#### V2X SUMMIT SPEAKER

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### Safe Streets and Roads for All (SS4A)



### Safe Streets and Roads for All Grants

- SS4A is a major new grant program to support roadway safety.
- Funding supports local initiatives to prevent death and serious injury on roads and streets, commonly referred to as "Vision Zero" or "Toward Zero Deaths" Initiatives.
- \$1 billion in annual funding, FY22-26



### Safe Streets and Roads for All Grants

SS4A is a key program that supports the USDOT's National Roadway Safety Strategy (NRSS)



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The strategy aims to reduce serious injuries and deaths on our Nation's highways, roads, and streets, by:

- Setting a goal of zero deaths on our Nation's roadways.
- Adopting the Safe System Approach to guide our safety actions.
- Identifying new priority actions and notable changes to existing practices to have the most substantial impact.
- **Reaching out to stakeholders** to identify actions to get us closer to zero roadway fatalities.

www.transportation.gov/NRSS

### SS4A NOFO Is Open



#### Notice of Funding Opportunity is **OPEN**



**Applications due by September 15, 2022,** at 5:00 p.m. EDT (no late applications will be accepted)



Additional resources about SS4A and the NOFO can be found at

https://www.transportation.gov/SS4A





# **Roadway Safety Overview**

# Traffic fatalities are a public health crisis affecting all road users.



Lives lost globally each year from traffic crashes

Source: World Resources Institute

42,915

Estimated lives lost on U.S. roads in 2021

Source: NHTSA



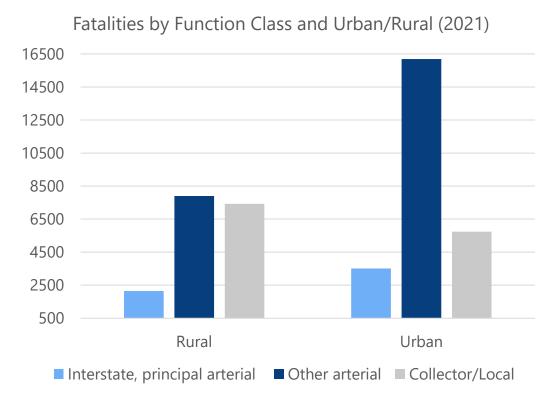
Estimated pedestrians killed in U.S. traffic crashes in 2021

Source: NHTSA

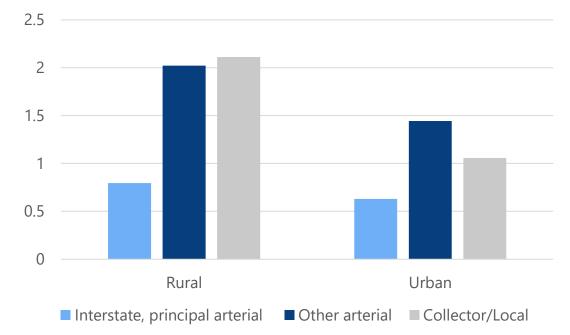


### **Local Roadway Fatalities**

### Fatalities are most common—overall and as a function of vehicle travel—on non-Interstate arterials, collectors, and local roads. This disparity is particularly significant on rural roads.



Fatalities per 100 Million Vehicle Miles Traveled by Function Class and Urban/Rural (2021)\*



Sources: National Center for Statistics and Analysis. (2022, May). Early estimates of motor vehicle traffic fatalities and fatality rate by sub-categories in 2021 (Crash+Stats Brief Statistical Summary. Report No. DOT HS 813 298). National Highway Traffic Safety Administration.

\* Averages based on monthly fatality rate data per 100 million VMT by roadway function class

### **Basics of Roadway Safety**

Effective roadway safety practices and strategies:

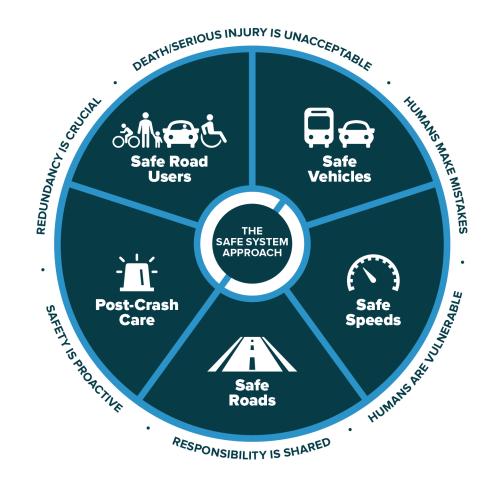
- Vision Zero
- Towards Zero Deaths
- Complete Streets
- Proven Safety Strategies
- Countermeasures That Work
- Innovative practices and technologies



Saxman, Alaska, Senior Center bus stop. Source: FHWA

### The Safe System Approach (SSA): Principles

- Death/serious injury is unacceptable.
- Humans make mistakes.
- Humans are vulnerable.
- Responsibility is shared.
- Safety is proactive.
- Redundancy is crucial.





