U.S. Department of Transportation

Safe Streets and Roads for All (SS4A)

Safe Streets and Roads for All Grants

CLOSED for FY22

Key program that supports the National Roadway Safety Strategy

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Funding supports local initiatives to prevent death and serious injuries on roads and streets, commonly referred to as "Vision Zero" or "Toward Zero Deaths" initiatives.

billion in annual funding, FY22-26

Roadway Safety Overview

Our Current Reality

Traffic fatalities are a public health crisis affecting all road users.

1.25M

Lives lost globally each year from traffic crashes

Source: World Resources Institute

42,915

Estimated lives lost on U.S. roads in 2021

Source: NHTSA

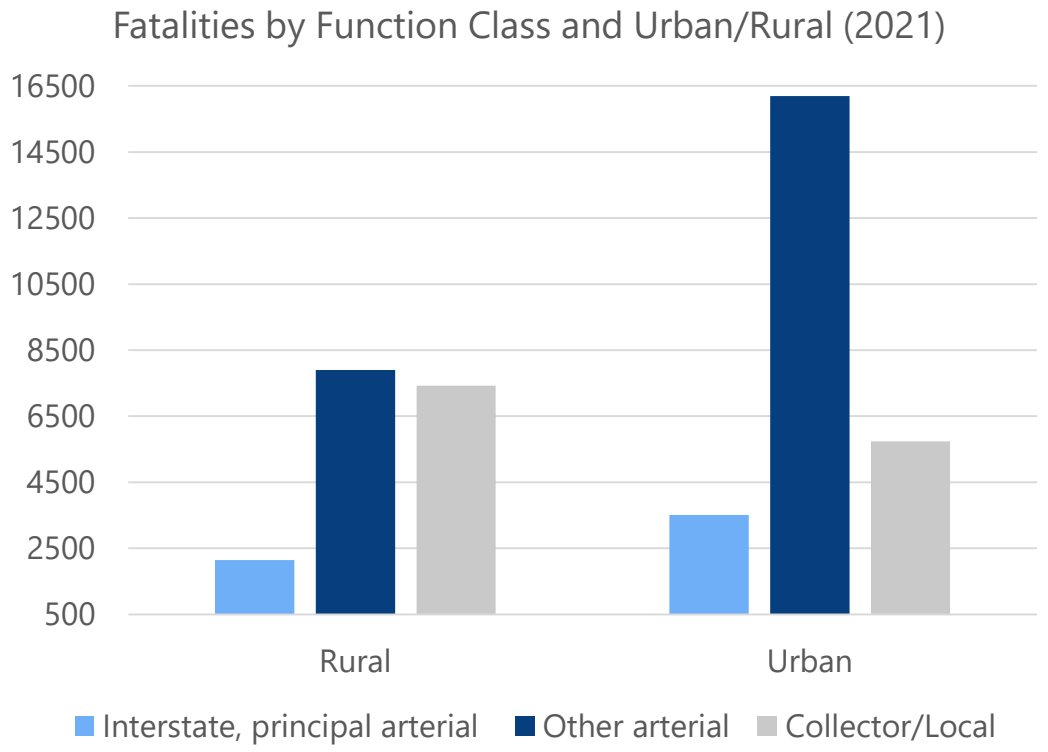
7,342

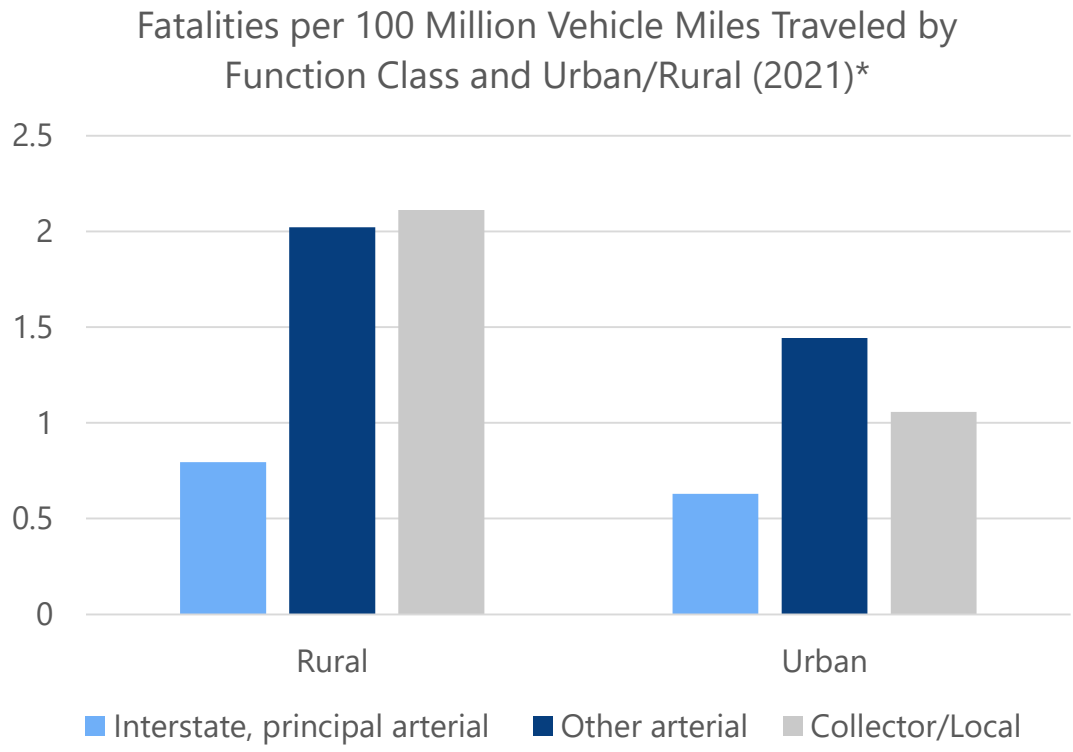
Estimated pedestrians killed in U.S. traffic crashes in 2021

Source: NHTSA

Local Roadway Fatalities

Fatalities are most common—overall and as a function of vehicle travel—on non-Interstate arterials, collectors, and local roads. This disparity is particularly significant on rural roads.





Sources: National Center for Statistics and Analysis. (2022, May*). Early estimates of motor vehicle traffic fatalities and fatality rate by sub-categories in 2021* (Crash•Stats Brief Statistical Summary. Report No. DOT HS 813 298). National Highway Traffic Safety Administration.

* Averages based on monthly fatality rate data per 100 million VMT by roadway function class

The Safe System Approach (SSA): Principles

- Death/serious injury is unacceptable.
