

Alachua/Dixie/Gilchrist/Levy/ Madison/Taylor Traffic Safety Team

Meeting #7 • July 16, 2026 • 10:00 am

Call In 1-850-739-5589 – Conference ID 355 155 508#



AGENDA

- Meeting Call to Order / Attendees' Introductions
 - **OFFICERS:** **Dr. Morya Willis**, *Chairperson*
Andrea Atran, *Community Traffic Safety Team Program Manager*
- CTST Engineering Roadway Concerns
- Public Information and Construction Updates
- CTST Program Resources and Crash Data Reports
- Upcoming Events and Traffic Safety Campaigns
 - **July**
 - National Vehicle Theft Prevention Month
 - 4 – Fourth of July Enforcement Impaired Driving Campaign
 - 12 – 18 – Operation Safe Driver Week
 - 13 – Operation Southern Slow Down Press Event (Jax Urban Training Facility)
 - 13 – 18 – Operation Southern Slow Down
 - **August**
 - Back to School Safety Month
 - Child Safety Awareness Month
 - 2 - 8 – National Stop on Red Week
 - 6 – National Bike to School Day
 - 10 – 16 – National Police Week
 - 11 – 31 – Click It or Ticket Mobilization (Enforcement)
 - 19 – 9/7 – Drive Sober or Get Pulled Over Mobilization
 - **September**
 - National Preparedness Month (Disasters/Emergencies)
 - 1 – 7 – Florida Drowsy Driving Prevention Week
 - 20 - 26 – Child Passenger Safety Week
 - 26 – National Seat Check Saturday
- Agency Reports and Open Forum
- Adjournment

First Day of School

Alachua – 08/10/2026

Dixie – 08/10/2026

Gilchrist – 08/11/2026

Levy – 08/10/2026

Madison – 08/11/2026

Taylor – 08/11/2026

Submit a Traffic Safety Concern:



Upcoming Meetings:

- **August 20**
- **September 17**

<https://trafficsafetyteam.org/roadway-concerns/>



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Meeting #6 • June 18, 2026 • 10:00 am

Previous Meeting Summary



- Meeting Call to Order
- Attendees

• Andrea Atran	• Alexander Moore	• Bert Watson
• Brian Dean	• Christine Aronow	• Daniel Wood
• Geovanna Sarnelli	• Hannah Evans	• Holly Walker
• Jason Berger	• Jim Hannigan	• Joe Wain
• Karla Rodrigues-Silva	• Kathy Benton	• Maria Rodriguez
• Morya Willis	• Randy Showers	• Shanghong Ding
• Thomas Idoyaga	•	•

- Engineering Roadway Concerns

Issue	New	Open	Closed
2986: NW US Hwy 441 & NW CR 235A: Requesting crosswalks.		X	
3003: NW 39th Avenue (SR 222) & NW 51st Street: Requesting Ped signal review.		X	
3005: SR 26 & SE 75 th Ave: Speeding issues.		X	
3018: SW 24 th Ave & Schoolhouse Rd: Requesting review of school zone.		X	
3022: US 19 near Village Pines Mobile Home Community: Requesting additional signs near bus lane.			X

- Public Information and Construction Updates
 - See [NFLRoads.com](https://www.nflroads.com)
- CTST Coordinator's Report
 - Material Order Information
 - Speeding & Aggressive Data Fact Sheets
 - Safe Streets for All and Grant Recipients
- Meeting Adjourned

FDOT District Two Engineering Concerns

Access ID	3018	CTST TEAM	Alachua - Dixie - Gilchrist - Levy
Notified Date	Thursday, May 28, 2026	District 2 County	Alachua
Your Name	Jayson Levy	Road Name	SW 24th Avenue
Agency / Organization	Alachua County Sheriff's Office	Intersecting Roadway	Schoolhouse Road
E-Category	Education Enforcement	Location Description	School Zone at the Rock Church / School
Primary Concern Type	School Traffic / School Zones		
Statuses (check all that apply)	Review Complete		

Issue Description

Community member asked about the Rock School Zone and can it be longer to slow traffic quicker as this zone makes it hard for people to exit the neighborhood near this zone.

D2 Admin Notes

05/29/2026 - This concern has been forwarded to Shanghong Ding with Alachua County Public Works.

06/02/2026 - Shanghong Ding responded to Jayson Levy - Per our conversation, we'd like to know which neighborhoods are experiencing the exit difficulties. The current school zone in front of Rock School is approximately 600 FT long (school light to school light), exceeding the 500 FT frontage of Rock School Property. It already creates a near continuous slow-speed corridor when combined with the Chiles Elementary School zone.

07/07/2026 - Requested an update from Shanghong Ding and Jayson Levy.

07/07/2026 - Response from Jayson Levy - Windward Meadows.

Resolution

07/08/2026 - Response from Shanghong Ding - Thank you for the reply. We are aware of the issue and will schedule the study.

