1.	GRANT TITLE	
	Pedestrian and Bicycle Safety Program	
2.	NAME OF AGENCY	3. Grant Period
	San Francisco	From: 10/01/2025
4.	AGENCY UNIT TO ADMINISTER GRANT	To: 09/30/2026
	South San Francisco Engineering Division	
	GRANT DESCRIPTION est practice strategies will be conducted to reduce the number of pe	preams killed and injured in grashes

Best practice strategies will be conducted to reduce the number of persons killed and injured in crashes involving pedestrians and bicyclists. The funded strategies may include classroom education, bicycle rodeos, community events, presentations, and workshops. These countermeasures should be conducted in communities with high numbers of pedestrian and/or bicycle related crashes including underserved communities, older adults, and school-aged children. Coordinated efforts such as Safe Routes to School initiatives, Safe System Approach, and working with community based organizations are highly encouraged to

- Federal Funds Allocated Under This Agreement Shall Not Exceed: \$150,000.00
 Allocation is contingent upon availability of federal funds.
- **7. TERMS AND CONDITIONS:** The parties agree to comply with the terms and conditions of the following which are by this reference made a part of the Agreement:
 - Schedule A Problem Statement, Goals and Objectives and Method of Procedure
 - Schedule B Detailed Budget Estimate and Sub-Budget Estimate (if applicable)
 - Schedule B-1 Budget Narrative and Sub-Budget Narrative (if applicable)
 - Exhibit A Certifications and Assurances
 - Exhibit B* OTS Grant Program Manual
 - Exhibit C Grant Electronic Management System (GEMS) Access

prevent fatalities and injuries of vulnerable non-motorized road users.

Items shown with an asterisk (), are hereby incorporated by reference and made a part of this agreement as if attached hereto. These documents can be viewed at the OTS home web page under Grants: www.ots.ca.gov.

We, the officials named below, hereby swear under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that we are duly authorized to legally bind the Grant recipient to the above described Grant terms and conditions. IN WITNESS WHEREOF, this Agreement has been executed by the parties hereto.

8. Approval Signatures			
A. GRANT DIRECTOR NAME: Matt Ruble TITLE: Principal Engineer EMAIL: matthew.ruble@ssfca.gov PHONE: (650) 829-6652 ADDRESS: PO Box 411 South San Francisco, CA 94083		B. AUTHORIZING OFFICIAL NAME: Sharon Ranals TITLE: City Manager EMAIL: sharon.ranals@ssfca.gov PHONE: (650) 829-3800 ADDRESS: PO Box 411 South San Francisco, CA 94083	
(Signature)	(Date)	(Signature)	(Date)
C. FISCAL OFFICIAL NAME: Drew Corbett TITLE: Finance Director EMAIL: drew.corbett@ssfca.gov PHONE: (650) 829-8512 ADDRESS: PO Box 411 South San Francisco, CA 94083		D. AUTHORIZING OFFICIAL OF OFFICE OF NAME: Stephanie Dougherty TITLE: Director EMAIL: stephanie.dougherty@ots.ca.gov PHONE: (916) 509-3030 ADDRESS: 2208 Kausen Drive, Suite 300 Elk Grove, CA 95758	Traffic Safety
(Signature)	(Date)	(Signature)	(Date)

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E. ACCOUNTING OFFICER OF OFFICE OF TRAFFIC SAFETY

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9. SAM INFORMATION

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REGISTERED

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10. PROJECTED EXPENDITURES								
FUND	CFDA	ITEM/APPROPI	RIATION	F.Y.	CHAPTER	STATUTE	PROJECTED EXPENDITURES	
					AGREEMENT \$150,000		\$150,000.00	
					AMOUNT ENCUMBERED BY THIS DOCUMENT \$150,000.00			
I CERTIFY upon my own personal knowledge that the budgeted funds for the current budget year are available for the period and purpose of the expenditure stated above.					PRIOR AMOUNT ENCUMBERED FOR THIS AGREEMENT \$ 0.00			
OTS ACCOUNTING OFFICER'S SIGNATURE DATE SIGNED			TOTAL AMOUNT ENCUMBERED TO DATE \$150,000.00					

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1. PROBLEM STATEMENT

Describe the city, county, or jurisdiction this grant will impact. City of South San Francisco.

Describe the problem(s) to be addressed, supported by current and relevant crash data. (most recent calendar year data/stats).

The City of South San Francisco completed a Local Road Safety Plan (LRSP) in 2022, which identified a concerning trend: a steady increase in crash rates year over year. Recent crash data underscores the urgency of addressing this issue, with fatal and injury crashes within ½ mile of schools rising from 55 in 2021, 81 in 2022, to 88 in 2023—a 60% increase over three years. Notably, speed-related crashes remain a significant contributing factor to severe injuries, particularly in school zones where vulnerable road users, such as children, are at heightened risk.

Among the prioritized countermeasures in the LRSP, updating school zone signage and speed limits was identified as a "Long-Term Improvement" strategy to enhance pedestrian safety. In response, the City initiated a project to lower speed limits adjacent to schools, reducing the statutory speed to 15 mph, a critical step toward reducing crash severity within our Youth-Based High Injury Network. Research has consistently shown that reducing vehicle speeds from 25 mph to 15 mph can decrease the likelihood of fatal injuries by more than 60%, particularly for children under 15.

To support and reinforce this effort, the City proposes the deployment of automated speed trailers to measure compliance, provide real-time feedback to drivers, and encourage adherence to the reduced speed limits. These devices serve a dual purpose: they function as an immediate traffic calming measure, while also collecting vital speed data to evaluate the effectiveness of the speed reduction program. This data-driven approach directly aligns with the Office of Traffic Safety's goal to reduce serious and fatal crashes, particularly among vulnerable populations, including school-aged children. By addressing speeding at its source, this initiative enhances the safety of school zones, reduces the risk of high-severity crashes, and supports the City's broader Vision Zero commitment.

Define the target population the grant intends to serve and how they are affected by the problem(s). The target population for this grant is school-aged children under 15 years old in South San Francisco, particularly those who walk, bike, or are transported to and from school. This group is among the most vulnerable road users, as children have limited perceptual and cognitive abilities to judge vehicle speeds and gaps in traffic, making them more susceptible to traffic-related injuries.

