

Local Road Safety Plans

California Local Road Safety Plan Webinars

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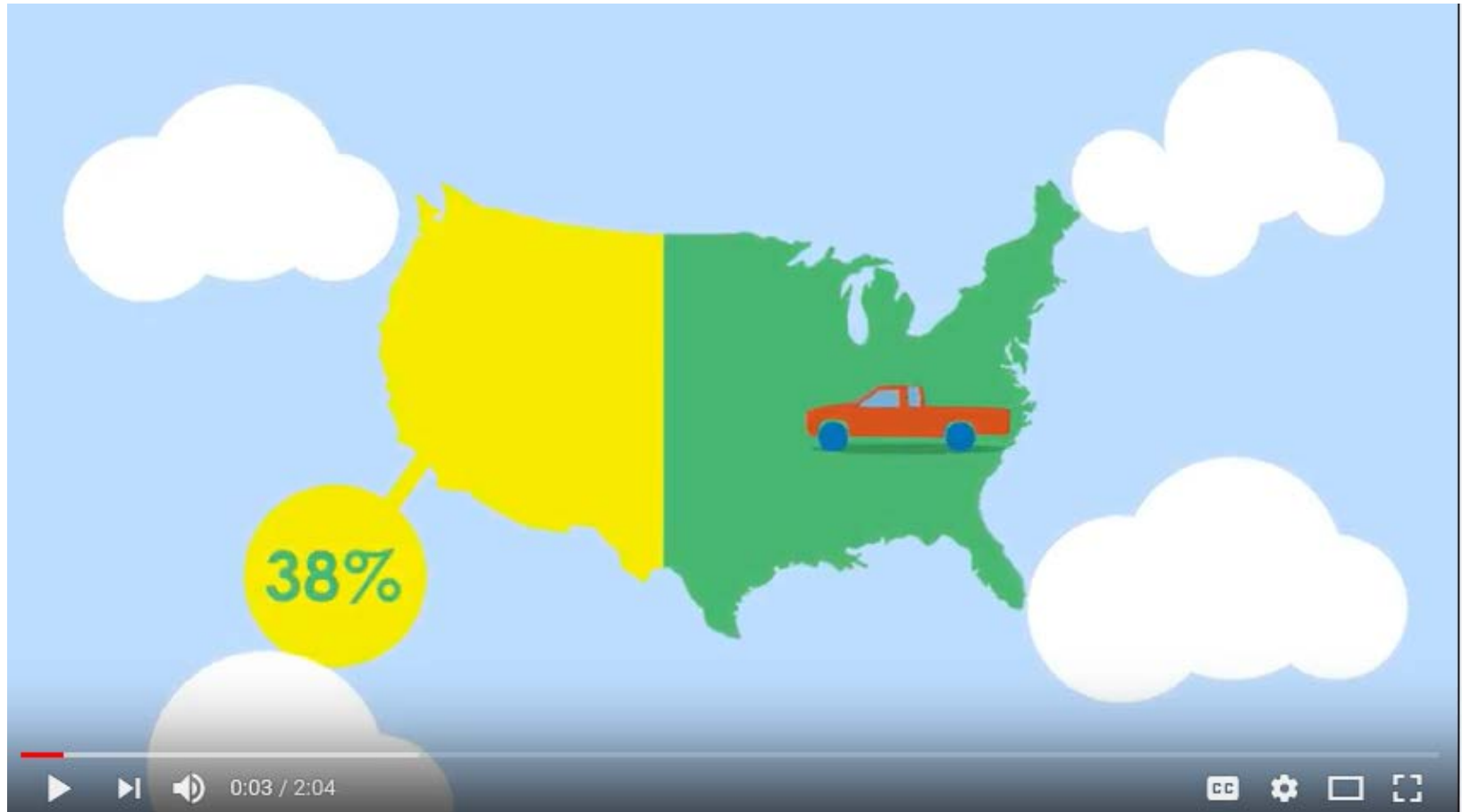


