

LOCAL SAFETY ASSISTANCE

ODOT's Highway Safety Program is providing consultant assistance to local agencies and regional planning organizations to complete safety plans and studies, and assist with funding applications and project development on locally maintained roads.

ODOT is offering four types of assistance that can lead to qualifying for Highway Safety Improvement Program funds:

REGIONAL & COUNTY SAFETY PLANS:

Regional & County Safety Plans provide a framework for identifying, analyzing, and prioritizing roadway safety improvements on all public roads. The process results in a prioritized list of issues, factors, actions, and improvements that can be used to reduce fatalities and serious injuries across a region's roadway network. Our team can help navigate any or all of the safety plan development process.

ROAD SAFETY AUDITS (RSA):

RSAs are a formal, independent safety evaluation of an existing roadway by an experienced and multidisciplinary team of specialists. Our team can help facilitate this evaluation and identify possible countermeasures to address safety issues.

SAFETY STUDIES:

Safety Studies analyze roadway and traffic data to determine why crashes are occurring at a certain location and identify short and long term countermeasures to reduce them. These are typically required when seeking Highway Safety Improvement Program (HSIP) funding. Our team can help local partners complete a safety study and apply for HSIP funds.

SYSTEMIC SAFETY IMPROVEMENTS:

Rather than attempting to reduce crashes at spot locations, a systemic approach takes a broader view and seeks to reduce crashes across an entire roadway system using lowcost safety improvements. Our team can help local partners develop a systemic safety project and secure resources for implementation.

HOW TO APPLY:

Local Public Agencies and regional planning organizations can apply for assistance through the link below:

https://ODOT.formstack.com/ forms/local_safety_assistance_ request

Applications are reviewed on an as-received basis.

ELIGIBILITY & COST:

These are free services offered to local public agencies and regional planning organizations.

Awards are offered on the basis of the potential impact of the project to reduce severe crashes (fatalities and serious injuries) and agency need.

Safety Studies and Road Safety Audits are intended to occur at locally maintained locations with documented crash patterns. **Priority will be given to locations** appearing on regional or state priority safety location lists.