While the primary beneficiaries of this project are children under 15, the speed reduction measures will target all drivers by reinforcing safe driving behavior, reducing overall speeds, and lowering crash risks for everyone in school zones. This initiative will also benefit motorists, cyclists, and other pedestrians by decreasing the likelihood and severity of all crashes, not just those involving children. Lower speeds mean shorter stopping distances, reduced crash forces, and fewer severe injuries for all road users.

2. PERFORMANCE MEASURES

A. Goals:

- 1. Reduce the number of persons killed in traffic crashes.
- 2. Reduce the number of persons injured in traffic crashes.
- 3. Reduce the number of pedestrians killed in traffic crashes.
- 4. Reduce the number of pedestrians injured in traffic crashes.
- 5. Reduce the number of pedestrians killed under age 15 in traffic crashes.
- 6. Reduce the number of pedestrians injured under age 15 in traffic crashes.
- 7. Reduce the number of pedestrians killed over age 65 in traffic crashes.
- 8. Reduce the number of pedestrians injured over age 65 in traffic crashes.
- 9. Reduce the number of bicyclists killed in traffic crashes.

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- 10. Reduce the number of bicyclists injured in traffic crashes.
- 11. Reduce the number of bicyclists under age 15 killed in traffic crashes.
- 12. Reduce the number of bicyclists under age 15 injured in traffic crashes.
- 13. Increase bicycle helmet usage.
- 14. Reduce 85% speeds to target speed of 15mph. Goal will be prorated based on percentage of change from baseline, as documented using connected vehicle data. Speed trailer monitors will be used to calibrate connected vehicle data.

В.	Objectives:	Target Number
1.	Issue a news release announcing the kick-off of the grant by December 31st. The kick-off news releases and media advisories, alerts, and materials must be emailed to the OTS Public Information Officer at pio@ots.ca.gov, and copied to your OTS Coordinator, for approval 7 days prior to the issuance date of the release.	1
2.	Collaborate with traffic safety stakeholders (government organizations, health care agencies, law enforcement agencies, and/or community-based organizations) to reach individuals.	4
3.	Participate in Safe Routes to School coalition meetings.	3
4.	Identify grant funded, straight time personnel. Include any vacancies or staff changes that have occurred. For any vacancies, include the status of filling the vacancy.	4
5.	Execute subcontracts referenced in the budget. Prior to finalizing the subcontract, grantee should work with the OTS to ensure all costs in the sub contract are allowable. Upon execution of subcontract, upload a copy of the subcontract and request a revision to the grant budget to add new budget line items for associated costs under contractual services. If not yet executed, provide ETA.	1
6.	Analyze speed reductions using connected vehicle data that has been calibrated by radar trailers.	3
7.	Install and deploy speed feedback signs (radar trailers) at key areas within new school speed zones.	3
8.	Purchase radar trailer speed feedback signs at key areas within new school speed zones.	3

3. METHOD OF PROCEDURE

A. Phase 1 – Program Preparation (1st Quarter of Grant Year)

- Develop operational plans to implement the "best practice" strategies outlined in the objectives section.
- Conduct all training needed to implement the program, in the first quarter.
- Purchase all grant related supplies and materials to implement the program, in the first quarter.
- Items with a unit cost of \$5,000 or more (including tax and shipping) must comply with Buy America.

Media Requirements

Issue a news release approved by the OTS PIO announcing the kick-off of the grant by
December 31 and after the grant is signed and executed, but no sooner than October 1, the start
of the grant year. The kick-off release must be approved by the OTS PIO. If you are unable to
meet the December 31 deadline to issue a kick-off press release, communicate reasons to your
OTS grant coordinator and OTS PIO.

The City of South San Francisco will implement a data-driven, multi-phase approach to deploy speed feedback trailers near schools, ensuring improved traffic safety.

Phase 1: Outreach & Stakeholder Collaboration

A news release will announce the project, and engagement with traffic safety stakeholders, PTAs, and Safe Routes to School (SRTS) committees will refine trailer placement. Walk audits and crash data will guide decision-making to prioritize high-risk school zones.

Phase 2: Procurement & Installation

The City will finalize purchase orders and secure vendor contracts. Trailers will be stored in designated facilities when not in use. Deployment will prioritize high-speed corridors near schools, ensuring visibility and compliance with safety best practices. Initial calibration and testing will confirm data accuracy.

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Phase 3: Data Collection & Evaluation

The City will analyze speed data from the trailers and compare it with connected vehicle data to assess effectiveness. Adjustments will be made based on speed reduction trends and stakeholder feedback. Quarterly reports will document activities, accomplishments, and crash data analysis to measure progress toward reducing school zone injuries.

By integrating education, enforcement, and engineering strategies, this operational plan ensures measurable reductions in school zone speeds, enhancing safety for students and all road users.

B. <u>Phase 2 – Program Operations</u> (Throughout Grant Year) Media Requirements

The following requirements are for all grant-related activities:

