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Safe Streets and Roads for All (SS4A)



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Safe Streets and Roads for All Grants

Key program that supports the National Roadway Safety Strategy



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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





Roadway Safety Overview

Our Current Reality

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

1.25M

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

7,342

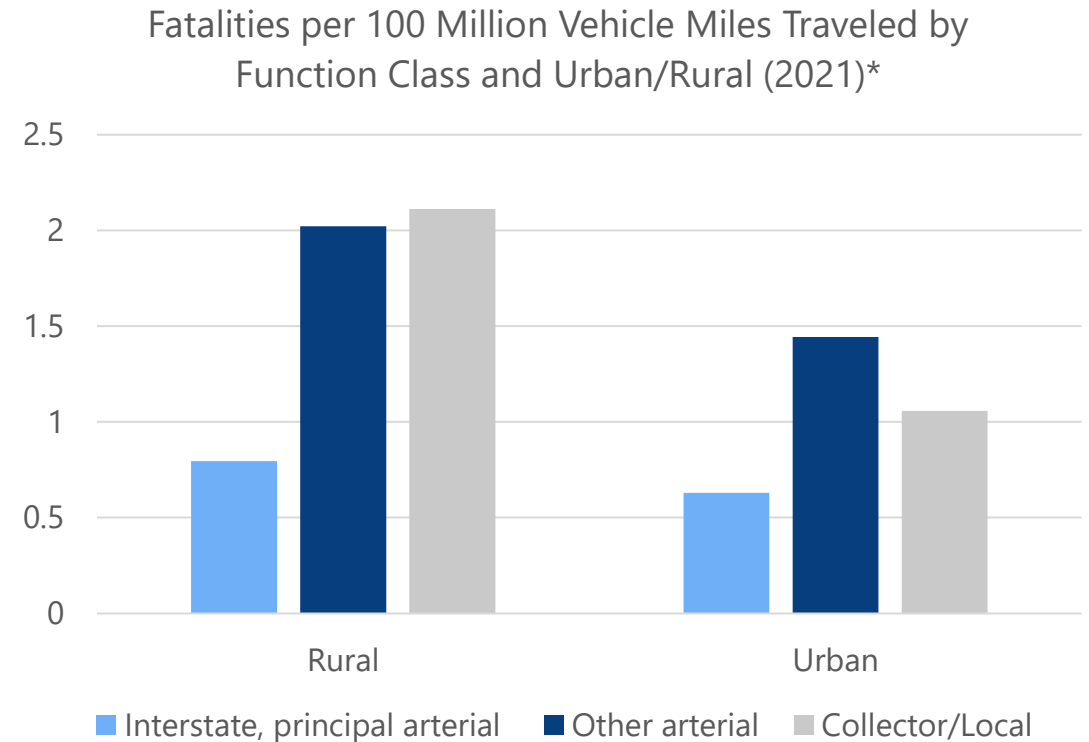
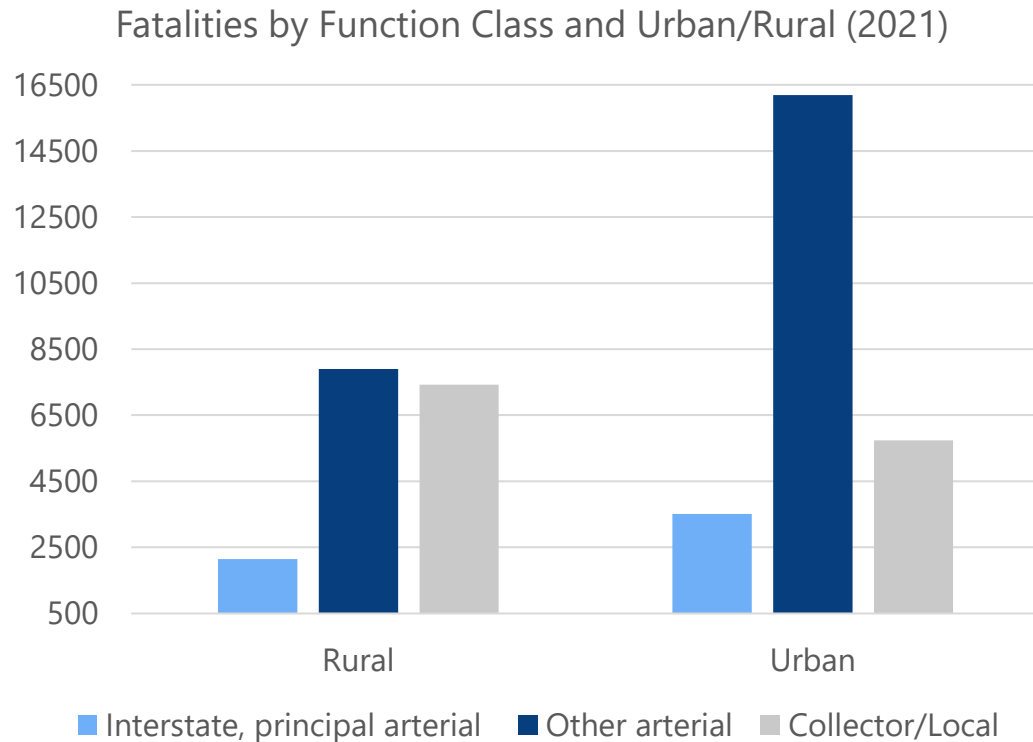
Estimated pedestrians killed in U.S. traffic crashes in 2021