FDOT District Two Engineering Concerns

Access ID	3005	CTST TEAM	Alachua - Dixie - Gilchrist - Levy
Notified Date	Monday, April 27, 2026	District 2 County	Gilchrist
Your Name	Kelly Fox	Road Name	SR 26
Agency / Organization	Tri County Veterinary Hospital	Intersecting Roadway	SE 75th Ave.
E-Category	Enforcement	Location Description	Tri County Vet ER Clinic on SR 26
Primary Concern Type	Speeding / Speed Zones		
Statuses (check all that apply)	Ongoing		

Issue Description

Lots of speeding in the area and crashes with patrons.

D2 Admin Notes

- 04/28/2026 - This concern has been forwarded to Jonathan Young and William Berger with FHP.
- 04/29/2026 - Response from Capt. Berger - This area is in his district. He will look into this issue.
- 05/19/2026 - Requested an update from Capt. Berger. Response from Capt. Berger - We have patrolled the area at different times and stopped a few violations in the area. During peak travel times when the violations seem more prevalent, because it is only two lanes there and the volume of traffic when we do see a violation we create more of safety concern trying to stop the violation than the violation is creating. We will continue to patrol the area and stop what we can and be a presence in the area.
- 05/20/2026 - Emailed Capt. Berger to see if a speed feedback sign could be used in this area. His response - We don't have any signs. I don't know if the county may have one.
- 05/21/2026 - We have emailed Bobby Crosby and David Aderholt with Gilchrist County Sheriff's office to see if they have a speed feedback sign that could be utilized in this area.
- 05/21/2026 - We have also emailed Colin Hale with Gilchrist County Roads to see if he can be of assistance.

05/29/2026 - Email from Holly Walker - I spoke with Kelly yesterday and explained the process. After further discussion and referring to the crash information I provided earlier, recommend that Safety/Studies investigate ways to improve visibility for the intersection. I have confirmed that the ER does not qualify for the blue "Motorist Service" signs; however, does it qualify for tourist or any other sign to identify the Vet ER or do they have to permit their own sign?

06/03/2026 - This issue has been forwarded to Jeff Scott with all of the comments from FHP and Holly. Jeff asked Nathan Lee to review this issue.

06/03/2026 - Response from Nathan - I have spoken with Ms. Doe on several occasions regarding her concerns at this location. Based on a review of the site and applicable standards, there are no additional traffic control devices or signing enhancements that the business qualifies for at this time. I understand that FHP has indicated that issuing citations at this location may create additional safety concerns than the violation itself. However, I find that position somewhat difficult to reconcile with the purpose of traffic enforcement. Enforcement is routinely performed on high-speed facilities throughout the state. Targeted enforcement is the only tool we have to curtail speeding related safety concerns.

06/08/2026 - Sent comments to Holly. She spoke to Nathan. Traffic Ops Studies initiated a review for the need for intersection warning signs to increase visibility.

07/07/2026 - Requested an update from Holly Walker and Nathan Lee.

FDOT District Two Engineering Concerns

Access ID	3003	CTST TEAM	Alachua - Dixie - Gilchrist - Levy
Notified Date	Friday, April 24, 2026	District 2 County	Alachua
Your Name	Michael Woodard	Road Name	NW 39th Avenue (SR 222)
Agency / Organization	N/A	Intersecting Roadway	NW 51st Street
E-Category	Engineering	Location Description	
Primary Concern Type	Traffic Signal Issues		Here's the location of the signalized intersection at NW 39th Ave and NW 51st Street: https://maps.app.goo.gl/fifhdVRPbzHWiaWp9 .
Statuses (check all that apply)	Ongoing		

Issue Description

Recent work was done at this intersection that included underground conduit, reconstructed curb ramps, and perhaps the signal timing. Yesterday I almost was run over by left and right-turning vehicles before and after entering the crosswalk to cross NW 39th Avenue – in both the northbound and southbound directions! When the northbound and southbound left-turn signal is flashing yellow, it conflicts with the pedestrian movement in the crosswalk. Potential solutions include:

1. Adding an exclusive pedestrian phase (only when the pedestrian signal push-button is pressed), which will prevent the left-turn signal changing from red to flashing yellow while the pedestrian signal timer is counting down.
2. Adding or extending the leading pedestrian interval to provide more time for pedestrians to cross the road before the red left-turn signal begins flashing yellow.
3. R10-15(a) signs could also be installed to reinforce pedestrian R/W.

D2 Admin Notes

04/24/2026 - This concern has been forwarded to Jeff Scott with FDOT Studies.
04/24/2026 - Jeff has assigned this issue to Nathan Lee for review.
05/19/2026 - Requested an update from Nathan Lee. Response from Nathan - There is an ongoing study to review Mr. Woodard’s request. It was commissioned on 5/7.
05/21/2026 - Comments from the meeting - Wait for the Study.
06/04/2026 - AR has been created and assigned to Austin Chapman. The report is due 09/04/2026.
07/07/2026 - No updates in the AR system.