- Humans make mistakes.
- Humans are vulnerable.
- Responsibility is shared.
- Safety is proactive.
- Redundancy is crucial.

Complete Streets

- Complete Streets are streets designed and operated to enable safe use and support mobility for all users. Those include people of all ages and abilities, regardless of whether they are travelling as drivers, pedestrians, bicyclists, or public transportation riders.
- Visit https://highways.dot.gov/complete-streets for more information on Complete Streets.

Source: FHWA

SS4A Discretionary Grants

SS4A Overview: Eligible Recipients

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- Metropolitan planning organization (MPOs)
- Political subdivision of a State
  - *A unit of government under the authority of State law, including cities, towns, counties, special districts, and similar units of local government.*
  - *A transit district, authority, or public benefit corporation if it was created under State law, including transit authorities operated by political subdivisions of a State.*
- Federally recognized Tribal government
- Multijurisdictional groups comprised of the entities above

SS4A Overview: Funding

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Grant Type	Political subdivision of a State	Federally recognized Tribal Government	MPO or joint application
Expected Action Plan Grant Size	$200,000 - $1M	$200,000 - $1 million	$200,000 - $5M
Expected Implementation Grant Size	$5M - $30M	$3M - $30M *(also applies to rural applicants)*	$5M - $50M *($3M - $50M for rural applicants)*

