**USING THE BIPARTISAN INFRASTRUCTURE** LAW TO CREATE **IMPACTFUL PROJECTS FOR PEOPLE AND THE PLANET** 

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## Using the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law to create impactful projects for people and the planet

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- Bipartisan Infrastructure Law
- Grants
  - Safe Streets and Roads for All (SS4A) Grant Program
- Zero Deaths and Safe System Approach
  - Proven Safety Countermeasures
- Complete Streets
  - \$ Match Waiver



## BIL / IIJA – What is it?



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- On November 15, 2021, President Biden signed the <u>Infrastructure Investment</u> and Jobs Act (IIJA) (Public Law 117-58, also known as the "Bipartisan <u>Infrastructure Law" (BIL)</u>) into law.
- The Bipartisan Infrastructure Law is the largest long-term investment in our infrastructure and economy in our Nation's history.

Infrastructure is so elemental to our society that when it's not there to serve us in the right way, all of us are impacted. But when it is — when it's strong — every community — large and small, rural and urban, privileged and marginalized — every community feels the benefits.

- Secretary Pete Buttigieg





 It provides \$550 billion over fiscal years 2022 through 2026 in new Federal investment in infrastructure, including in roads, bridges, and mass transit, water infrastructure, resilience, and broadband.





An official website of the United States government <u>Here's how you know</u>



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### **DOT Navigator**

The DOT Navigator is a resource to help communities understand how to apply for grants, and plan for and deliver transformative infrastructure projects and services.

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## FHWA Formula \$



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#### Funding

The <u>Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (IIJA) (Public Law 117-58, also known as the "Bipartisan Infrastructure Law")</u> provides approximately \$350 billion for Federal highway programs over a five-year period (fiscal years 2022 through 2026). Most of this funding is apportioned (distributed) to States based on formulas specified in Federal law. However, the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law also provides funding through a wide range of <u>competitive grant programs</u>.

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### **Key Notices of Funding Opportunity**

In order to provide stakeholders with more visibility into upcoming funding opportunities, DOT is publishing a list of anticipated dates for upcoming Notices of Funding Opportunity (NOFOs) for key programs within the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law (BIL) and the Inflation Reduction Act (IRA), as well as adjacent programs that support BIL and IRA objectives. This list is not comprehensive and will be updated periodically with additional programs and revised dates as appropriate.

The <u>USDOT Discretionary Grants Dashboard</u> provides communities with an overview of discretionary grant opportunities that can help meet their transportation infrastructure needs.

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Opening Date	NOFO	Operating Administration/Office	Closing Date (to be added for each program after the NOFO is issued)
Large Bridge NOFO: September 27, 2023	Bridge Investment Program	Federal Highway Administration	Large Bridge: August 1, 2025
Bridge Projects: December 20, 2023 Bridge Planning Grants: December 20,2023	Bridge Projects Planning and other Bridge Projects	Federal Highway Administration	Bridge Project Grants: 11/1/2024 Planning Project Grants: 10/1/2024



## Safe Streets and Roads for All



**Federal Highway Administration** 

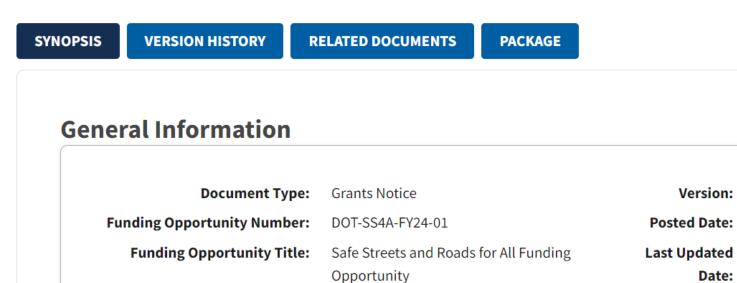
### **VIEW GRANT OPPORTUNITY**

DOT-SS4A-FY24-01

Safe Streets and Roads for All Funding Opportunity

Department of Transportation

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Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO)

### Grants.gov

Version:

Date:

Posted Date:

Synopsis 7

Feb 21, 2024

Apr 16, 2024



## Safe Streets and Roads for All



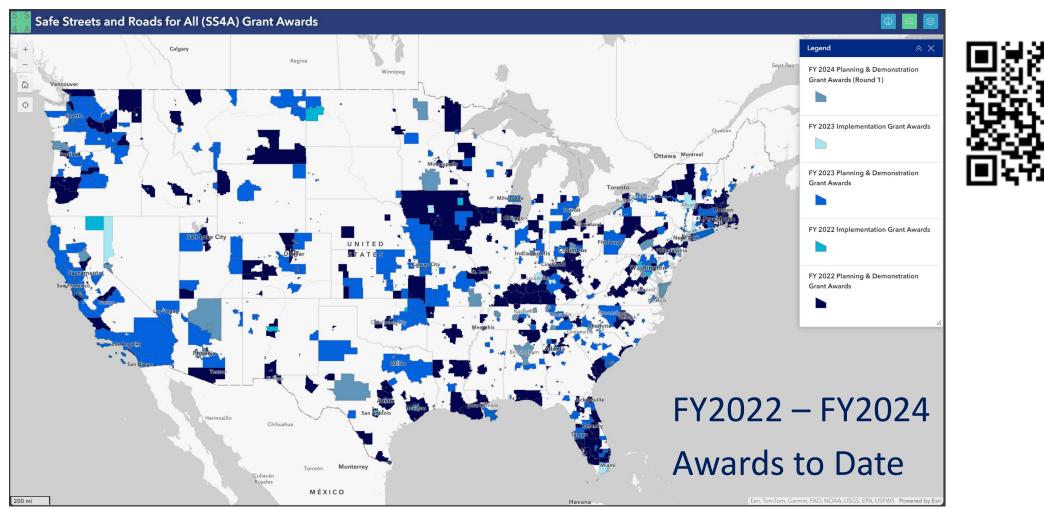


- Competitive grant program established by BIL
  - \$5B over 5 years, 2022-2026
  - Exclusively designed to help local communities
  - Planning and Demonstration, and Implementation grants
  - Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO)



## Safe Streets and Roads for All







## 2022 Fatalities Statistics



Federal Highway Administration

Traffic fatalities are a public health crisis affecting all road users. Fatalities among Vulnerable Road Users like pedestrians and bicyclists are increasing even faster.

