



# NEED MONEY FOR SAFETY IMPROVEMENTS?

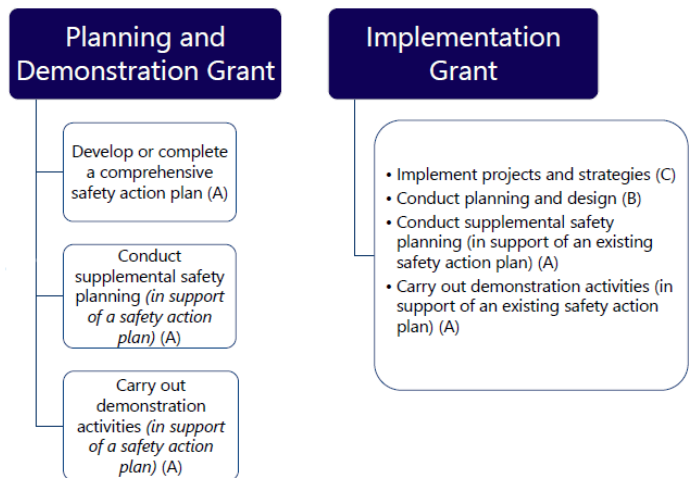


## \$1.18 Billion Federal Funding Available with **Safe Streets and Roads for All (SS4A)** Grant Program!

The purpose of SS4A grants is to improve roadway safety by significantly reducing or eliminating roadway fatalities and serious injuries through safety action plan development and refinement and implementation focused on all users, including pedestrians, bicyclists, public transportation users, motorists, personal conveyance and micro-mobility users, and commercial vehicle operators.

*"When it comes to fatalities and serious injuries, zero is the only acceptable number"*

— **Tony Tavares**, Caltrans Director



### WHY APPLY?

- 1. Improve Roadway Safety** — Significantly reduce or eliminate roadway fatalities and serious injuries safety.
- 2. NEW Federal Funding for Action Plans** — Federal funding available for Action Plans to assist communities that do not currently have a roadway safety plan in place to reduce roadway fatalities, laying the groundwork for a comprehensive set of actions.

- 3. NEW California State Planning and Zoning Law** — Under this [law](#), cities and counties are required to develop bicycle, pedestrian, and traffic calming plans and incorporate the principles of the Safe System Approach in any substantive revision of a general plan circulation element on or after January 1, 2025.
- 4. NEW Federal Funding for Implementing Safety Improvements** — Applicants must have a qualifying Action Plan that meets the eligibility requirements to apply for Implementation Grants under the SS4A program. This program provides funds to implement projects and strategies identified in an Action Plan to address a roadway safety problem.

## NOT SURE WHERE TO START?

- See our resources (such as a convenient [application checklist](#)) below. ALSO: For Planning and Demonstration Grants, the Narrative portion cannot be longer than 2 pages.
- Read through [Successful California Applications from 2022](#). Through the first round of 2022 SS4A funding, 50 communities in California received funding. Over \$25 Million went to 43 communities for Action Plans.
- Review Best Practices — Here are some tips from our successful California Applicants!
  - » START NOW! The registration process can be lengthy.
  - » Work with local agencies, transit agencies, and tribal entities to inform the scope of the proposed project and to ensure there is no duplication of work.
  - » Work closely with your regional partners during the development of the application to ensure local needs are identified and the plan contains activities that can be implemented – hopefully through future SS4A grants.
  - » If you can, have a single person be the lead for the application development. This could be an intern or planner.
  - » Ensure your application lead has access to as much information about the program and its requirements as possible from the start. A good starting point could be this flyer!
  - » Attend (or watch the recordings of) relevant webinars and thoroughly understand the application process and materials required by the program. The multiplicity of the application documents can be confusing if good notes are not taken.

## RESOURCES

- [Notice of Funding Opportunity](#)
- [SS4A Website](#) — includes [FAQs](#), information on [how to apply](#), the list of [past awards](#), [match and cost share examples](#), and more!
- [SS4A resources](#) — contains a range of important topics in a single location. They cover SS4A Application Aids, Safe System Approach, Equity, Comprehensive Safety Action Planning, and Grant Assistance.
- [Recorded Webinars/Office Hours](#)
- [SS4A Application Checklist for Planning and Demonstration Grants](#) — helps you make sure you completed all required parts of the application.
- [DOT Navigator](#) — helps communities understand the best ways to apply for grants, and to plan for/deliver transformative infrastructure projects/services. The DOT Navigator provides information on the following topics (and more):
  - » [Understanding Non-Federal Match Requirements](#)
  - » [Is Federal Funding the Right Fit for My Organization?](#)
- [Technical Assistance Guide for Communities](#) — list of federal resources to help communities deliver infrastructure projects.
- [DOT Technical Assistance Resources](#) — find existing technical assistance resources and programs that can provide deeper levels of assistance, technical information, best practices, and training.

**Caltrans is here to help.  
Please reach out with any questions.**

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