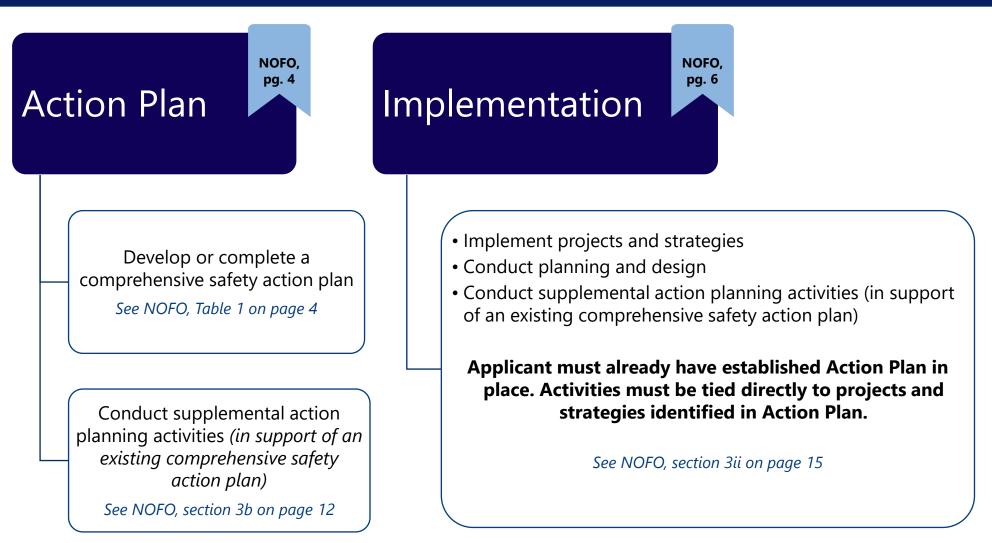
### **About SS4A Grants**

### SS4A Overview: Eligible Recipients

- Metropolitan planning organization (MPOs)
- Political subdivision of a State
  - A unit of government under the authority of State law, including cities, towns, counties, special districts, and similar units of local government.
  - A transit district, authority, or public benefit corporation if it was created under State law, including transit authorities operated by political subdivisions of a State.
- Federally recognized Tribal government
- Multijurisdictional groups comprised of the entities above

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### **Grant Types**





### **Planning Grants**



Leadership Commitment	Planning Structure	Planning Process Inputs	Planning Process Outcomes
From a high-ranking official or govening body	SS4A Oversight (e.g., committee, workgroup)	Goal Setting Safety Analysis	Policy and Process Changes
	SS4A Champion (e.g., day-to-day organization)	Engagement and Collaboration	Strategy and Countermeasure Selections
		Equity Considerations	Project Prioritization
			Evaluation and Transparency

### **Implementation Grants**

- Implementation Grants fund projects and strategies identified in an Action Plan that address a roadway safety problem.
- Applicants **must** have an established Action Plan to apply for Implementation Grants.



### Implementation Grants: Illustrative Activities















### **SS4A Overview: Funding**

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Grant Type	Political subdivision of a State	Federally recognized Tribal Government	MPO or joint application
Expected Action Plan Grant Size*	\$200,000 - \$1M	\$200,000 – \$1M	\$200,000 - \$5M
Expected Implementation Grant Size*	\$5M - \$30M	\$3M - \$30M (also applies to rural applicants)	\$5M - \$50M (\$3M - \$50M for rural applicants)

#### **Cost share/match**

- 80% Federal | 20% local match
- In-kind contributions allowed
- Not more than 15% of funds can be awarded to projects in a single State in a given fiscal year
- Tribal applications are not counted toward the State cap
- No set-aside for rural areas or other grantee categories

\*Note these are expected sizes, and applicants may request more or less funding



## **Resources & More Information**

#### SS4A Website

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Safe Streets and Roads for All Grants	Safe Streets and Roads for All (SS4A) Grant				
About Safe Streets and Roads for All Grants	Program				
Webinar Series	The <u>Bipartisan Infrastructure Law</u> (BIL) established the new Safe Streets and Roads for All (SS4A) discretionary program with \$5 billion in appropriated funds over the next 5 years. In fiscal year 2022 (FY22), up to \$1 billion is available. The				
Resources					
FAQs	SS4A program funds regional, local, and Tribal initiatives through grants to prevent roadway deaths and serious injuries.				
Related Links <ul> <li>Bipartisan Infrastructure Law</li> <li>Technical Assistance and</li> <li>Local Support (FHWA)</li> </ul>	The SS4A program supports Secretary of Transportation Pete Buttigieg's National Roadway Safety Strategy and the Department's goal of zero deaths and serious injuries on our nation's roadways. FY22 Notice of Funding Opportunity is open, now through				
<u>Complete Streets (FHWA)</u> <u>Countermeasures That Work</u>	September 15, 2022				
(NHTSA) • Local Road Safety Plans (FHWA)	The <u>FY22 Notice of Funding Opportunity</u> (NOFO) for Safe Streets and Roads for All grants is live on Grants.gov.				
Our Roads, Our Safety     (FMCSA)	The deadline for applications is 5:00 p.m. EDT on September 15, 2022. For details, more information, and applicant guidance:				
<ul> <li><u>Proven Safety</u> <u>Countermeasures (FHWA)</u></li> <li><u>Zero Deaths – Saving Lives</u> through a Safety Culture and</li> </ul>	<ul> <li><u>Review the NOFO</u></li> <li><u>Visit our "How to Apply" assistance page</u></li> <li><u>Attend a "How to Apply" webinar</u></li> </ul>				

#### www.transportation.gov/SS4A

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# Thank you!