42,795	8,354	1,123	209
National Fatalities	National Pedestrian And Bike Fatalities	Michigan Fatalities	Michigan Pedestrian and Bike Fatalities



# National Roadway Safety Strategy (NRSS)





- Published January 2022
- Focus is to reduce traffic fatalities and serious injuries
- Long-term goal of zero deaths
- Uses Safe System Approach (SSA)



## History of the Proven Safety Countermeasure initiative (PSCi)



Federal Highway Administration

- Version 1 debuted in 2008
  - First "proven safety countermeasures" totaled 9
  - Envisioned as a means to boost systemic implementation.
- Version 2 released in 2012
  - Updated four of original nine
  - Added five new countermeasures for a total of 14
- Version 3 released in 2017
  - Added six new countermeasures for a total of 20
  - Developed new informational one-pagers and a booklet-style handout
- Version 4 released in 2021
  - Added eight new countermeasures and updated one for a total of 28
  - Enhanced functionality of webpages and updated all onepagers



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28 Proven Safety Countermeasures that offer significant and measurable impacts to improving safety



Source: FHWA



## Proven Safety Countermeasures 🕗 Pedestrian/Bicyclist

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**Crosswalk Visibility** Enhancements



Leading Pedestrian Interval



Medians and Pedestrian Refuge Islands in Urban and Suburban Areas



Pedestrian Hybrid Beacons



**Rectangular Rapid Flashing** Beacons (RRFB)



Road Diets (Roadway Reconfiguration)



Walkways



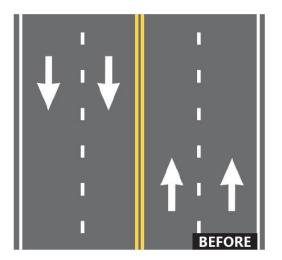


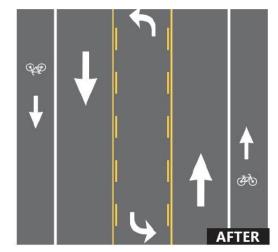






- Typically involves converting an existing fourlane undivided roadway to a three-lane roadway consisting of two through lanes and a center two-way left-turn lane
- Reduce crossing distances and exposure
- Traffic calming and more consistent vehicle speeds
- Promote Complete Streets
- Provide space for installing pedestrian refuge islands, bicycle lanes, on-street parking, or transit stops
- Low-cost when planned with pavement overlay





Source: FHWA







- 4-Lane to 3-Lane, Road Diet Conversions
  - Up to <u>19% reduction</u> in total crashes (urban areas)
  - Up to <u>47% reduction</u> in total crashes (suburban areas)
  - Up to <u>37% reduction</u> in injury crashes



Source: FHWA



## Complete Streets





- A Complete Street is safe, and feels safe, for all users.
- "Equity means the consistent and systematic fair, just and impartial treatment of all individuals, including individuals who belong to underserved communities that have been denied such treatment..."-DOT Equity Action Plan,





- BIL § 11206(a) defines Complete Streets standards or policies as "...standards or policies that ensure the safe and adequate accommodation of all users of the transportation system, including pedestrians, bicyclists, public transportation users, children, older individuals, individuals with disabilities, motorists, and freight vehicles."
- BIL § 11206(b) requires States and MPOs to use not less than 2.5% of SPR and PL funds, respectively, on Complete Streets planning activities.
- Typically, 20% local match to 80% Federal funds.

HOWEVER, during BIL the 20% is waived, meaning <u>100% Federal \$</u> are available for Complete Streets planning activities, even above the required 2.5%.

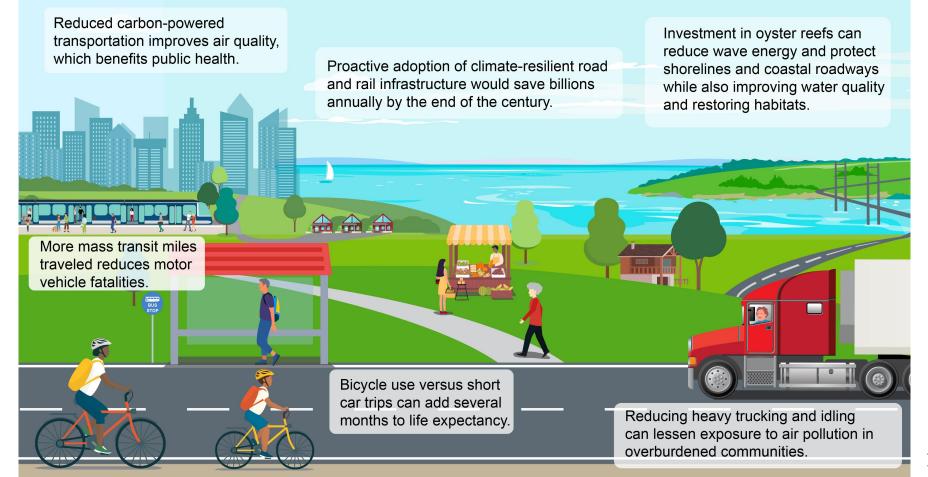


## People & Planet



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#### Co-benefits of Mitigation and Resilience



Transportation (globalchange.gov)



## Sources & Resources



Federal Highway Administration

#### **Bipartisan Infrastructure Law**

- Bipartisan Infrastructure Law FHWA | Federal Highway Administration (dot.gov)
- DOT Navigator | US Department of Transportation
- Key Notices of Funding Opportunity | US Department of Transportation
- Safe Streets and Roads for All (SS4A) Grant Program
- Zero Deaths and Safe System Approach
- Proven Safety Countermeasures
- Complete Streets | FHWA (dot.gov)
- <u>Clarified Waiver of the Non-Federal Match for State Planning and Research and</u> <u>Metropolitan Planning Funds in Support of Complete Streets Planning Activities (BIL §</u> <u>11206) (dot.gov)</u>

- NHTSA Early Estimates: 2022 Traffic Crash Deaths | NHTSA
- Microsoft Word YE 2022 Report All Percent.docx (michigan.gov)
- National Roadway Safety Strategy | US Department of Transportation
- Bipartisan Infrastructure Law Competitive Grant Programs | Federal Highway Administration (dot.gov)
- Justice40 Initiative | US Department of Transportation
- U.S. Department of Transportation Equity Action Plan | US Department of Transportation
- Rebuilding American Infrastructure with Sustainability and Equity (RAISE)
- Active Transportation Infrastructure Investment Program (ATIIP)



# Thank you!

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# The Federal (U.S.) Funding Landscape









With the influx of money from the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (IIJA) and the Inflation Reduction Act, there is (for now) a lot of federal money available for cities and states to apply for.

- RAISE
- SS4A
- RCN
- PROTECT
- ATIIP
- CPRG

# Justice40

- GOAL: 40 percent of the overall benefits of certain Federal investments flow to disadvantaged communities that are marginalized, underserved, and overburdened by pollution.
- APPLIES TO: federal grants related to climate change, clean energy, energy efficiency, clean transit, affordable housing, etc.