- Send all media advisories, alerts, videos, graphics, artwork, posters, radio/PSA/video scripts, storyboards, digital and/or print educational materials for grant-related activities to the OTS PIO at pio@ots.ca.gov for approval and copy your OTS grant coordinator. Optimum lead time would be 7 days before the scheduled release but at least 3 business days prior to the scheduled release date for review and approval is appreciated.
- Send all PowerPoint presentations, online presentations and trainings for grant-related activities
 to the OTS PIO at <u>pio@ots.ca.gov</u> for approval and copy your OTS grant coordinator. Certified
 training courses are EXEMPT from the approval process.
- The OTS PIO is responsible for the approval of the design and content of materials. The agency
 understands OTS PIO approval is not authorizing approval of budget expenditure or cost. Any
 cost approvals must come from the OTS grant coordinator.
- Pre-approval is not required when using any OTS-supplied template for media advisories, news
 releases, social media graphics, videos or posts, or any other OTS-supplied educational material.
 However, copy the OTS PIO at pio@ots.ca.gov and your OTS grant coordinator when any
 material is distributed to the media and public, such as a news release, educational material, or
 link to social media post.
- If an OTS-supplied template, educational material, social media graphic, post or video is substantially changed, the changes shall be sent to the OTS PIO at pio@ots.ca.gov for approval and copy your OTS grant coordinator.
- News releases, social media posts and alerts on platforms such as NextDoor and Nixle reporting immediate and time-sensitive grant activities (e.g. enforcement operations, day of event highlights or announcements, event invites) are EXEMPT from the OTS PIO approval process. The OTS PIO and your OTS grant coordinator should still be notified when the grant-related activity is happening (e.g. car seat checks, bicycle rodeos, community presentations, DUI checkpoints, etc.).
- Enforcement activities such as warrant and probation sweeps, court stings, etc. that are
 embargoed or could impact operations by publicizing in advance are EXEMPT from the PIO
 approval process. However, announcements and results of activities should still be copied to the
 OTS PIO at pio@ots.ca.gov and your OTS grant coordinator with the embargoed date and time
 or with "INTERNAL ONLY: DO NOT RELEASE" message in subject line of email.
- Any earned or paid media campaigns for TV, radio, digital or social media that are part of a specific grant objective, using OTS grant funds, or designed and developed using contractual services by a subgrantee, requires prior approval.
- Social media posts highlighting state or national traffic safety campaigns (Distracted Driving Month, Motorcycle Safety Awareness Month, etc.), enforcement operations (DUI checkpoints, etc.), or any other grant-related activity such as Bicycle rodeos, presentations, or events, are highly encouraged but do not require prior approval.
- Submit a draft or rough-cut of all digital, printed, recorded or video material (brochures, posters, scripts, artwork, trailer graphics, digital graphics, social posts connected to an earned or paid media campaign grant objective) to the OTS PIO at pio@ots.ca.gov and copy your OTS grant coordinator for approval prior to the production or duplication.

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- Use the following standard language in all press, media, and printed materials, space permitting: Funding for this program was provided by a grant from the California Office of Traffic Safety, through the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration.
- Space permitting, include the OTS logo on all grant-funded print materials, graphics and paid or earned social media campaign grant objective; consult the OTS PIO and copy your OTS grant coordinator for specifics, format-appropriate logos, or if space does not permit the use of the OTS logo.
- Email the OTS PIO at pio@ots.ca.gov and copy your OTS grant coordinator at least 21 days in advance, or when first confirmed, a short description of any significant grant-related traffic safety event or program, particularly events that are highly publicized beforehand with anticipated media coverage so OTS has sufficient notice to arrange for attendance and/or participation in the event. If unable to attend, email the OTS PIO and coordinator brief highlights and/or results, including any media coverage (broadcast, digital, print) of event within 7 days following significant grant-related event or program. Media and program highlights are to be reflected in QPRs.
- Any news releases, work plans, scripts, storyboards, artwork, graphics, videos or any educational
 or informational materials that received OTS PIO approval in a prior grant year needs to be
 resubmitted for approval in the current grant year.
- For additional guidance, refer to the <u>OTS Grants Materials Approval Process</u>
 <u>Guidelines</u> and <u>OTS Grants Media Approval Process FAQs</u> on the OTS website.
- Contact the OTS PIO or your OTS grant coordinator for consultation when changes from any of the above requirements might be warranted.

The City of South San Francisco will implement and adjust speed feedback trailers using a data-driven, flexible approach to maximize speed reduction near schools.

Implementation:

Trailer locations will be identified using crash history, speed studies, and stakeholder input. High-risk school zones with frequent speeding, high traffic volumes, and pedestrian activity will be prioritized. The City will collaborate with Safe Routes to School (SRTS) committees, PTAs, and community members to refine placement. Trailers will be procured through open market procedures and stored in designated city facilities when not in use. Initial calibration will ensure accuracy, and Police and Traffic Engineering staff will oversee deployment.

Adjustment & Optimization:

Trailer effectiveness will be evaluated through real-time speed data collection, compared with calibrated connected vehicle data to measure actual speed reductions. Locations will be adjusted every 4-8 weeks to prevent driver habituation and ensure broad impact. If speed compliance remains low, alternative locations or additional traffic calming measures will be considered. Community feedback, law enforcement reports, and updated crash data will guide continuous refinements.

This adaptive strategy ensures that speed feedback trailers remain highly effective in reducing speeds and improving school zone safety, protecting students and all road users.

C. Phase 3 – Data Collection & Reporting (Throughout Grant Year)

- 1. Prepare and submit grant claim invoices (due January 30, April 30, July 30, and October 30)
- 2. Prepare and submit Quarterly Performance Reports (QPR) (due January 30, April 30, July 30, and October 30)
 - Collect and report quarterly, appropriate data that supports the progress of goals and objectives.
 - Provide a brief list of activity conducted, procurement of grant-funded items, and significant media activities. Include status of grant-funded personnel, status of contracts, challenges, or special accomplishments.
 - Provide a brief summary of quarterly accomplishments and explanations for objectives not completed or plans for upcoming activities.
 - Collect, analyze and report statistical data relating to the grant goals and objectives.

The City of South San Francisco will prepare and submit grant claim invoices on a quarterly basis, specifically on the 30th day of January, April, July, and October, in alignment with the required Quarterly Performance Reports. These reports will document the progress toward the grant's goals and objectives,

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ensuring transparency and accountability in project implementation. Each submission will include a detailed financial summary of expenditures, supporting documentation, and a progress report on key performance metrics.

As part of our reporting process, the City will collect and analyze speed and crash data to assess the effectiveness of speed feedback trailers in reducing speeds near schools. Crash data from the Police Department will be readily available for immediate analysis, allowing for timely tracking of injury and crash trends. Additionally, speed data will be collected directly from the feedback trailers and compared against a calibrated baseline speed dataset obtained from connected vehicle data. This comparative analysis will help determine the real-world impact of speed trailers on driver behavior and school zone safety.

Each Quarterly Performance Report will also include a summary of traffic safety activities conducted, accomplishments achieved, and explanations for any challenges or deviations from expected progress. The report will outline upcoming activities planned for the next quarter, ensuring a proactive approach to project management. Additionally, a statistical analysis of crash data related to the goals and objectives will be performed to measure progress toward reducing injury crashes for pedestrians under 15 years old. By maintaining consistent reporting and data-driven evaluation, the City of South San Francisco will ensure the effectiveness and sustainability of this critical traffic safety initiative.

