

Local Infrastructure Hub: Safe Streets and Roads for All: Equity Deep Dive

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Meeting Agenda

- I. Introduction: Tom Cochran and Michele Jolin**
- II. Review of Upcoming BIL Program Application Deadlines**
- III. Overview of Safe Streets and Roads for All (SS4A) and Q&A:
Emily Schwellinger**
- IV. SS4A Winning Strategies: Michele Jolin**
- V. Discussion**
- VI. Calendar: Mayor Andrew Ginther**
- VII. Conclusion**

Upcoming BIL Funding Application Deadlines Thru Oct. (1/2)

Project Name	Bureau or Account	Funding Amount	Funding Mechanism	NOFO Application or Due Date
Bridge Investment Program: Planning Grant	Federal Highway Administration	\$20,000,000 (FY22)	Competitive Grant	7/25/22
Bridge Investment Program: Bridge Projects	Federal Highway Administration	\$2,340,000,000 for large bridges and bridge projects (FY22)	Competitive Grant	<i>Large Bridges: 8/9/22 Other Bridges: 9/8/22</i>
Clean School Bus Program	Environmental Protection Agency	\$500,000,000 (FY22)	Grant, Rebate, and Contract	8/19/22
Transformational Habitat Restoration and Coastal Resilience Grant Program	National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration	\$85,000,000 (FY22)	Competitive Grant	9/6/22
Safe Streets and Roads for All	DOT Office of the Secretary	\$1,000,000,000 (FY22)	Competitive Grant	9/15/22

Upcoming BIL Funding Application Deadlines Thru Oct. (2/2)

Project Name	Bureau or Account	Funding Amount	Funding Mechanism	NOFO Application or Due Date
Middle Mile Grant Program	National Telecommunications and Information Administration	\$1,000,000,000	Competitive Grant	9/30/22
Marine Debris Removal Program	National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration	\$56,000,000 (FY22)	Competitive Grant	9/30/22
Coastal Habitat Restoration and Resilience Grants for Underserved Communities	National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration	\$10,000,000 (FY22)	Competitive Grant	9/30/22
Railroad Crossing Elimination Grant Program	Federal Railroad Administration	\$573,264,000 (FY22)	Competitive Grant	10/4/22
Reconnecting Communities	Federal Highway Administration	\$195,000,000 (FY22) <i>\$50 million for planning; \$145 million for construction</i>	Competitive Grant	10/13/22



Safe Streets and Roads for All (SS4A)



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



SS4A NOFO Is Now Open



Notice of Funding Opportunity is now
OPEN



Submit technical questions by August 15, 2022
Apply 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

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

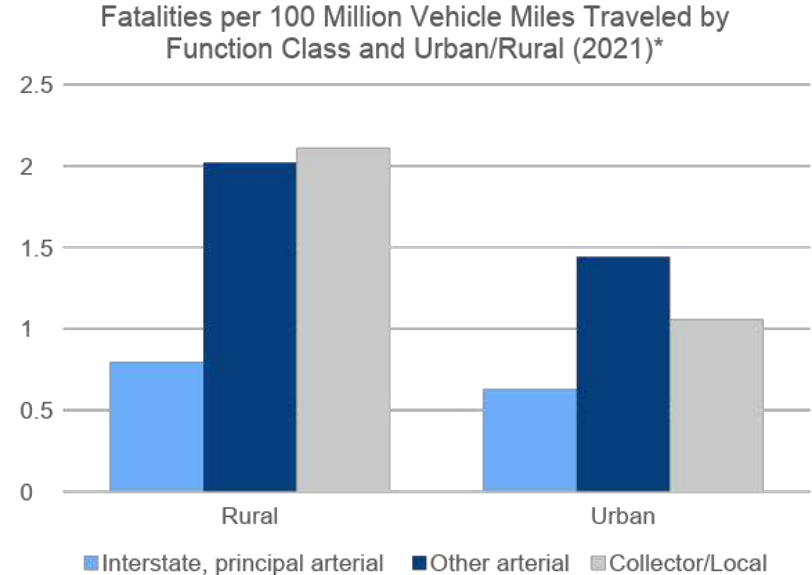
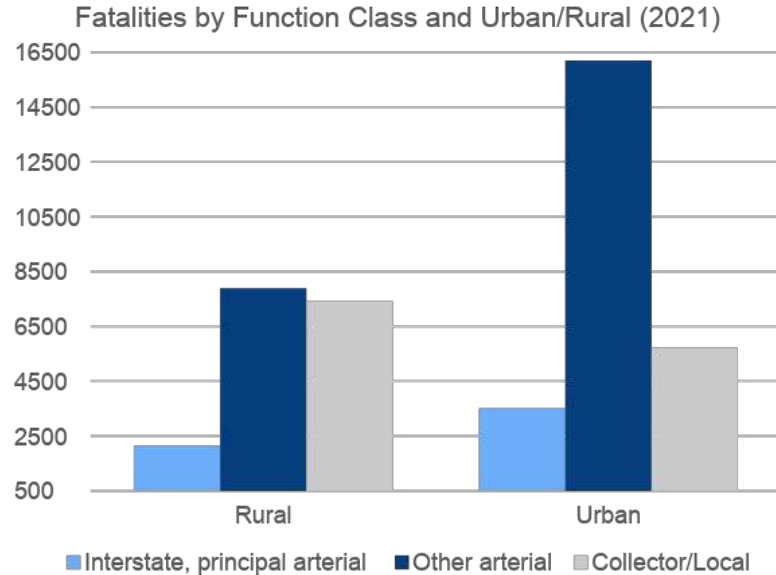
Estimated pedestrians killed in U.S. traffic crashes in 2021