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.



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.

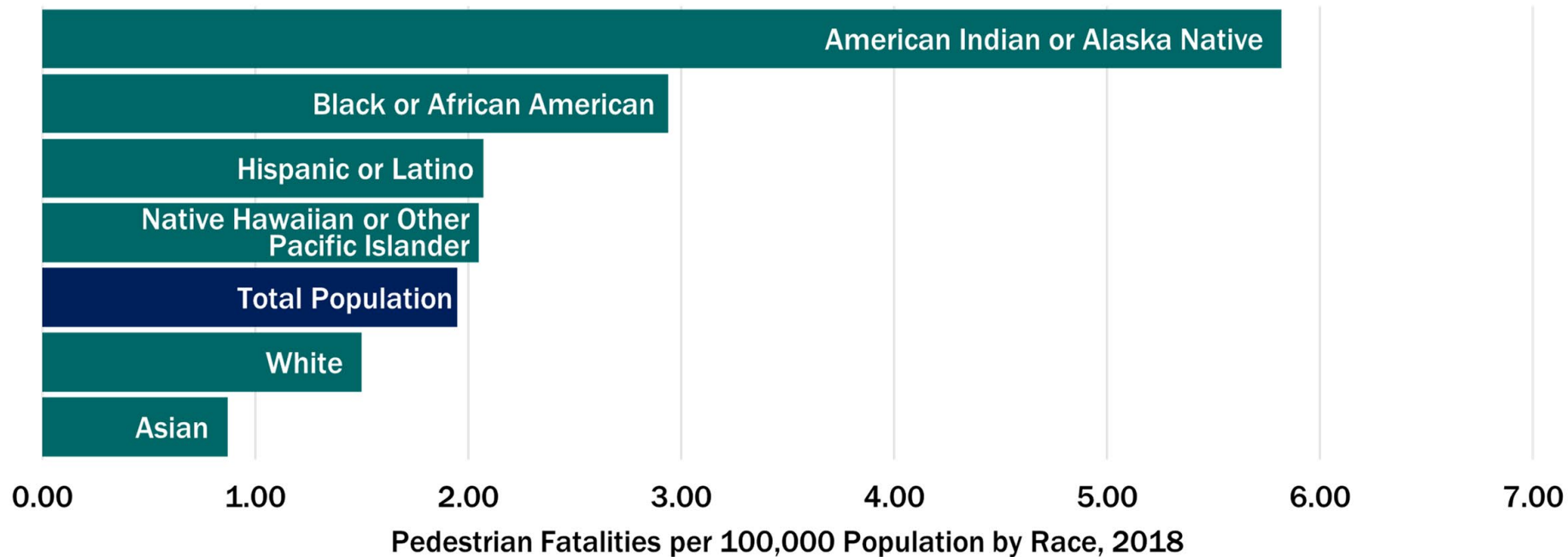
* Averages based on monthly fatality rate data per 100 million VMT by roadway function class



