

Safe Streets and Road for All (SS4A) Grant/ Regional Safety Summit

Regional Project Evaluation Committee
May 26, 2023



PSRC Regional Safety Summit – June 29th

- Regional Safety Summit hosted by PSRC on June 29th at Seattle Convention Center
- Regional conversation about transportation safety – discuss key issues and challenges
- First step in the development of Regional Safety Plan – get input from the general public, elected officials, and agency staff
- Free event that will include national and local speakers, and breakout sessions in the afternoon



SS4A Background

- 2021 Bipartisan Infrastructure Law (BIL) established Safe Streets and Roads for All Program (SS4A)
- \$5 Billion over 5 years – split between Planning and Implementation grants
- Action plan required to include data-driven analysis, public engagement, a list of countermeasures, and other elements
- Jurisdictions must meet action plan criteria to be eligible for implementation grants



PSRC SS4A Application for Planning Grant

- Initial application for \$2.7 million to develop Regional Safety Plan (RSP) and support planning efforts for member jurisdictions
- USDOT requested that PSRC consolidate one regional application in umbrella role and serve as grant administrators to jurisdictions
- Submitted consolidated application for \$4.9 million, partnering with Burien, Everett, Kent, Redmond, Tukwila, and Pierce County
- Awarded full amount in February 2023



Execution of Grant Agreements

- Grant agreement between PSRC and USDOT signed in May 2023
- Currently working to execute subrecipient agreements with jurisdictions
- PSRC will use funds for consultant support to develop RSP and increase staff capacity to support grant-funded activities for 2 years



Second Round of SS4A Grant

- USDOT has released NOFO for second round of grant program
- PSRC intends to apply for additional money and to offer our umbrella services again to fund more local action plans
- Currently gauging interested from local jurisdictions



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- Sent solicitation form due May 31st - asks about potential scope of work, amount requested, local match, and plan for consultants
- PSRC will review forms and reach out to potential partners in early June; application to USDOT is due July 10th
- Per USDOT criteria, fatality rates and % underserved population will be taken into account when assessing the forms



Fatality Rates and Underserved Population

- SS4A website has fact sheets with instructions for:
 - Calculating average annual fatality rate:
<https://www.transportation.gov/grants/ss4a/calculating-average-annual-fatality-rate-ss4a>
 - Calculating % of population in underserved communities:
<https://www.transportation.gov/grants/ss4a/calculating-percentage-population-underserved-communities>



An aerial photograph of a town during sunset. The sky is a mix of orange, yellow, and blue. In the background, a large mountain peak is visible. The town below has various buildings, including a prominent brick building with a steeple. Trees with autumn foliage are scattered throughout the scene. The overall atmosphere is warm and scenic.

Questions?

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