# CLEVELAND PARK CITIZENS ASSOCIATION

# MEMBER SURVEY: PEDESTRIAN SAFETY

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# General Sense of Safety

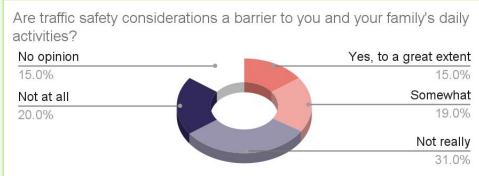
In general, respondents indicate that they feel pretty safe as pedestrians in Cleveland Park. Some 80 percent responded that they felt "Very Safe" or "Fairly Safe".

About one-third of respondents indicated that traffic safety concerns have at least some impact on their family's daily activities.

Numerous comments expressed concern particularly for the safety of children and elderly neighbors and family members.

For example, numerous respondents said they do not allow their children to walk to school or play on the street or sidewalk.



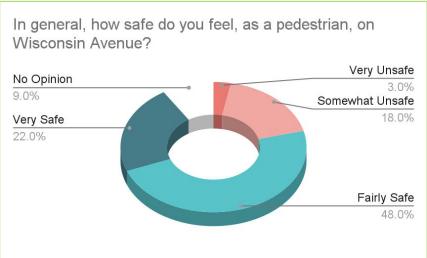




#### The Avenues

Wisconsin Avenue is considered to be quite a bit safer than Connecticut Avenue. However, *crossing* Connecticut - particularly along the Cleveland Park commercial corridor - was a frequently-cited concern.



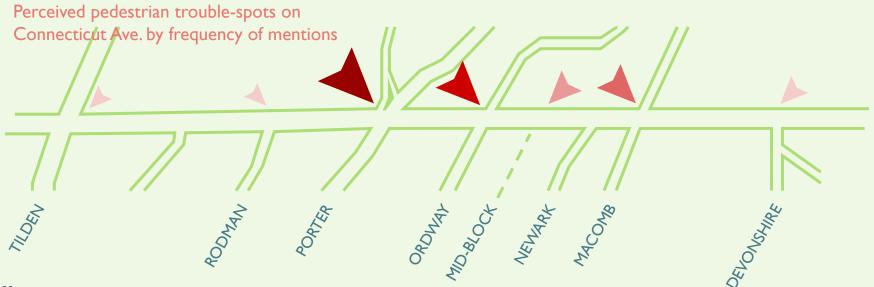


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#### **Connecticut Avenue**

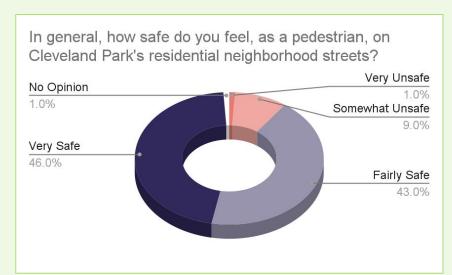
When asked about other trouble-spots for pedestrians, crossing Connecticut Avenue was far-and-away the most prevalent response – and particularly the awkward intersection at Connecticut, Porter, and Quebec.





#### The Neighborhood

While respondents overwhelmingly indicated that they feel safe on Cleveland Park's residential streets, the 34th Street / Reno Road stands out as a stark concern for our members and neighbors.





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Side-by-side, the perceived danger of the 34th Street - Reno Road corridor really stands apart.

More than three-quarters of respondents said they feel at least "fairly safe" as a pedestrian on both Wisconsin and Connecticut. Fewer than half said the same about 34th St. / Reno Rd.

Nearly 20 percent of respondents rated 34th St. / Reno Rd. as "Very Unsafe" – in contrast to just 3 percent who described Wisconsin and Connecticut that way.

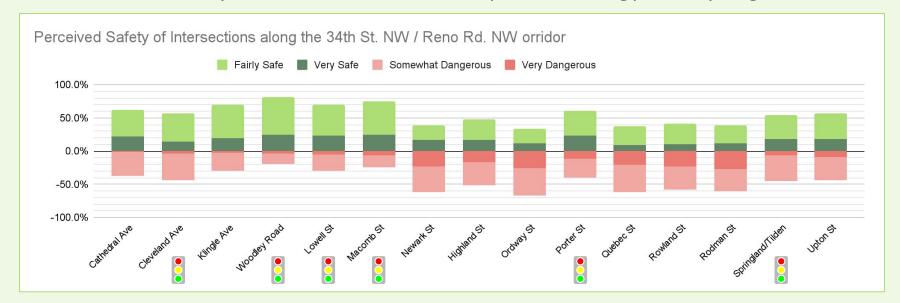


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#### 34th Street - Reno Road

Intersections with traffic lights are generally rated as the safest by respondents, particularly Woodley and Macomb. Newark, Ordway, Quebec, and Rodman Streets are perceived as being particularly dangerous.





#### 34th Street - Reno Road

Stacked traffic lights around John Eaton School calm traffic and provide a clear right-of-way to pedestrians. The hillier, curvier, faster stretch of 34th St. / Reno Road feels much more treacherous to respondents.

#### **SAFEST**



#### 34th St. & Woodley Road NW

Rated "Very Safe" or "Fairly Safe" by more than **81 percent** of respondents



34th St. & Macomb St. NW

Rated "Very Safe" or "Fairly Safe" by about **75 percent** of respondents

#### MOST DANGEROUS

#### 34th St. & Ordway St. NW

Rated "Very Dangerous" or "Somewhat Dangerous" by about **67 percent** of respondents



Highest percentage of "Very Dangerous" ratings - more than **26 percent** of respondents

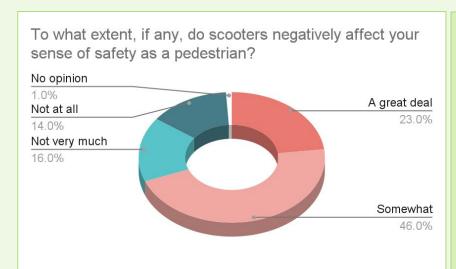






#### Other Issues

Respondents describe conditions that are generally unfriendly to pedestrians from numerous angles; speeding traffic; challenging pedestrian infrastructure; discourteous bikes and scooters



#### Free Response Concerns

Sidewalk conditions: narrow; obstructed; some deteriorating or hazardous

Particularly on Newark, and on 34th/Reno between Porter and Rodman

- Scooters and (especially) bikes on sidewalks
- Insufficient enforcement, particularly of speeding and red light violations

Request for more traffic calming measures

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