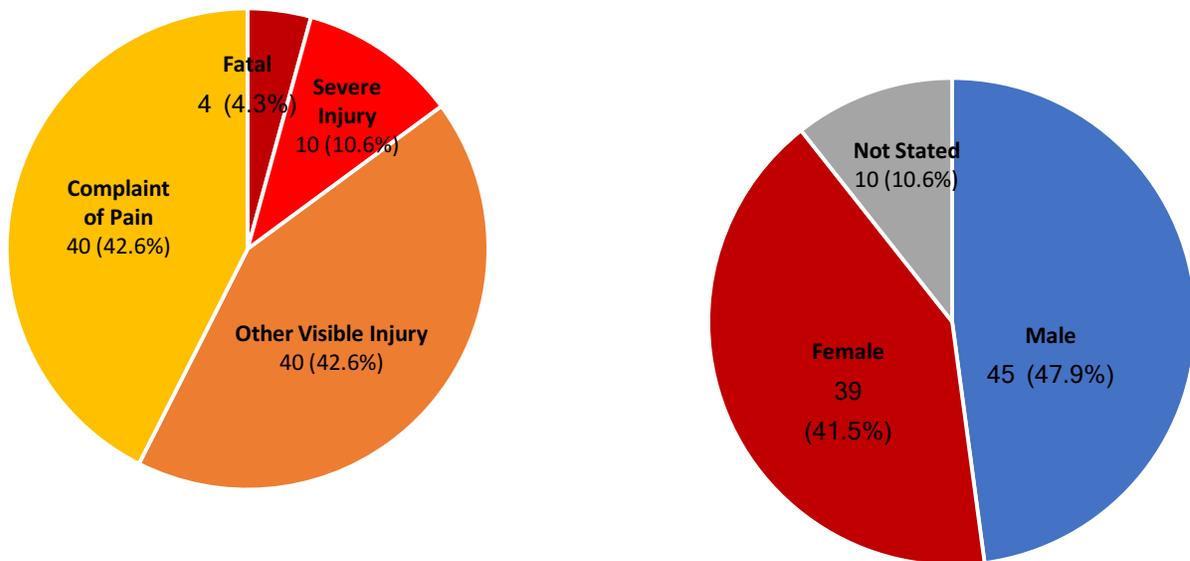
Pedestrian Victim Demographics

The age of pedestrian victims ranged considerably across all age groups, with youth age 19 or younger accounting for 40.4 percent of all victims. The majority of victims were male.



Victim Injury Severity, 2011-15

Most collisions resulted in minor injuries.



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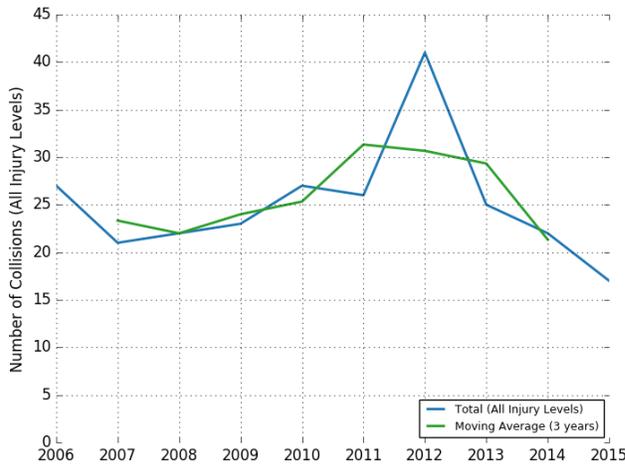
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Pedestrian and Bicycle Collision Analyses, 2006-15*

BICYCLISTS

Number of Collisions Involving Bicyclists, 2006-2015



The **blue** line shows the number of bicycle collisions where a fatality and/or injury occurred. There were 260 people killed or injured in 251 bicycle collisions over the last 10 years.

The **green** line shows the three-year moving average of the number of bicycle collisions where a fatality and/or injury occurred. The moving average is useful for tracking trend change over time, especially when the number of collisions is subject to variability.

The following analyses are based on the most current five years, 2011 to 2015, of data for Azusa, CA. There were 136 people killed or injured in 131 bicycle collisions.

Top Violation Types for Collisions Involving Bicycles

Type of Violation	Collisions N (%)
Automobile Right of Way	21 (16.0%)
Wrong Side of Road	20 (15.3%)
Improper Turning	17 (13.0%)
Traffic Signals and Signs	14 (10.7%)
Unsafe Speed	7 (5.3%)
Pedestrian Right of Way	7 (5.3%)
Unknown or not stated	25 (19.1%)
Other Violation*	20 (15.3%)
Total	131 (100.0%)

*Each violation type was reported five or fewer times.

