

3 Month Action Plan **(April – June 2019)**

Schools

Project description:

This project is to ensure that anyone driving around schools are adhering to these rules as well as giving out resources to help educate children, parents and caregivers about the rules around schools.

Project Objectives:

- + School engagement – encourage schools to utilise resources to educate parents and caregivers about the rules around schools. As well as working closely with schools and provide support when needed.
- + Specific requests – have meetings with schools when necessary about particular request.
- + School support - develop resources and other necessary things needed to support schools in road safety.

Pedestrians

Project description:

Encourage and educate the community about safe pedestrian practices. Support the RMS “Look out before you step out” campaign and utilise resources within the community and events where appropriate. Present “Stepping On” presentations for occupational health therapists which educate older pedestrians about safety when out and about on the streets. Georges River LGA has a significantly higher pedestrian casualty rate at (12.3%) compared to NSW (6.1%) and Sydney Region (8.0%).

Projects Objectives:

- + Community engagement – conduct workshops which give information and resources about pedestrian safety behaviour.
- + Deliver Material - community events distribute resources when required

Child Restraint Checking Days

Project description:

Within Georges River LGA all motor vehicle passenger casualties with restraints fitted but not worn occurred in (2.7%) of crashes this being higher than NSW (2.3%) and Sydney region (1.9%). Child Restraint checking days allow for the safety improvements for children in vehicles and to provide practical advice and support to parents and carers whose children are using capsules, child seats and boosters.

Project Objectives:

- + Safer Restraints – Encourage road users to be aware of the importance of using the correct seat for the age of the child.
- + Compliance – Increasing compliance with child car seat laws and providing information to parents/carers to best support the rules and ensuring piece of mind.

- + Create Awareness – Raising awareness of the correct installation of child car seats and laws and rules that come along with restraints within cars.
- + Direct parents/carers to authorised restraint fitters if no checking day available.
- + Promote planned events through preschool and primary schools and other sources such as the Police.

Graduated License Scheme (GLS)

Project Description:

During the period of 2013-2017, in Georges River LGA 86 young drivers aged 17-20 years and 119 young drivers aged 21-25 were involved in crashes. The delivery of the Graduated Licencing Scheme (GLS) workshops provides support to parents and carers during the learner phase of the GLS.

- Increase the understanding of supervising drivers providing on road driving experience for young drivers.
- Inform and educate supervising driver's use of the learner driver log book and GLS licencing conditions.
- Increase compliance with learner driver log book.
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Project Objectives:

- + Community engagement – raise awareness on the benefits of the GLS and road safety to reduce the number and severity of crashes.
- + Educate/skills - Increase skills and knowledge of the GLS scheme in the Georges River LGA (community) and provide advice and information regarding the scheme to encourage completion. Provide supervisors with the relevant resources, information and strategies so they can better support learner drivers to gain skills and knowledge and drive safely.
- + Compliance – Increase compliance of the learner driver log book/app, the licencing conditions for L and P plate drivers by increasing supervisor's awareness and knowledge of the licencing conditions. Increase compliance of non-use of mobile devices in vehicles for young drivers and the consequences of distracted driving.