

Regional Roadway Safety Program Overview

In July 2020, the TPB adopted Resolution R3-2021 which stablished and funded the Regional Roadway Safety Program. Any TPB member jurisdiction is eligible to apply.

The TPB encourages applications that address one or more of the following regional safety priorities:

Safety Improvements for Low-Income and Minority Communities

The TPB has identified locations, called Equity Emphasis Areas, that have high concentrations of low-income and minority populations. The Regional Roadway Safety Program encourages applications focused on reducing roadway fatalities and serious injuries in these areas.

Improving Road User Behavior

The Regional Roadway Safety Program seeks projects that increase seat belt use among motor vehicle occupants; reduce unsafe vehicle speeds; and reduce impaired and distracted driving.

Identifying and Designing Safety Countermeasures

The Regional Roadway Safety Program seeks projects that and design applicable countermeasures especially those outlined in TPB Resolution R3-2021, as appropriate and on a case by case basis.

Understanding Safety Data

The Regional Roadway Safety Program seeks projects to analyze crash data to better understand jurisdictional- or community-level roadway safety issues and identify behavioral or infrastructure countermeasures to address them.

Cross-Jurisdictional Safety Improvements

The Regional Roadway Safety Program encourages cross jurisdictional and/or multi-agency cooperation to improve safety on corridors or in areas that straddle jurisdictional boundaries.

Studies and Planning Projects (up to \$80,000 in assistance)

The TPB encourages planning projects that lead to reductions in fatal and serious injury crashes, improved jurisdictional safety planning capacity, and support the goals outlined in the regional safety resolution R3-2021. Projects may include (but are not limited to):

- Support for local roadway safety plans
- Road Safety Audits
- Crash data analysis
- Jurisdictional efforts to leverage the "Street Smart" program
- Identification of jurisdictional "high injury networks"
- Safety guidelines and standards
- Safety guides or toolkits

Design (up to \$80,000 in assistance)

Design projects can cover any of the planning project categories and should have undergone a local planning process. Projects should be ready for focused design or preliminary engineering work. Regional Roadway Safety Program funds can help projects reach up to 30 percent design completion or make progress toward that phase of project development. Project categories may include (but are not limited to):

- Road diet design
- Lighting and signage improvements
 Intersection improvements
 Enhanced pedestrian infrastructure