10 Tips For Accident Victims From SCBIKELAW:

1. Ride with a cell phone, personal identification, emergency contact, and something to write with.
2. Dial 911: call the police or an ambulance immediately. If you are unable to do so, ask someone to help.
3. Always wait for the police to arrive and file an official accident report. A police report provides documentation detailing the incident, including the identity of witnesses.
4. Get the business card of the officer.
5. Leave your bike in the same state it was after the accident, if possible. It is best if the police see the accident scene undisturbed.
6. Obtain the contact information of any witnesses.
7. Immediately seek medical attention, either at the scene, the emergency room, hospital or doctor’s office. When in doubt go to the ER! Give all complaints to the doctor. Medical records are proof that you were injured and document the extent of your injuries.
8. Take photos of injuries and keep a diary of how you feel after the accident.
9. Never negotiate with the driver of the vehicle, regardless of who may be at fault. Get the driver’s name and his or her insurance information, along with the names of any passengers.
10. Give no written or recorded statements to anyone.

Greenway Safety Tips

Cycling Tips

Always wear a helmet; Adults should set the example for kids by wearing them. Have extras for your kids friends.

- Use standard traffic hand signals for stopping, slowing and turning.
- Ride on the right side of the road or trail.
- Supplies you need to have include a cell phone, identification, money, and spare tire and pump.
- Wear bright colored clothing.
- Let someone you know the route you are taking and time of return.
- Obey all traffic laws. Cyclists have rights but also responsibilities.
- Keep your equipment in good condition.
- Carry medical and emergency contact information and a first aid kit.

The Bicycle Safety Bill

H3006: The Bicycle Safety Bill brings South Carolina into conformity with the Uniform Vehicle Code and Federal Standards.

“This should have been passed years ago,” said 5th Circuit Solicitor Barney Giese. He said “The law provides a needed legal tool to prosecute motorists who hit bicyclists. Before, it was a gray area.”

For a summary of H3006 to know your rights as a cyclist visit the Palmetto Cycling Coalition website at www.pccsc.net