4. METHOD OF EVALUATION

Using the data compiled during the grant, the Grant Director will complete the "Final Evaluation" section in the fourth/final Quarterly Performance Report (QPR). The Final Evaluation should provide a brief summary of the grant's accomplishments, challenges and significant activities. This narrative should also include whether goals and objectives were met, exceeded, or an explanation of why objectives were not completed.

5. ADMINISTRATIVE SUPPORT

This program has full administrative support, and every effort will be made to continue the grant activities after grant conclusion.

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FUND NUMBER	CATALOG NUMBER (CFDA)	FUND DESCRIPTION	TOTAL AMOUNT	
405g PS-26	20.616	Nonmotorized Safety Grants	\$150,000.00	

COST CATEGORY	FUND NUMBER	UNIT COST OR RATE	UNITS	TOTAL COST TO GRANT
A. PERSONNEL COSTS	1			
Straight Time				
Senior Engineer	405g PS- 26	\$75.41	960	\$72,394.00
Benefits - Senior Engineer	405g PS- 26	\$14,117.00	1	\$14,117.00
<u>Overtime</u>				\$0.00
Category Sub-Total				\$86,511.00
B. TRAVEL EXPENSES				
				\$0.00 \$0.00
Category Sub-Total				\$0.00
C. CONTRACTUAL SERVICES				
Traffic Engineering Consultation (\$17,160)	405g PS- 26	\$195.00	88	\$17,160.00
Category Sub-Total				\$17,160.00
D. EQUIPMENT			<u> </u>	
Radar Trailer	405g PS- 26	\$13,000.00	3	\$39,000.00
Category Sub-Total				\$39,000.00
E. OTHER DIRECT COSTS				
Yard Signs	405g PS- 26	\$7,329.00	1	\$7,329.00
Category Sub-Total				\$7,329.00
F. INDIRECT COSTS		1	'	
Catagory Sub Tatal				\$0.00
Category Sub-Total				\$0.00
GRANT TOTAL				\$150,000.00

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BUDGET NARRATIVE

PERSONNEL COSTS

Senior Engineer - Job duties include implementing and managing the school zone safety project. Activities include conducting speed studies, identifying priority locations for radar trailer deployment, calibrating and analyzing connected vehicle data, coordinating with schools and community stakeholders, and preparing quarterly performance reports. Staff will also oversee equipment procurement, compliance with OTS reporting requirements, and ensure the program is delivered in alignment with the City's Local Road Safety Plan and Vision Zero goals. This position will monitor and manage project deliverables, interfacing with internal and external stakeholders, oversee project schedule and budget, create work orders, and review technical reports.

Benefits - Senior Engineer - Claimed amounts must reflect actual benefit costs for straight time hours charged to grant.

TRAVEL EXPENSES

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CONTRACTUAL SERVICES

Traffic Engineering Consultation (\$17,160) - Grantee will seek a contractor to assist with fulfilling the goals and objectives of this grant as traffic engineering consultant. Specialized consulting services will be engaged to provide technical support in areas such as speed data calibration, evaluation methodology, and equipment configuration. Consultants will assist with siting of trailers, timing, integrating radar trailer data with connected vehicle datasets, developing evaluation tools, performing statistical analysis, providing peer review of technical reports and alignment with best practices in traffic safety engineering.

Prior to executing scope of work for contractual services, grantee will work with the OTS to ensure all costs are allowable. Upon execution of subcontract, grantee will provide a copy to the OTS and will request a grant budget revision to include the detailed costs of the subcontract in the grant budget as a prerequisite for claiming these costs. -

Tasks include providing Project Management; Technical Staff; Field Surveying; Construction Administration; Funding & Grant Management; and Project Administration. Costs may include staff time ranging from \$95 to \$317 per hour.

EQUIPMENT

Radar Trailer - Trailer with radar to measure and display the speed of vehicles. Costs may include trailer, computer software, and modifications such as generator, paint, graphics and lighting.

OTHER DIRECT COSTS

Yard Signs - Yard signs with traffic safety message to alert pedestrians, bicyclists, and others on the roads. Costs may include design, production, and installation of approximately in neighborhoods near participating schools. Signs will reinforce awareness of new 15 mph school speed limits and encourage community support for safer driving behaviors. Yard signs will serve as an educational tool to complement radar trailers and outreach efforts, particularly near schools.

Items shall include a traffic safety message and if space is available, the OTS logo. Draft materials must be submitted to OTS for approval. Additional items may be purchased if approved by OTS.

INDIRECT COSTS

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STATEMENTS/DISCLAIMERS

There will be no program income generated from this grant.

Salaries may include wages, salaries, special compensations, or authorized absences such as annual leave and sick leave provided the cost for the individual employee is (a) reasonable for the services rendered, and (b) follows an appointment made in accordance with state or local laws and rules and meets federal requirements.

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Any non-grant funded vacancies created by reassignment to a grant-funded position must be filled at the expense of the grantee agency.

Benefits for personnel costs can only be applied to straight time or overtime hours charged to the grant.

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Appendix A to Part 1300—Certifications and Assurances for Highway Safety Grants (23 U.S.C. Chapter 4 or Section 1906, Public Law 109-59, as amended by Section 25024, Public Law 117-58)

The officials named on the grant agreement, certify by way of signature on the grant agreement signature page, that the Grantee Agency complies with all applicable Federal statutes, regulations, and directives and State rules, guidelines, policies, and laws in effect with respect to the periods for which it receives grant funding. Applicable provisions include, but are not limited to, the following:

GENERAL REQUIREMENTS

The State will comply with applicable statutes and regulations, including but not limited to:

- 23 U.S.C. Chapter 4—Highway Safety Act of 1966, as amended;
- Sec. 1906, Public Law 109-59, as amended by Sec. 25024, Public Law 117-58;
- 23 CFR part 1300—Uniform Procedures for State Highway Safety Grant Programs;
- <u>2 CFR part 200</u>—Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards:
- <u>2 CFR part 1201</u>—Department of Transportation, Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards.