- FOCUSES ON ADDRESSING:
  - Transportation insecurity
  - Environmental burden
  - Social vulnerability
  - Health vulnerability
  - $_{\odot}$  Climate and disaster risk burden

For More information https://www.transportation.gov/equity-Justice40

Climate and Economic Justice Screening Tool https://screeningtool.geoplatform.gov/en/

# CPRG

### **Climate Pollution Reduction Grants**

### **Implementation grants:**

- Total funding available: \$4.3b
- Individual grant amount: \$2m-500m
- Number of awards expected: 30-115
- Grant period: 5 years
- Eligible applicants: states, municipalities, and tribes

*Projects must be included in a PCAP to be eligible implementation grants.* 





# **Communities Taking Charge Accelerator**

### Joint Office of Energy and Transportation

- Accelerate solutions that make it possible for communities everywhere to ride and drive electric
- Funding is available to academic, non-profit, forprofit, and government entities for planning, demonstration, and/or deployment projects that drive innovation in equitable clean transportation
- Key topic: Expanding E-Mobility Solutions through Electrified Micro, Light and Medium-Duty Fleets
- Grants for these options are \$250k -\$4 million



# PROTECT



Promoting Resilient Operations for Transformative, Efficient, and Cost-saving Transportation

- Federal program funded by the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act.
- Provides funding for surface transportation infrastructure resilience to natural hazards.
- Can be used to improve resilience of infrastructure for people walking and biking. Nature-based resilience strategies to flooding, erosion, and heat are encouraged.
- \$829 million was awarded in the first round of funding.

## **Climate Change Adaptation + Resilience**

### SUSTAINABILITY + CLIMATE AT ALTA

Planning for climate risks and impacts to protect the most vulnerable and build infrastructure resilience.



Mississippi River PROTECT Grant Application

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Alta played a pivotal role in securing a \$16 million USDOT PROTECT grant for the restoration of vital Mississippi River floodplain areas in the City of West Memphis. Alta's Civic Analytics team used cutting-edge methods to analyze ecosystem services and assess the project's

resilience impacts. This included a bridge disruption analysis that highlighted who would be most impacted by bridge closures to make



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# RAISE

Rebuilding American Infrastructure with Sustainability and Equity

Discretionary grant program for investments in surface transportation infrastructure that will have a significant local or regional impact.(Previously known as BUILD, and prior to that as TIGER)

These grants are incredibly competitive.

Applicants should consider how their projects can address climate change, ensure racial equity, and remove barriers to opportunity —all goals that are closely aligned with Alta's mission and with the needs of communities with which we work.

### Key Dates:

Grants Due:

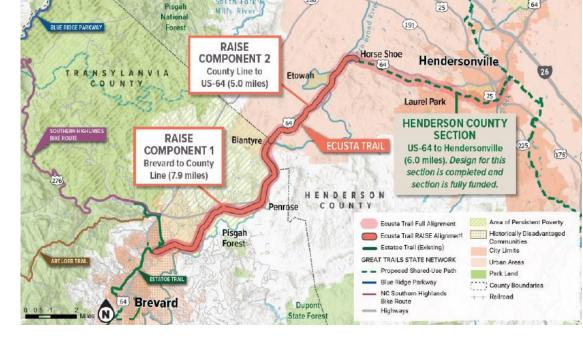
- 2025 deadline: January 13, 2025
- 2026 deadline: January 13, 2026



# **RAISE Project Examples**

### Ecusta Trail, North Carolina

- 19.4-mile rail-trail connecting Hendersonville, Brevard and the Pisgah National Forest
- Near Great Smoky Mountains National Park (highest visitation in US)
- The Trail will connect communities, promote health, enhance both quality of life and the local economy, and eventually become a signature trail for the region
- Alta helped partners of the Ecusta Trail secure two federal grants in early 2023, a \$24.6 million USDOTRAISE grant and a \$23.5millionNationally Significant Federal
   Lands and Tribal Projects(NSFLTP) grant.

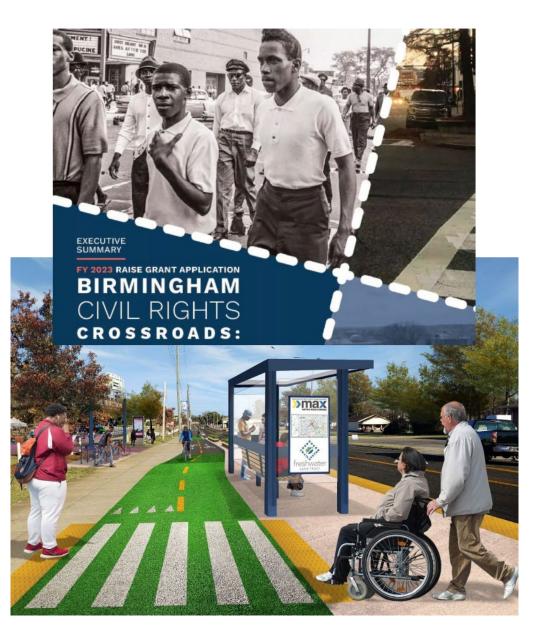




# **RAISE Project Examples**

### Birmingham, AL Civil Rights Crossroads

- 3.16 mile urban trail that traverses through the Civil Rights Historic District, a pivotal landscape in America's Civil Rights movement, and reconnect communities divided by an interstate
- Other unique elements include a two-way cycle track with micromobility hubs, direct access to transit islands, an increase in street trees, stormwater features, and other efforts to reduce the urban heat island effect.
- In total, the City of Birmingham, with support of its partners like The Freshwater Land Trust, will receive \$21.6 million in RAISE Grant funds.



# **RAISE Project Examples**

High Point on the Rise

- \$20 million grant
- The urban multimodal greenway and streetscape project will connect equity priority communities of color to the City's mass transit facilities and essential services:
- Spur transit-oriented economic development
- Provide a safe, sustainable route for active transportation



### What makes a <u>competitive</u> RAISE implementation grant application?

- The project is a regionally important project prioritized through a robust planning process
- The project provides significant and multiple benefits in the following categories:
  - Safety
  - Environmental Sustainability
  - Quality of Life
  - Mobility & Community Connectivity

- Economic Competitiveness and Opportunity
- State of Good Repair
- Partnership and Collaboration
- Innovation

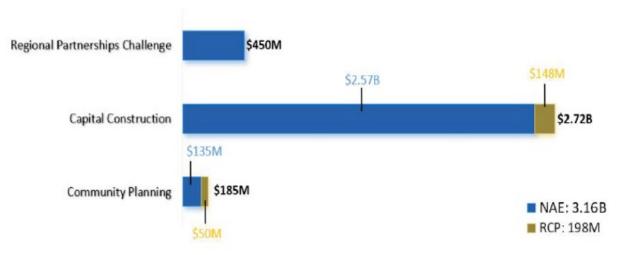
- The project has at least some funding available to serve as a match to the RAISE grant
- The project benefits an Area of Persistent Poverty or Historically Disadvantaged Community<sup>1</sup>
- The project shows strong political support from your federal delegation (US Senator or US Representative)
- The project has limited or manageable environmental or right-of-way risks
- The project has a high Benefit to Cost ratio
- The project cost is at least \$5 million for efforts in urban areas and \$1 million for efforts in rural areas
- The project funding need is no more than
   \$25 million (maximum award)

