MIAMI POLICE DEPARTMENT



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Subject: ALERT Today Florida: Bicycle & Pedestrian Safety Operation

The Miami Police Department in conjunction with the University of North Florida and the Florida Department of Transportation, which provides funding for this program, will be conducting two large scale Pedestrian and Bicyclist Safety operations during the month of April. The City of Miami Police Department's Traffic Enforcement Unit will have officers stationed throughout the City of Miami at various intersections that have been identified as having pedestrian and/or bicycle safety concerns. Officers will be handing out educational pamphlets with pedestrian and bicyclist safety tips as well as state laws and requirements for pedestrians, bicyclists, and motorists.

The initial operation will take place on April 3, 2024, with a second operation following up on **April 17, 2024**. These operations will fall into phase II of the High Visibility Enforcement Pedestrian and Bicycle Safety Campaign. While education is still a main focus of the campaign, phase II also includes a **zero-tolerance** approach for those who violate Florida's Traffic Laws. Miami Police Officers will be citing motorists, bicyclists and/or pedestrians who commit infractions that endanger public safety throughout the City of Miami.

The ultimate goal of this enforcement effort is to increase awareness and compliance with traffic laws that protect the safety of pedestrians and bicyclists in the City of Miami.

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<u>Drivers:</u> Obey speed limits, never drive impaired, and always watch for pedestrians and bicyclists. <u>Bicyclists:</u> Obey traffic laws, ride in the direction of traffic, and use lights when riding at night. <u>Pedestrians:</u> Cross in crosswalks or at intersections, obey pedestrian signals, and make sure you are visible to drivers when walking any time, especially at night.

Members of the local media are invited and encouraged to support our effort by passing this information during their local news coverage. For additional information, please call (305) 603-6540 or visit http://www.AlertTodayFlorida.com



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