

My Action Plan for NE 14th St east of 98th Ave NE

Are you feeling inspired to take action to address the traffic concerns on NE 14th St east of 98th Ave NE? Here is a checklist to help you get started:

- Talk to my neighbors and share the City's findings and recommendations
- List interested neighbors who want to help me with efforts:
 - _____
 - _____
 - _____
- Decide the educational programs we want to participate in:
 - Neighborhood Speed Watch
 - Radar Dolly
 - Sign and Pledge Program
- Contact City staff to set-up a training session and get materials

Notes:

More info

Find out more about these recommendations in our **Residential Traffic Guidebook** or by logging on to **Streets are for Everyone (SAFE)**—Neighborhood Traffic Safety Services' blog.

Blog: <http://bellevuentss.wordpress.com>

Guidebook: http://www.bellevuewa.gov/pdf/Transportation/Guidebook_Web.pdf



TRAFFIC ACTION PLAN



2013-019 NE 14th St east of 98th Ave NE

September 20, 2013

[Redacted]

Bellevue, WA 98004

Subject: Speeding Concerns on NE 14th St east of 98th Ave NE

Dear [Redacted]

Thank you for contacting Neighborhood Traffic Safety Services and letting us know your concerns with vehicle speeds on NE 14th St east of 98th Ave NE. We have completed field reviews and data analysis and compiled this information into the enclosed Traffic Action Plan (TAP), as well as our recommendations.

Speed studies were conducted on NE 14th St east of 98th Ave NE. From the speed studies conducted in July/August 2013, 85% of motorists were traveling at or below 33 mph in the eastbound direction and at or below 32 mph in the westbound direction. The posted speed limit is 25 mph.

You requested the installation of a speed bump on NE 14th St. Physical measures such as speed humps are limited to streets where the majority of motorists are exceeding the posted speed limit by 10 mph. These guidelines were established based on the impact these measures have on emergency response, and reserving their use for those locations with significant speeding problems. On NE 14th St, 15% of traffic would need to be exceeding 35 mph. Based on our speed study, NE 14th St does not qualify for speed humps.

Although there are 25 MPH pavement legends on NE 14th St, we realize that there continue to be motorists who choose to drive faster than the posted speed limit. Police enforcement plays a key role in reducing vehicle speeds. If you would like to request enforcement, please do so by calling 425-577-5656. You can also submit a Traffic Service Request at http://www.bellevuewa.gov/Traffic_Service_Request.htm. Please be specific about the location and times of your concern. The more specific information you can provide to Police, the better the chance they will be able to address your concerns.

Educating the community is an important step in addressing traffic concerns in neighborhoods, and we encourage you and your neighbors to participate in one of our education programs. Our studies show that the majority of speeders on neighborhood streets are local residents. By educating the community and encouraging safe driving, we can begin to change driver behavior and reduce vehicle speeds. We have included details on these programs on page 3.



We appreciate your concerns and look forward to working with you. Please feel free to contact me at lglas@bellevuewa.gov or 425-452-2841 to participate in any of the education programs described in this Traffic Action Plan.