NONDISCRIMINATION

(applies to subrecipients as well as States)

The State highway safety agency [and its subrecipients] will comply with all Federal statutes and implementing regulations relating to nondiscrimination ("Federal Nondiscrimination Authorities"). These include but are not limited to:

- *Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964* (42 U.S.C. 2000d *et seq.*, 78 stat. 252), (prohibits discrimination on the basis of race, color, national origin);
- <u>49 CFR part 21</u> (entitled Non-discrimination in Federally-Assisted Programs of the Department of Transportation—Effectuation of Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964);
- <u>28 CFR 50.3</u> (U.S. Department of Justice Guidelines for Enforcement of Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964);
- The Uniform Relocation Assistance and Real Property Acquisition Policies Act of 1970, (42 U.S.C. 4601), (prohibits unfair treatment of persons displaced or whose property has been acquired because of Federal or Federal-aid programs and projects);
- Federal-Aid Highway Act of 1973, (23 U.S.C. 324 et seq.), and Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972, as amended (20 U.S.C. 1681-1683 and 1685-1686) (prohibit discrimination on the basis of sex);
- Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, (29 U.S.C. 794 et seq.), as amended, (prohibits discrimination on the basis of disability) and 49 CFR part 27;
- The Age Discrimination Act of 1975, as amended, (42 U.S.C. 6101 et seq.), (prohibits discrimination on the basis of age);
- The Civil Rights Restoration Act of 1987, (Pub. L. 100-209), (broadens scope, coverage, and applicability of Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, The Age Discrimination Act of 1975 and Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, by expanding the definition of the terms "programs or activities" to include all of the programs or activities of the
 - Federal aid recipients, subrecipients and contractors, whether such programs or activities are Federally-funded or not);
- Titles II and III of the Americans with Disabilities Act (42 U.S.C. 12131-12189) (prohibits discrimination on the basis of disability in the operation of public entities, public and private transportation systems, places of public accommodation, and certain testing) and 49 CFR parts 37 and 38

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The preceding statutory and regulatory cites hereinafter are referred to as the "Acts" and "Regulations," respectively.

GENERAL ASSURANCES

In accordance with the Acts, the Regulations, and other pertinent directives, circulars, policy, memoranda, and/or guidance, the Recipient hereby gives assurance that it will promptly take any measures necessary to ensure that:

"No person in the United States shall, on the grounds of race, color, or national origin, be excluded from participation in, be denied the benefits of, or be otherwise subjected to discrimination under any program or activity, for which the Recipient receives Federal financial assistance from DOT, including NHTSA."

The Civil Rights Restoration Act of 1987 clarified the original intent of Congress, with respect to Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 and other non-discrimination requirements (the Age Discrimination Act of 1975, and Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973), by restoring the broad, institutional-wide scope and coverage of these nondiscrimination statutes and requirements to include all programs and activities of the Recipient, so long as any portion of the program is Federally assisted.

SPECIFIC ASSURANCES

More specifically, and without limiting the above general Assurance, the Recipient agrees with and gives the following Assurances with respect to its Federally assisted Highway Safety Grant Program:

- 1. The Recipient agrees that each "activity," "facility," or "program," as defined in § 21.23(b) and (e) of 49 CFR part 21 will be (with regard to an "activity") facilitated, or will be (with regard to a "facility") operated, or will be (with regard to a "program") conducted in compliance with all requirements imposed by, or pursuant to the Acts and the Regulations.
- 2. The Recipient will insert the following notification in all solicitations for bids, Requests For Proposals for work, or material subject to the Acts and the Regulations made in connection with all Highway Safety Grant Programs and, in adapted form, in all proposals for negotiated agreements regardless of funding source:
 - "The [name of Recipient], in accordance with the provisions of Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 (78 Stat. 252, 42 U.S.C 2000d to 2000d-4) and the Regulations, hereby notifies all bidders that it will affirmatively ensure that in any contract entered into pursuant to this advertisement, disadvantaged business enterprises will be afforded full and fair opportunity to submit bids in response to this invitation and will not be discriminated against on the grounds of race, color, or national origin in consideration for an award."
- 3. The Recipient will insert the clauses of appendix A and E of this Assurance (also referred to as DOT order 1050.2A) [1] in every contract or agreement subject to the Acts and the Regulations.
- 4. The Recipient will insert the clauses of appendix B of DOT Order 1050.2A, as a covenant running with the land, in any deed from the United States effecting or recording a transfer of real property, structures, use, or improvements thereon or interest therein to a Recipient.
- 5. That where the Recipient receives Federal financial assistance to construct a facility, or part of a facility, the Assurance will extend to the entire facility and facilities operated in connection therewith.
- 6. That where the Recipient receives Federal financial assistance in the form of, or for the acquisition of, real property or an interest in real property, the Assurance will extend to rights to space on, over, or under such property.
- 7. That the Recipient will include the clauses set forth in appendix C and appendix D of this DOT Order 1050.2A, as a covenant running with the land, in any future deeds, leases, licenses, permits, or similar instruments entered into by the Recipient with other parties:
 - a. for the subsequent transfer of real property acquired or improved under the applicable activity, project, or program; and
 - b. for the construction or use of, or access to, space on, over, or under real property acquired or improved under the applicable activity, project, or program.
- 8. That this Assurance obligates the Recipient for the period during which Federal financial assistance is extended to the program, except where the Federal financial assistance is to provide, or is in the

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form of, personal property, or real property, or interest therein, or structures or improvements thereon, in which case the Assurance obligates the Recipient, or any transferee for the longer of the following periods:

- a. the period during which the property is used for a purpose for which the Federal financial assistance is extended, or for another purpose involving the provision of similar services or benefits; or
- b. the period during which the Recipient retains ownership or possession of the property.
- 9. The Recipient will provide for such methods of administration for the program as are found by the Secretary of Transportation or the official to whom he/she delegates specific authority to give reasonable guarantee that it, other recipients, sub-recipients, sub- grantees, contractors, subcontractors, consultants, transferees, successors in interest, and other participants of Federal financial assistance under such program will comply with all requirements imposed or pursuant to the Acts, the Regulations, and this Assurance.
- 10. The Recipient agrees that the United States has a right to seek judicial enforcement with regard to any matter arising under the Acts, the Regulations, and this Assurance.