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.



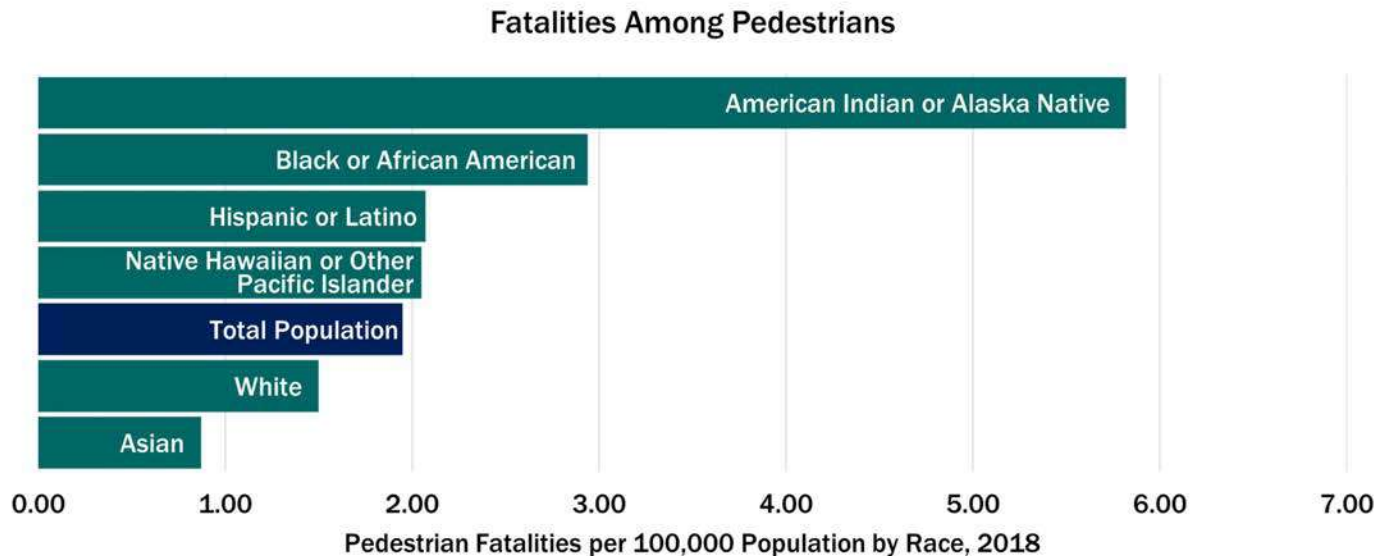
Sources: National Center for Statistics and Analysis. (2022, May). *Early estimates of motor vehicle traffic fatalities and fatality rate by sub-categories in 2021* (Crash•Stats Brief Statistical Summary, Report No. DOT HS 813 298). National Highway Traffic Safety Administration.

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



Equity and Roadway Fatalities

Fatalities have **disparate impacts**...



Source: FARS 2018 Final File; Population – Census Bureau



National Roadway Safety Strategy

USDOT's comprehensive approach to significantly reducing serious injuries and deaths on our Nation's highways, roads, and streets.