Cost share/match

- 80% Federal | 20% local match cost share
- Not more than 15% of funds can be awarded to projects in a single State in a given fiscal year
- *Tribal projects are not considered part of the State cap*
- *No set-aside for rural areas or other grantee categories*

Grant Types

Action Plan

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Develop or Complete a Comprehensive Safety Action Plan

See NOFO, Table 1 on page 4

Conduct supplemental action planning activities *(in support of an existing Comprehensive Safety Action Plan)*

See NOFO, section 3b on page 12

Implementation

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- Implement projects and strategies
- Conduct planning and design
- Conduct supplemental action planning activities (in support of an existing Comprehensive Safety Action Plan)

Applicant must already have established Action Plan in place. Activities must be tied directly to projects and strategies identified in Action Plan.

See NOFO, section 3ii on page 15

Which Grant is Right for Your Community?

Application Details

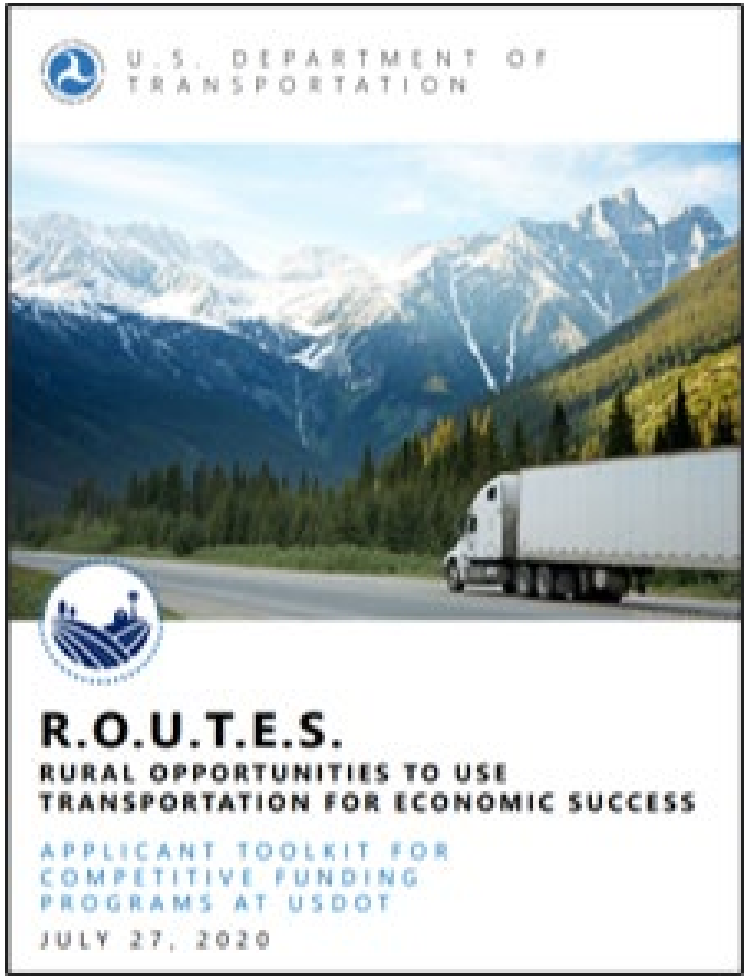
- Grants.gov.
- On April 4, the federal government stopped using Dun & Bradstreet's proprietary Data Universal Numbering System (DUNS) to identify contractors and grantees and began exclusively using the Unique Entity Identifier (UEI).

