



# Pledge & Commitment

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# Letter from the Board of Supervisors

To our fellow Upper Macungie Friends,

Upper Macungie Township is one of the fastest growing municipalities in the State of Pennsylvania. We join you in the high value we place on our excellent schools, commitment to open space, recreational opportunities, and the safety and protection of all of our residents. We are proud of the investments that we have made to ensure that our residents enjoy these high quality amenities, even while we experience locally the challenges that our world has faced: pandemics, new commerce models and changing 'live-work-play' patterns.

While we have always prioritized the safety of residents, the adoption of this Vision Zero Action Plan marks a renewed emphasis on safety and equity in the transportation systems within our Township. Inspired by the priority established in our recent Comprehensive Plan Update and with the help of a dedicated Steering Committee, we present this Plan as a 'blueprint' toward the goal of eliminating fatalities and serious injuries from traffic crashes in Upper Macungie by the year 2032. In the process, we will improve the connectivity of our community for pedestrians of all abilities, bicyclists and all of those residents who rely on non-motorized access to reach their destinations.

Join with us as we pledge our commitment to creating the culture where human life will always have a greater value than transportation 'efficiency'.

Our greatest asset in Upper Macungie is the caring respect that we share with all of our residential, corporate and industrial neighbors. We commit ourselves to implementing the recommendations of the Vision Zero Action Plan with 'complete streets for all'...and a safe, multimodal connected transportation system that serves all residents.

Board of Supervisors, June 2023



Sunny Ghai, Chairman



Kathy A. Rader, Vice-Chairwoman




James Brunell, Member

# Vision Zero Action Plan Pledge

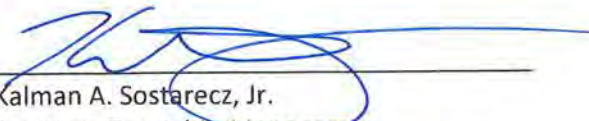
Upper Macungie Township is committed to maintaining a transportation system that prioritizes safety and accessibility for all users. The Vision Zero Action Plan (VZAP) formalizes this commitment and outlines specific, data-driven steps we will take to reach the goal of zero traffic deaths and severe injuries by 2032 while expanding our infrastructure for equitable use by non-motorized modes.

On behalf of our respective departments and organizations, we commit to our continued participation in the review and update of the VZAP annually and working with stakeholders and residents to make the necessary changes to achieve those goals.




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Fire Commissioner  
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What is....?

# VISION ZERO

Vision Zero is a strategy to eliminate all traffic fatalities and severe injuries while increasing safe, healthy, equitable mobility for all.

(Source: Vision Zero Network)

## VISION ZERO | ACTION PLAN



What are....?

# COMPLETE STREETS

Complete Streets are streets for everyone.

“Complete Streets is an approach to planning, designing, and building streets that enables safe access for all users, including pedestrians, bicyclists, motorists, and transit riders of all ages and abilities. This approach also emphasizes the needs of those who have experienced systemic underinvestment, or those whose needs have not been met through a traditional transportation approach, such as older adults, people living with disabilities, people who don’t have access to vehicles, and Black, Native, and Hispanic or Latino/a/x communities”.

(Source: National Complete Streets Coalition)

