CITY OF SOUTH SAN FRANCISCO

DATE: October 9, 2025

TO: Mayor, Vice Mayor, and Councilmembers

South San Francisco Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Committee

FROM: Sergeant James Portolan, Traffic Supervisor

SUBJECT: Vehicle versus Pedestrian and Bicyclist Collision Information – 3rd Quarter of 2025

Overview

This report provides an overview of vehicle versus pedestrian, bicyclist, e-bicyclist and e-scooterist collisions that occurred in South San Francisco during the 3rd quarter of 2025. The information provided includes the date, time, location, and causes of the collisions. The causes are determined by factors outlined in the California Vehicle Code.

There was a total of nine (9) collisions resulting in three (3) minor injuries, and six (6) major injuries. The collisions involved five (5) pedestrians, two (2) bicyclist, two (2) e-bicyclist, and zero (0) e-scooterist.

In the first three quarters of 2024, there were a total of 24 vehicles versus bicycle or pedestrian collisions. In the first three quarters of 2025, there were a total of 22 vehicles versus bicycle or pedestrian collisions. The data indicates that we are on pace with an 8% reduction in vehicle versus bicycle and pedestrian collisions.

7-1-2025/ Vehicle vs. Bicycle/ Mission Rd @ Bart/ Case #25-2308

At approximately 8:31 AM, a vehicle was traveling eastbound on Bart approaching Mission Road. The bicyclist was traveling northbound on Mission Road approaching Bart. Both drivers committed a stop sign violation. The bicyclist applied his brakes and fell off the bicycle, and the vehicle ran the bicyclist over. The pedestrian sustained major injuries and was transported to a local trauma center for medical treatment.

Both the driver and bicyclist were found to be at fault for the collision for failing to stop at the posted stop signs. The weather was clear and occurred during the daytime hours.

7-7-2025/ Vehicle vs. e-Bicycle/ Belle Air Rd @ So. Airport Bl/ Case #25-2398

At approximately 11:36 AM, a bicyclist was traveling eastbound on Belle Air Road in the bicycle lane. A vehicle was attempting to negotiate a right turn from Belle Air Road into the Costco gas station parking lot and sideswiped the bicyclist. The bicyclist sustained minor injuries and sought his own medical treatment.

The driver was found to be at fault for this collision for failing to yield the right of way. The weather was cloudy and occurred during the daytime hours.

8-4-2025/ Vehicle vs. Pedestrian/ Seventh Ln @ Linden Av/ Case #25-2828

At approximately 3:00 PM, a vehicle was traveling eastbound on Seventh Lane in the wrong direction. A pedestrian was walking northbound across Seventh Lane and collided into the vehicle front quarter panel as it passed by. The pedestrian sustained a major injury and was transported to a local trauma center for medical attention.

The driver was found to be at fault for this collision by driving in the opposite direction of a one-way street. The weather was clear and occurred during the daytime hours.

8-5-2025/ Vehicle vs. Pedestrian/ Orange Av @ Commercial Av/ Case #25-2797

At approximately 4:04 PM, a vehicle was traveling eastbound on Orange Avenue and attempted to negotiate a left turn onto northbound Commercial Avenue. A pedestrian was crossing Orange Avenue inside a marked crosswalk and was struck by the vehicle. The pedestrian sustained minor injuries and declined any further medical treatment.

The driver was found to be at fault for this collision by failing to yield to a pedestrian in the crosswalk. The weather was clear and occurred during the daytime hours.

8-19-2025/ Vehicle vs. Pedestrian/ Elm Ct @ Tamarack Ln/ Case #25-2993

At approximately 6:48 PM, a vehicle was traveling northbound on Elm Court. A pedestrian was running westbound from the eastern sidewalk of Elm Court into the street towards an uninvolved vehicle when the vehicle struck the pedestrian. The pedestrian sustained a major injury and was transported to a local trauma center for medical treatment.

The driver was found to be at fault for this collision due to unsafe speed. The weather was clear and occurred during the evening hours.

8-27-2025/ Vehicle vs. Pedestrian/ Harbor Wy @ Mitchell Av/ Case #25-3106

At approximately 7:48 AM, a vehicle was traveling eastbound on Mitchell Avenue toward Harbor Way. A pedestrian crossed Mitchell Avenue. The vehicle entered the intersection and struck the pedestrian. There were no marked crosswalks. The pedestrian sustained major injuries and was transported to a local trauma center for medical treatment.

The driver was found to be at fault for this collision due to not yielding to a pedestrian on the roadway. The weather was clear and occurred during daytime hours.

8-27-2025/ Vehicle vs. e-Bicycle/ Railroad Av @ Spruce Av/ Case #25-3126

At approximately 10:35 PM, an e-bicyclist was traveling eastbound on Railroad Avenue. A vehicle was traveling westbound on Railroad Avenue, attempting to negotiate a left turn into 525 Railroad Avenue and struck the e-bicyclist. The e-bicyclist sustained minor injuries and was transported to a local trauma center for medical treatment.

The driver was found to be at fault for this collision for not yielding to oncoming traffic. The weather was clear and occurred during the evening hours.

9-15-2025/ Object vs. Bicycle/ Junipero Serra Bl @ Hickey Bl/ Case #25-3402

At approximately 7:24 AM, a bicyclist was traveling southbound on Junipero Serra Boulevard near Hickey Boulevard within the bicycle lane. The bicyclist struck the green delineator marking the bike lane and fell to the ground. The bicyclist sustained major injuries and was transported to a local trauma center for medical treatment.

The bicyclist was found at fault for the collision. The weather was cloudy and occurred during the daytime hours.

9-15-2025/ Vehicle vs. Pedestrian/ Railroad Av @ Spruce Av/ Case #25-3415

At approximately 6:46 PM, a vehicle was traveling westbound on the 500 block of Railroad Avenue. A pedestrian was running across the roadway and was struck by the passing vehicle. The pedestrian sustained major injuries and was transported to a local trauma center for medical attention.

The pedestrian was found to be at fault for this collision for suddenly running out into traffic causing an immediate hazard. The weather was clear and occurred during the evening hours.

No external factors were identified in the above-listed collisions.

Education and Enforcement

The South San Francisco Police Department continues to conduct enforcement and provide education to the community to reduce traffic collisions. Enforcement actions include:

- The C.A.R.E. program which directs officers to enforce specified violations in complaint areas.
- Office of Traffic Safety Enforcement operations focusing on speeding, distracted driving, bicycle and pedestrian safety, and seatbelt violations.
- DUI saturation patrols and DUI checkpoints
- San Mateo County Saturated Traffic Enforcement Program operations focusing on identified traffic issues in each city.
- Daily enforcement by our patrol and traffic divisions as they patrol the city.

Education efforts include the community academies, the "Choose your ride" don't drink and drive campaign, bicycle safety through Every Kid Deserves a Bike program, and various social media campaigns throughout year.

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Citation Statistics

At the request of the Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Committee, citation statistics for safety related violations from the third quarter of 2025 are included in this report.

Speeding	27 Citations
Stop Sign	62 Citations
Distracted Driving	71 Citations
Red Light	11 Citations
Fail to Yield to Pedestrians	3 Citations
DUI	35 Arrests/ Citations
Unlicensed Driver	74 Citations
Suspended Driver's License	3 Citations
Bicycling Under the Influence	0 Citations