



TOHONO O'ODHAM NATION
DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY
OFFICE OF EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT



Public Service Announcement

Pedestrian Safety Tips

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Nation members and visitors planning to travel to Santa Cruz for this year's October 4th event should proceed using the following safety tips.

Walk Facing Traffic When Walking on the Side of the Road

If there is no sidewalk and you must walk on the side of the road, choose the side where you are facing oncoming traffic. This gives you the best chance to see traffic approaching closest to you and take evasive action when needed.

Wear Reflective Clothing

Wear bright colors when walking during the daytime. When walking at night, wear light-colored clothing and reflective clothing or a reflective vest to be visible. Be cautious at dawn or twilight, as drivers still have limited visibility or may even have the setting or rising sun directly in their eyes.

Be Aware of Surroundings

Chatting, texting, on a mobile device while you walk is as dangerous as doing those things while driving. Being distracted, you are less likely to recognize traffic danger, passing joggers and bikers or tripping hazards.

Support Vehicles at Designated Stops

Vehicles traveling with walkers SHOULD NOT FOLLOW BEHIND THE WALKERS this impedes the flow of normal traffic and creates a potential for accidents. They also must be completely off the roadway, or as far off the road as possible when supporting the walkers.

Both pedestrians and drivers should be cautious of the increased foot and vehicle traffic.

IN THE EVENT OF AN EMERGENCY CALL 911