



## USDOT Discretionary Grants Update

# Safe Streets and Roads for All (SS4A) FY 2025 Notice of Funding Opportunity

The U.S. Department of Transportation has released a Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO) for the Safe Streets and Roads for All grant program (SS4A). Planning and Demonstration Grant and Implementation Grant applications are due at 5:00 pm EDT on Thursday, June 26, 2025.

The program aims to support planning, infrastructure, and behavioral and operational initiatives to prevent fatalities and serious injuries on roads and streets involving all roadway users, including pedestrians, bicyclists, public transportation, motorists, and commercial vehicle operators.

**This program is authorized under the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act, and will provide up to \$982 million in funding for selected projects this year.** This update summarizes the grant opportunity. The NOFO is posted on [Grants.gov](https://www.grants.gov).

## Safe Streets and Roads for All Program Objectives

The purpose of this grant program is to improve roadway safety by significantly reducing or eliminating roadway fatalities and serious injuries through the development of Action Plans, refinement of Action Plans and implementation of safety strategies focused on all users, including pedestrians, bicyclists, public transportation users, motorists and commercial vehicle operators.

Funding will help develop tools to strengthen a community's approach to roadway safety, save lives, and is designed to meet the needs of local, Tribal and regional communities that differ in size, location and experience administering federal funding.

### Eligible recipients include:

- Metropolitan planning organization (MPO)
- Political subdivision of a state or territory, including county, city and township governments; special district governments; independent school districts; and public and state controlled institutions of higher education
- Federally recognized Tribal government
- Regional joint multijurisdictional application

April 2, 2024



### APPLICATION DEADLINE:

Thursday  
June 26, 2025  
5:00 p.m. EDT

### Grant Program Summaries:







## Changes in the FY 2025 NOFO

- NOFO includes a single application deadline for all grant types of June 26, 2025
- Underserved Community will use the same definition as Areas of Persistent Poverty
- Maximum expected award for Planning and Demonstration Grants changed from \$10,000,000 to \$5,000,000
- Updated Action Plan requirements for Planning and Demonstration Grant applicants requesting funds to conduct supplemental planning or demonstration activities only
- Updated Action Plan requirements for Implementation Grant recipients
- Updated Action Plan Components , including elimination of Equity Considerations
- Updated Implementation Grant selection criteria
- References to rescinded Executive Orders and priorities from the previous administration have been removed



## Available Grants

The SS4A FY 2025 NOFO provides funding for two types of grants:

### Planning and Demonstration Grant:

Focused on supplemental safety planning — either development of a new Action Plan or execution of supplemental planning activities — or safety demonstration activities.

### Implementation grants:

Focused on implementing strategies or projects consistent with an existing Action Plan that may also request funding for supplemental planning and demonstration activities that inform the Action Plan.

## PLANNING AND DEMONSTRATION GRANT

Planning and Demonstration Grant must include the following seven components:

1. Leadership commitment and goal setting
2. Planning structure
3. Safety analysis
4. Engagement and collaboration
5. Policy and process changes
6. Strategy and project selection
7. Progress and transparency

Selection criteria for Planning and Demonstration Grants includes 1) safety impact, 2) underserved communities and 3) additional safety context. In addition, USDOT will evaluate project cost.

**Award Range:** Minimum amounts for Planning and Demonstration Grants are \$100,000, with a maximum grant of up to \$5 million.

Planning and Demonstration Grant application narratives must be no longer than 2 pages if requesting less than \$1,000,000. If requesting \$1,000,000 or more, the narrative must be no longer than 3 pages. A benefit-cost analysis is not required. Planning and Demonstration Grants will need to be submitted via the [Valid Eval website](#).

## IMPLEMENTATION GRANTS

Implementation Grants fund projects and strategies identified in an Action Plan that address roadway safety problems. Funding also supports supplemental planning and demonstration activities as well as planning, design and development activities identified in an Action Plan.

Applicants must identify the problems to be addressed, the relevant geographic locations, and the project solutions and strategies they plan to implement, based on their Action Plan or other established plan.

There are four main selection criteria for Implementation Grants:

1. Safety need
2. Safety impact
3. Engagement and collaboration
4. Supplemental Planning and Demonstration Activities (only if applying for supplemental planning or demonstration activities)

**Award Range:** Implementation Grants will have a minimum award of \$2.5 million and a maximum award of \$25 million.

The Implementation Grant narrative may not exceed 12 pages in length. Cover pages, table of contents, Self-Certification Eligibility Worksheets and budget sections do not count toward the 12-page limit. Grant applications that include supplemental planning and demonstration activities may submit up to 2 additional pages (14 pages total). A benefit-cost analysis is not required. Implementation Grants will need to be submitted via the [Valid Eval website](#).

**HDR's Infrastructure Finance, Transportation Safety and grant writing professionals stand by ready to support project sponsors applying for funding from the SS4A program.**

**If you need any assistance or have questions, please contact:**

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