FDOT District Two Engineering Concerns

Access ID	2986	CTST TEAM	Alachua - Dixie - Gilchrist - Levy
Notified Date	Monday, March 9, 2026	District 2 County	Alachua
Your Name	Thomas Stanfield	Road Name	NW US HWY 441
Agency / Organization	Alachua Police Department	Intersecting Roadway	NW CR 235A (NW 173rd Street)
E-Category	Engineering	Location Description	Major roadway intersection with Santa Fe Hlgh School, a Wawa, a Chick-Fil-A, and an Elliano's Coffee.
Primary Concern Type	Bike / Pedestrian Issues		
Statuses (check all that apply)	Review Complete		

Issue Description

Recently, the construction of Elliano’s Coffee, Wawa, and Chick-fil-A has brought significant traffic to the area. With Santa Fe High School located nearby, our officers have observed a large increase in students and sporting event attendees illegally crossing the roadway, often running in front of vehicles and nearly being struck.

This area does not have a properly designated crosswalk for NW US Highway 441 or the south end of CR 235A. If a properly marked crosswalk is not installed, it is almost guaranteed that a student will eventually be struck by a vehicle and severely injured, if not killed.

D2 Admin Notes

03/10/2026 - This concern has been forwarded to Jeff Scott with FDOT Studies.

03/12/2026 - An AR has been created and assigned to Nathan Lee. The report is due 07/12/2026.

05/19/2026 - No updates in the AR system.

06/09/2026 - No updates in the AR system.

07/07/2026 - This issue is still under review.

07/13/2026 - Requested an update from Nathan Lee.

Resolution

07/13/2026 - Response from Nathan Lee - Study has been completed, results are crosswalks are going to be put in. Timeline unknown.

District Two Public Information

<https://nflroads.com>



Alachua Roadway Construction Updates

Hawthorne Road from Southeast Eighth Avenue to Southeast 25th Street - Daytime lane closures Monday through Wednesday for road work.

I-75 at Seaboard Coastline railroad tracks (Bridge #260070) - Nighttime southbound lane closure Monday from 9:30 p.m. to 4:30 a.m. for routine overpass maintenance.

Northwest 13th Street at Northwest 42nd Avenue - Daytime northbound lane closures Tuesday through Friday from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. for concrete work.

Northwest 34th Street from Northwest 16th Boulevard to Hull Road - Daytime lane closures Tuesday through Friday from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. for concrete work.

Northwest 39th Avenue at 92nd Court - Nighttime lane closures Sunday through Wednesday from 8 p.m. to 6 a.m. for traffic signal work.

Southwest Second Street from University Avenue to 34th Street - Daytime westbound lane closures weekdays from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. for concrete work.

State Road 24 from Ormond Street to NW 148th Avenue - Daytime lane closures weekdays from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. for concrete work.

State Road 26 at Hatchet Creek (Bridge #260033) - Daytime lane closures Tuesday through Friday from 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. for bridge construction.

State Road 26 from Southeast Third Street to Southeast Seventh Street - Daytime eastbound lane closures weekdays from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. for utility work.

U.S. 27 from Newberry to High Springs - Daytime lane closures weekdays from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. for road work.

U.S. 441 at Northwest 43rd Street - Daytime lane closures Tuesday through Friday from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. for road work.

U.S. 441 from 167th Boulevard to 119th Terrace - Nighttime lane closures Sunday through Thursday from 6 p.m. to 6:30 a.m. for concrete work.

U.S. 441 from Northwest 173rd Street to Northwest 174th Drive - Daytime westbound lane closures Monday through Wednesday from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. for road work.

Waldo Road (State Road 24) at Northeast 16th Avenue - Nighttime lane closures Sunday through Thursday from 8:30 p.m. to 6:30 a.m. for road work.

Waldo Road (State Road 24) at Northeast 23rd Avenue - Nighttime lane closures Sunday through Thursday from 8:30 p.m. to 6:30 a.m. for road work.

West Newberry Road at Northwest 76th Boulevard - Daytime westbound lane closures Tuesday through Friday from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. for concrete work.

West University Avenue from Northwest Sixth Street to Northwest Seventh Street - Daytime westbound lane closures weekdays from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. for concrete work.

West University Avenue from Northwest Sixth Street to Northwest Third Street - Daytime eastbound lane closures weekdays from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. for concrete work.



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Dixie Roadway Construction Updates

No expected lane closures.

Gilchrist Roadway Construction Updates

No expected lane closures.

Levy Roadway Construction Updates

U.S. 19 (State Road 55) at State Road 121 and Southeast County Road 336 - Continuous lane closures for road work.

Madison Roadway Construction Updates

No expected lane closures.

Taylor Roadway Construction Updates

U.S. 19 from U.S. 221 to Ash Street - Daytime lane closures weekdays from 7 a.m. to 6 p.m. for drainage work.

U.S. 27 from U.S. 19 to Center Street - Daytime lane closures weekdays from 7 a.m. to 6 p.m. for road work.

U.S. 221 at Two Pines Bridge (Bridge #782M171) - Daytime lane closures Wednesday and Thursday from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. for bridge work.



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DRIVING TIPS FOR TEENS

Posted on 07/09/2024 by Traffic Safety Team

FDOT District Two Community Traffic Safety Program developed these short videos with driving tips for teens. A series of brief educational and informative traffic safety messages are available to share during National Teen Driver Safety Week, the *100 Deadliest Days* for Teen Drivers during the summer, and all year long.