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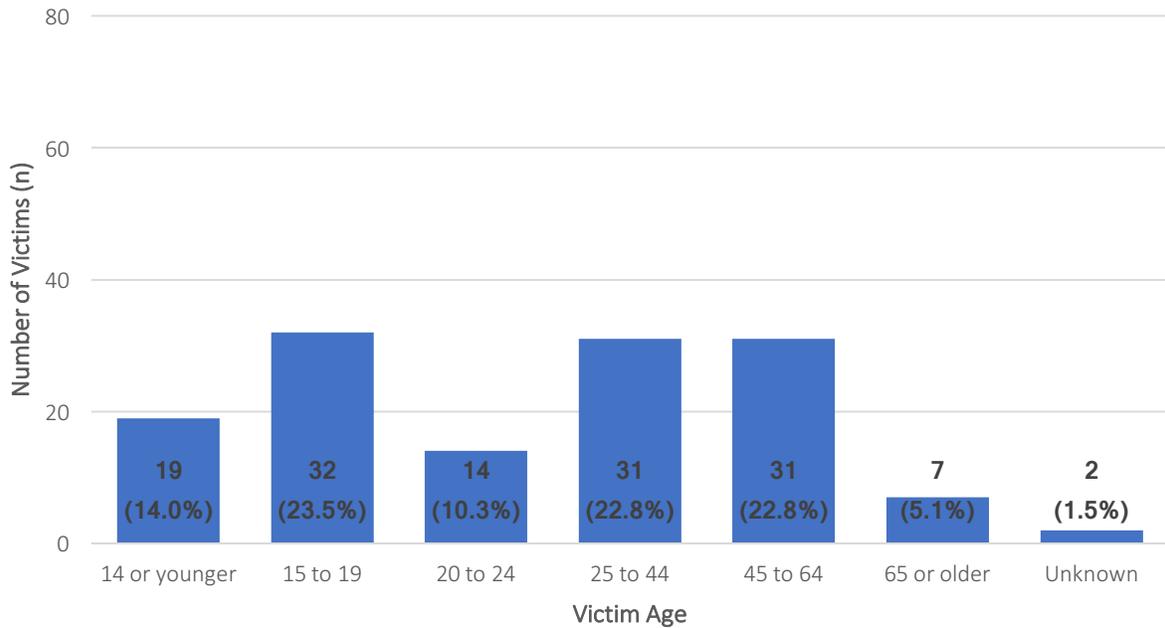
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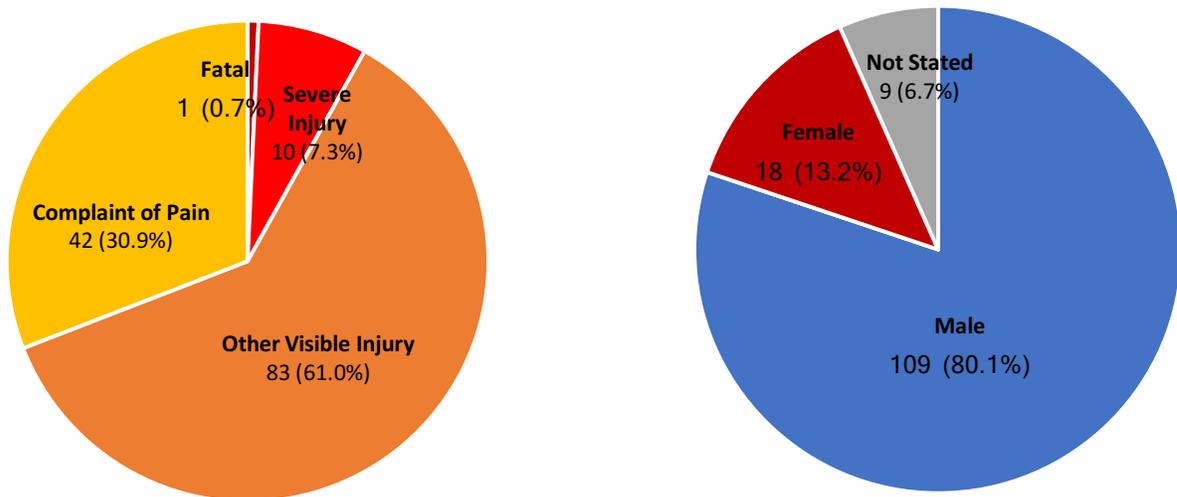
Bicycling Victims Demographics

The age of bicycling collision victims varied across all age groups, with youth age 19 or younger accounting for over one-third of victims. Victims were primarily male.



Victim Injury Severity, 2011-15

Most collisions resulted in minor injuries.



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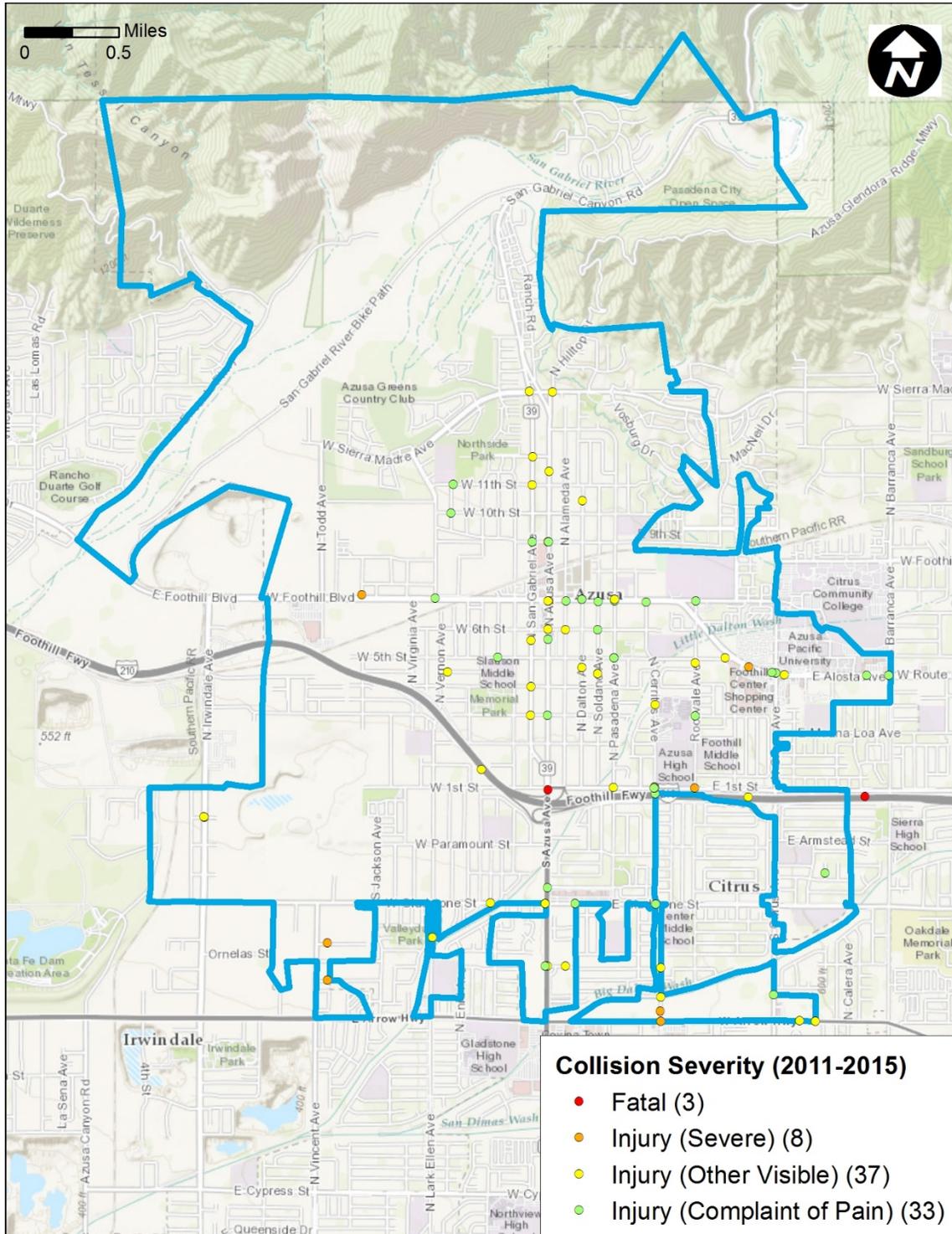
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Pedestrian Collision Locations, 2011-15