By signing this ASSURANCE, the State highway safety agency also agrees to comply (and require any sub-recipients, sub-grantees, contractors, successors, transferees, and/or assignees to comply) with all applicable provisions governing NHTSA's access to records, accounts, documents, information, facilities, and staff. You also recognize that you must comply with any program or compliance reviews, and/or complaint investigations conducted by NHTSA. You must keep records, reports, and submit the material for review upon request to NHTSA, or its designee in a timely, complete, and accurate way. Additionally, you must comply with all other reporting, data collection, and evaluation requirements, as prescribed by law or detailed in program guidance.

The State highway safety agency gives this ASSURANCE in consideration of and for obtaining any Federal grants, loans, contracts, agreements, property, and/or discounts, or other Federal-aid and Federal financial assistance extended after the date hereof to the recipients by the U.S. Department of Transportation under the Highway Safety Grant Program. This ASSURANCE is binding on the State highway safety agency, other recipients, sub-recipients, sub-grantees, contractors, subcontractors and their subcontractors', transferees, successors in interest, and any other participants in the Highway Safety Grant Program. The person(s) signing below is/are authorized to sign this ASSURANCE on behalf of the Recipient.

THE DRUG-FREE WORKPLACE ACT OF 1988 (41 U.S.C. 8103)

The Subgrantee will provide a drug-free workplace by:

- a. Publishing a statement notifying employees that the unlawful manufacture, distribution, dispensing, possession or use of a controlled substance is prohibited in the grantee's workplace, and specifying the actions that will be taken against employees for violation of such prohibition;
- b. Establishing a drug-free awareness program to inform employees about:
 - 1. The dangers of drug abuse in the workplace;
 - 2. The grantee's policy of maintaining a drug-free workplace;
 - 3. Any available drug counseling, rehabilitation, and employee assistance programs;
 - 4. The penalties that may be imposed upon employees for drug violations occurring in the workplace;
 - 5. Making it a requirement that each employee engaged in the performance of the grant be given a copy of the statement required by paragraph (a);
- c. Notifying the employee in the statement required by paragraph (a) that, as a condition of employment under the grant, the employee will—
 - 1. Abide by the terms of the statement;
 - 2. Notify the employer of any criminal drug statute conviction for a violation occurring in the workplace no later than five days after such conviction;
- d. Notifying the agency within ten days after receiving notice under subparagraph (c)(2) from an employee or otherwise receiving actual notice of such conviction;
- e. Taking one of the following actions, within 30 days of receiving notice under subparagraph (c)(2), with respect to any employee who is so convicted—
 - 1. Taking appropriate personnel action against such an employee, up to and including termination:
 - 2. Requiring such employee to participate satisfactorily in a drug abuse assistance or

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rehabilitation program approved for such purposes by a Federal, State, or local health, law enforcement, or other appropriate agency;

f. Making a good faith effort to continue to maintain a drug-free workplace through implementation of all of the paragraphs above.

POLITICAL ACTIVITY (HATCH ACT)

(applies to subrecipients as well as States)

The State will comply with provisions of the Hatch Act (<u>5 U.S.C. 1501-1508</u>), which limits the political activities of employees whose principal employment activities are funded in whole or in part with Federal funds.

CERTIFICATION REGARDING FEDERAL LOBBYING

(applies to subrecipients as well as States)

CERTIFICATION FOR CONTRACTS, GRANTS, LOANS, AND COOPERATIVE AGREEMENTS

The undersigned certifies, to the best of his or her knowledge and belief, that:

- 1. No Federal appropriated funds have been paid or will be paid, by or on behalf of the undersigned, to any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any agency, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress in connection with the awarding of any Federal contract, the making of any Federal grant, the making of any Federal loan, the entering into of any cooperative agreement, and the extension, continuation, renewal, amendment, or modification of any Federal contract, grant, loan, or cooperative agreement;
- 2. If any funds other than Federal appropriated funds have been paid or will be paid to any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any agency, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress in connection with this Federal contract, grant, loan, or cooperative agreement, the undersigned shall complete and submit Standard Form-LLL, "Disclosure Form to Report Lobbying," in accordance with its instructions;
- The undersigned shall require that the language of this certification be included in the award documents for all sub-awards at all tiers (including subcontracts, subgrants, and contracts under grant, loans, and cooperative agreements) and that all subrecipients shall certify and disclose accordingly.

This certification is a material representation of fact upon which reliance was placed when this transaction was made or entered into. Submission of this certification is a prerequisite for making or entering into this transaction imposed by section 1352, title 31,

U.S. Code. Any person who fails to file the required certification shall be subject to a civil penalty of not less than \$10,000 and not more than \$100,000 for each such failure.

RESTRICTION ON STATE LOBBYING

(applies to subrecipients as well as States)

None of the funds under this program will be used for any activity specifically designed to urge or influence a State or local legislator to favor or oppose the adoption of any specific legislative proposal pending before any State or local legislative body. Such activities include both direct and indirect (e.g., "grassroots") lobbying activities, with one exception. This does not preclude a State official whose salary is supported with NHTSA funds from engaging in direct communications with State or local legislative officials, in accordance with customary State practice, even if such communications urge legislative officials to favor or oppose the adoption of a specific pending legislative proposal.