The project has at least some funding available to serve as a match to the RAISE grant

## RCN

#### **Reconnecting Communities and Neighborhoods**

- Aimed at reconnecting communities that were cut off by transportation infrastructure decades ago, leaving entire neighborhoods without direct access to opportunity.
- The proposed project may address one of two "eligible facilities": A Dividing Facility and A Burdening Facility



## **RCN - Birmingham, AL**



### Reconnecting 4th Ave N

A Two-Way Vision for Reviving Legacy and Inspiring Progress \$14.5 million award



FY 2023 RECONNECTING COMMUNITIES AND NEIGHBORHOODS GRANT PROGRAM PUTTING PEOPLE FIRST

## **RCN - Decatur, AL and Singing River Trail**



FY 23 Neighborhood Access and Equity Grant Application: Project Narrative

#### Dr. Bill Sims Hike-Bike Way on the Singing River Trail:

**Reconnecting Old Town to Decatur's Riverfront** 

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Applicant: City of Decatur \$18.4 million – No Match!





## ATIIP



Active Transportation Infrastructure Investment Program

- Projects to enhance safety, efficiency, and reliability of active transportation; improve connectivity with public transit; strengthen infrastructure resilience; protect the environment; and expand mobility in disadvantaged communities.
- \$44.5 million in funding, awards will be between \$100k and \$15m each

## Safe Streets for All





# SS4A Planning & Demonstration Activities

#### **Events & Outreach**



#### **Road Safety Audits**



Safe Routes to School Pilot



Quick Build Projects



Pop-up projects



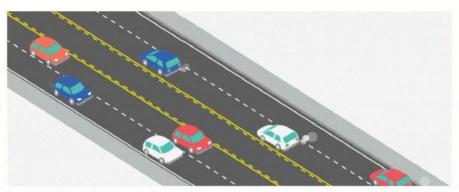
...and more

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## **Alta's SS4A Action Plan Experience**

- Kissimmee, FL SS4A Vision Zero Action Plan (Sub)
- St. Cloud, FL SS4A Vision Zero Action Plan (Sub)
- Teton Co, WY SS4A Action Plan (Prime)
- Hall County, GA SS4A Action Plan (Prime)
- Grand Forks, NDMPO SS4A Safety Action Plan (Prime)
- East Multnomah County, OR Transportation Safety Action Plan (Prime)
- Kirkwood, MO SS4A SRTS Plan (Prime)
- Modesto, CA SS4A Action Plan (Prime)
- Kalamazoo, MI SS4A Action Plan (Prime)
- Lake County, FL SS4AVision Zero Safety Action Plan (Sub)
- Raleigh, NC SS4A Comprehensive Safety Action Plan (Sub)
- Fayetteville, NC SS4A (Sub)
- Yuba County, CA Regional Safety Action Plan (Sub)
- Sandy Springs, GA Safety Action Plan (Sub)





#### CLIENT MnDOT

#### CONTACT

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CONTRACT AMOUNT \$220,056

#### RELEVANCE

- ✓ Systematic Safety Analysis
- ✓ High Injury Network Analysis
- ✓ Bicycle and pedestrian crash analysis
- Equity Considerations



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#### **MnDOT Vulnerable Road User Safety Assessment**

STATEWIDE, MN | 2023 – ONGOING

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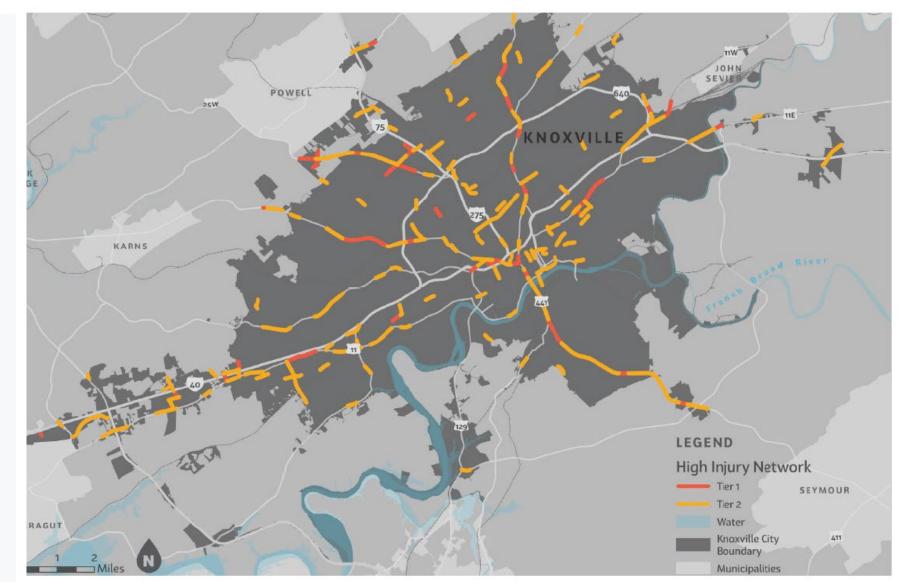
Knoxville Regional Transportation Planning Organization (TPO)

#### REFERENCE

Ellen Zavisca Former Senior Transportation Planner Knoxville Regional TPO (202) 407-7614 ezavisca@ampo.org

#### RELEVANCE

- Multijuristictional coordination and engagement
- $\checkmark\,$  Crash data and safety analyses
- ✓ High Injury Network (HIN) identification
- Predictive modeling
- Prioritization and integration with existing policies and programs
- Preparation for SS4A Implementation
   Grant funding



#### **Knoxville Regional Roadway Safety Plan**

KNOX COUNTY, TN | 2022-2023

#### CLIENT

Metro Nashville Davidson County

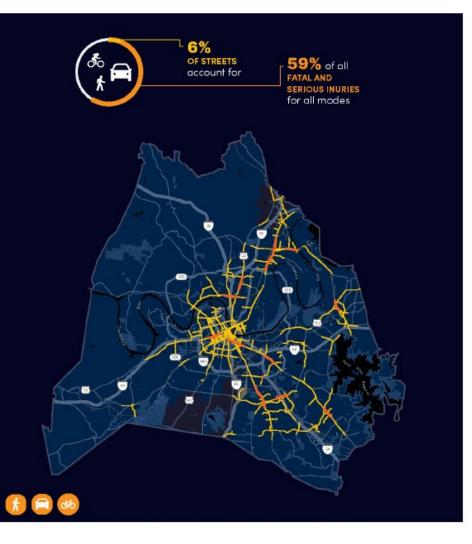
#### CONTACT

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#### RELEVANCE

- Public, DOT, and stakeholder engagement
- ✓ Civic analytics
- $\checkmark\,$  Crash data and safety analyses
- ✓ High Injury Network (HIN) identification
- Predictive modeling
- Data dashboard
- ✓ Prioritization
- Integration with existing policies and programs
- ✓ Corridor analysis
- ✓ Funding strategy
- Performance metrics





