City of New Haven

Complete Streets
creating safer roadways that
improve livability and foster economic growth

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How it happened in New Haven

Health

Sustainability

Livability

Economic Development

Growth

- Community Commitment to:
  - Sustainable Transportation
  - Traffic Safety

- The Tipping Point

  April 19, 2008 – Yale Medical student Mila Rainof struck and killed while crossing South Frontage Road

  June 4, 2008 – 11 year-old Gabrielle Lee killed in a hit and run while crossing Whalley Avenue

Community Response

Tragedies Galvanized and United the Community

- Formation of the New Haven Safe Street Coalition
  - » *Residents*
  - » *Civic Leaders*
  - » *City Officials*
  - » *Community Organizations*
  - » *Yale University*
- Goals
  - » *Improve Traffic Safety*
  - » *Accelerate the Pace of Change*
  - » *Coordinate Efforts Across the Community*

Complete Streets

The “Complete Streets” movement provides safe and convenient user access and more choices for transportation modes, and it has become a major tool for planning to improve communities. This new program rethinks the physical design of streets to make New Haven more livable and appealing to all residents.

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The Complete Streets Program

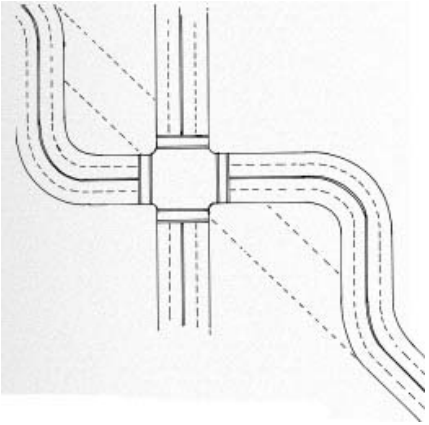
Four Major Components:

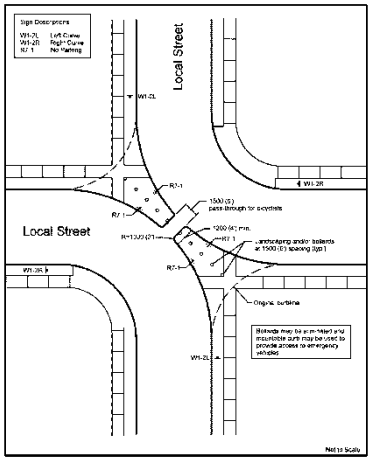
I. <u>Enforcement</u>: Traffic Enforcement Campaign

II. <u>Education</u>: Street Smarts Program

III. <u>Public Participation</u>: Public Input Process

IV. <u>Engineering</u>: Complete Streets Manual





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Street Smarts
Pedestrian, Bicycle Motorist Campaign

- Began in 2008
  - ***Smart Driver***
  - ***Smart Cyclist***
  - ***Smart Walker***