<u>CERTIFICATION REGARDING DEBARMENT AND SUSPENSION</u> (applies to subrecipients as well as States)

INSTRUCTIONS FOR PRIMARY TIER PARTICIPANT CERTIFICATION (STATES)

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- 1. By signing and submitting this proposal, the prospective primary tier participant is providing the certification set out below and agrees to comply with the requirements of <u>2 CFR parts 180</u> and 1200.
- 2. The inability of a person to provide the certification required below will not necessarily result in denial of participation in this covered transaction. The prospective primary tier participant shall submit an explanation of why it cannot provide the certification set out below. The certification or explanation will be considered in connection with the department or agency's determination whether to enter into this transaction. However, failure of the prospective primary tier participant to furnish a certification or an explanation shall disqualify such person from participation in this transaction.
- 3. The certification in this clause is a material representation of fact upon which reliance was placed when the department or agency determined to enter into this transaction. If it is later determined that the prospective primary tier participant knowingly rendered an erroneous certification, in addition to other remedies available to the Federal Government, the department or agency may terminate this transaction for cause or default or may pursue suspension or debarment.
- 4. The prospective primary tier participant shall provide immediate written notice to the department or agency to which this proposal is submitted if at any time the prospective primary tier participant learns its certification was erroneous when submitted or has become erroneous by reason of changed circumstances.
- 5. The terms **covered transaction**, **civil judgment**, **debarment**, **suspension**, **ineligible**, **participant**, **person**, **principal**, **and voluntarily excluded**, as used in this clause, are defined in <u>2 CFR parts 180</u> and <u>1200</u>. You may contact the department or agency to which this proposal is being submitted for assistance in obtaining a copy of those regulations.
- 6. The prospective primary tier participant agrees by submitting this proposal that, should the proposed covered transaction be entered into, it shall not knowingly enter into any lower tier covered transaction with a person who is proposed for debarment under 48 CFR part 9, subpart 9.4, debarred, suspended, declared ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from participation in this covered transaction, unless authorized by the department or agency entering into this transaction.
- 7. The prospective primary tier participant further agrees by submitting this proposal that it will include the clause titled "Instructions for Lower Tier Participant Certification" including the "Certification Regarding Debarment, Suspension, Ineligibility and Voluntary Exclusion—Lower Tier Covered Transaction," provided by the department or agency entering into this covered transaction, without modification, in all lower tier covered transactions and in all solicitations for lower tier covered transactions and will require lower tier participants to comply with 2 CFR parts 180 and 1200.
- 8. A participant in a covered transaction may rely upon a certification of a prospective participant in a lower tier covered transaction that it is not proposed for debarment under 48 CFR part 9, subpart 9.4, debarred, suspended, ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from the covered transaction, unless it knows that the certification is erroneous. A participant is responsible for ensuring that its principals are not suspended, debarred, or otherwise ineligible to participate in covered transactions. To verify the eligibility of its principals, as well as the eligibility of any prospective lower tier participants, each participant may, but is not required to, check the System for Award Management Exclusions website

(https://www.sam.gov/).

- 9. Nothing contained in the foregoing shall be construed to require establishment of a system of records in order to render in good faith the certification required by this clause. The knowledge and information of a participant is not required to exceed that which is normally possessed by a prudent person in the ordinary course of business dealings.
- 10. Except for transactions authorized under paragraph 6 of these instructions, if a participant in a covered transaction knowingly enters into a lower tier covered transaction with a person who is proposed for debarment under 48 CFR part 9, subpart 9.4, suspended, debarred, ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from participation in this transaction, in addition to other remedies available to the Federal Government, the department or agency may terminate the transaction for cause or default.

CERTIFICATION REGARDING DEBARMENT, SUSPENSION, AND OTHER RESPONSIBILITY MATTERS—PRIMARY TIER COVERED TRANSACTIONS

1. The prospective primary tier participant certifies to the best of its knowledge and belief, that it and

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its principals:

- Are not presently debarred, suspended, proposed for debarment, declared ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from participating in covered transactions by any Federal department or agency;
- b. Have not within a three-year period preceding this proposal been convicted of or had a civil judgment rendered against them for commission of fraud or a criminal offense in connection with obtaining, attempting to obtain, or performing a public (Federal, State, or local) transaction or contract under a public transaction; violation of Federal or State antitrust statutes or commission of embezzlement, theft, forgery, bribery, falsification or destruction of records, making false statements, or receiving stolen property;
- c. Are not presently indicted for or otherwise criminally or civilly charged by a governmental entity (Federal, State, or local) with commission of any of the offenses enumerated in paragraph (1)(b) of this certification; and
- d. Have not within a three-year period preceding this application/proposal had one or more public transactions (Federal, State, or local) terminated for cause or default.
- 2. Where the prospective primary tier participant is unable to certify to any of the Statements in this certification, such prospective participant shall attach an explanation to this proposal.

INSTRUCTIONS FOR LOWER TIER PARTICIPANT CERTIFICATION

- 1. By signing and submitting this proposal, the prospective lower tier participant is providing the certification set out below and agrees to comply with the requirements of 2 CFR parts 180 and 1200.
- 2. The certification in this clause is a material representation of fact upon which reliance was placed when this transaction was entered into. If it is later determined that the prospective lower tier participant knowingly rendered an erroneous certification, in addition to other remedies available to the Federal Government, the department or agency with which this transaction originated may pursue available remedies, including suspension or debarment.
- 3. The prospective lower tier participant shall provide immediate written notice to the person to which this proposal is submitted if at any time the prospective lower tier participant learns that its certification was erroneous when submitted or has become erroneous by reason of changed circumstances.
- 4. The terms **covered transaction**, **civil judgment**, **debarment**, **suspension**, **ineligible**, **participant**, **person**, **principal**, **and voluntarily excluded**, as used in this clause, are defined in <u>2 CFR parts</u> <u>180</u> and <u>1200</u>. You may contact the person to whom this proposal is submitted for assistance in obtaining a copy of those regulations.
- 5. The prospective lower tier participant agrees by submitting this proposal that, should the proposed covered transaction be entered into, it shall not knowingly enter into any lower tier covered transaction with a person who is proposed for debarment under 48 CFR part 9, subpart 9.4, debarred, suspended, declared ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from participation in this covered transaction, unless authorized by the department or agency with which this transaction originated.
- 7. A participant in a covered transaction may rely upon a certification of a prospective participant in a lower tier covered transaction that it is not proposed for debarment under 48 CFR part 9, subpart 9.4, debarred, suspended, ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from the covered transaction, unless it knows that the certification is erroneous. A participant is responsible for ensuring that its principals are not suspended, debarred, or otherwise ineligible to participate in covered transactions. To verify the eligibility of its principals, as well as the eligibility of any prospective lower tier participants, each participant may, but is not required to, check the System for Award Management Exclusions website

(https://www.sam.gov/).