These driving tips and reminders are excellent for drivers of all ages, significantly younger, inexperienced motorists. Knowing the road rules and having good driving behaviors will reduce crashes and eliminate fatalities and severe injuries on our roadways.

Read Florida Teen Safety Driving Coalition's [2024 Florida Teen Driver Fact Sheet](#) – a resource for understanding teen driving behaviors, crash statistics, and the challenges on Florida's roads. This guide provides data and insights to help teens, parents, and educators make informed decisions about roadway safety. Learn more here: [Florida Teen Driver Fact Sheet webpage](#).

Road Rules Videos Include:

- Flashing Yellow Turn Signal
- Hit & Run
- Speeding
- Impaired Driving
- Distracted Driving
- Occupant Protection
- Florida's Move Over Law
- Pedestrian RFBs
- Bicycle Safety
- E-Bike Safety
- Lane Departure
- Intersections
- Stop for School Buses
- Railroad Crossing
- Motorcycle Safety

Driving Tips for Teens - Traffic Safety Team

100 Deadliest Days for Teen Drivers

The "100 Deadliest Days" is the period between Memorial Day and Labor Day when fatal teen crashes increase dramatically. Nationwide over 7,000 people died in teen-related crashes from 2010–2019 during this summer period.

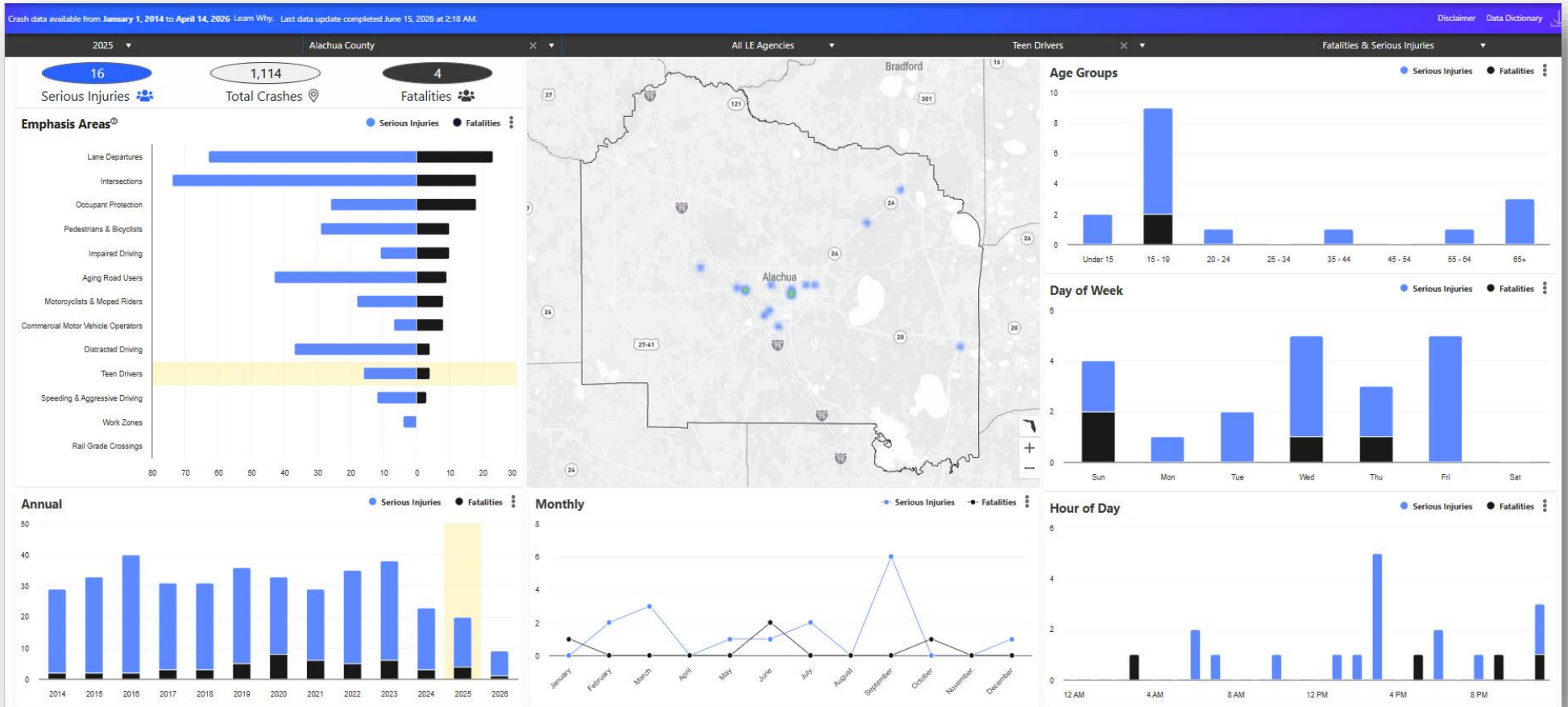
Teens drivers have a higher rate of fatal crashes, due to immaturity, lack of skills, and lack of experience. Teenagers speed, they make mistakes, they wear their safety belts less often, and they get distracted easily – especially if their friends are in the car.