### **Nashville-Davidson County Vision Zero Action Plan + Implementation Plan**

NASHVILLE-DAVIDSON COUNTY, TN | 2021-2022

#### CLIENT

City of El Paso

#### CONTACT

Joaquin Rodriguez Transportation Planning Administrator City of El Paso 300 N. Campbell El Paso, TX 79901 (915) 212-0000 rodriguezJ2@elpasotexas.gov

#### RELEVANCE

- ✓ Safety planning
- ✓ Safety countermeasures
- ✓ Grant assistance
- ✓ High Injury Network (HIN) development
- Robust analytics and predictive modeling
- ✓ Bilingual engagement
- ✓ Interactive web tools

#### MAP 5 Motor Vehicle and Bicycle/Pedestrian HIN Overlap

 Motor Vehicle and Bicycle/Pedestrian High Injury Network



#### 78 miles of HIN are

on both the vehicle/motorcycle HIN and the bicycle/pedestrian HIN. These areas are unsafe for all modes of travel.



### **El Paso Vision Zero Action Plan**

EL PASO, TX | 2022-2023





#### Thank you!

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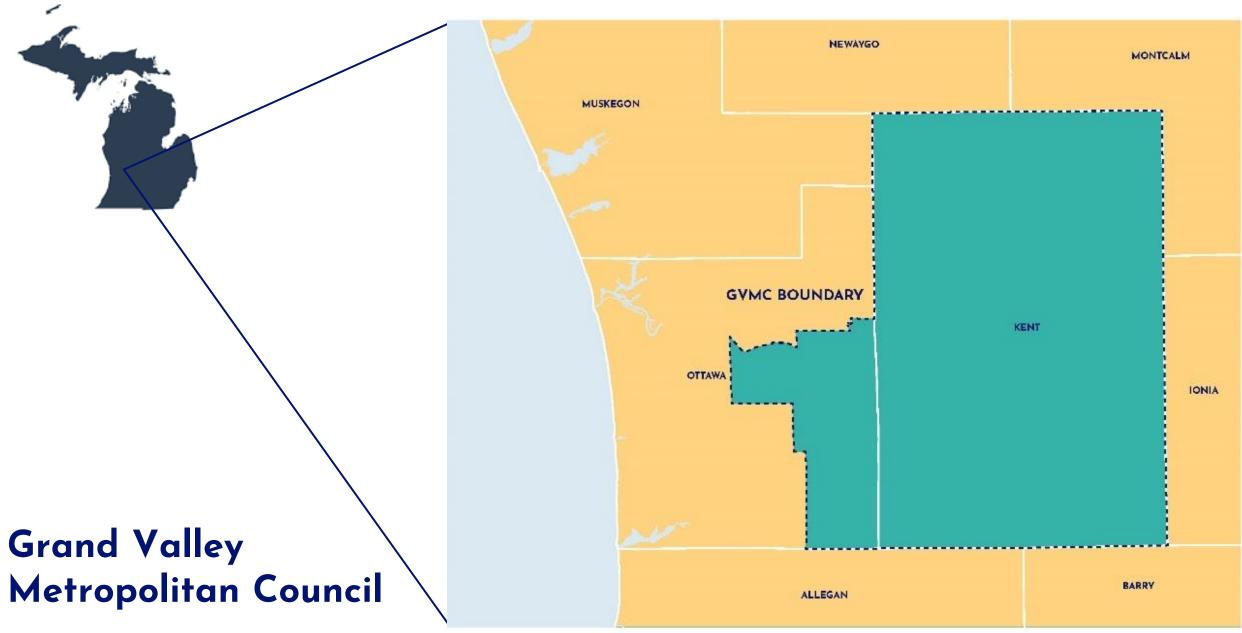
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### PLAN DE ACCIÓN REGIONAL DE SEGURIDAD



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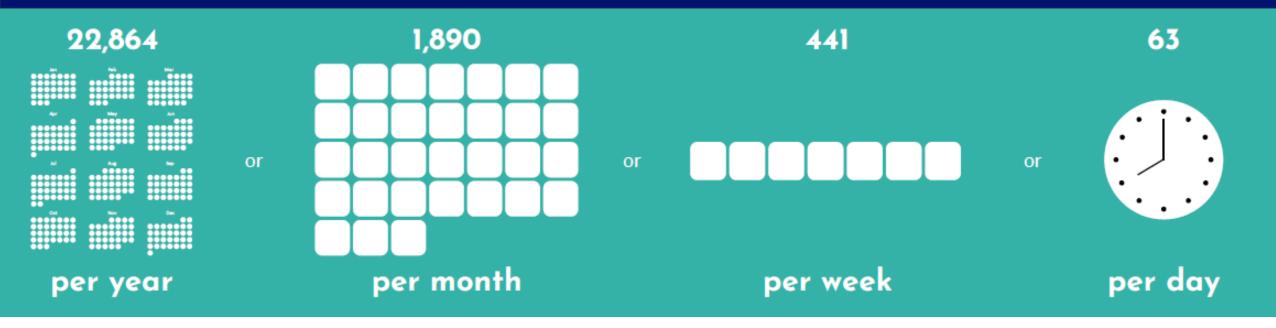
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#### Crashes in the GVMC Area from 2018 - 2022, averaging:



**People** who **bike, walk, and roll** are at **higher risk for serious injury or fatality in crashes**, even though they occur less frequently than vehicular crashes.





## Safety Action Plan Components: Self-Certification Eligibility Checklist

SolutionSafe Streets and Roads for AllAAASelf-Certification Eligibility Worksheet

Applicants should follow the instructions in the NOFO to correctly apply for a grant. See the <u>SS4A website</u> for more information.

**Instructions:** The purpose of this worksheet is to determine whether an applicant's existing plan(s) is substantially similar to an Action Plan for purposes of applying for an Implementation Grant or to conduct Supplemental Planning/Demonstration Activities only. Use of this worksheet is required. Applicants should not adjust the formatting or headings of the worksheet.

For each question below, answer "yes" or "no." If "yes," cite the specific page in your existing Action Plan or other plan(s) that corroborate your response, or cite and provide other supporting documentation separately.

An applicant is eligible to apply for an Action Plan Grant that funds supplemental action plan activities, or an Implementation Grant, only if the following two conditions are met:

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- Answer "yes" to Questions 3 7 9
- Answer "yes" to at least four of the six remaining Questions 1 2 4 5 6 8

If both conditions are *not met*, an applicant is still eligible to apply for an Action Plan Grant that funds creation of a new Action Plan.