Note: Only 81 of 87 collisions are geo-coded.



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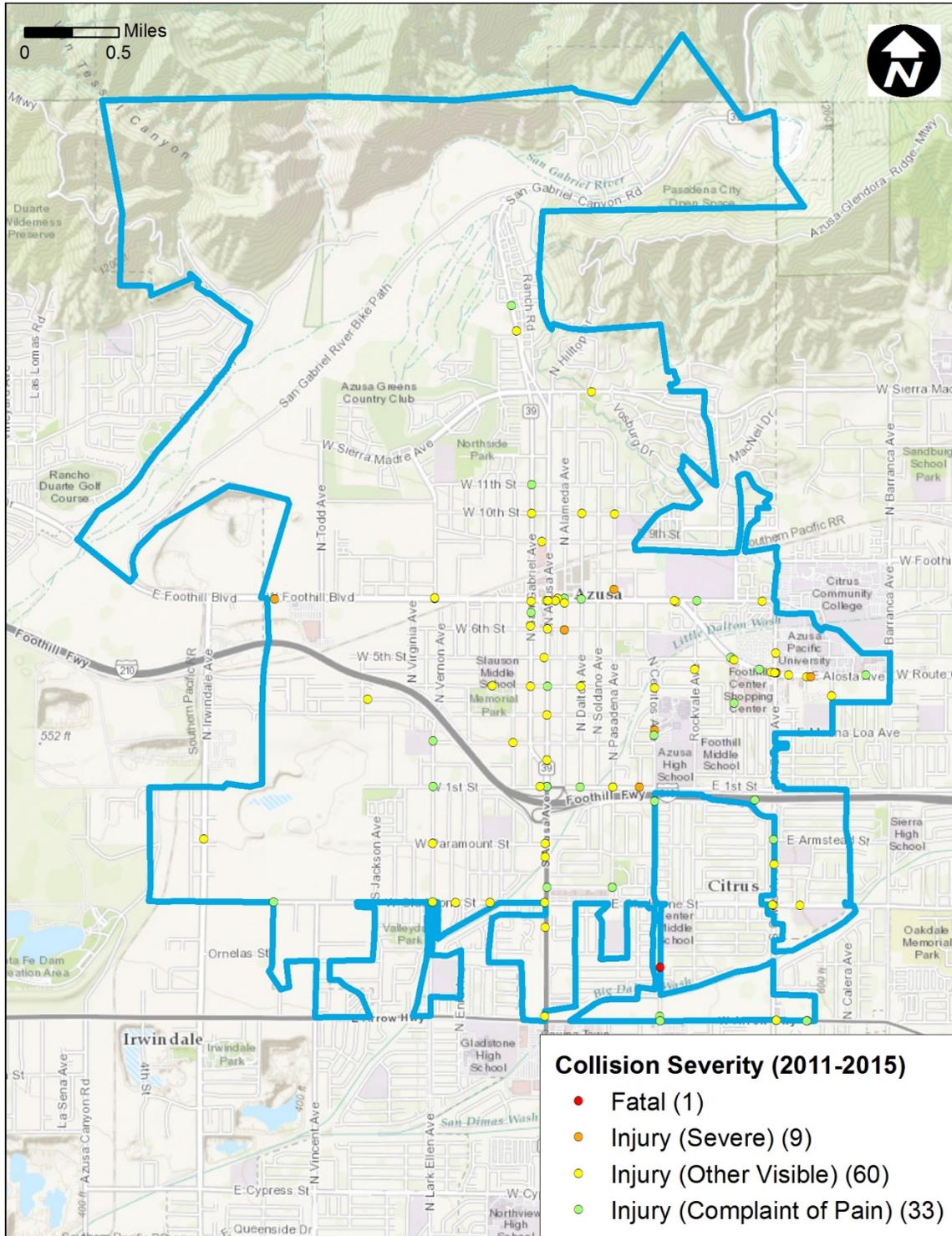
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Bicyclist Collision Locations, 2011-15

