



Colton Police Department

PRESS RELEASE

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Bicycle and Pedestrian Safety Operation Planned for May 6, 2025

Colton, Calif. – The Colton Police Department will hold a traffic safety operation on Tuesday, May 6, 2025, from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. This operation will focus on the most dangerous driving behaviors that jeopardize the safety of people biking or walking. Violations to be targeted include speeding, making illegal turns, failing to yield or give the right of way to bicyclists or pedestrians, and not stopping for signs and signals.

“Always be diligent and remember to share the roadway with others, including cyclists, pedestrians and motorcyclist,” said Chief A. Vega. “Bicyclists and pedestrians have the same rights to the road, but they face greater risks without the protections that vehicles have. We should all look out for one another.”

The Colton Police Department offers steps that drivers and pedestrians can take to significantly reduce the risk of injury or accidents:

Pedestrians:

- Be predictable: Always use crosswalks, when they are available.
- Stay alert: Watch for approaching vehicles and practice due caution.

Drivers:

- Obey speed limits: Always follow the speed limit and slow down at intersections.
- Avoid impairment: Never drive under the influence.

Bicyclists:

- Follow traffic laws: Adhere to all traffic regulations, use hand signals, and equip your bicycle with lights at night (a front white light and a rear red reflector).
- Ride safely: Bicyclists must travel in the same direction as traffic and follow the same rules as any slow-moving vehicle.

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