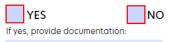
Lead Applicant:

#### Are both of the following true?

- Did a high-ranking official and/or governing body in the jurisdiction publicly commit to an eventual goal of zero roadway fatalities and serious injuries?
- Did the commitment include either setting a target date to reach zero, OR setting one or more targets to achieve significant declines in roadway fatalities and serious injuries by a specific date?
- YES NO

<u>Worksheet</u> used to determine if plan has requirements needed to apply for an **Implementation Grant**. Documentation Required.

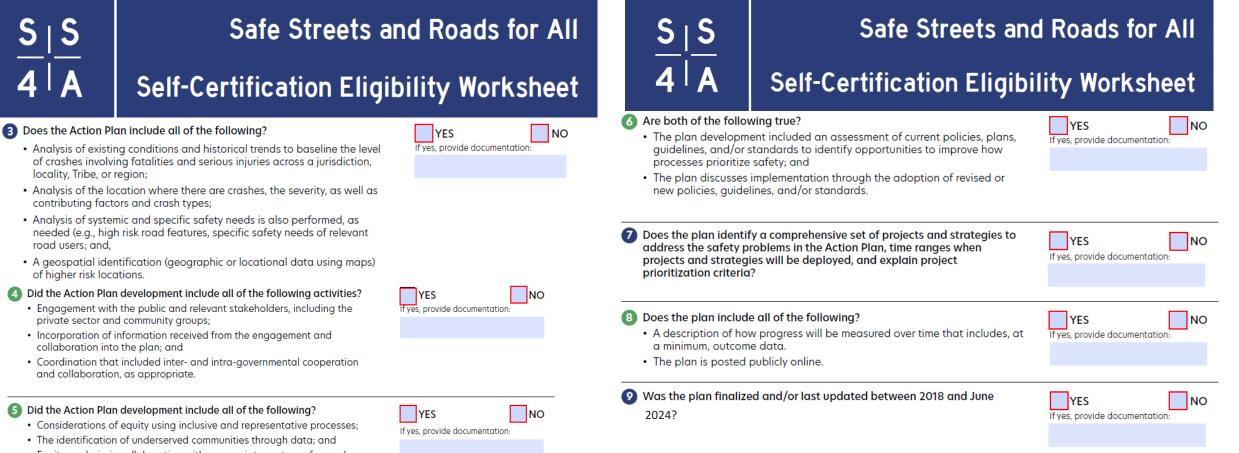
(The checklist/worksheet is updated, and the most recent one should be available online.)





5 Grand Valley Metropolitan Council REGIONAL SAFETY ACTION PLAN To develop the Action Plan, was a committee, task force, implementation group, or similar body established and charged with the plan's development, implementation, and monitoring?

## Safety Action Plan Components: Self-Certification Eligibility Checklist



 Equity analysis, in collaboration with appropriate partners, focused on initial equity impact assessments of the proposed projects and strategies, and population characteristics.

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#### The daily employee newsletter of Grand

Community partner Grand Valley Metropolitan Council seeks input from the GRCC community

A short Rockford Public Schools update today

The Grand Valley Metropolitan Council is dedic to improving transportation safety across our They have a survey that they would like comm members to complete to provide insight and information about improving traffic safety in or region. Here is a link to their "Get Involved" pa

Kent County Administrator's Digest - June 10, 2024



April 16 at 2:26 PM · 🕥 Our friends at the Grand Valley Metropolitan Council (GVMC) are conducting a survey to get your

input on how to make driving, biking, walking, and rolling (using a wheeled mobility device like a wheelchair) safer in West Michigan. Your responses will guide GVMC in prioritizing community concerns and improving transportation safety measures.

For more information visit https://gvmc-rsap.org/

Grand Valley Metropolitan Council REGIONAL SAFETY CTION PLAN

To take the survey visit: https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/gvmc-rsap



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The Grand Valley Metropolitan Council (GVMC seeking community feedback for the Regional Sa Action Plan, covering communities in Kent and eas Ottawa counties. The goal is to reduce or elimi deaths and serious injuries from crashes on ro sidewalks, bike lanes, and other transportation ar

А https://www.bikegr.org/advocacy

**BICYCLE COALITION** 

**GREATER GRAND RAPIDS** 

Seeking Community Input for Regional Safety Action Plan

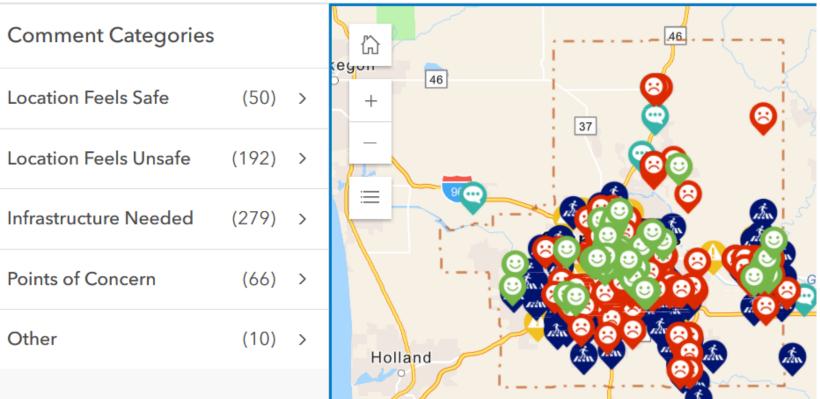
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## GVMC Regional Safety Action Plan - Interactive Map

