TPB Transportation Safety Planning

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TPB Process

The TPB conducts transportation safety planning, in support of the Visualize 2045 (2022) long-range metropolitan transportation plan (LRTP) and federally-mandated Transportation Performance Management (TPM) / Performance Based Planning and Programming (PBPP) requirements. Results of this planning process are described in Visualize 2045's <u>Chapter 6: Strategies for a Brighter Future</u> and <u>Appendix F</u>.

The Planning Elements task in TPB's <u>Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP)</u>, addresses safety as part of Transportation Safety Planning and Bicycle and Pedestrian Planning activities. In addition, it supports a dedicated subject matter expert subcommittees for each of these areas.

The TPB and its subcommittees have also advised additional safety-related activities. Starting in 2021, the Regional Roadway Safety Program (RRSP) has provided \$250,000 annually in consulting assistance to member jurisdictions or agencies for local roadway safety planning or preliminary engineering activities. COG and TPB continue to host the Street Smart regional pedestrian and bicyclist safety outreach program (funded outside the UPWP), which is overseen by agencies providing program funding, with technical advice from the Bicycle and Pedestrian Subcommittee. These initiatives also complement the activities of the Transportation Safety Subcommittee.

What Is New?

- Following staff/consultant "deep dive" <u>analyses</u> of regional roadway safety data, TPB adopted its <u>Safety and Equity Policy Resolution R3-2021</u> in July 2020, including TPB's commitment to reduce regional roadway fatalities and serious injuries in a fair and equitable manner, plus initiating the Regional Roadway Safety Program, and identifying a list of effective roadway safety strategies.
- As a follow-up to R3-2021, staff/consultants undertook a regional <u>Equity Emphasis Areas</u> safety data analysis in 2021.
- An updated <u>Bicycle and Pedestrian Plan for the National Capital Region</u> was developed and approved by the TPB in May 2022. The updated plan emphasizes and integrates safety.
- In advance of the adoption of PBPP regional highway safety targets, the TPB hosted a <u>Safety</u> Roundtable with state Departments of Transportation in November 2022.

Products/Studies/Projects

- Updated "deep dive" roadway safety data analyses are planned in the FY 2024 UPWP.
- The Street Smart campaign and Regional Roadway Safety Program activities are slated to continue.