Equity and Roadway Fatalities

Fatalities have **disparate impacts...**

Fatalities Among Pedestrians



Source: FARS 2018 Final File; Population – Census Bureau





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



SS4A Overview: Joint Applicants vs. Partners

- Joint applicants:
 - Are each independently eligible entities
 - Are each party to the grant
- Partners:
 - May include additional non-eligible entities (States, private companies, etc.)
 - Are not party to the grant
 - If an eligible applicant is a partner on an application (and not a joint applicant), being a partner on that application does not count as the one application for an eligible applicant



SS4A Overview: Funding

Grant Type	Political subdivision of a State	Federally recognized Tribal Government	MPO or joint application	Cost share/match
Expected Action Plan Grant Size*	\$200,000 - \$1M	\$200,000 – \$1M	\$200,000 - \$5M	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• 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• <i>Tribal applications are not counted toward the State cap</i>• <i>No set-aside for rural areas or other grantee categories</i>
Expected Implementation Grant Size*	\$5M - \$30M	\$3M - \$30M <i>(also applies to rural applicants)</i>	\$5M - \$50M <i>(\$3M - \$50M for rural applicants)</i>	

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



Grant Types

Action Plan

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Develop or complete a comprehensive safety action plan
See NOFO, Table 1 on page 4

Conduct supplemental action planning activities (*in support of an existing comprehensive safety action plan*)
See NOFO, section 3b on page 12

Implementation

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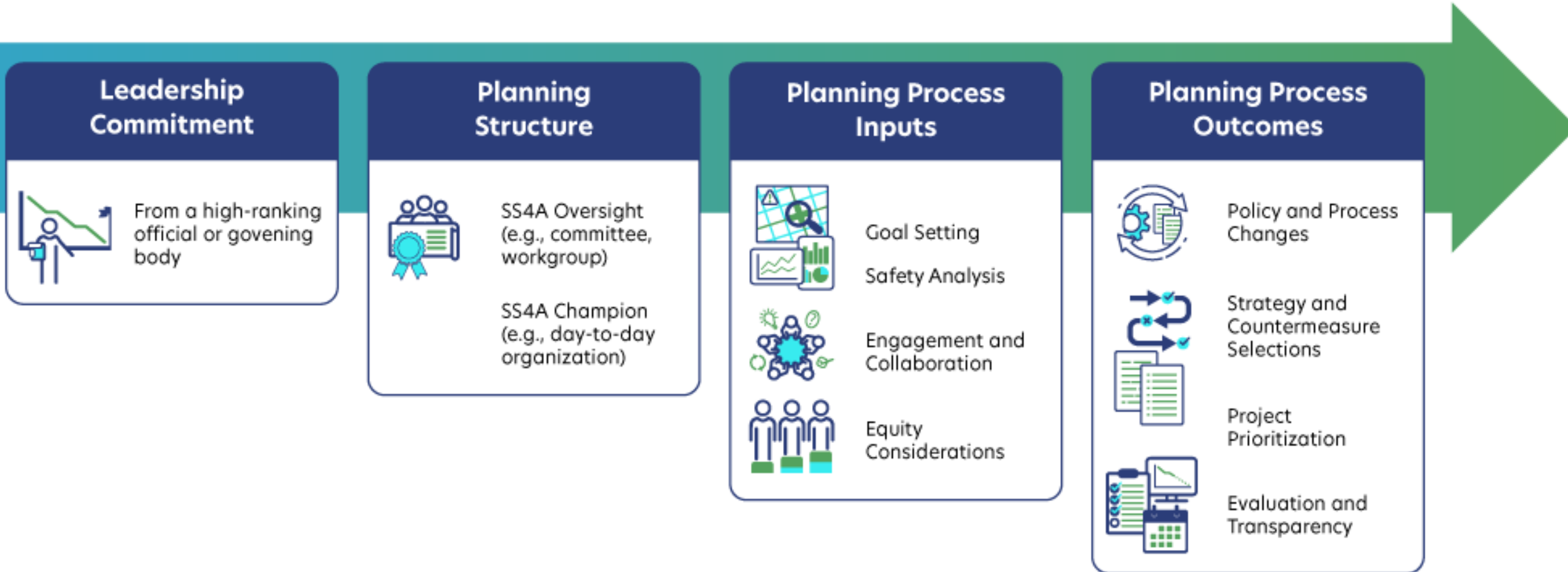
- Implement projects and strategies
- Conduct planning and design
- Conduct supplemental action planning activities (in support of an existing comprehensive safety action plan)