For more information on FDOT Teen Driver Safety and related programs and grants, visit the [Safety Office Teen Driver Safety page](#). Visit the Florida Teen Safe Driving Coalitions' *100 Deadliest Days for Teen Driver's Page* for more.

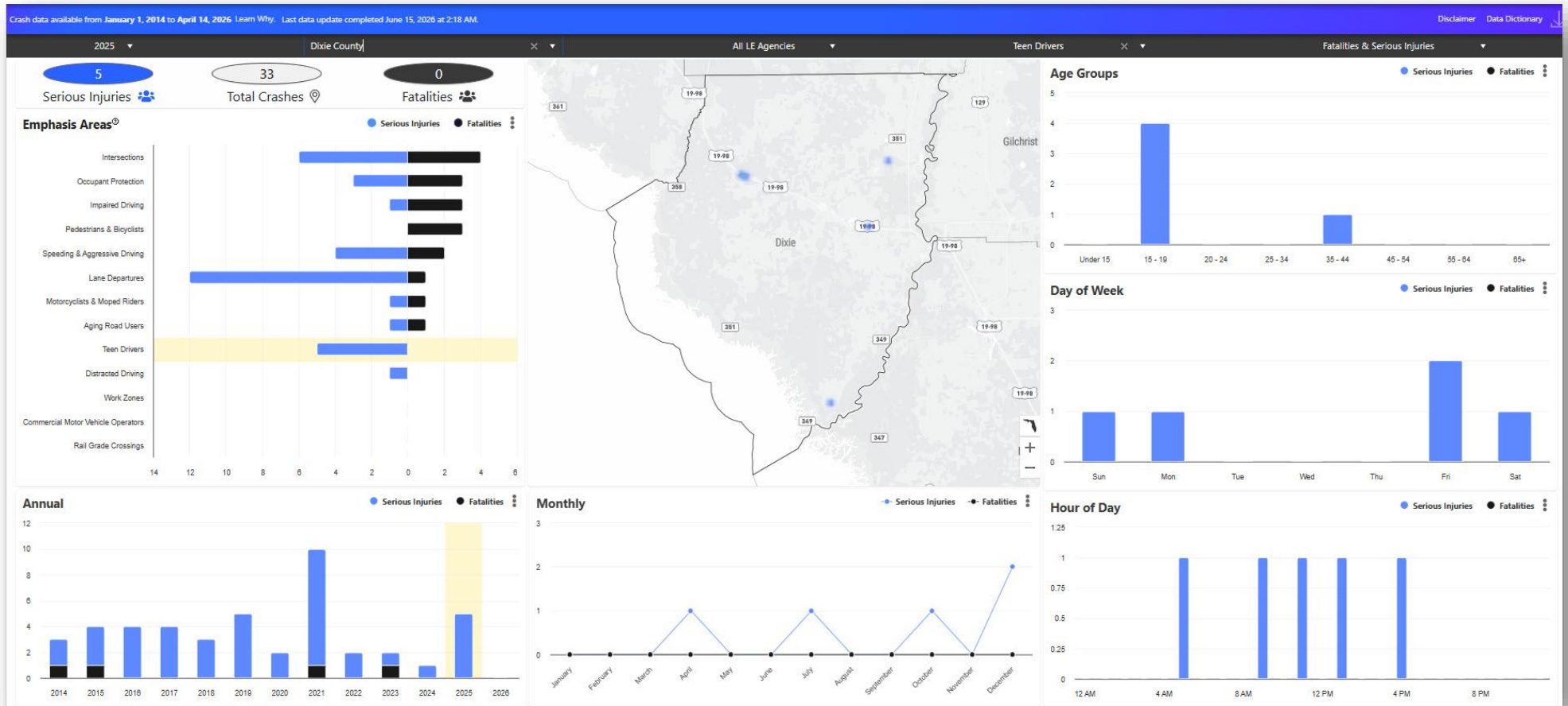
Other Important Reminders for Teen Drivers:

- Reduce the number of passengers
- Lower music volume
- Use turn signals
- Limit driving at dark
- Obey the speed limit
- Stop at stop signs and traffic lights
- Share the road