- **Sets a vision and goal** for the safety of the Nation's roadways.
- **Adopts the Safe System Approach** principles to guide our safety actions.
- **Identifies new priority actions and notable changes to existing practices** and approaches that target our most significant and urgent problems and are, therefore, expected to have the most substantial impact.
- **Call to Action** We will be partnering with stakeholders to identify actions to get us closer to zero roadway fatalities.
- www.transportation.gov/NRSS



Source: NHTSA



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
Expected Action Plan Grant Size*	\$200,000 - \$1M	\$200,000 - \$1M	\$200,000 - \$5M
Expected Implementation Grant Size*	\$5M - \$30M	\$3M - \$30M <i>(also applies to rural applicants)</i>	\$5M - \$50M <i>(\$3M - \$50M for rural applicants)</i>

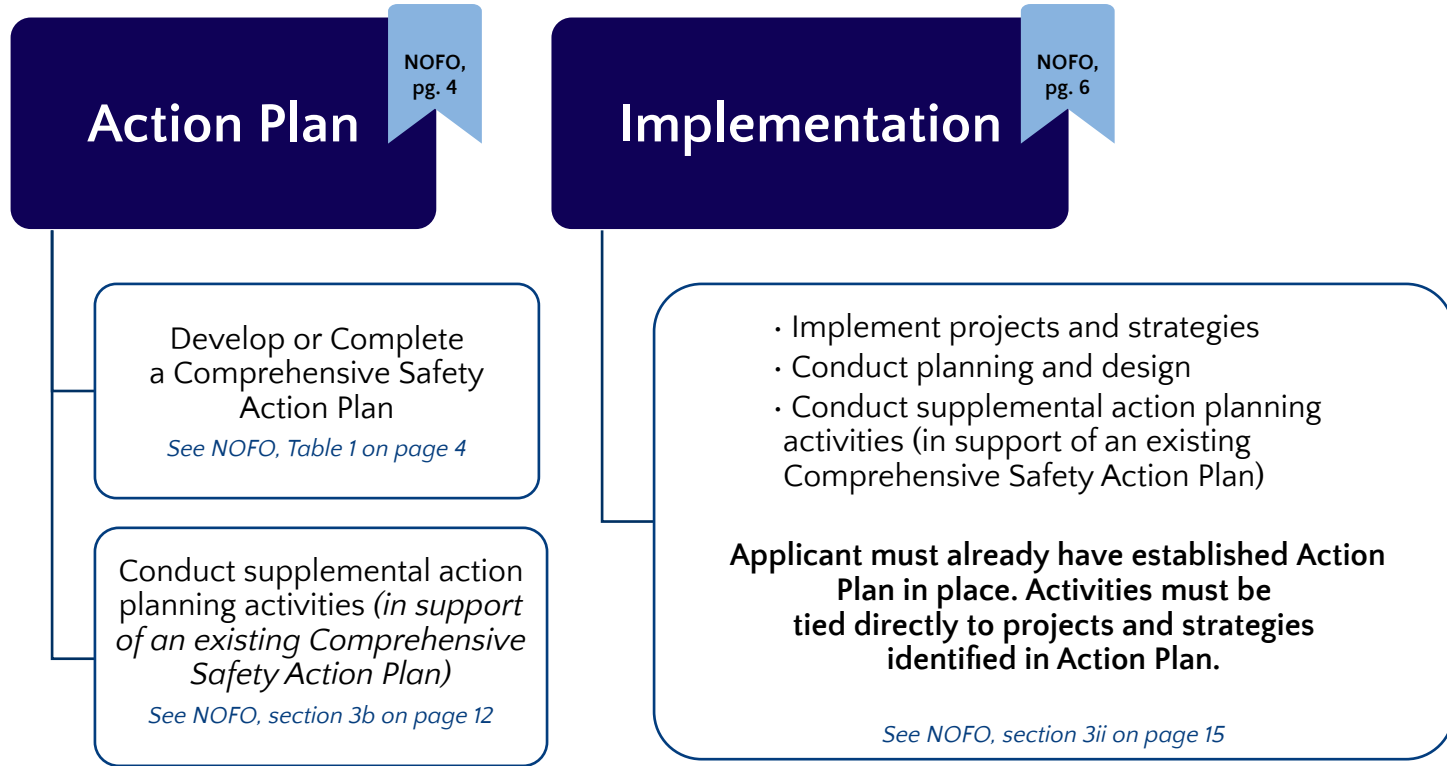
Cost share/match

- 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*

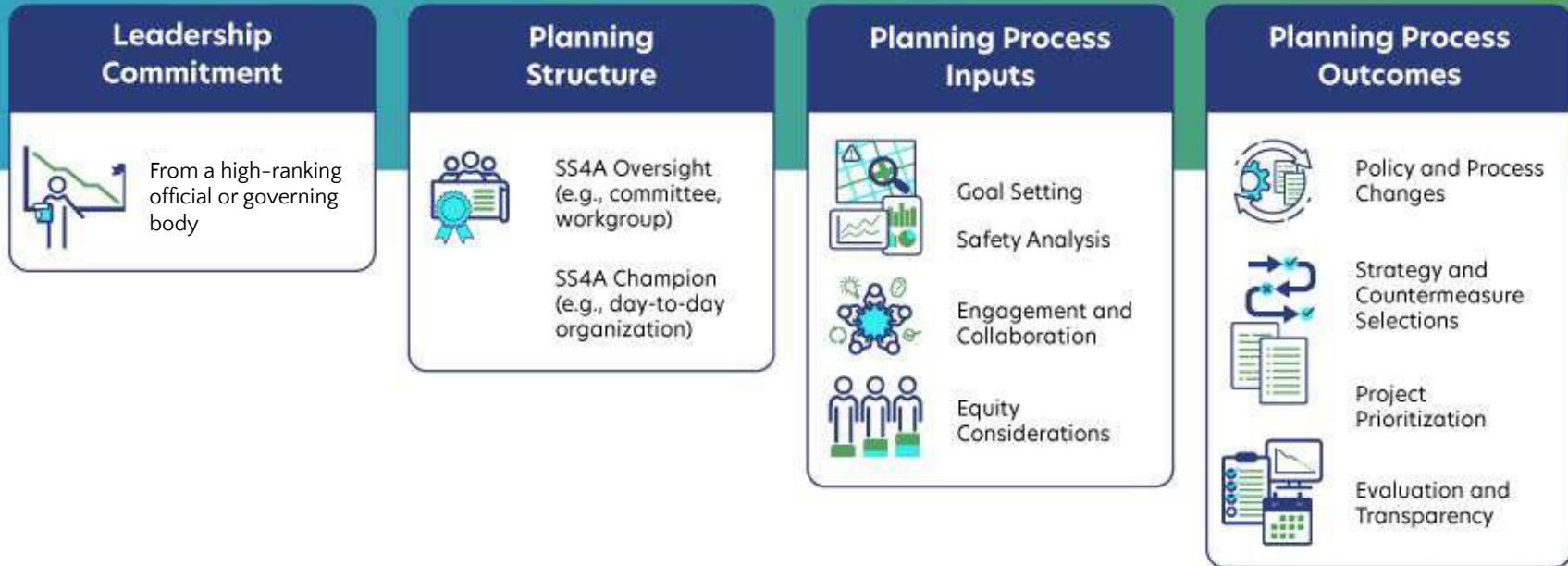
*Note these are expected sizes, and applicants may request more or less funding



Grant Types



Planning Grants



Supplemental Planning Activities

- Additional or updated analysis;
- Expanded data collection and evaluation using integrated data;
- Feasibility studies using quick build strategies;
- Follow-up stakeholder engagement and collaboration;
- Targeted equity assessments;
- Progress report development; and
- Complementary planning efforts such as speed management plans, accessibility and transition plans, racial and health equity plans, and lighting management plans.



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.



Source: FHWA



Implementation Grants: Illustrative Activities



The screenshot shows the U.S. Department of Transportation website. The top navigation bar includes the DOT logo, the text "U.S. Department of Transportation", and menu items for "ABOUT DOT", "PRIORITIES", "CONNECT", and a search icon. Below the navigation bar, the breadcrumb "Home \ Grants" is visible. The main content area features a sidebar on the left with links for "About Safe Streets and Roads for All Grants", "Webinar Series", "Resources", and "FAQs". The main heading is "Safe Streets and Roads for All (SS4A) Grant Program". The text describes the program established by the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law (BIL) and provides details on funding. A large graphic displays the letters "S | S" above "4 | A". Below this, a section titled "FY22 Notice of Funding Opportunity is open, now through September 15, 2022" states that the NOFO is live on Grants.gov and provides the application deadline and a list of links for more information.