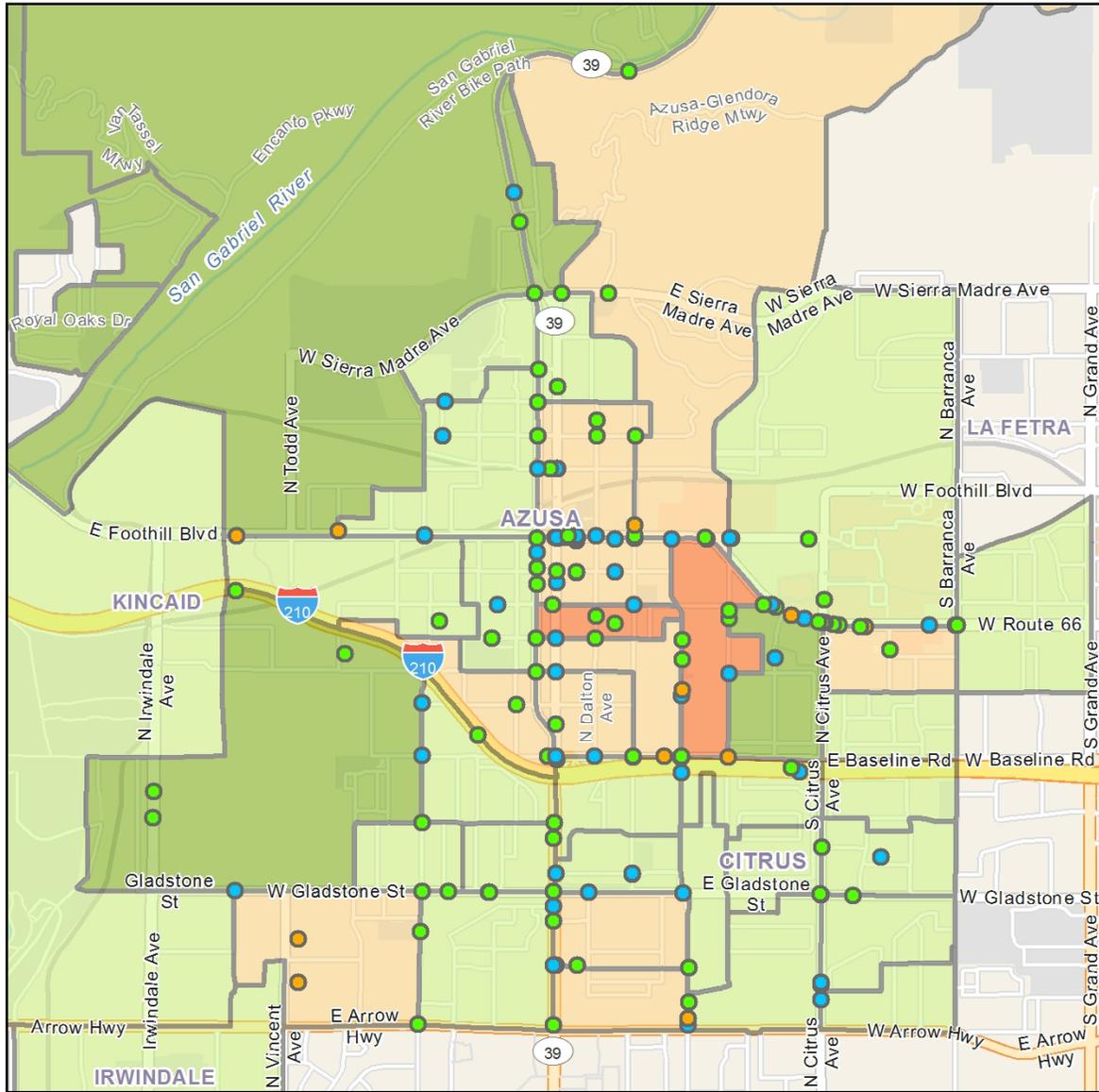
Note: Only 103 of 131 collisions are geo-coded.



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Azusa Bicycle/Pedestrian Collision Map (2011 - 2015)



Collision Severity (2011-2015)

- Fatal (4)
- Injury (Severe) (15)
- Injury (Other Visible) (95)
- Injury (Complaint of Pain) (63)

2016 Median Household Income

- < 35K
- 35K - 50K
- 50K - 75K
- > 75K

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PEDESTRIANS

Number of Collisions Involving Pedestrians, 2006-15



The **blue** line shows the number of pedestrian collisions where a fatality and/or injury occurred. There were 131 people injured or killed in 118 pedestrian collisions over the last 10 years.

The **green** line shows the three-year moving average of the number of pedestrian collisions where a fatality and/or injury occurred. The moving average is useful for tracking trend change over time, especially when the number of collisions is subject to variability. Data points are the midpoint of the three years of data specified.

The following analyses are based on the most current five years, 2011 to 2015, of data for Covina, CA. There were 64 people killed or injured in 56 pedestrian collisions.