Today's Talking Points

- Overview of Local Road Safety Plans (LRSP)
- FHWA/NACE LRSP Pilot Program
- LRSP Examples, Resources & Opportunities



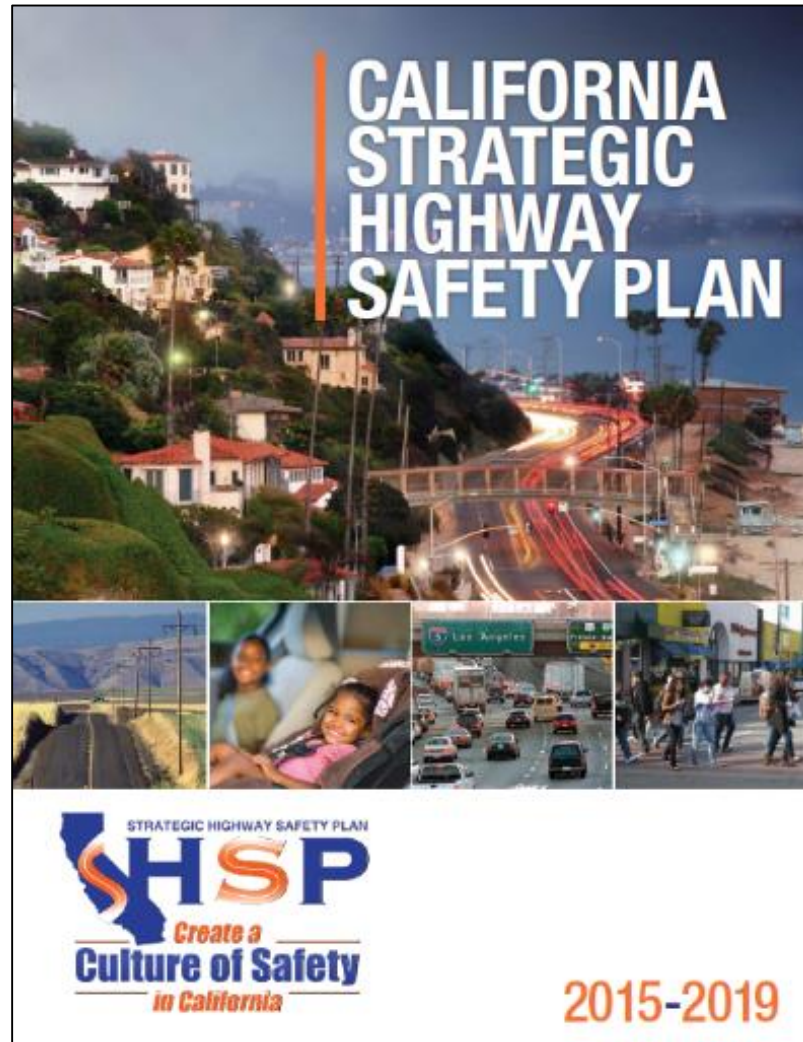
Local Road Safety Plan Video



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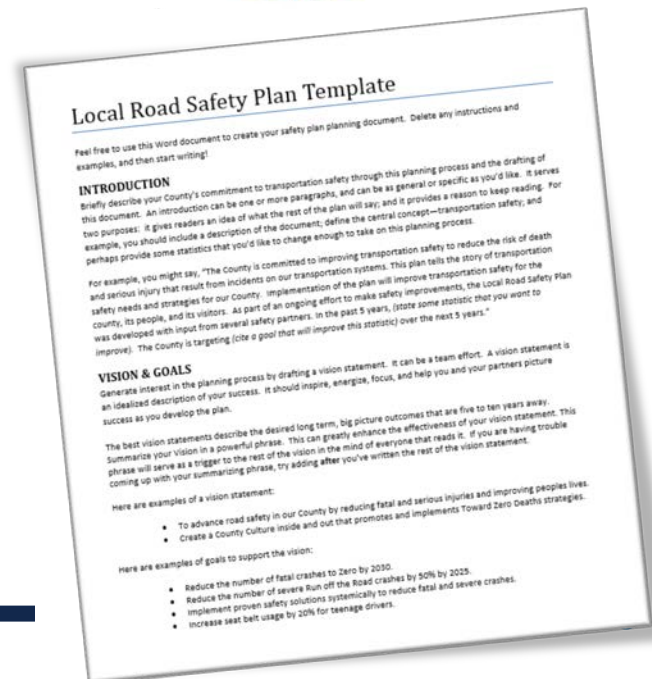