Sincerely,

Linda Glas

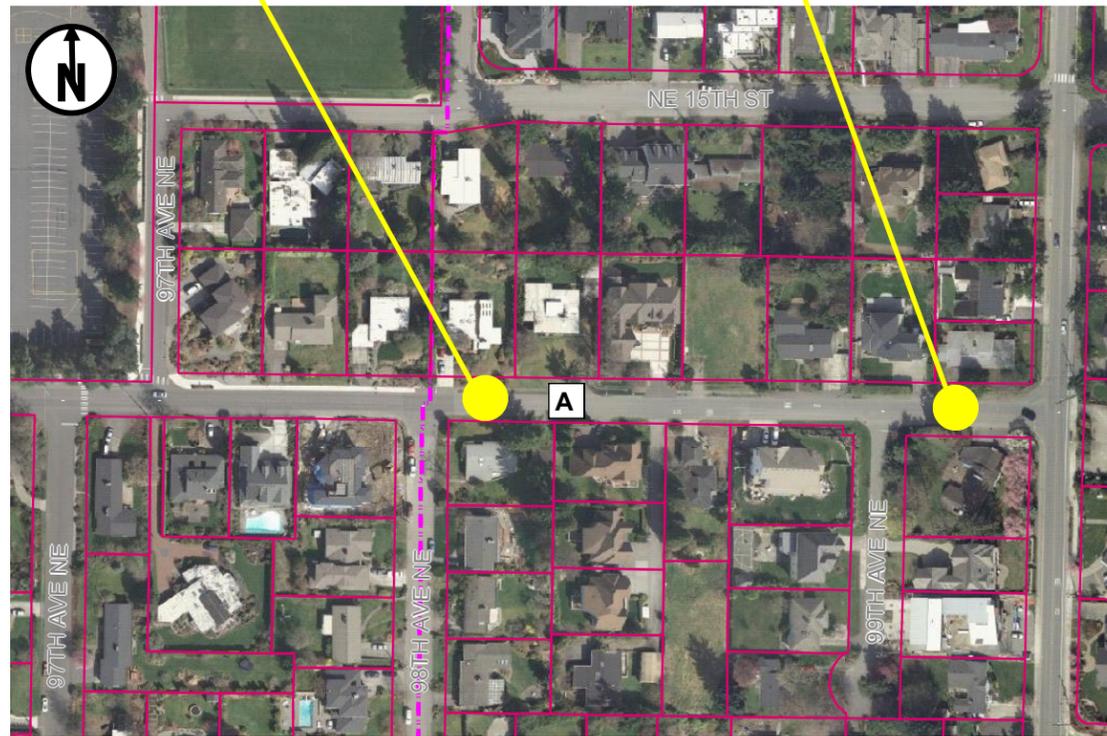
Linda Glas, P.E.



NE 14th St east of 98th Ave NE, facing east



NE 14th St west of 100th Ave NE, facing west



Summary of Findings

Date of Study	Location of Study	Average Daily Traffic	Average Speeds		85th% Speeds*	
			Eastbound	Westbound	Eastbound	Westbound
July/Aug 2013	A NE 14th St east of 98th Ave NE	1,649	27	26	33	32

*85% of vehicles traveling at or below this speed



Neighborhood Traffic Safety Services
www.bellevuewa.gov/traffic_services.htm
 425-452-6457



Customized Traffic Action Plan for NE 14th St east of 98th Ave NE

Education, Encouragement, and Enforcement

By educating the community and encouraging safe driving, we can begin to change driver behavior and reduce vehicle speeds.

- Educate the Community
- Enhance Neighborhood Identity
- Reduce Excessive Vehicle Speeds

Neighborhood Speed Watch

Using a borrowed radar unit, you record information about vehicles you observe traveling at or above 30 mph. NTSS staff then locate the registered owners of the vehicles and send a letter to them asking for their cooperation in reducing their speed. A partner to assist you with the data collection is recommended.

Radar Dolly

You can borrow and place a radar dolly on your street for up to two weeks. This unit gives motorists feedback on the speed at which they are driving, encouraging them to obey the speed limit. Should you like to borrow the radar dolly, please request it by calling (425) 452-6457 or sign up on www.bellevuewa.gov/radardolly.htm.

Sign and Pledge Program

This program involves lending communities portable signs that encourage motorists to respect the neighborhood, drive responsibly, and drive 25 mph. The signs are moved by community volunteers from place to place throughout the neighborhood every few days. The second part of the program is a neighborhood pace car program. Residents who pledge to drive responsibly and drive the speed limit on all neighborhood streets receive magnetic bumper stickers or window clings to place on their vehicles. As these motorists drive 25 mph on residential streets, they set the pace for drivers behind them.



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