Top Violation Types for Collisions Involving Pedestrians

Type of Violation	Collisions N (%)
Driver must yield pedestrian right of way in a crosswalk	27 (48.21%)
Pedestrian yield, upon roadway outside crosswalk	8 (14.29%)
Other	7 (12.50%)
Red or Stop, vehicles stop at limit line or X-walk.	3 (5.36%)
Jaywalking, between signal controlled intersections.	2 (3.57%)
Unsafe turn with/without signaling.	2 (3.57%)
'Walk' pedestrian failure to yield right-of-way to vehicles already in crosswalk.	2 (3.57%)
Other Violation	12 (8.95%)
Total	56 (100.02%)

Pedestrian Actions in Collisions Involving Pedestrians

Pedestrian Action	Collisions N (%)
Crossing in Crosswalk at Intersection	34 (60.71%)
Crossing Not in Crosswalk	16 (28.57%)
Not in Road	3 (5.36%)
In Road, Including Shoulder	2 (3.57%)
Crossing in Crosswalk Not at Intersection	1 (1.79%)

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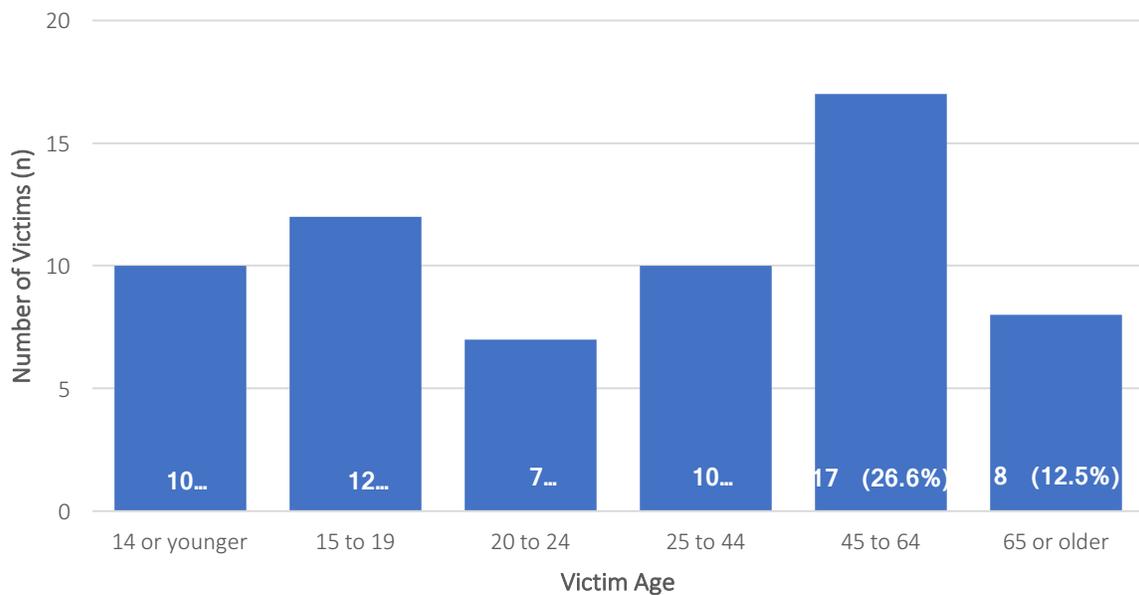
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Total	56 (100.0%)
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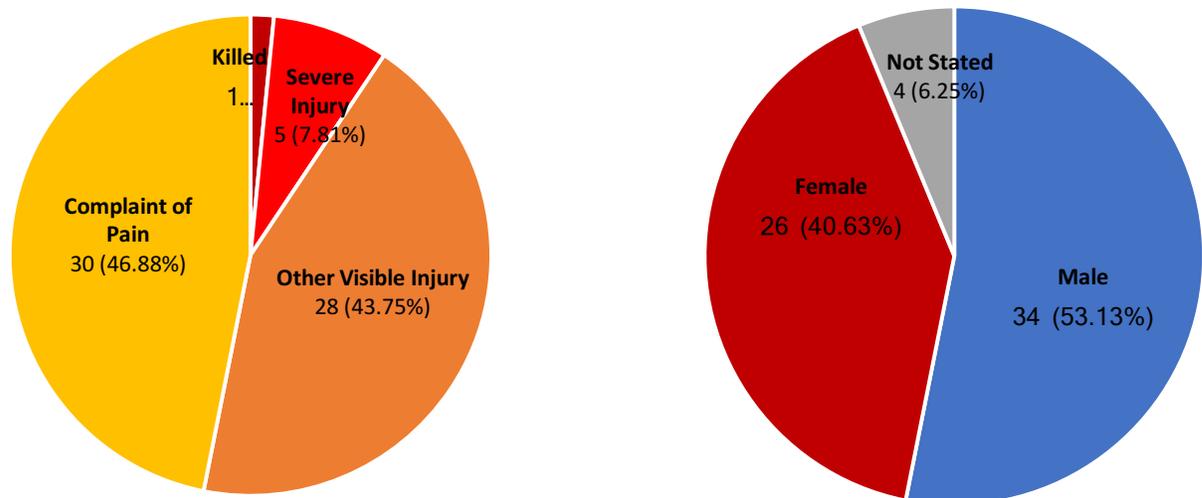
Pedestrian Victim Demographics

The age of pedestrian victims ranged considerably across all age groups, but adults 45 to 64 accounted for 26.6 percent of all victims. Victims were primarily male.



Victim Injury Severity, 2011-15

Most collisions resulted in minor injuries.



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BICYCLISTS

Number of Collisions Involving Bicyclists, 2006-2015



The **blue** line shows the number of bicycle collisions where a fatality and/or injury occurred. There were 113 people injured in 113 bicycle collisions over the last 10 years.

The **green** line shows the three-year moving average of the number of bicycle collisions where a fatality and/or injury occurred. The moving average is useful for tracking trend change over time, especially when the number of collisions is subject to variability.

The following analyses are based on the most current five years, 2011 to 2015, of data for Covina, CA. There were 47 people injured in 47 bicycle collisions.