Strategic Highway Safety Plan



Steps in the LRSP Development

- Step 1: Establish Leadership
- Step 2: Analyze the Safety Data
- Step 3: Determine Emphasis Areas
- Step 4: Identify Strategies
- Step 5: Prioritize and Incorporate Strategies
- Step 6: Evaluate and Update the LRSP



LRSP Efforts

- **Locally lead**
 - *Local agency prepared (Larimer County, CO)*
 - *Consultant prepared (Clackamas County, OR)*
 - *Vision Zero Cities (San Francisco, CA)*
- **State lead**
 - *Consultant prepared (Minnesota)*
 - *Local agency prepared (Washington)*
- **FHWA lead**
 - *Consultant prepared*
 - *Tribal (Tribal Transportation Program)*
 - *FHWA/NACE Collaboration/Locally prepared (Pilot)*
 - *Pedestrian Safety Action Plans (7 CA Cities)*



Local Road Safety Efforts in CA

- Vision Zero
- Systemic Safety Analysis Report Program (SSARP)
- NACE/FHWA Local Road Safety Plan Pilot
- Tribal Transportation Safety Plans
- FHWA Focused Approach – Pedestrian/Bicycle Safety Action Plans

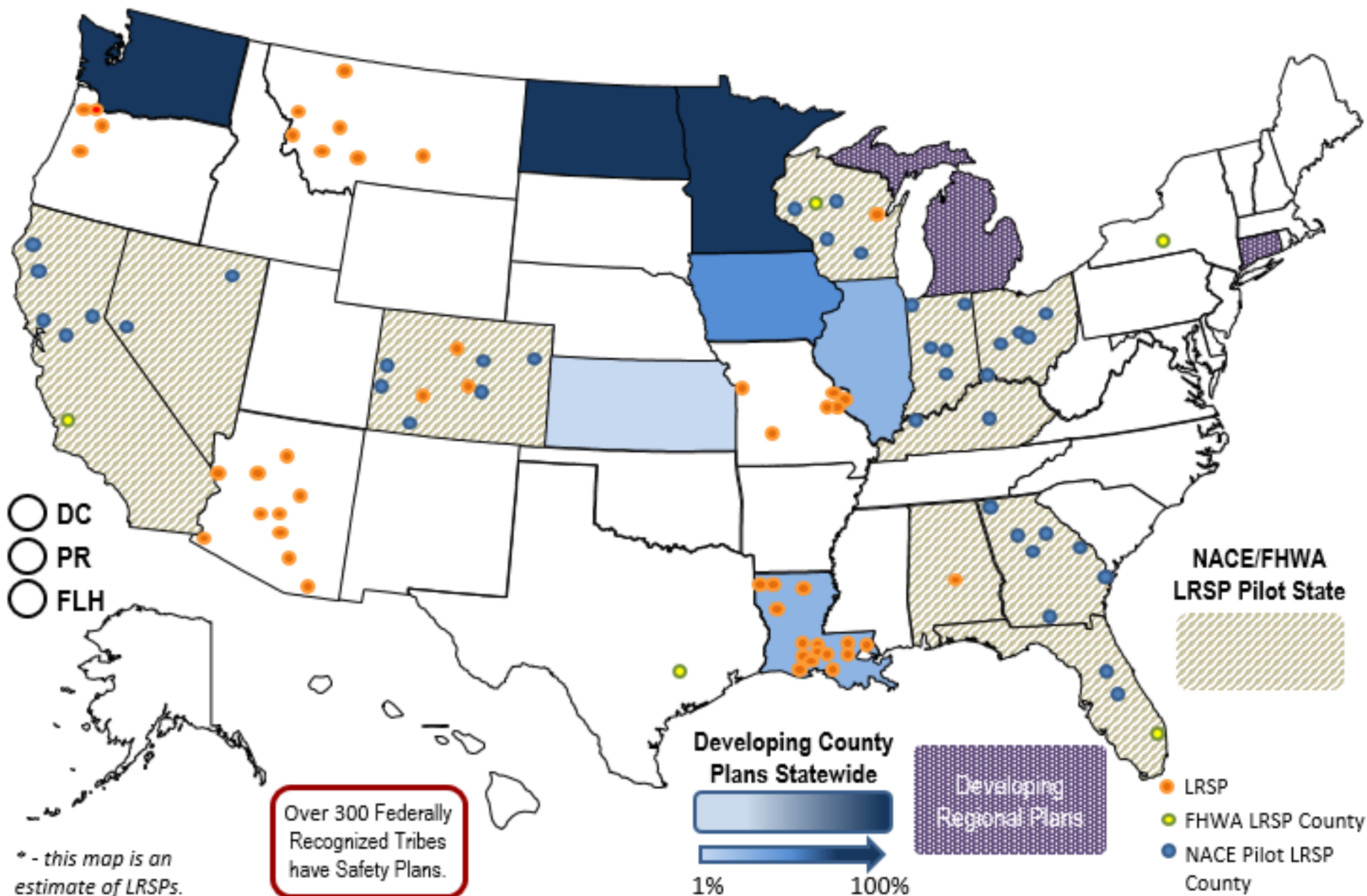


