

RECOMMENDATIONS

The National Transportation Safety Board recommends:

National Highway Safety Program Standard on Pedestrian Safety. The funds to be employed for pedestrian safety research and programs should be more nearly in proportion to the numbers of pedestrian fatalities among all highway fatalities.

(1) That the Secretary of Transportation create an organizational responsibility (1) to insure that pedestrian safety technology and regulatory actions are routinely coordinated by NHTSA and FHWA; (2) to advise these Administrations concerning the need for facilitated pedestrian movement and pedestrian safety in relation to other program efforts; and (3) to constitute a publicly visible mechanism and expression of a continuing active interest by DOT in highway pedestrian safety.

(3) That the Secretary of Transportation make plans for increased efforts by the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration in pedestrian safety research and development and in development of vehicle safety standards to reduce pedestrian accidents and injuries, and for increased efforts by the Federal Highway Administration in motor carrier safety regulations to reduce pedestrian accidents and injuries. Such plans should make clear what advanced forms of technical effort might be employed if specific amounts of funds were to be made available in support of pedestrian safety.

(2) That the Secretary of Transportation seek additional funds to support pedestrian safety research and State programs responsive to the

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