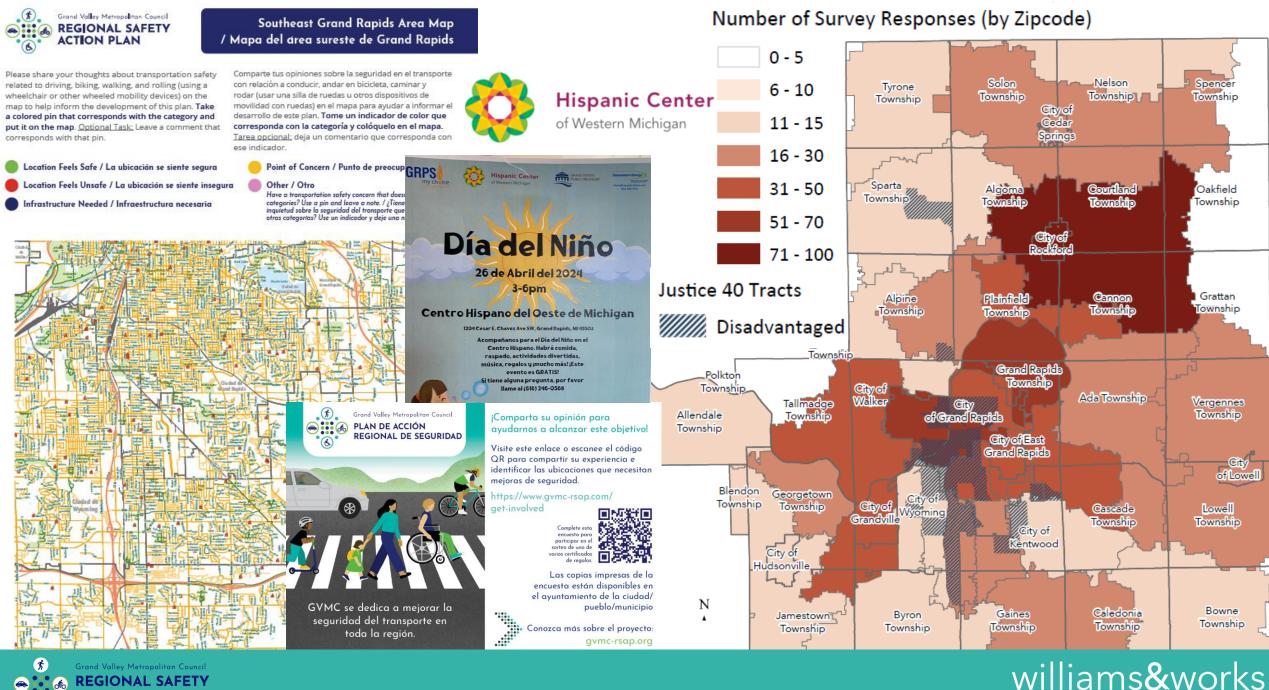


"The pavement all along indian mounds needs some work. The cycling/pedestrian side has several potholes and is generally poor quality. The car side of the road is even worse."

> "60th St between Kraft and M-37 is easily one of the worst sections of road in Kent County."

> > williams&works engineers | surveyors | planners

"More police needed to enforce the low speed limit." "Mid block crossing connecting to John Ball park needed here."



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## Intentional Community Engagement

Stakeholder Interviews: 2 Stakeholder Conversations: 4 Pop-Up Events Attended: 9 Comment Cards Received: 20 Orgs & Agencies Contacted: 130+ Surveys Completed: 576 Interactive Map Points Collected: 1,000

Total Number of Community Touch Points: <u>1,741+</u> "including historically under-resourced, under-served demographic groups

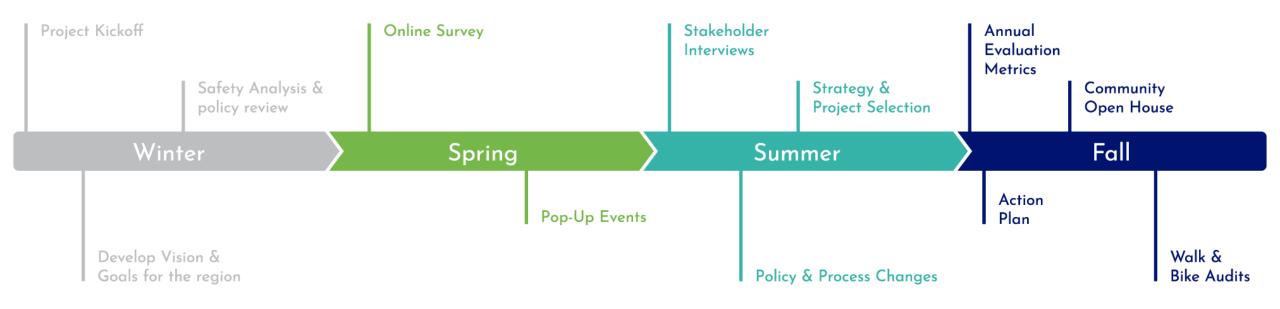


https://gvmc-rsap.org/





### Project Timeline 2024













## Thank you!

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### From Vision to Fruition: Advancing Vision Zero in Ann Arbor, MI

September 26, 2024

Presented to:



Presented by:



Ann Arbor, MI

### Long-range transportation plan (2021) Coalescing the community around a bold vision SS4A Grant Assistance (2022)

Securing **\$4M** in federal funding for **systemic** safety improvements



#### **SS4A Implementation**

(2023-on)

Designing and installing **demonstration projects** 

Ann Arbor, MI

### From:

Long-range planning and analysis;

Coalescing the community around a **bold vision**;

Establishing 22 strategies to achieve the vision over 20 years



Ann Arbor, MI

### To:

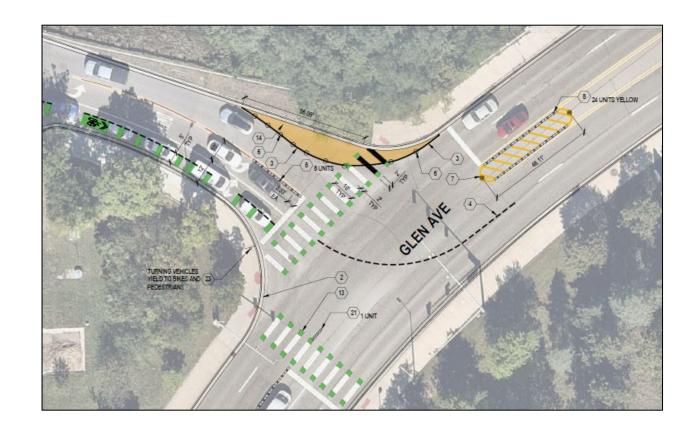
Establishing <u>processes</u> to integrate safety into **project selection and development** while taking immediate action at 15 locations along on the **High Injury Network** 

## In-Street **Pedestrian Crossing Sign Curb Extension Bike Lane** Choker 070

Ann Arbor, MI

### To:

Establishing <u>processes</u> to integrate safety into **project selection and development** while taking immediate action at 15 locations along on the **High Injury Network** 



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#### **Quick Build Projects**

**Description:** designed to reduce exposure to pedestrians, increase visibility and comfort of bicyclists, reduce overall speeds and turning speeds.