Top Violation Types for Collisions Involving Bicycles

Type of Violation	Collisions N (%)
Wrong Side of Road	26 (55.32%)
Traffic Signals and Signs	5 (10.64%)
Improper Turning	4 (8.51%)
Other Hazardous Violation	3 (6.38%)
Automobile Right of Way	3 (6.38%)
Other Violation	5 (10.64%)
Unknown	1 (2.13%)
Total	47 (100.1%)

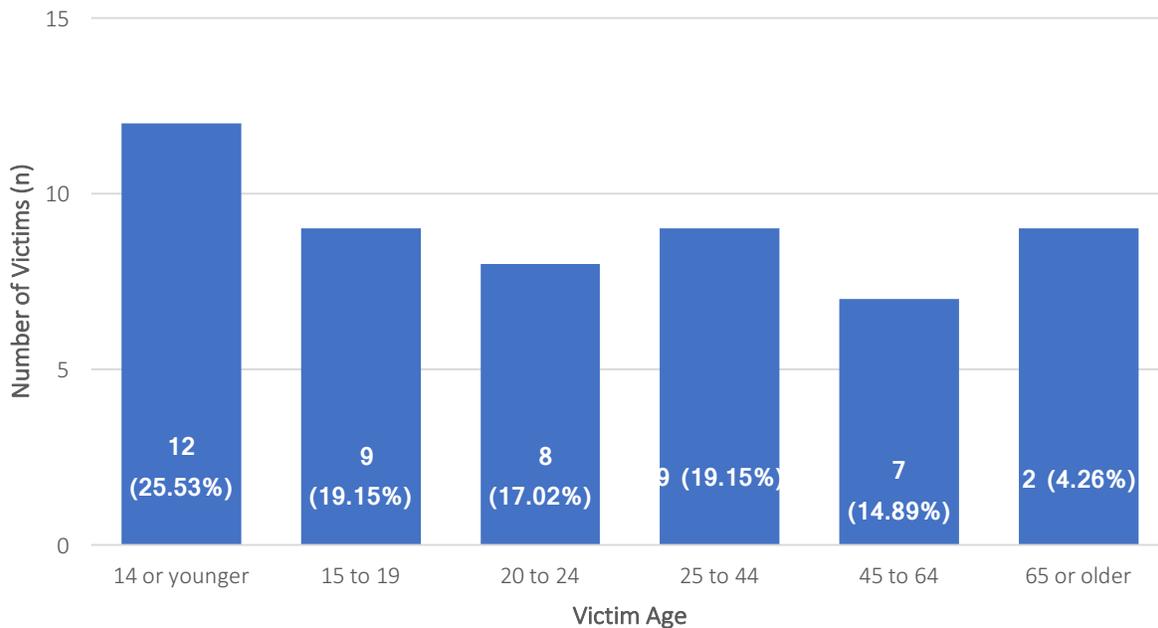
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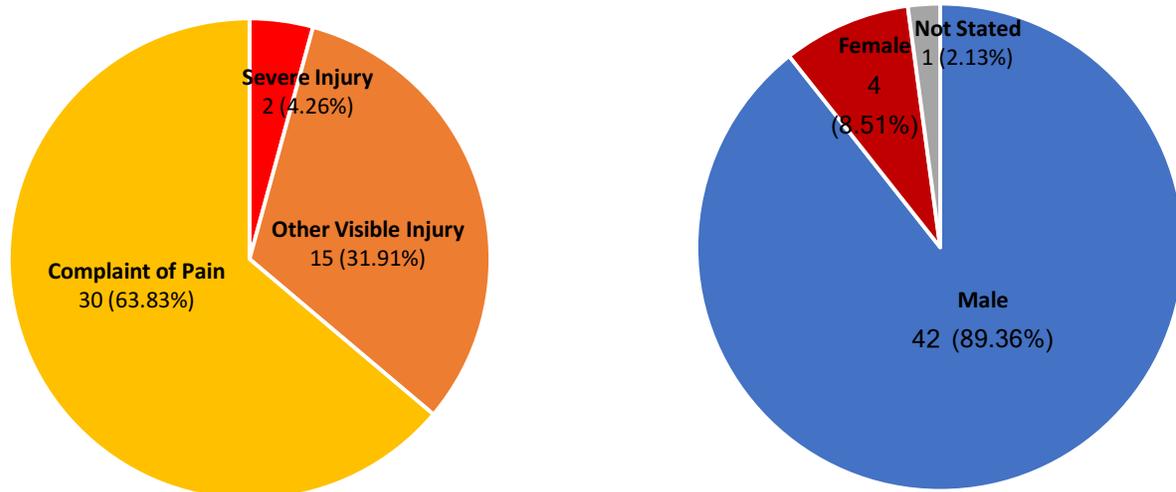
Bicycling Victims Demographics

The age of bicycling collision victims varied across all age groups, with youth age 14 or younger accounting for 25.53 percent of victims. The majority of victims were male.



Victim Injury Severity, 2011-15

Most collisions resulted in minor injuries.