Safety Data Resources

- FHWA Safety
- FARS queries via FIRST
- EPA EJ Screen
- STSI
- NEMSIS
- Census
- CDC Health Equity

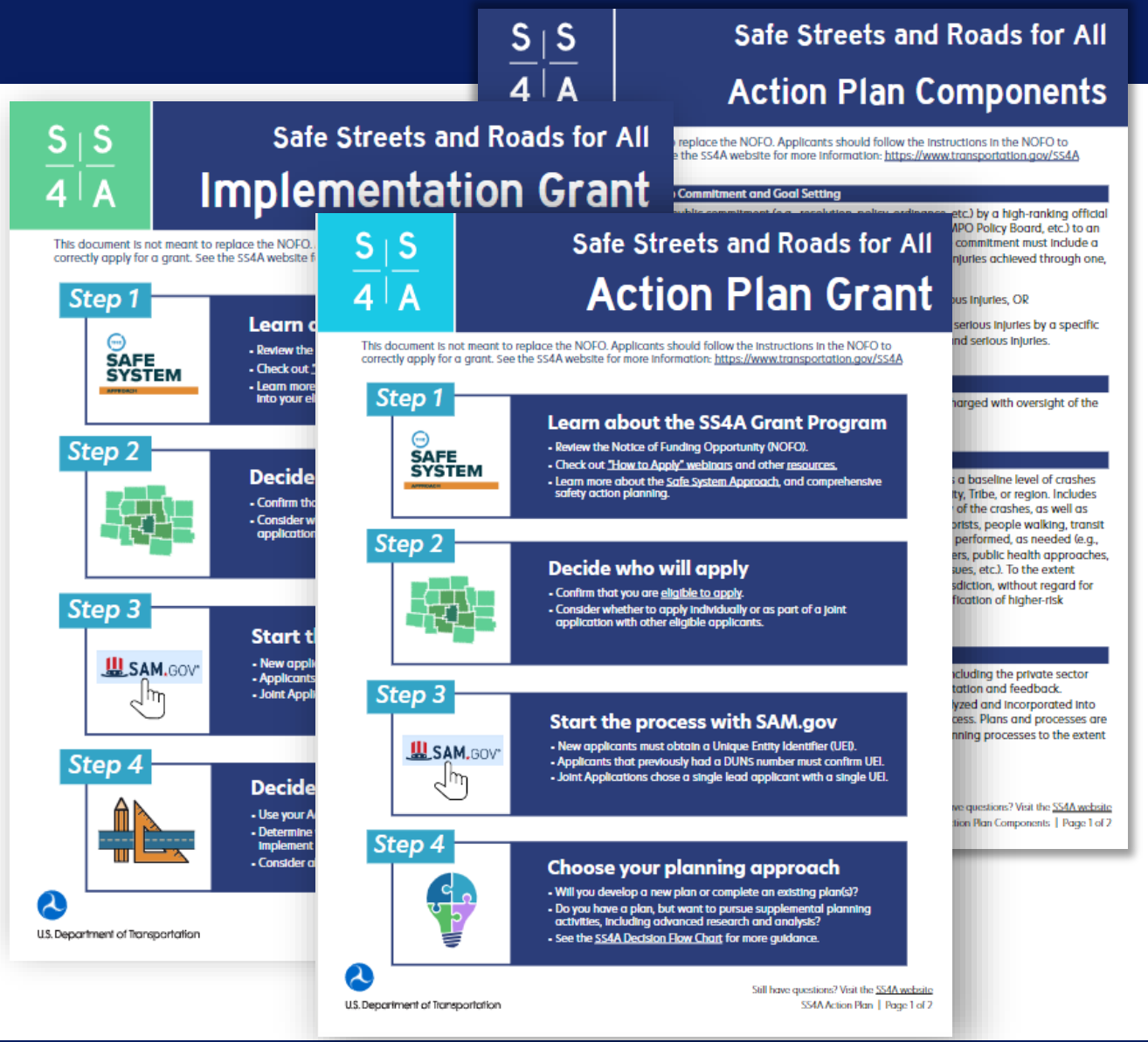
Federal Grants

- The R.O.U.T.E.S. grant applicant toolkit provides applicants with a roadmap and an overview of USDOT funding programs and opportunities.
- The toolkit includes specific tips on applying as a smaller applicant entity.
- The R.O.U.T.E.S. website hosts videos describing the toolkit and a PDF of the toolkit.
- www.transportation.gov/rural/grants/toolkit

