

### My Action Plan for 145th Ave SE and SE 42nd Pl

Are you feeling inspired to take action to address the traffic concerns on 145th Ave SE and SE 42nd Pl? Here is a checklist to help you get started:

- Talk to my neighbors and share the City’s findings and recommendations
- List interested neighbors who want to help me with efforts:
   
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- Decide the educational programs we want to participate in:
  - Neighborhood Speed Watch
  - Radar Dolly
  - Sign and Pledge Program
- Contact City staff to set-up a training session and get materials

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### More info

Find out more about these recommendations in our **Residential Traffic Guidebook** or by logging on to **Streets are for Everyone (SAFE)**—Neighborhood Traffic Safety Services’ blog.

Blog: <http://bellevuentss.wordpress.com>

Guidebook: [http://www.bellevuewa.gov/pdf/Transportation/Guidebook\\_Web.pdf](http://www.bellevuewa.gov/pdf/Transportation/Guidebook_Web.pdf)



# TRAFFIC ACTION PLAN



## 2012-006 145th Ave SE and SE 42nd Pl

June 10, 2013

[Redacted]

Bellevue, WA 98006

Subject: Accident Concerns at 145th Ave SE and SE 42nd Pl

Dear [Redacted]

Thank you for contacting Neighborhood Traffic Safety Services and letting us know your concerns with accidents in front of your house. We have completed a field review and data analysis and compiled this information into the enclosed Traffic Action Plan (TAP), as well as our recommendations.

Speed studies were conducted on 145th Ave SE north of SE 42nd Pl. From the speed studies conducted in October 2012, 85% of motorists were traveling 24 mph on 145th Ave SE. Also, the average speed on 145th Ave SE was 17-18 mph. Vehicle speeds along 145th Ave SE are typical for 25 mph neighborhood streets in Bellevue and indicate that most motorists are driving this roadway appropriately for conditions.

The data we collected showed average daily traffic of 73 vehicles on 145th Ave SE. The total number of vehicles travelling on 145th Ave SE during our weeklong study was 548 vehicles. Of these 548 vehicles, only 3 were traveling above 30 mph.

We understand your concern with the accidents occurring in front of your house. To clearly define the travel lane for motorists as they drive through the curve, centerline reflectors will be installed through the 145th Ave SE and SE 42nd Pl curve. In addition, we will install a “Residential Area” sign (see picture on page 2) on 145th Ave SE just north of SE Newport Way to note that one is entering a residential area. This blue and black sign is designed to promote a sense of community by showing pictures of homes, bicycles, pedestrians, and vehicles. It has a supplemental plaque that states “Residential Area.”

We encourage you and your neighbors to participate in one of our traffic education programs. To address your concerns with speeding, the City of Bellevue has a radar dolly that you can borrow. The radar dolly displays the speed of motorists, encouraging them to reduce their speed. The radar dolly has been effective in decreasing vehicle speeds in many areas of Bellevue. I encourage you to fill out the radar dolly request form. Once we receive this form from you, City staff will contact you to make arrangements for both the drop-off and pick-up of the radar dolly.

We appreciate your concerns and look forward to working with you. Please feel free to contact me at [lglas@bellevuewa.gov](mailto:lglas@bellevuewa.gov) or 425-452-2841 to participate in any of the education programs described in this Traffic Action Plan. For questions pertaining to the centerline reflectors, please contact Darek Jarzynski at [djarzynski@bellevuewa.gov](mailto:djarzynski@bellevuewa.gov) or 425-452-4277.



Sincerely,

Linda Glas, P.E.  
Neighborhood Traffic Safety Services  
Transportation Department





**Legend**

-  Future "Residential Area" sign
-  Future centerline reflectors in curve (not to scale)

Summary of Findings

Date of Study	Location of Study	Average Daily Traffic	Average Speeds		85th% Speeds*	
			Northbound	Southbound	Northbound	Southbound
October 2012	<b>A</b> 145th Ave SE north of SE 42nd Pl	73	18	17	24	24




\*85% of vehicles traveling at or below this speed





Customized Traffic Action Plan for 145th Ave SE and SE

Education, Encouragement, and Enforcement

By educating the community and encouraging safe driving, we can begin to change driver behavior and reduce vehicle speeds.




-  Educate the Community
-  Enhance Neighborhood Identity
-  Reduce Excessive Vehicle Speeds

Neighborhood Speed Watch  

Using a borrowed radar unit, you record information about vehicles you observe traveling at or above 30 mph. NTSS staff then locate the registered owners of the vehicles and send a letter to them asking for their cooperation in reducing their speed. A partner to assist you with the data collection is recommended.

Radar Dolly  

You can borrow and place a radar dolly on your street for up to two weeks. This unit gives motorists feedback on the speed at which they are driving, encouraging them to obey the speed limit. Should you like to borrow the radar dolly, please request it by calling (425) 452-6457 or sign up on [www.bellevuewa.gov/radardolly.htm](http://www.bellevuewa.gov/radardolly.htm).

Sign and Pledge Program   

This program involves lending communities portable signs that encourage motorists to respect the neighborhood, drive responsibly, and drive 25 mph. The signs are moved by community volunteers from place to place throughout the neighborhood every few days. The second part of the program is a neighborhood pace car program. Residents who pledge to drive responsibly and drive the speed limit on all neighborhood streets receive magnetic bumper stickers or window clings to place on their vehicles. As these motorists drive 25 mph on residential streets, they set the pace for drivers behind them.