Applicant must already have established Action Plan in place. Activities must be tied directly to projects and strategies identified in Action Plan.

See NOFO, section 3ii on page 15



Planning Grants

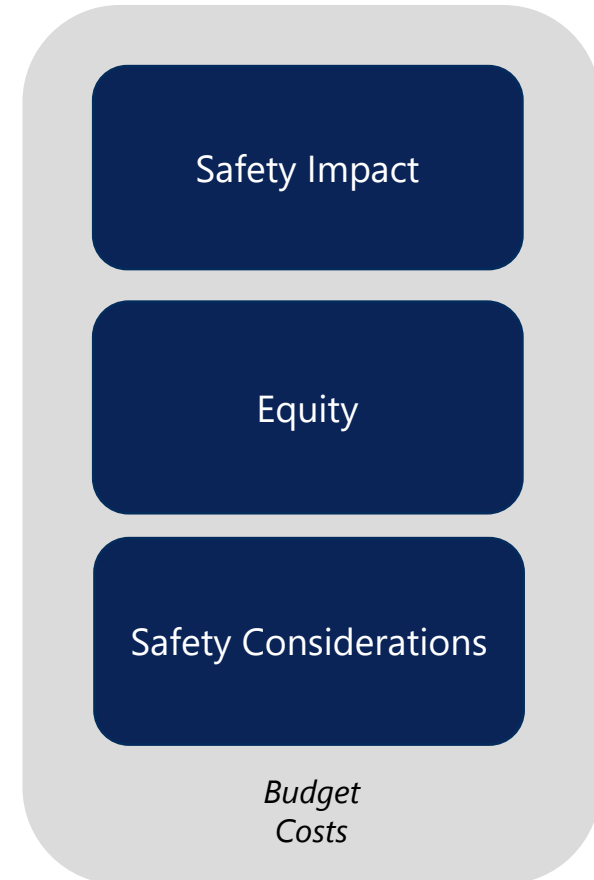




Selection and Award Process

Action Plan Grants Evaluation Approach

- Developed to be accessible to all communities, low barrier to entry
- Three major criteria:
 - Safety Impact (*quantitative*)
 - Equity (*quantitative*)
 - Safety Considerations (*narrative*)
- Quantitative criteria rely on public information and give options to meet community needs:
 - The count of roadway fatalities from 2016-2020
 - Fatality rate average from 2016-2020, divided by 2020 U.S. Census population
 - Percent of population in underserved communities within the jurisdiction
- Additional consideration:
 - Budget Costs



What Happens After You Submit the Application?

- Intake, including completeness and eligibility checks
- Sort applications into Action Plan Grants and Implementation Grants
- Action Plan Grants:
 - Screen for duplicative Action Plan Grants applications in same location
 - Review application information, merit criteria, and budget information
 - Rank grants based on merit criteria
- Implementation Grants:
 - Review merit criteria, considerations, and budget
 - Application evaluations, assign ratings based on merit criteria
- Senior Review Team reviews evaluations, sends lists to the Secretary for final consideration
- Secretary reviews lists and makes final selections for awards