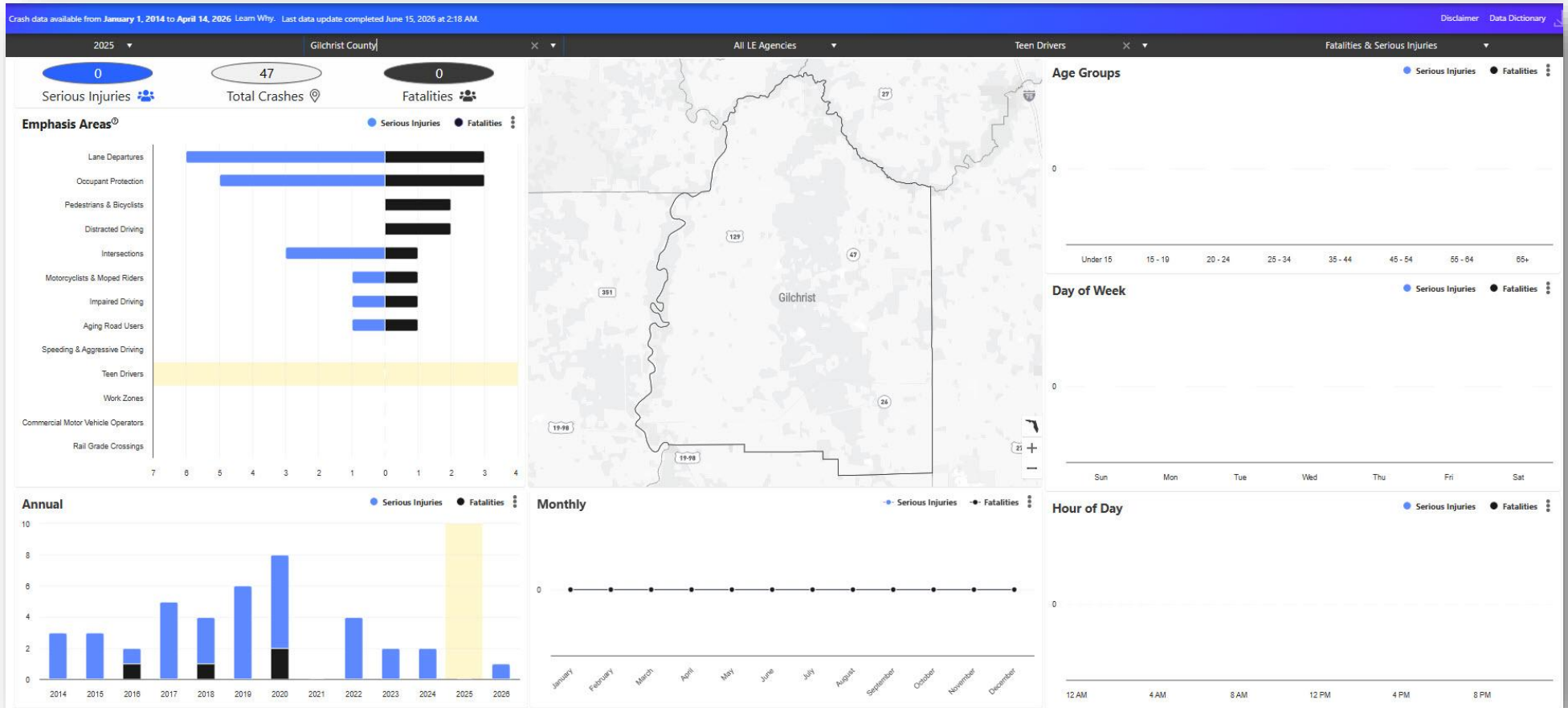
Alachua Crash Data – Teen Driving



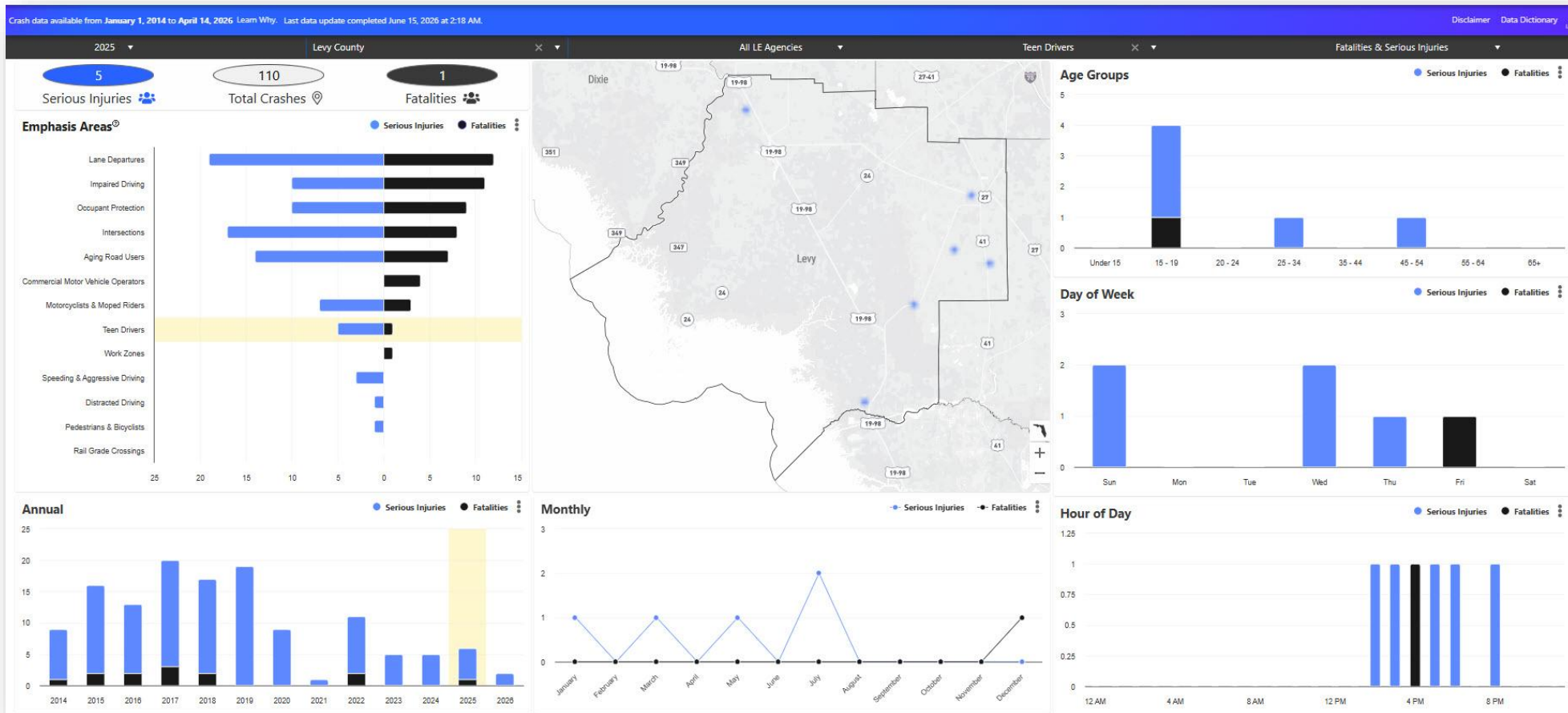
Dixie Crash Data – Teen Driving



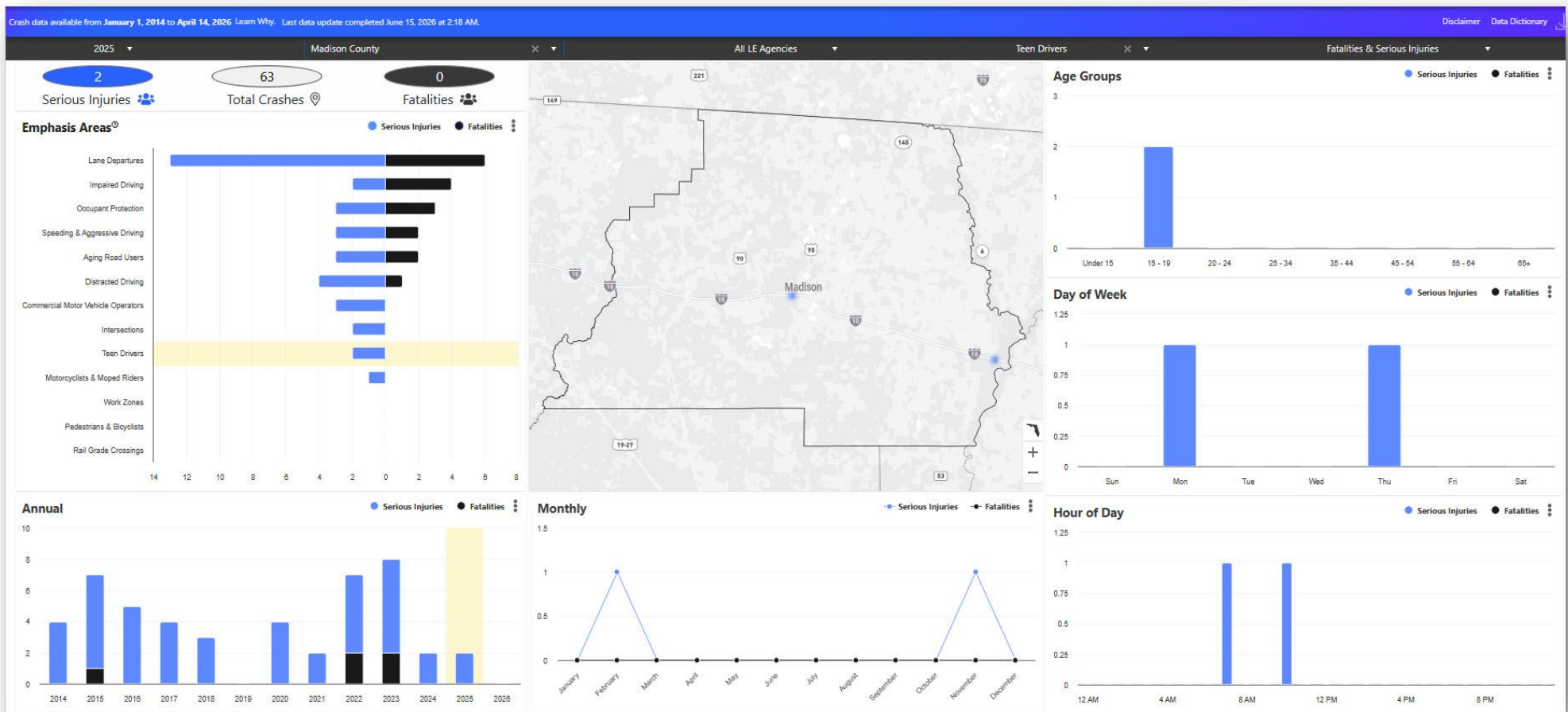
Gilchrist Crash Data – Teen Driving



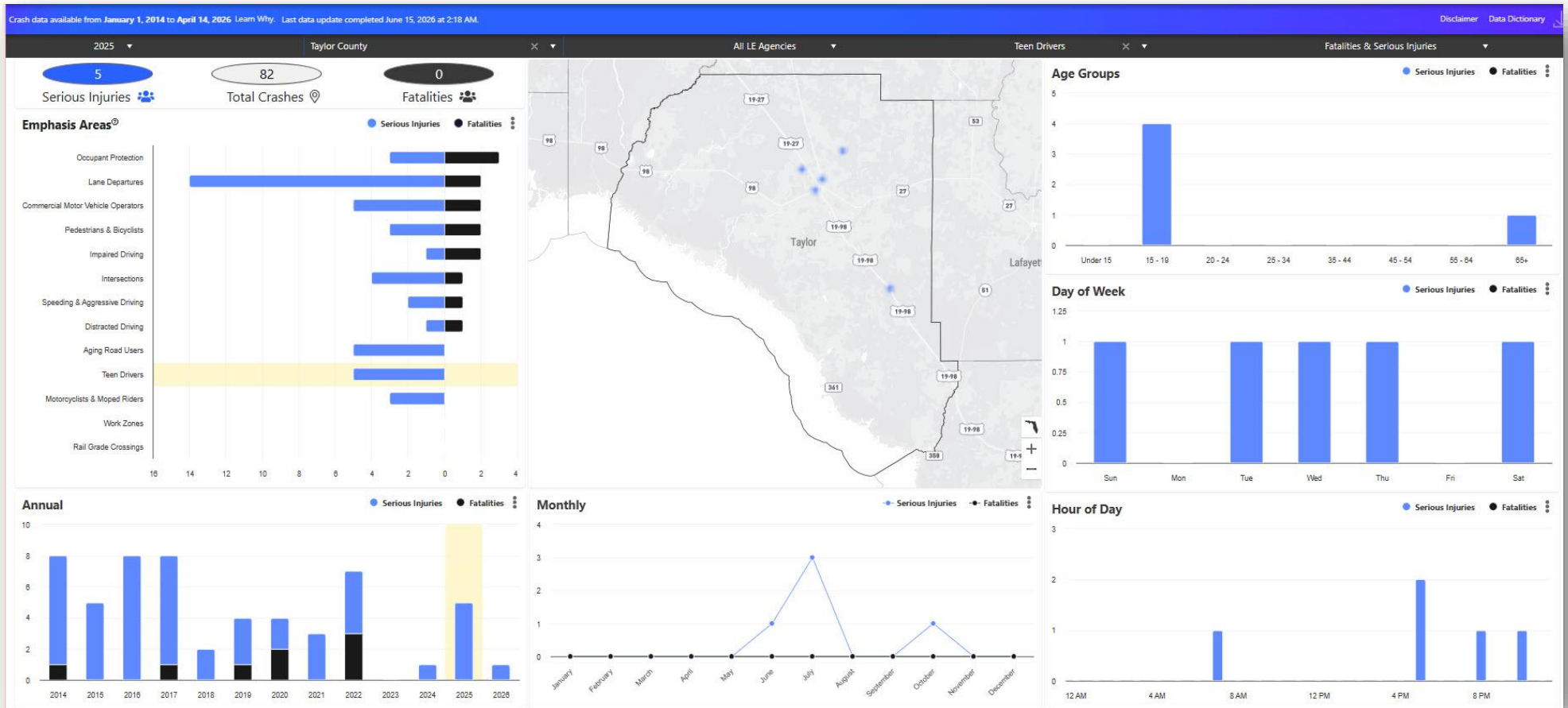
Levy Crash Data – Teen Driving



Madison Crash Data – Teen Driving



Taylor Crash Data – Teen Driving



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Planning Today for Safer Roads Tomorrow

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SS4A funding supports communities at different stages of safety readiness through four primary grant phases:



- **Action Plan** – Development of a comprehensive Safety Action Plan that identifies high-injury networks, analyzes crash trends, and prioritizes safety strategies.



- **Planning & Demonstration** – Detailed analysis and quick-build or pilot projects to test safety countermeasures before permanent installation.



- **Implementation** – Design and construction of proven safety improvements identified in an adopted Action Plan.



- **Supplemental** – Development or updates of Action Plans to advance readiness for future implementation.



SS4A Awardees in FDOT District Two

Action Plan Grants:

- Alachua County

Planning & Demonstration Grants:

- Alachua County / City of Gainesville
- City of Perry
- City of Williston
- Levy County
- Madison County
- University of Florida Board of Trustees

Implementation Grants:

City of Gainesville

Grant Application Awards

Distracted Driving

- Alachua County Sheriff's Office
- Gainesville Police Department

Impaired Driving

- Gainesville Police Department
- Perry Police Department

Motorcycle Safety

- Gainesville Police Department

Occupant Protection & Child Passenger Safety

- Gainesville Police Department
- Perry Police Department

Speeding & Aggressive Driving

- Alachua County Sheriff's Office
- Gainesville Police Department
- Madison County Sheriff's Office



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