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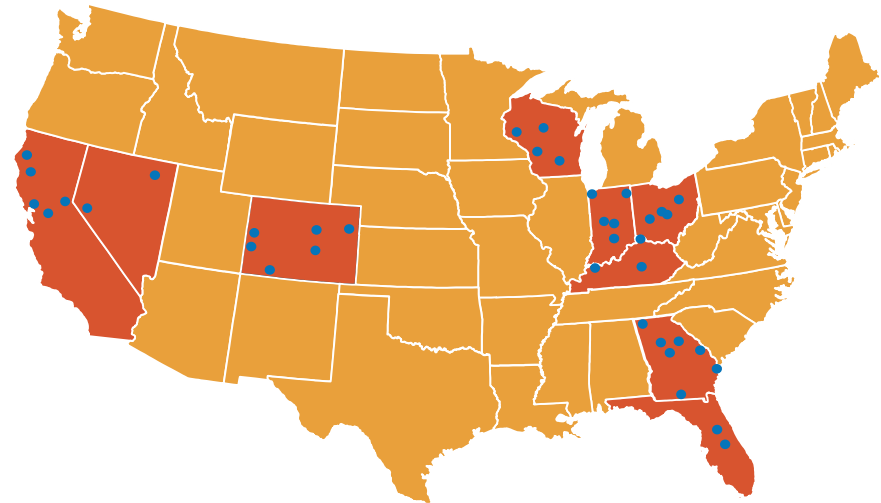
- What types of safety plans are you doing within your agency? (open ended)



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NACE “Do-It-Yourself” Local Road Safety Plan pilot



- Increase # of states using this proven safety countermeasure
- Nine states, 41 Local Agencies so far
- Blended Delivery



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In-Person Workshop

Goals of the LRSP Pilot

- Progress towards NACE and FHWA goals of reducing fatal and injury crashes on ALL public Roads
- Compliment current LRSP efforts by FHWA, States, Tribes and Locals
- Accelerate development and implementation of LRSP
- Advances Risk Based, Data Driven and Systemic Approach to Improving Safety of Local Roadways
- Empower locals to incorporate safety into routine business (maintenance, capital improvements)
- Leverage funding opportunities



LRSP Pilot Elements

- Training
- Technical Support
- Providing Crash Data
- Data Analysis Support
- Resources Website
- In-Person Workshop
- A LRSP!