8. Nothing contained in the foregoing shall be construed to require establishment of a system of

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- records in order to render in good faith the certification required by this clause. The knowledge and information of a participant is not required to exceed that which is normally possessed by a prudent person in the ordinary course of business dealings.
- 9. Except for transactions authorized under paragraph 5 of these instructions, if a participant in a covered transaction knowingly enters into a lower tier covered transaction with a person who is proposed for debarment under 48 CFR part 9, subpart 9.4, suspended, debarred, ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from participation in this transaction, in addition to other remedies available to the Federal Government, the department or agency with which this transaction originated may pursue available remedies, including suspension or debarment.

CERTIFICATION REGARDING DEBARMENT, SUSPENSION, INELIGIBILITY AND VOLUNTARY EXCLUSION—LOWER TIER COVERED TRANSACTIONS

- The prospective lower tier participant certifies, by submission of this proposal, that neither it nor its principals is presently debarred, suspended, proposed for debarment, declared ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from participating in covered transactions by any Federal department or agency.
- 2. Where the prospective lower tier participant is unable to certify to any of the statements in this certification, such prospective participant shall attach an explanation to this proposal.

BUY AMERICA

(applies to subrecipients as well as States)

The State and each subrecipient will comply with the Buy America requirement (23 U.S.C. 313) when purchasing items using Federal funds. Buy America requires a State, or subrecipient, to purchase with Federal funds only steel, iron and manufactured products produced in the United States, unless the Secretary of Transportation determines that such domestically produced items would be inconsistent with the public interest, that such materials are not reasonably available and of a satisfactory quality, or that inclusion of domestic materials will increase the cost of the overall project contract by more than 25 percent. In order to use Federal funds to purchase foreign produced items, the State must submit a waiver request that provides an adequate basis and justification for approval by the Secretary of Transportation.

CERTIFICATION ON CONFLICT OF INTEREST

(applies to subrecipients as well as States)

GENERAL REQUIREMENTS

No employee, officer, or agent of a State or its subrecipient who is authorized in an official capacity to negotiate, make, accept, or approve, or to take part in negotiating, making, accepting, or approving any subaward, including contracts or subcontracts, in connection with this grant shall have, directly or indirectly, any financial or personal interest in any such subaward. Such a financial or personal interest would arise when the employee, officer, or agent, any member of his or her immediate family, his or her partner, or an organization which employs or is about to employ any of the parties indicated herein, has a financial or personal interest in or a tangible personal benefit from an entity considered for a subaward. Based on this policy:

- 1. The recipient shall maintain a written code or standards of conduct that provide for disciplinary actions to be applied for violations of such standards by officers, employees, or agents.
 - a. The code or standards shall provide that the recipient's officers, employees, or agents may neither solicit nor accept gratuities, favors, or anything of monetary value from present or potential subawardees, including contractors or parties to subcontracts.
 - b. The code or standards shall establish penalties, sanctions, or other disciplinary actions for violations, as permitted by State or local law or regulations.
- 2. The recipient shall maintain responsibility to enforce the requirements of the written code or standards of conduct.

DISCLOSURE REQUIREMENTS

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No State or its subrecipient, including its officers, employees, or agents, shall perform or continue to perform under a grant or cooperative agreement, whose objectivity may be impaired because of any related past, present, or currently planned interest, financial or otherwise, in organizations regulated by NHTSA or in organizations whose interests may be substantially affected by NHTSA activities. Based on this policy:

- The recipient shall disclose any conflict of interest identified as soon as reasonably possible, making an immediate and full disclosure in writing to NHTSA. The disclosure shall include a description of the action which the recipient has taken or proposes to take to avoid or mitigate such conflict.
- 2. NHTSA will review the disclosure and may require additional relevant information from the recipient. If a conflict of interest is found to exist, NHTSA may (a) terminate the award, or (b) determine that it is otherwise in the best interest of NHTSA to continue the award and include appropriate provisions to mitigate or avoid such conflict.
- 3. Conflicts of interest that require disclosure include all past, present, or currently planned organizational, financial, contractual, or other interest(s) with an organization regulated by NHTSA or with an organization whose interests may be substantially affected by NHTSA activities, and which are related to this award. The interest(s) that require disclosure include those of any recipient, affiliate, proposed consultant, proposed subcontractor, and key personnel of any of the above. Past interest shall be limited to within one year of the date of award. Key personnel shall include any person owning more than a 20 percent interest in a recipient, and the officers, employees or agents of a recipient who are responsible for making a decision or taking an action under an award where the decision or action can have an economic or other impact on the interests of a regulated or affected organization.

PROHIBITION ON USING GRANT FUNDS TO CHECK FOR HELMET USAGE (applies to subrecipients as well as States)

The State and each subrecipient will not use 23 U.S.C. Chapter 4 grant funds for programs to check helmet usage or to create checkpoints that specifically target motorcyclists.

POLICY ON SEAT BELT USE

In accordance with Executive Order 13043, Increasing Seat Belt Use in the United States, dated April 16, 1997, the Grantee is encouraged to adopt and enforce on-the-job seat belt use policies and programs for its employees when operating company-owned, rented, or personally-owned vehicles. The National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) is responsible for providing leadership and guidance in support of this Presidential initiative. For information and resources on traffic safety programs and policies for employers, please contact the Network of Employers for Traffic Safety (NETS), a public-private partnership dedicated to improving the traffic safety practices of employers and employees. You can download information on seat belt programs, costs of motor vehicle crashes to employers, and other traffic safety initiatives at www.trafficsafety.org. The NHTSA website (www.nhtsa.gov) also provides information on statistics, campaigns, and program evaluations and references.

POLICY ON BANNING TEXT MESSAGING WHILE DRIVING

In accordance with Executive Order 13513, Federal Leadership On Reducing Text Messaging While Driving, and DOT Order 3902.10, Text Messaging While Driving, States are encouraged to adopt and enforce workplace safety policies to decrease crashes caused by distracted driving, including policies to ban text messaging while driving company-owned or rented vehicles, Government-owned, leased or rented vehicles, or privately-owned vehicles when on official Government business or when performing any work on or behalf of the Government. States are also encouraged to conduct workplace safety initiatives in a manner commensurate with the size of the business, such as establishment of new rules and programs or reevaluation of existing programs to prohibit text messaging while driving, and education, awareness, and other outreach to employees about the safety risks associated with texting while driving.

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