

San Diego High School 11th Grade Pedestrian Audit

Address: 1405 Park Blvd, San Diego, CA 92101

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The purpose of the pedestrian audit was to identify safety concerns, gaps, and deficiencies in the pedestrian and bicycle network around San Diego High School. Participants provided input on issues that make the pedestrian and bicyclist experience unsafe or uncomfortable along the route as well as what improvements they would like to see implemented.

The pedestrian field trip was attended by Circulate Planning & Policy, San Diego High School staff, and their 11th grade engineering class. This audit took place along Russ Boulevard, 16th Street, Broadway, and Park Boulevard. Between 2020-2024, there were 45 bicyclists injured, 75 pedestrians injured, and 17 pedestrians killed within a quarter mile of the route (see Figure 1). On March 15, 2021, 71-year-old driver, Craig Voss, drove onto the sidewalk on B Street between Park Boulevard and 16th Street, resulting in the death of Randy Ferris, Walter Jones, and Rodney Diffendal, and injuring seven pedestrians

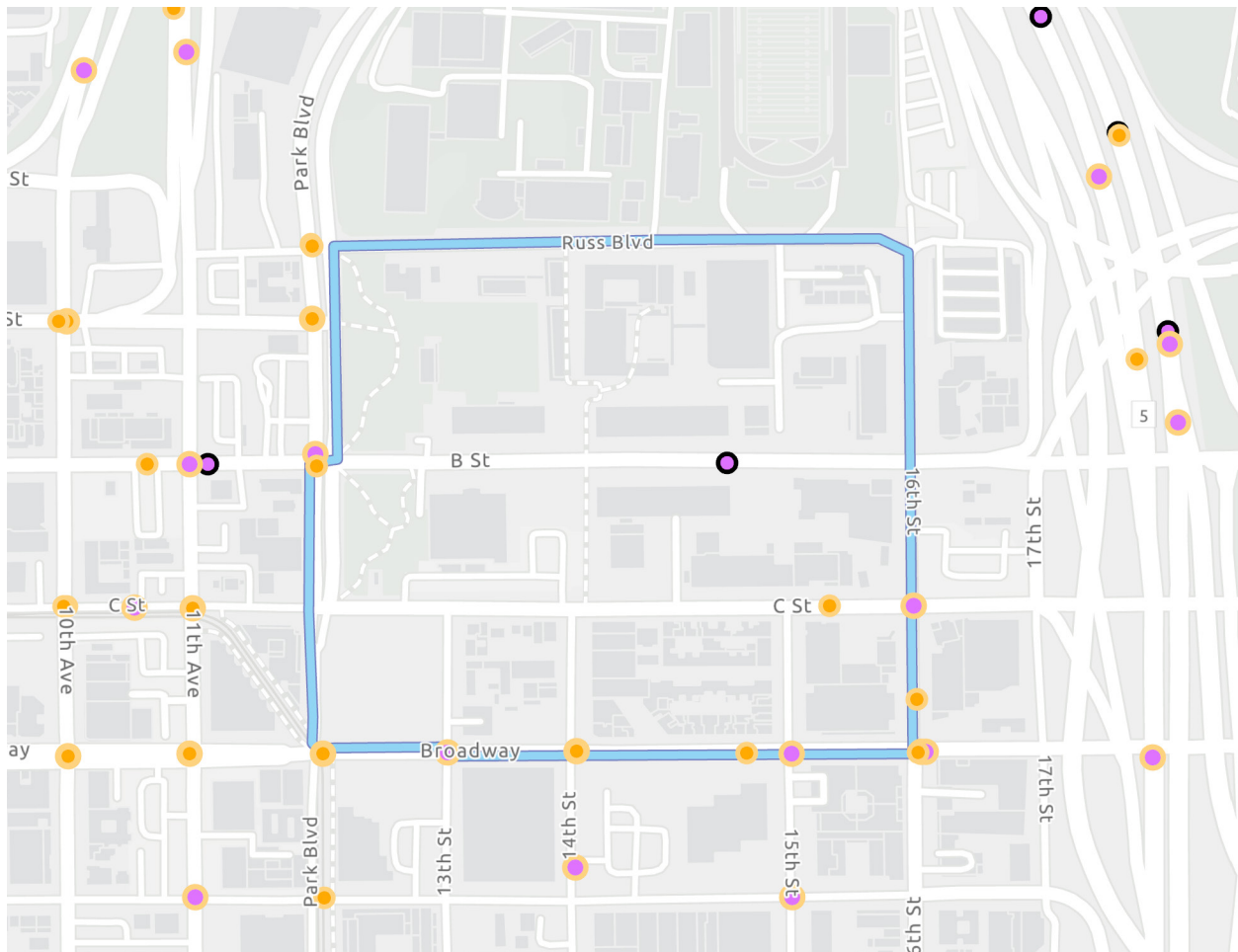


FIGURE 1. PEDESTRIAN AND BICYCLE FATALITIES AND INJURIES PROXIMATE TO SAN DIEGO HIGH SCHOOL (2020-2024)