**Corridors:** Packard (Main to State), Washington (Ashley to Fletcher), Ann (Main to Fifth), North Maple (Miller to Dexter)

Intersections: Glen at Fuller, Liberty at Stadium, State at South University



Credit: City of Ann Arbor

Ann Arbor, MI

### To:

Securing **\$4M** in federal funding for **systemic** safety improvements

Designing and installing **35 demonstration projects** along the HIN, including NEPA and evaluation processes



Ann Arbor, MI

2023 Achievements

Grant Awards	Technology Innovations	Electrification
Safe Streets for All (SS4A) \$3.8 million	UMTRI- SMART Intersections Connected Vehicle Detection	20% of city's light fleet vehicles are EV
Carbon Reduction Program (CRP) \$980,000 - Streetlight Conversion \$200,000 - Washington Bike Blvd	Intersection detection for "near miss" events Asset inventory using service vehicles	Heavy duty electric truck for Signs and Signals Team 3 public curbside EV chargers in Old Fourth Ward
Total Received \$4,980,000	Intersection detection for bicyclists Collecting daily transportation use data	2 electric cargo bikes for Parks maintenance Installations of solar panels at Huron Hills, Leslie, Cobblestone Farm, and Buhr Parks for electric generation
	\$3.8 million Carbon Reduction Program (CRP) \$980,000 - Streetlight Conversion \$200,000 - Washington Bike Blvd Total Received	\$3.8 millionConnected Vehicle DetectionCarbon Reduction Program (CRP)Intersection detection for "near miss" events\$980,000 - Streetlight ConversionAsset inventory using service vehicles\$200,000 - Washington Bike BlvdAsset inventory using service vehiclesTotal Received \$4,980,000Collecting daily

The image above highlights City Council actions, Grant Awards, Technology Innovations, and Electrification efforts that were utilized to advance the strategies in the Vision Zero transportation plan.

### **Leveraging SS4A Funds**



Who's Eligible?

#### Metropolitan planning organizations Political subdivisions of a state

Cities

Towns

Counties

Universities, transit agencies, etc. created under state law

Federally recognized Tribal governments

### **SS4A Grant Strategy**



#### **Planning and Demonstration Grant**

\$100,000 - \$10 million Hundreds of awards

**Types of Activities** Safety Action Plans Demonstration projects Supplemental planning

**Requirements** 2-3 page narrative, depending on size

#### **Our tips**

- Complement safety planning with other needs
- Roll in demonstration activities to build momentum and put your action plan into immediate effect
- Think creatively, just don't pour concrete!



#### **Implementation Grant** \$2.5 million - \$25 million

Up to 100 awards

#### Types of Activities

Infrastructure projects Behavioral interventions Operational improvements

#### Requirements

12-page max narrative, no BCA

#### **Our tips**

- Concentrate on equity, bike/ped improvements with major impacts on fatal/serious injury crashes
- Find co-applicants
- Apply for demonstration and supplemental planning funds

#### **SS4A Demonstration Projects**



#### **SS4A Supplemental Planning**





Active Transportation and Bike Network Plans Design Guidance, Implementation Plans, & Policy Updates



In Depth Equity and Safety Analyses



ADA Transition Plans

### **SS4A Grant Strategy**



### Demonstration and Supplemental

**Planning Awards** 

Average Award FY23 (national): \$1.2 million

Ann Arbor – Speed Management, Quick Builds, and Near Miss Detection

*Kalamazoo* – Cycle Track and Traffic Calming Pilots

SEMCOG – Regional Road Safety Audits

**Rochester Hills** – Non-motorized Network Gap and Safety Plan, Neighborhood Traffic Calming Program and Policy



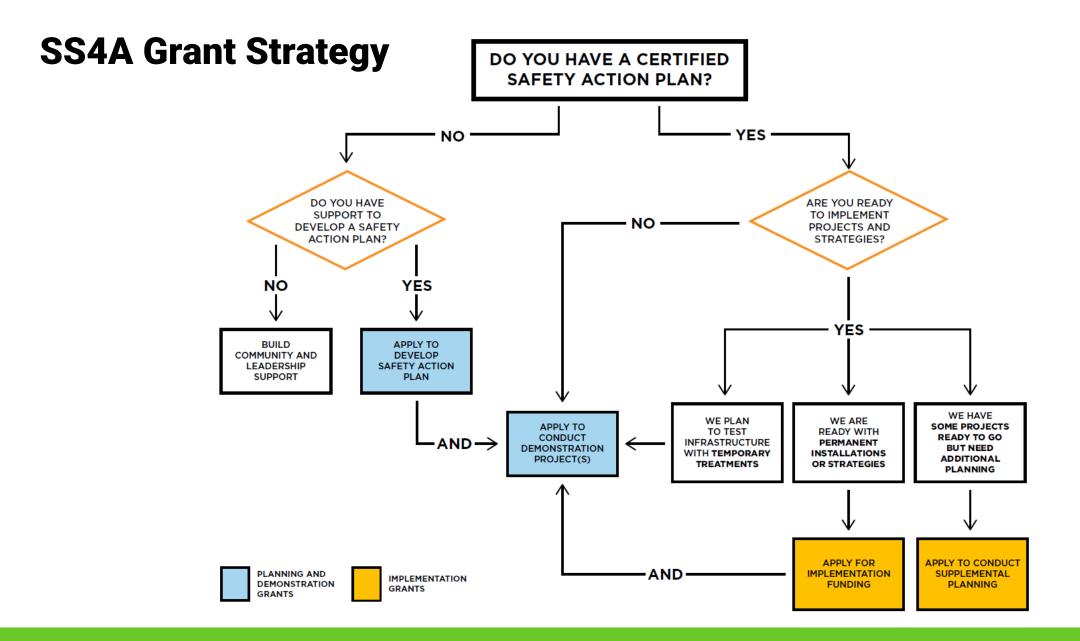
#### Implementation Project Awards

Average Award FY22-23 (national): \$14.1 million

**Detroit** – Safe Streets for Detroit; Detroit Safe Access to Transit

Dearborn – Warren Road Road Diet

Board of County Road Commissioners of the County of Kalamazoo – Lane Departure and VRU Rural Network Improvements



### **Getting Ready for the FY2025 NOFO**

#### "The FY25 NOFO is expected to be released in early 2025, and by statute must be released on or before March 30, 2025"

Are you eligible under a local or regional Safety Action Plan?



Are you ready to be a direct recipient of federal funds?



Do you have planning or demonstration projects lined up?



Have you started conversations with co-applicants?

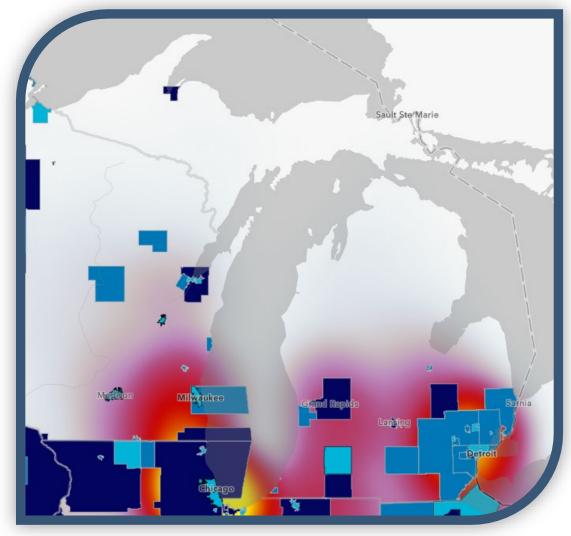
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https://www.transportation.gov/grants/ss4a/cumulative-awards



## THANK YOU!

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