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Related Links

- [Bipartisan Infrastructure Law Technical Assistance and Local Support \(FHWA\)](#)
- [Complete Streets \(FHWA\)](#)
- [Countermeasures That Work \(NHTSA\)](#)
- [Local Road Safety Plans \(FHWA\)](#)
- [Our Roads, Our Safety \(FMCSA\)](#)
- [Proven Safety Countermeasures \(FHWA\)](#)
- [Zero Deaths – Saving Lives through a Safety Culture and](#)

Safe Streets and Roads for All (SS4A) Grant Program

The [Bipartisan Infrastructure Law](#) (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 SS4A program funds regional, local, and Tribal initiatives through grants to prevent roadway deaths and serious injuries.

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 September 15, 2022

The [FY22 Notice of Funding Opportunity](#) (NOFO) for Safe Streets and Roads for All grants is live on Grants.gov.

The deadline for applications is 5:00 p.m. EDT on September 15, 2022. For details, more information, and applicant guidance:

- [Review the NOFO](#)
- [Visit our "How to Apply" assistance page](#)
- [Attend a "How to Apply" webinar](#)

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Which Grant is Right for Your Community?



Grant Application Templates

**Safe Streets and Roads for All
Action Plan Application Template**

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Application Name: _____ Lead Applicant: _____ (US)

Roadway safety responsibility (check all that apply):

- Ownership and/or maintenance responsibility over a roadway network
- Safety responsibilities that affect roadways
- Have an agreement from the agency that has ownership and/or maintenance responsibility for the roadway within the applicant's jurisdiction

Lead Applicant: _____
Funding request: (US\$) _____
Application # _____
Total Value for Application: _____
If submitting a joint application, Lead Applicant: _____
Joint Applicant(s): _____
1 _____
2 _____
3 _____
4 _____

Applicant(s)	Joint Applicant (A)	Supplemental Action Plan Activities (A)	Planning, Design, and Development Activities for Projects and Strategies (B)	Carrying Out Projects and Strategies (C)	Percent of Population in Underserved Communities or rural areas (D)	Total Funds Allocated to Underserved Communities (E) (Applicant)
U.S. Census Data					U.S. Census Data	
Total Value for Application	\$ _____	\$ _____	\$ _____	\$ _____	% _____	\$ _____

If submitting a joint application, provide the associated values for the full plan area in this row.

If submitting a joint application, provide the individual values for the lead applicant and each joint applicant's individual portion of the plan area in the rows below.

Lead Applicant(s)	1	2	3	4
Total Value for Application	\$ _____	\$ _____	\$ _____	\$ _____
Percent of Population in Underserved Communities or rural areas	% _____	% _____	% _____	% _____

If more than 4 joint applicants, attach a separate table with additional rows for each additional joint applicant.



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Link to Action Plan or Equivalent Plan(s): _____

Provide Required Narrative Information (US\$) _____

Map _____

Provide Additional Documents Separately

- Required Forms:
 - SI-424 Application for Federal Assistance
 - SI-424C Budget Information for Construction Programs
 - SI-424D Anticipated Construction Programs
 - SI-111 (Inventory of Existing Activities, Apply to Grants per language PRC032439P)
- Self-Certification Eligibility Worksheet
- Supplemental Estimated Budget (Table B)



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Application Aids

- A series of checklists, planning worksheets, and fillable forms is available on the SS4A website to help guide applicants through the eligibility and application process.

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Step 2

Decide who will apply

- Confirm that you are able to apply.
- Consider whether to apply individually or as part of a joint application with other eligible applicants.

Step 3

Start the process with SAM.gov

- New applicants must obtain a Unique Entity Identifier (UEI).
- Applicants that previously had a DUNS number must confirm UEI.
- Joint Applications choose a single lead applicant with a single UEI.

Step 4

Choose your planning approach

- Will you develop a new plan or complete an existing plan?
- Do you have a plan, but want to pursue supplemental planning activities, including advanced research and analysis?
- See the SS4A Decision Flowchart for more guidance.

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Safe Streets and Roads for All Action Plan Components

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... (etc.) injuries, OR

... (etc.) serious injuries.

... (etc.) charged with oversight of the

... (etc.) a baseline level of crashes by mile, or region. Includes of the crashes, as well as crashes, people walking, transit performed, as needed (e.g., etc., public health approaches, etc., etc.). To the extent jurisdiction, without regard for location of high-risk

... (etc.) including the private sector and feedback.