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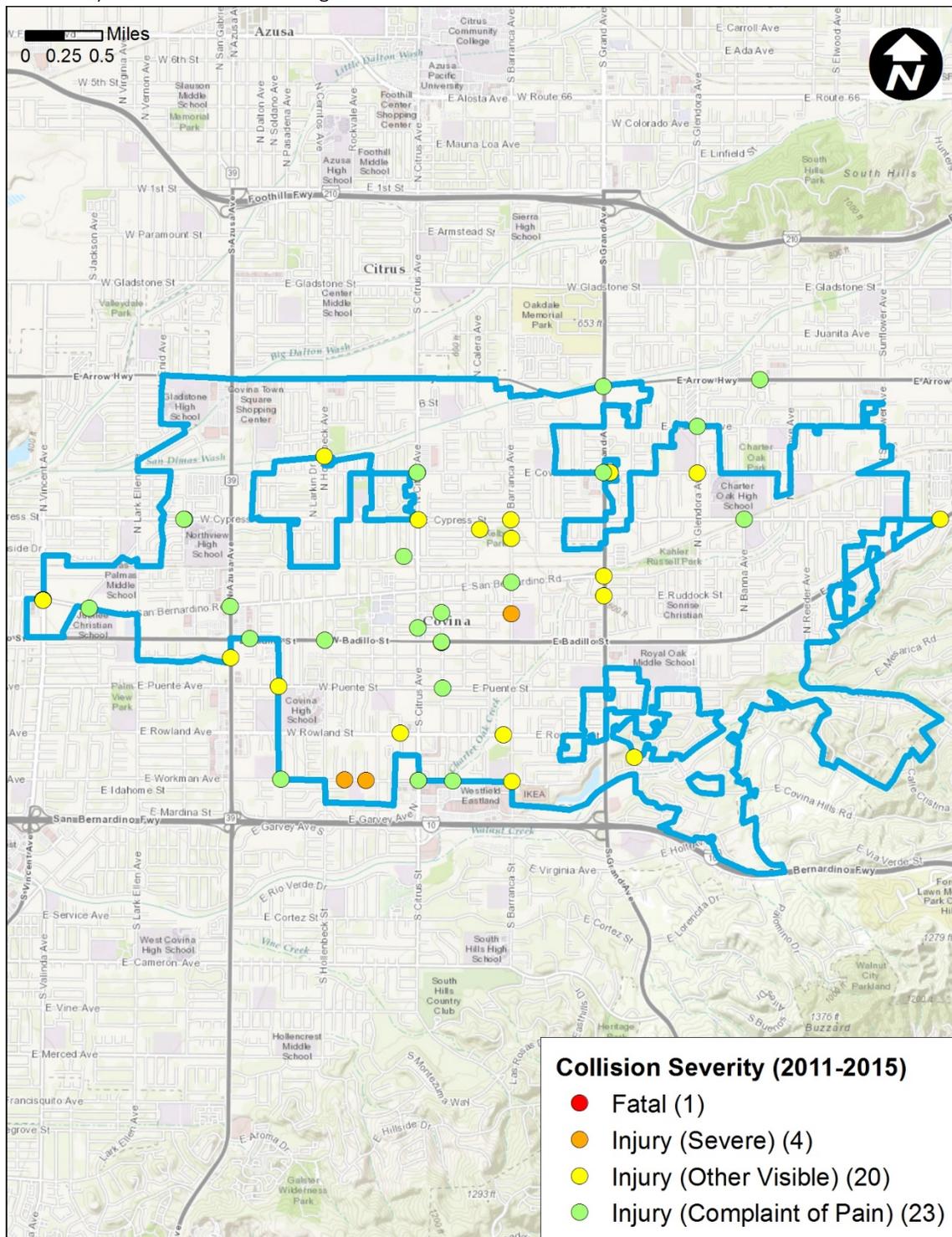
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Pedestrian Collision Locations, 2011-15

