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Crosswalk Crackdown in Norcross

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(WSB Radio) Norcross police are cracking down on drivers who don't stop for pedestrians.

Every single day in metro Atlanta, four pedestrians are hit by drivers," says Michael Orta of Pedestrian Group on why police are taking the action. "The law is very simple. Pedestrian plus crosswalk equals stop. Not yield, not swerve, but stop."

Some drivers weren't happy to be ticketed for violating the crosswalk law. Steve Hill was among them.

"Now I can understand that's a fairly busy area and anywhere they've got the crosswalk marked the pedestrian has the right of way," he says, "but the pedestrian has some responsibility to when they step off the curb to when I need to stop."

Hill says the ticket did teach him a lesson, albeit a painful one.

"Since I got a ticket, yes, I'll probably be more cognizant of it," he says. "But do I think it's fair? No."