



MEMORANDUM

TO: Transportation Planning Board
FROM: Janie Nham, TPB Transportation Planner
SUBJECT: Federal Grants – FY 2023 Safe Streets and Roads for All (SS4A) Awards
DATE: December 20, 2023

On December 13, 2023, the U.S. Department of Transportation announced \$817 million in grant awards for 385 communities through the Safe Streets and Roads for All (SS4A) grant program. In the FY 2023 round of the SS4A program, USDOT awarded 337 planning and demonstration grants and 48 implementation grants.

Planning and demonstration grants provide funds to develop, complete, or supplement a comprehensive safety plan. Implementation grants support the implementation of strategies or projects identified in a safety plan.

Nine awards were announced within our region; all are planning/demonstration grants:

Lead Applicant	Project Name	Total Federal Funding
City of Brunswick, MD	Multimodal Network Connectivity Action Plan for the City of Brunswick in Frederick County, Maryland	\$240,000
City of Gaithersburg, MD	City of Gaithersburg Safety Action Plan	\$360,000
City of Rockville, MD	Vision Zero Intersection Safety Audits	\$320,000
Frederick County, MD	Fast Forward Frederick: Safe Streets and Roads for All - Planning and Demonstration	\$1,050,000
Maryland-National Capital Park and Planning Commission	SS4A Planning Grant for the Multimodal Parking Lot Design Guidelines in Montgomery County, Maryland	\$120,000
Montgomery County, MD	Montgomery County Maryland Planning and Demonstration Activities	\$160,000
City of Fairfax, VA	City of Fairfax Comprehensive Safety Action Plan and Old Town Fairfax Safe Circulation Study	\$400,000
Fairfax County, VA	County of Fairfax Planning and Demonstration Activities	\$1,600,000
Town of Vienna, VA	Town of Vienna Safety Action Plan and Neighborhood Safety Study	\$250,000

Program Overview and Additional Information

The Bipartisan Infrastructure Law (BIL) established the SS4A grant program to fund regional, local, and Tribal safety initiatives that prevent roadway fatalities and serious injuries. The program provides grants for the development of safety Action Plans or the implementation of strategies or projects. The BIL appropriated \$5 billion in discretionary funding to the program over five years, with \$1 billion allocated annually through fiscal year 2026. SS4A aligns with the USDOT's National Roadway Safety Strategy, which recognizes zero roadway fatalities as a national long-term safety goal. The next round of the SS4A is anticipated to open in February 2024.

The following are links to the USDOT announcements and grant award fact sheets:

<https://www.transportation.gov/briefing-room/biden-harris-administration-investing-hundreds-american-communities-improve-safety>

<https://www.transportation.gov/grants/ss4a/2023-awards>