



**League of Women Voters of Hillsborough County
Transportation Action Group, Emily Hinsdale Report to the Board
May 2025**

Summary:

Hillsborough County reported 181 traffic fatalities in 2024 and Pasco reported 109. This is a decrease for Hillsborough, but an increase for Pasco. High traffic fatalities and serious injuries impact access to voting, access to medical care, access to education, and affordable housing. The Transportation Action Group will continue to make safety and equal access to safe transportation a priority in all League endeavors.

Other Information:

The committee's monthly reports to the board have focused on these regional transportation issues to educate and inform voters:

- All for Transportation defunct tax fund dispersal, now directed toward county road repaving
- Updates on federal infrastructure grant funds to both City of Tampa and Hillsborough County
- Updates on area road expansion and/or safety projects plus long range planning
- Regional road development projects and safety projects, including Hillsborough commissioners' recent effort to prioritize eastern county road projects over all others
- Updates on school zone speed camera legislation.
- Updates on transit development in the region, including Tampa's fare-free bus route, Brightline, Amtrak, Tampa's fare-free streetcar, and the Cross Bay Ferry

Local transportation events promoted:

- World Car-Free Day Tampa and Kidical Mass Ride, September 22, 2024
- National Walk to School Day

Respectfully submitted,

Emily Hinsdale