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Why would a Local Agency Create a Local Road Safety Plan?

- Greater awareness of road safety and risks
- Reduction in severe crashes
- Develop lasting partnerships
- Support for grant/funding applications
- Prioritize investments

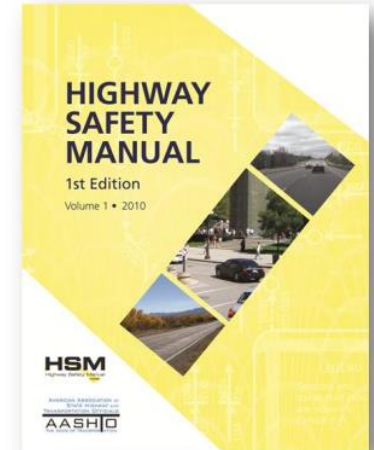


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Data Driven Approaches

Predictive analysis

Uses crash, roadway inventory and traffic volume data to provide more **reliable estimates of an existing or proposed** roadway's expected safety performance



Systemic analysis

Uses crash and roadway data in combination to identify **roadway characteristics correlated with particular crash types**



<http://www.highwaysafetymanual.org/Documents/HSMP-1.pdf>
<https://safety.fhwa.dot.gov/systemic/fhwasa13019/sspst.pdf>



Systemic Safety Analysis

Assessing the potential for a specific type of severe crash to occur at a specific location because of the location's characteristics or features (roadway factors).



R_x How Healthy is Your Road System?

Find out with systemic analysis

Systemic analysis is like a health screening for your road system. Just as your doctor identifies risk factors for illness, systemic analysis identifies locations that are at highest risk for severe crashes. Practitioners can then prioritize projects based on risk and apply low-cost safety treatments to reduce severe crashes across the whole at-risk system.

CURVE COUNTY - X RAY RESULTS

Symptoms

Severe roadway departure crashes on curves.

Possible Risk Factors:

- 🚗 Avg. Daily Traffic > 1,000 vehicles
- ⦿ Curve Radius < 1,000 feet
- ⊕ Intersection within Curve
- ❗ Visual Trap within Curve
- ★ Severe Crash within Curve

Treatment

Prioritize highest risk sites and treat with low-cost countermeasures such as chevron signs or rumble strips.

Follow-Up

Track and evaluate safety improvements. Further remediation can be implemented as needed.

Diagnosis

11% of all curves have 3 or more risk factors.

Lab Results:

- Curve A 🚗
- Curve B 🚗 ⦿ ⊕ ❗ ★
- Curve C 🚗 ⊕
- Curve D ❗
- Curve E ⦿ ❗ ★

Systemic vs. Systemwide

Systemic does not mean treating all locations. It allows agencies to treat the highest-risk sites within limited budgets.



LRSP Template



Local Road Safety Plan Template

Feel free to use this Word document to create your safety plan planning document. Delete any instructions and examples, and then start writing!

INTRODUCTION

Briefly describe your County's commitment to transportation safety through this planning process and the drafting of this document. An introduction can be one or more paragraphs, and can be as general or specific as you'd like. It serves two purposes: it gives readers an idea of what the rest of the plan will say; and it provides a reason to keep reading. For example, you should include a description of the document; define the central concept—transportation safety; and perhaps provide some statistics that you'd like to change enough to take on this planning process.

For example, you might say, "The County is committed to improving transportation safety to reduce the risk of death and serious injury that result from incidents on our transportation systems. This plan tells the story of transportation safety needs and strategies for our County. Implementation of the plan will improve transportation safety for the county, its people, and its visitors. As part of an ongoing effort to make safety improvements, the Local Road Safety Plan was developed with input from several safety partners. In the past 5 years, (state some statistic that you want to improve). The County is targeting (cite a goal that will improve this statistic) over the next 5 years."