... (etc.) used and incorporated into etc. Plans and processes are being processes to the extent

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Equity Deep Dive: Developing Competitive SS4A Applications

Five Winning Strategies

1

Ask yourself
the right
questions

2

Data must drive equity
considerations—but
it has to be the
RIGHT data

3

Identify and
engage impacted
communities

4

Use proven,
evidence-based
intervention

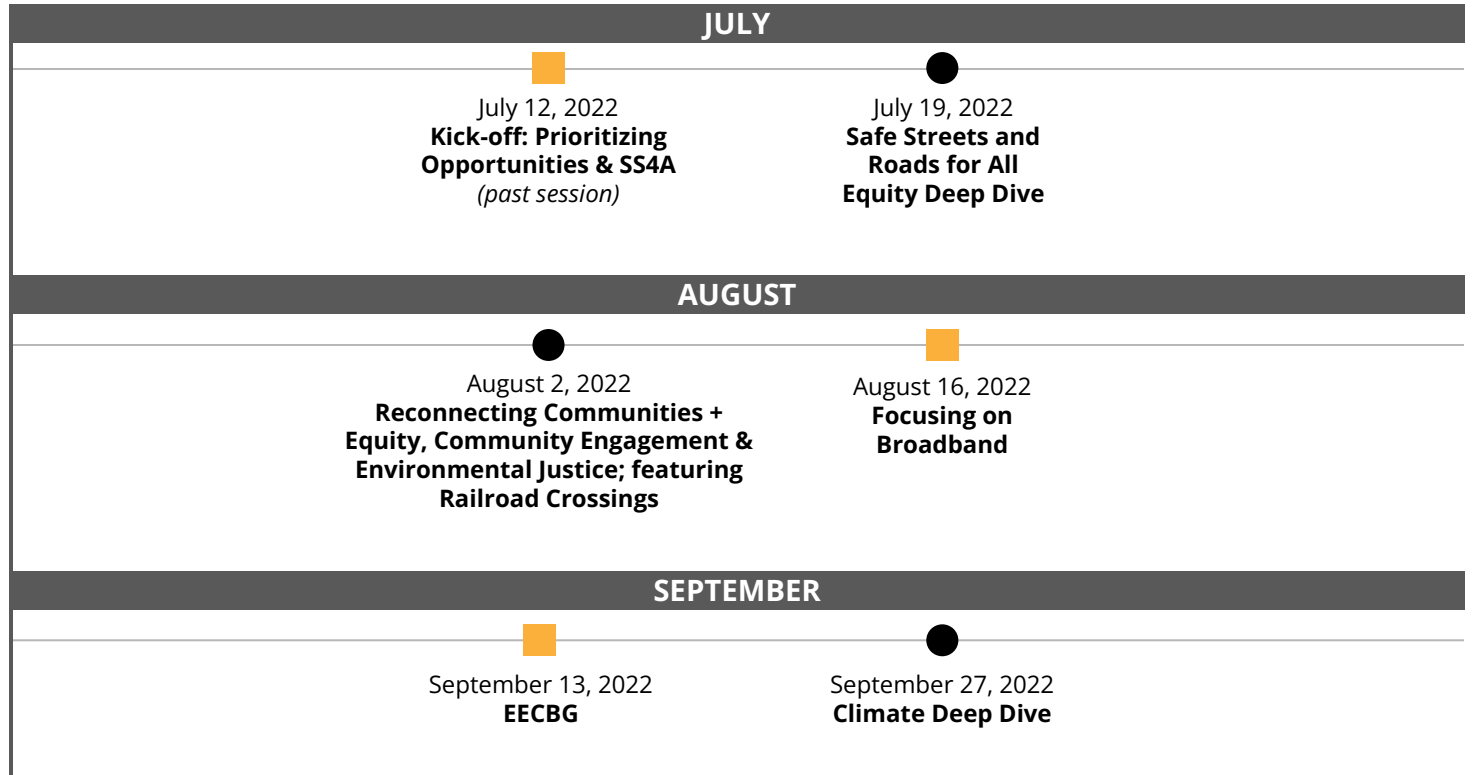
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Leverage
partnerships

LIH Information Track Webinar Series

Big Grant Opportunity Sessions: *Overview for mayors from expert speakers of the most important infrastructure funding opportunity for that month*

Delivering Results Workshops: *Sessions with federal agency officials focused on how mayors can deliver real results for residents on racial wealth equity, climate, and other policy areas aligned with community goals*



*Expected high-impact NOFOs in Fall 2022: SMART, PROTECT, BRIC