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Subject : Recent traffic collisions

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Humboldt Bay Fire and Eureka Police Department would like to address the recent traffic collisions on Henderson Street. We have seen a total of five traffic collisions since the morning of November 7th. Three of those traffic accidents occurred on Henderson Street with one resulting in a fatality.

Humboldt Bay Fire and Eureka Police Department would like to remind everyone to please slow down in residential areas and be aware on one-way streets. It is important to obey all traffic laws such as coming to a full stop at all stop signs and traffic lights. As well as slowing down for construction zones and amber signals.

According to the National Safety Council speeding was a factor in 29% of fatality accidents in 2022. It is important to stay vigilant of the speed limit as well as other drivers. Henderson Street has a speed limit of 30 miles per hour unless in a school zone.

Distracted driving was a factor in 8.2% of fatal traffic accidents according to the California Office of Traffic Safety. This includes the use of handheld devices; distracted driving is a primary cause of major injury crashes involving teens.

This is a great opportunity for the community as a whole to commit to safe driving practices including following the speed limit and keeping those cell phones away while behind the wheel. Safety is our highest priority and our condolences go out to the family of yesterday's victim.

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