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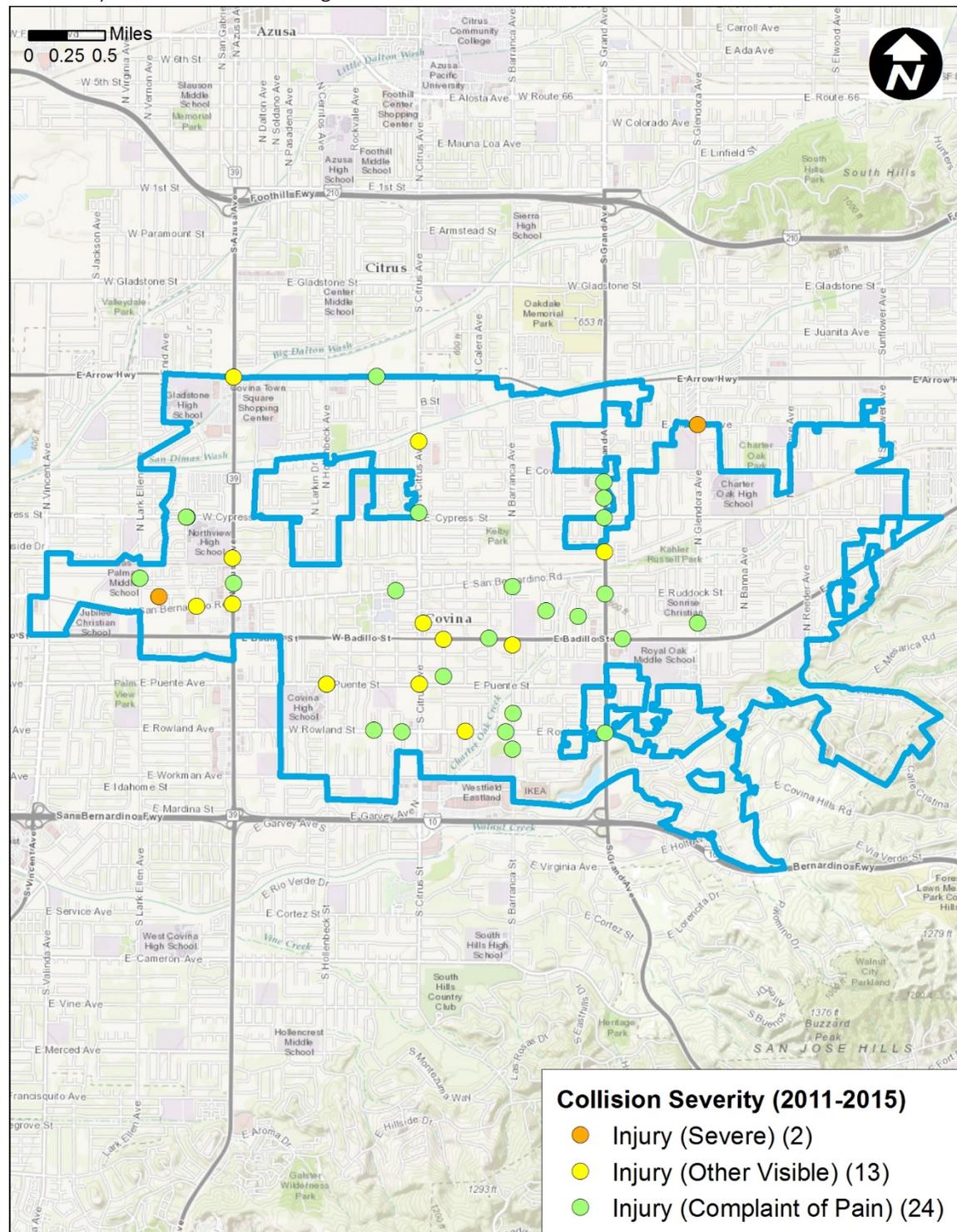
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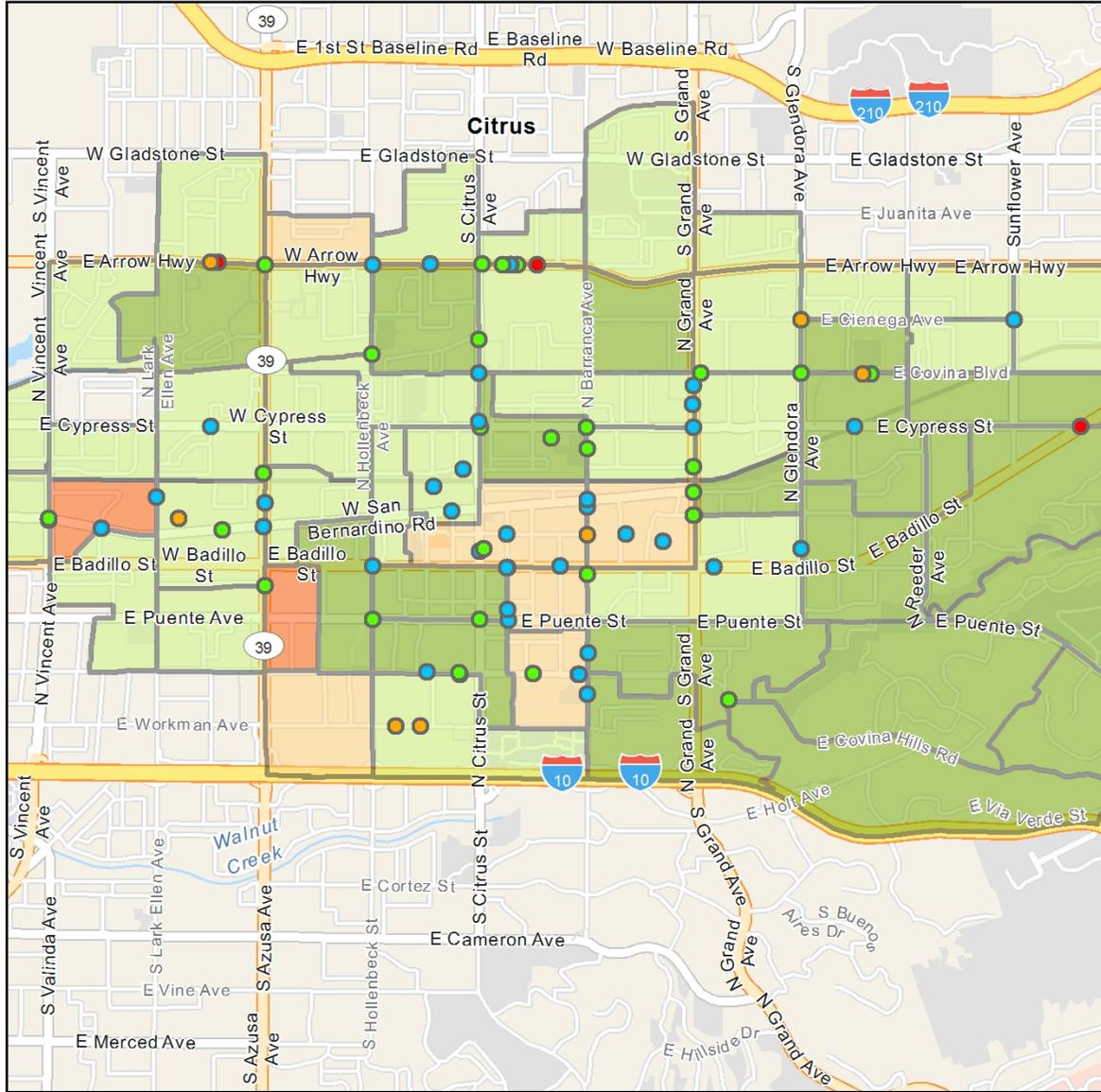
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Covina Bicycle/Pedestrian Collision Map (2011 - 2015)



Collision Severity (2011-2015)

- Fatal (4)
- Injury (Severe) (9)
- Injury (Other Visible) (36)
- Injury (Complaint of Pain) (44)

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