

Media Release

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PEDESTRIAN AND CYCLIST SAFETY UPGRADES NEAR MONASH UNI

Pedestrians and bike riders along a key shared-use corridor in Clayton North's Monash University precinct are now safer, as part of the Andrews Labor Government's safety upgrades at three intersections.

The delivery of three new raised crossings along Gardiner Road, Clayton North, was part of the Transport Accident Commission's (TAC) LGA grant program, which awarded \$100,000 to Monash City Council.

The council contributed \$113,000 toward the project, which saw the intersections of Business Park Drive, Commercial Road and Normanby Road all upgraded.

The upgrades include green asphalt marking to enhance pedestrian priority to motorists and raised platforms to ensure motorists slow down to give way when required – providing cyclists of all ages and abilities a safe path between Monash University to the south, and Forster Road to the north.

The TAC LGA grants program provides grants to local governments for projects that address safety issues for cyclists and pedestrians and encourages councils to work closely their local communities in their development.

Local governments are invited to apply for grants for up to \$30,000 for analysis projects, and up to \$100,000 for infrastructure projects.

The program is designed to engage the Victorian community in the Victorian Road Safety Strategy 2021-2030, by supporting them to recognise and address road safety issues affecting their local area.

The Strategy commits to the ambitious target of eliminating death from our roads by 2050, with the first step of halving road deaths by 2030.

Quotes attributable to Minister for Roads and Road Safety Ben Carroll

"Bike riding and walking are an increasingly popular ways to get around Melbourne, but we know pedestrians and cyclists are vulnerable on and around the roads due to their lack of protection."

"These TAC grants are part of our focus on building safe roads across the state for all road users, including along this key cycling and pedestrian corridor near Monash University in Clayton North."

Quote attributable to Member for Oakleigh Steve Dimopoulos

"It's encouraging to see the Monash City Council and our local community committing to improving the safety of people who walk and ride in this busy precinct, as well as making it easier for motorists to share the road safely."

Quote attributable to Transport Accident Commission CEO Joe Calafiore

"Local governments play a pivotal role in improving road safety in their areas and we're pleased to see the completion of Monash City Council's critical intersections project, with help from TAC's LGA grants program."