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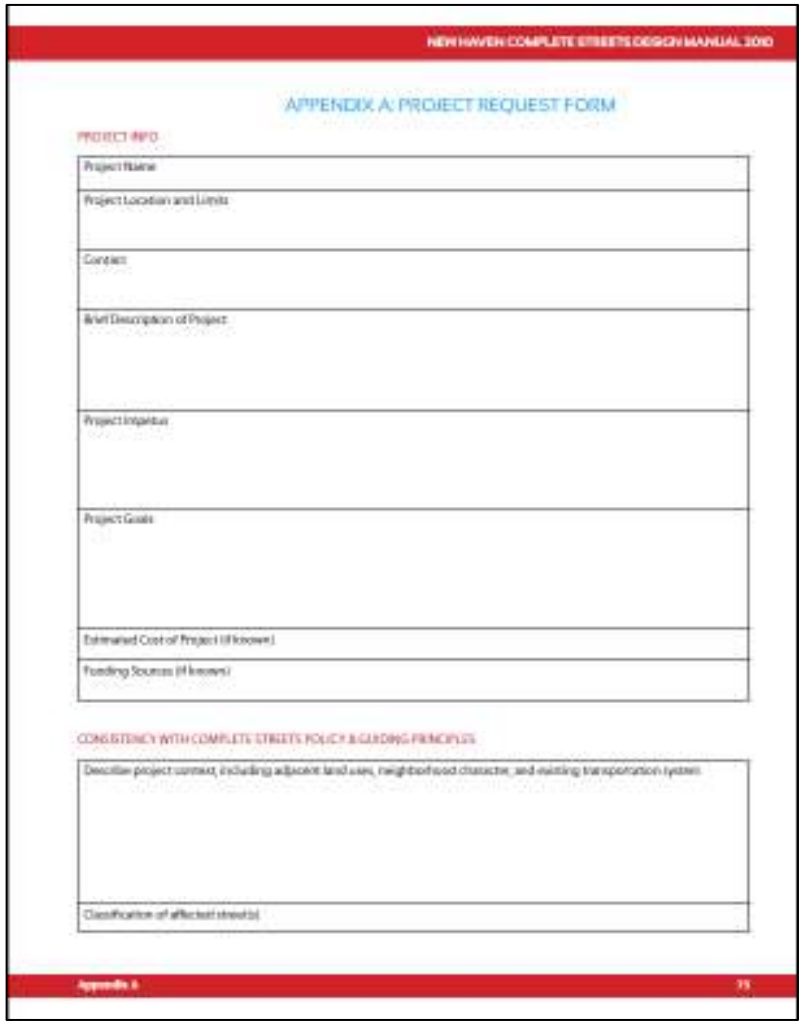
Supporting the Guiding Principles

Data Analysis

Community Input

Integration with Regular Operations

- Safety / Slow Vehicle Speeds
- Connectivity
- Environment
- Livability
- Context
- Equity
- Economic Development
- Aesthetics



NEW HAVEN COMPLETE STREETS DESIGN MANUAL 2010

APPENDIX A: PROJECT REQUEST FORM

PROJECT INFO

Project Name
Project Location and Limits
Contact
Brief Description of Project
Project Importance
Project Goals
Estimated Cost of Project (if known)
Funding Sources (if known)

CONSISTENCY WITH COMPLETE STREETS POLICY & GUIDING PRINCIPLES

Describe project context, including adjacent land uses, neighborhood character, and existing transportation system
Classification of affected street(s)

Appendix A 75

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Promoting Safety

Smart Streets !

Reconstruction & Redevelopment Projects

- Quinnipiac Avenue
- Whalley Avenue
- Farmington Canal Greenway
- Front Street
- Quinnipiac Terrace HOPE VI
- West Rock Hope VI
- Comprehensive Signal Upgrade

Traffic Calming

- Canner Street
- Front Street
- Woodward Avenue
- Vista Terrace
- Edwards & Livingston
- Ella Grasso Boulevard (10)
- Chapel Street
- Edgewood Way
- River Street

Bike / Ped Enhancements

- Orange Street
- Yale Avenue
- East Grand Avenue
- Sherman Avenue
- Citywide SLM implementation*
- Gateway Community College Signals (Bike Box)*
- Union Avenue Bike Station / ped enhancements
- City Hall Bike Station
- Citywide Bike Rack Installations / Meter Conversion
- Citywide In-road ped. signs
- Downtown ped-countdown signals

Safe Routes to School

- Bishop Woods (Quinnipiac Avenue)
- Fair Haven Middle School (Grand Avenue)

Road Diet Sections

- George Street
- Chapel Street
- Orange Street

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Current Initiatives

- Signal Progression
- Improving walkability
  - o Pedestrian Signals
  - o In-road signs
- Bicycle Facilities
- Transit Congestion
- Bus Stop Enhancements
- Bike Lanes
- Red Light Camera's
- Parking Management
- Cycle Track
- Car and Bike Sharing

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Thank You!

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