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While Halloween is a fun and exciting night for many, it also is one of the most important nights to pay attention and take precautions for pedestrians. With more people walking on the street, danger [increases](#) during Halloween.

Whether you're behind the wheel or heading out on foot, a few simple precautions can help ensure Halloween is memorable for all the right reasons.



For Drivers:

- **Stay alert.** Put down your phone, eliminate distractions, and watch carefully for pedestrians, especially in residential neighborhoods.
- **Slow down.** Expect increased foot traffic and be prepared for children who may unexpectedly enter the roadway.
- **See and be seen.** Turn on your headlights to improve visibility and help others spot your vehicle.
- **Report dangerous driving.** If you notice a driver behaving recklessly or showing signs of impairment, keep your distance and contact law enforcement when safe to do so.

For Parents and Trick-or-Treaters:

- **Choose costumes with safety in mind.** Look for flame-resistant materials and add reflective tape, glow sticks, or other accessories that increase visibility.
- **Stick together.** Have a responsible adult accompany younger children while trick-or-treating.
- **Practice safe crossings.** Encourage children to use sidewalks and designated crosswalks, look left, right, and left again before crossing, and make eye contact with drivers when possible.

A little extra caution goes a long way. Keep the scares to Halloween activities and off the road to keep the fun going!



Take the Terror out of Traffic with an Electronic Tag

From haunted houses to calendars packed with fall festivities, there's plenty to get spooked about this October. But one thing that shouldn't give you a fright? Your commute

Opening and maintaining an account with one of the Mobility Authority's accepted electronic tag providers gives you access to convenient, cashless travel on Mobility Authority roadways, with benefits that are anything but scary:

- **Automatically save 33% on every toll transaction.** Electronic tag customers pay 33% less than Pay By Mail customers.
- **Skip the scary stack of paper bills.** Automatic toll payments mean fewer paper bills piling up in your mailbox.
- **Keep moving.** Take advantage of Mobility Authority toll roads and express lanes as an alternative to congested routes.

Don't let traffic or toll bills haunt you this fall. Get an electronic tag and enjoy a smoother, more convenient, more affordable way to travel.

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Fallin' into Smarter Travel

Fall in Central Texas means football games, festivals, and plenty of reasons to get out and explore. But with packed event calendars often come packed roadways.

The good news? You have options. Carpooling, public transit, biking, and walking are all ways to help reduce the number of vehicles on the road while staying connected to the places you want to go.

And this fall, choosing an alternative to driving alone could earn you rewards!

Through the [ConnectSmart app](#), travelers who log eligible shared or active transportation trips from now until November 15 can be entered for a chance to win a \$50 H-E-B gift card. ConnectSmart also offers rewards for eligible carpool trips, which can be redeemed for gift cards from popular businesses like Chipotle and Starbucks.

Whether you're sharing a ride to a Longhorns game, biking to a neighborhood event, or taking public transit to a fall festival, your transportation choices can make a difference

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