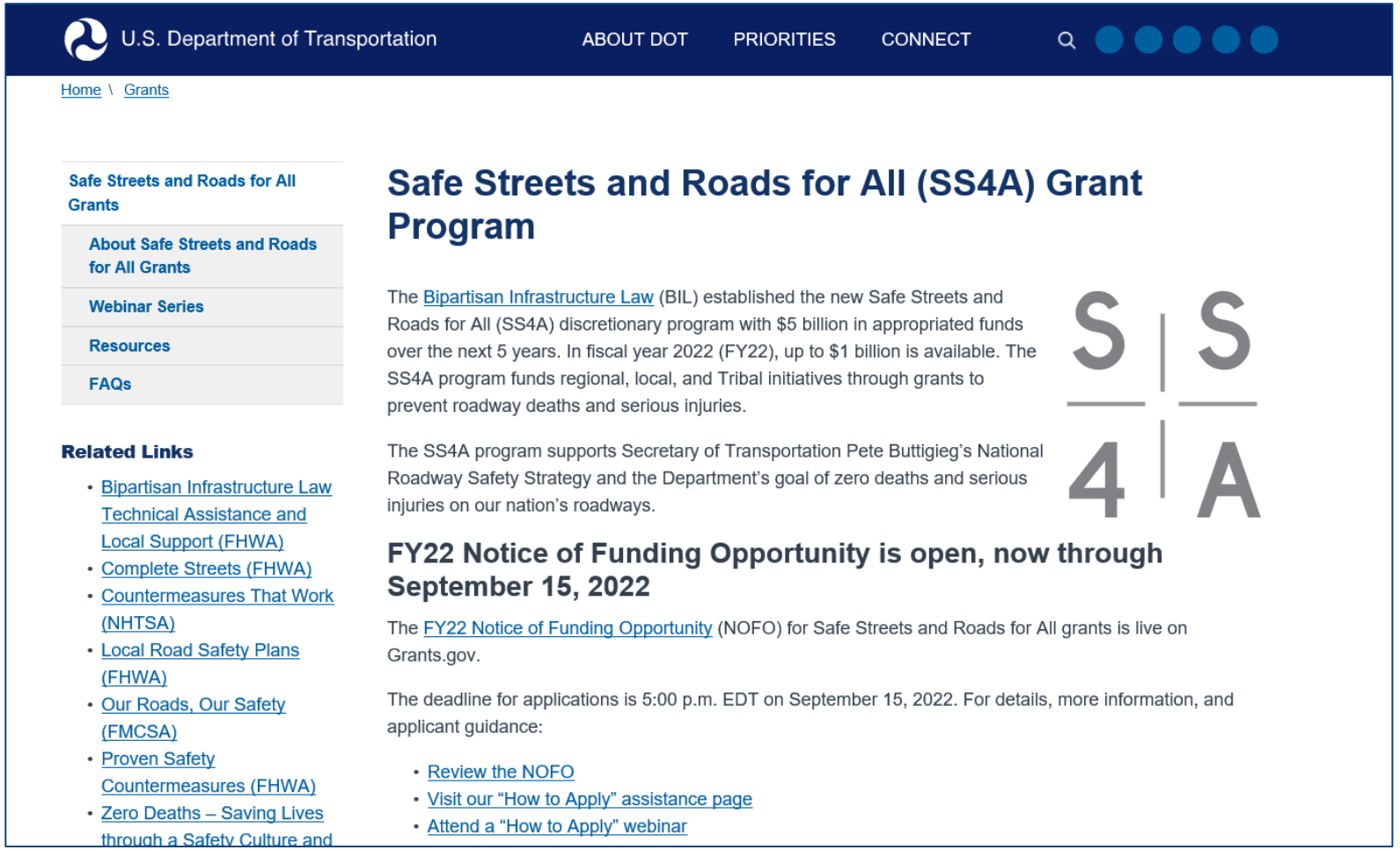


Application Aids

- A series of checklists, planning worksheets, and fillable forms is available on the SS4A website to help guide applicants through the eligibility and application process.



SS4A Website



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