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Special Enforcement for Bicycle and Pedestrian Safety

Starting Monday, April 3, 2017, special police enforcement teams will be out in the busiest areas of the city handing out - citations - to violators and making sure everyone obeys the laws of the road, for the safety of our pedestrians, cyclists, as well as our motorists. This enforcement comes after the St. Petersburg Police Department distributed thousands of warnings and educational pamphlets over the last four months.

The special operation will begin Monday, 10 a.m. through 2 p.m., in the area of the 4th Street North, between 5th Avenue North and 22nd Avenue North, and will target people who ignore bike and pedestrian traffic rules. Pedestrian and bicycle citation fines are \$62.50.

A police officer will be available to speak to media and they will have the opportunity to video and photograph the enforcement effort.

St. Petersburg Police officers will challenge everyone to stay safe on the roads, especially during Spring break season and the start of summer. A vibrant, bustling downtown makes the Sunshine City an ideal place to enjoy a walk or take a bike ride, but pedestrians and bicyclists have the most to lose in a crash on the road.

The special enforcement is part of an FDOT grant through USF for Bicycle and Pedestrian Safety.