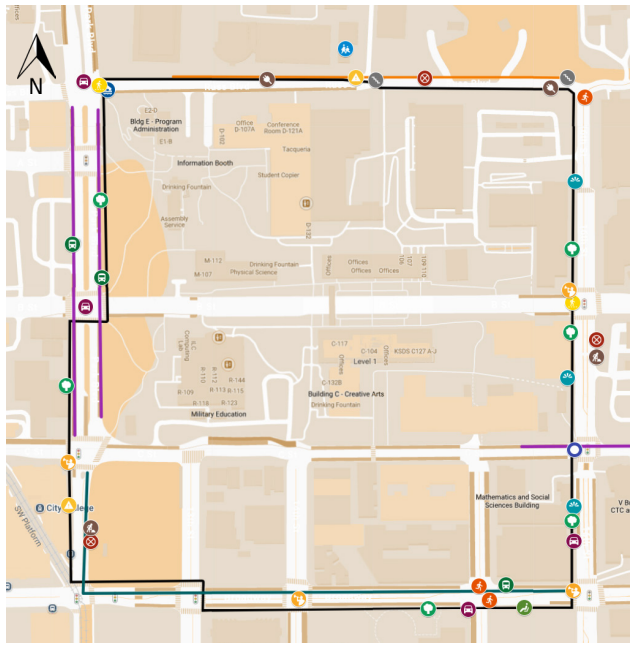


FIGURE 2. SAN DIEGO HIGH SCHOOL AUDIT RESULTS

- Observations**
- + Trees or Shade
 - + Class IV Bicycle Lane
 - + Driver Infractions Observed
 - + No Audible Crossing
 - + No Sidewalk
 - + No Crosswalk
 - + Pedestrian Scale Lighting
 - + Bus Shelter
 - + Construction
 - + Faded Crosswalk
 - + No Curb Ramp
 - + Insufficient Lighting
 - + Obstruction
 - + Bus Stop Lacking Amenities
 - + Curb Extension
 - + Flooding
 - + Sharrow
 - + Narrow Sidewalk
- Location**
- + San Diego High School
 - + Route



FIGURE 3: INTERSECTION OF 15TH STREET AND BROADWAY IS MISSING CROSSWALKS, AND PARTICIPANTS OBSERVED A DRIVER FAILING TO YIELD AT THE ONLY MARKED CROSSWALK



FIGURE 4: CURB RAMP WAS COVERED WITH TREE BRANCHES ON RUSS BOULEVARD. PARTICIPANTS CAN BE SEEN WALKING ON A NARROW SIDEWALK AND AROUND THE PLANT DEBRIS.

Throughout the audit, the group noted that some sidewalks were blocked due to ongoing construction, and that many intersections lacked audible push buttons, curb ramps, or accessibility for pedestrians with mobility challenges (Figure 2). However, for most of the audit, the group observed shade along the sidewalks and pedestrian scale lighting, especially on 16th Street. On Broadway, participants noted that the intersection at 15th Street is missing three crosswalks, and a driver failed to yield to participants crossing the street (Figure 3). Participants also observed differences between the bus stops on the north and south sides of Broadway and 15th Street. The north side serves the westbound bus stop and includes a bus shelter and seating, while the south side bus stop does not provide these amenities. While traveling back on Park Boulevard, participants had to cross the street because the sidewalk was blocked across from City College Station, and observed two more driver infractions in which drivers failed to yield to pedestrians at Park and B Street and Park and Russ Boulevard. Lastly, by San Diego High School, the group observed narrow sidewalks and plant overgrowth blocking the curb ramp on Russ Boulevard (Figure 4). To address these pedestrian conflicts, the group discussed potential improvements such as audible push buttons, restriping faded crosswalks, and installing two curb ramps per corner to help people with mobility challenges.

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