Challenge: Certain types of vehicle crashes are more serious for drivers and other road users. The data show that crashes that involve lane departure and intersections are top priorities.

**Lane Departures**
Lane departure crashes involve a vehicle unintentionally leaving its lane of travel. This includes both vehicles leaving a lane to the right (run-off-the-road crashes) as well as vehicles leaving a lane to the left (either opposite direction crashes or run-off-the-road crashes).

Key issues for lane departures:
- Roadside conditions
- Horizontal (left- or right-turn) curves
- Nighttime and lighting conditions

**Intersections**
Intersections are a conflict point for traffic. One of the major objectives of addressing intersection-related crashes is to reduce the severity of those crashes when they occur.

Key issues for intersections:
- Angle crashes
- Nighttime conditions
- Bicyclist and pedestrian crashes

**Strategies and Objectives for Positive Change:**
**Lane Departures:**
- Local Road Safety Plans, which use a systemic approach to identifying priority locations to be addressed
- High friction surface treatments that greatly increases the friction between vehicle tires and the roadway
- Improved roadway visibility, including upgraded signing, pavement markings, roadway lighting, and delineation

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Intersections:
- Roundabouts to create lower speed environment
- Improved intersection visibility (roadway lighting and markings)
- Signal operations improvements, including leading pedestrian intervals, protected-only left-turn movements, and restricting turn movements (left or right)

What You Can Do:
- Support strategies for reducing fatalities and serious injuries from lane departures (page 98) and at intersections (page 107)
- Support efforts to implement a Local Road Safety Plan
- Support efforts to make roadways safer through engineering solutions

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