

About SS4A

The Bipartisan Infrastructure Law (BIL) established the [Safe Streets and Roads for All \(SS4A\)](#) discretionary grant program with \$5 billion in appropriated funds over five years. The SS4A program funds regional, local, and Tribal initiatives through grants to prevent roadway deaths and serious injuries.

The SS4A program supports the U.S. Department of Transportation's [National Roadway Safety Strategy](#) and our goal of zero roadway deaths using a [Safe System Approach](#).



SS4A Making Rural Communities Safer

Rural road users remain disproportionately affected by crash-related fatalities. GHSA's [America's Rural Roads: Beautiful and Deadly](#) report found that in 2020, the risk of dying in a crash was 62 percent higher on a rural road compared to an urban road for the same trip length.

USDOT recognized the importance of providing specialized assistance to vulnerable rural road users and has included a targeted action in the [National Roadway Safety Strategy \(NRSS\)](#): “Build capacity to improve safety in rural areas by working with stakeholders at the State, local, and Tribal levels through focused technical assistance, training, and research.”

The SS4A program supports this key action. To date, SS4A has awarded \$346 million in grants to 557 rural communities, constituting almost half of the overall awards in the program.

These rural communities are receiving Federal funding for the development and implementation of their safety action plans and projects while benefitting from the specialized technical assistance and trainings that the SS4A team is developing.

Through the allocation of awards to rural communities, USDOT showcases its commitment to the priority actions outlined in the NRSS, while making advancements toward the goal of zero fatalities and serious injuries on our nation's roadways.

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