



Traffic Analysis Report 2024-002

SE 43rd Place west of Somerset Boulevard SE



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Thank you for contacting the City of Bellevue with your concerns about vehicle speeds on SE 43rd Place.

After conducting a field review and speed and volume studies at the requested location, we have compiled the data and our recommendations into this Traffic Analysis Report.

Please review the summary of findings and our recommendations on the next pages.



You specifically were concerned about vehicle speeds on SE 43rd Place west of Somerset Boulevard SE.

Our findings include:

- SE 43rd Place has a 25 MPH pavement marking to notify motorists of the 25 MPH speed limit. When considering a street for traffic calming measures such as the installation of speed humps, we look at a series of roadway characteristics including vehicle speeds, traffic volumes, reported collisions, proximity to schools, and walkability. These characteristics are analyzed to determine the location's ranking amongst other candidate

locations. Every two years, staff review the list of candidate locations and their ranking to select the projects that will move forward depending on available funding. We have added SE 43rd Place to the list for consideration.

- We recommend you utilize our yard signs or radar dolly to help encourage motorists to respect the speed limit. We encourage you to speak with your neighbors about the included education program recommendations. If you and your neighbors would like to move forward with these programs, please contact me at lpavletich@bellevuewa.gov or at 425-452-4636.

Summary of Findings

Below is a summary of the data we collected on on SE 43rd Place west of Somerset Boulevard from 2/27/24-3/4/24



Road Characteristics

43rd Place NE is a residential street approximately 35ft wide. There is sidewalk on the north side of the street.



Residential Street

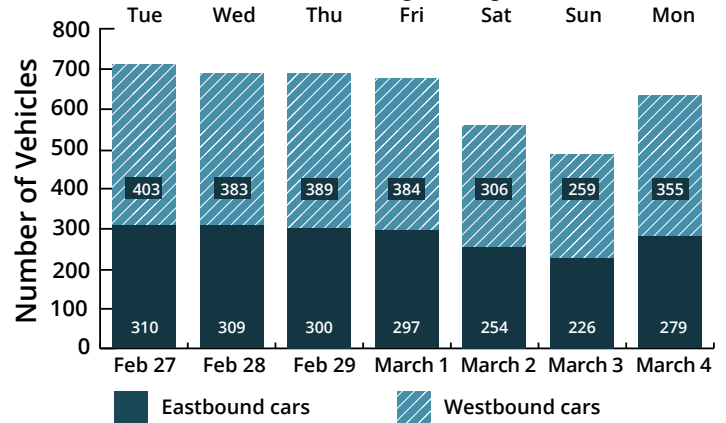
43rd Place is a residential street in Somerset with a speed limit of 25 mph.



Daily Traffic

The mid-week daily average traffic on 43rd Place is 698 cars per day. Mid-week average includes data between Tuesday and Thursday for both directions of travel.

Traffic Volume by Day (2024)

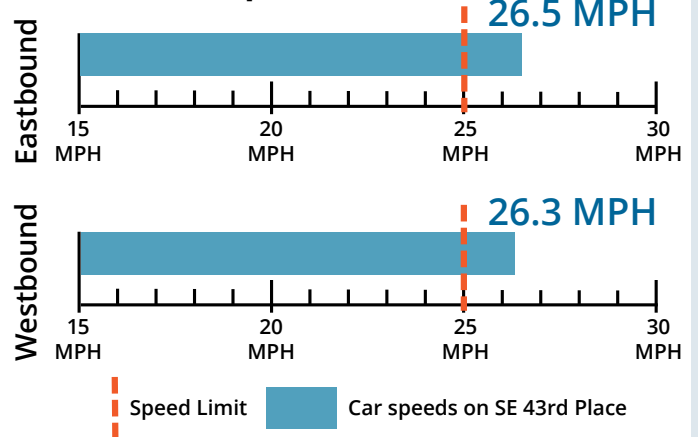


Speed Study

When measuring vehicle speed, we use a metric called the 85th percentile speed. This speed, shown to the right, represents the speed at which 85% of all vehicles recorded are traveling at or below during our speed study.

43rd Place had an 85th percentile speed of 26.5 MPH in the eastbound and 26.3 MPH in the westbound direction.

Vehicle Speed (2024)



Collision History

A three-year collision study was conducted on on SE 43rd Place between Somerset Boulevard SE and SE 46th Street.

FINDINGS: There were no reported collisions.

Summary of Recommendations

Below are our recommendations for 43rd Place based on the field reviews, data collection, and analysis. More detail on these recommendations are outlined in the Residential Traffic Guidebook (BellevueWA.gov/ResidentialTrafficGuidebook). By educating the community and encouraging safe driving, we can begin to change driver behavior and reduce vehicle speeds.



Educate the Community



Reduce Excessive Vehicle Speeds



Improve Pedestrian and Bicycle Safety

Traffic Safety Yard Signs



We have yard signs available in four different messages: Drive Like You Live Here, Eyes On the Road, Slow Down/Kids Live Here, and Slow Down/Set the Pace. If you would like to order any of these signs, please submit this form BellevueWA.gov/YardSigns indicating which two signs you would like to request. Staff may contact you to coordinate delivery and installation.



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 on a digital reader board, encouraging them to obey the speed limit. Should you like to borrow the radar dolly, please sign up on BellevueWA.gov/RadarDolly. Once we receive a request, city staff will contact you to make arrangements for both the drop-off and pick-up of the radar dolly at your home.



Traffic Enforcement



The Transportation Department works closely with the Bellevue Police Department to enforce speed limits and other traffic laws in neighborhoods. Using key traffic data provided by Transportation staff, officers focus their scheduled patrols on the times and places where speeding most often occurs. Typically, targeted enforcement occurs during a one-week timeframe. Enforcement is also available by request. To request enforcement, go to BellevueWA.gov/tsr or call 425-577-5656.



Vision Zero



Bellevue's Vision Zero initiative reflects the city's commitment to reduce traffic deaths and serious injury

collisions on city streets to zero by the year 2030. In 2015, the city council passed a resolution providing a framework to achieve this goal. It states "the life, safety and health of residents, employees and visitors to Bellevue is the city council's highest priority."

By participating in one of the recommendations, previous page, you are helping the City of Bellevue in our efforts to make our streets safer for everyone.

More Information

Find out more about these recommendations in our Residential Traffic Guidebook or by visiting the Neighborhood Traffic Safety Services website.

GUIDEBOOK:

BellevueWA.gov/ResidentialTrafficGuideBook

WEBSITE:

BellevueWA.gov/NTSS

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