VISION & GOALS

Generate interest in the planning process by drafting a vision statement. It can be a team effort. A vision statement is an idealized description of your success. It should inspire, energize, focus, and help you and your partners picture success as you develop the plan.

The best vision statements describe the desired long term, big picture outcomes that are five to ten years away. Summarize your Vision in a powerful phrase. This can greatly enhance the effectiveness of your vision statement. This phrase will serve as a trigger to the rest of the vision in the mind of everyone that reads it. If you are having trouble coming up with your summarizing phrase, try adding **after** you've written the rest of the vision statement.

Here are examples of a vision statement:

- To advance road safety in our County by reducing fatal and serious injuries and improving peoples lives.
- Create a County Culture inside and out that promotes and implements Toward Zero Deaths strategies.

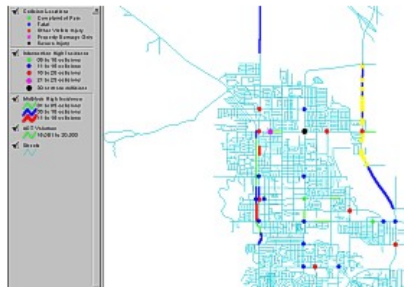
Here are examples of goals to support the vision:

- Reduce the number of fatal crashes to Zero by 2030.
- Reduce the number of severe Run off the Road crashes by 50% by 2025.
- Implement proven safety solutions systemically to reduce fatal and severe crashes.
- Increase seat belt usage by 20% for teenage drivers.

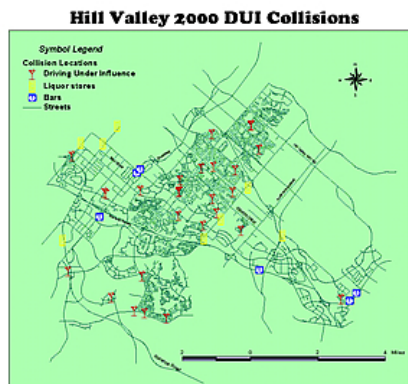


CA: Crossroads

The screenshot shows a web browser window with the URL <http://www.crossroadssoftware.com/products/traffic/>. The browser's address bar and tabs are visible. Below the browser window is a navigation menu with the following items: File, Edit, View, Favorites, Tools, Help. Below the navigation menu is a search bar with the text "Crossroads Software Traffic ...". Below the search bar is a banner for "Crossroads Software traffic collision database". Below the banner is a list of features: records management, data analysis, full customization, street verification, queries & reports, graphs and charts, gis mapping, and automatic upgrades. Below the list of features is a link to "main features | in-depth I | in-depth II | queries and reports | graphs and charts | gis mapping | requirements | back to products".



One of the most useful and impressive features of the Traffic Collision Database is the ability to produce detailed, color-coded GIS maps for a number of collision categories. After running a General Query or queries for Intersection High Incidence, Midblock Historical, and Midblock High Incidence, corresponding GIS maps are automatically updated in ESRI's ArcView™ which is included with the Collision Database. (A screen shot of a map in ArcView™ is shown at the top left. The layout, color coding, and the type of information to be viewed are all customizable.)



The query results are displayed on a citywide GIS map, and you can show individual locations as well as highlighted intersections and midblock segments. You can run, for example, a query to show all collisions involving school-age pedestrians on a specific day of the week and have the collision locations appear on the map. Even midblock collisions are located along the streets automatically. Clicking on an individual location yields the relevant information for that collision record.

Queries can be run to highlight the top ten intersection locations or midblock segments (or any number you prefer), ranking them by collision rate or number of collisions. Full color layouts are easily printed with maps, graphics, compasses, legends, and additional text and graphics. This



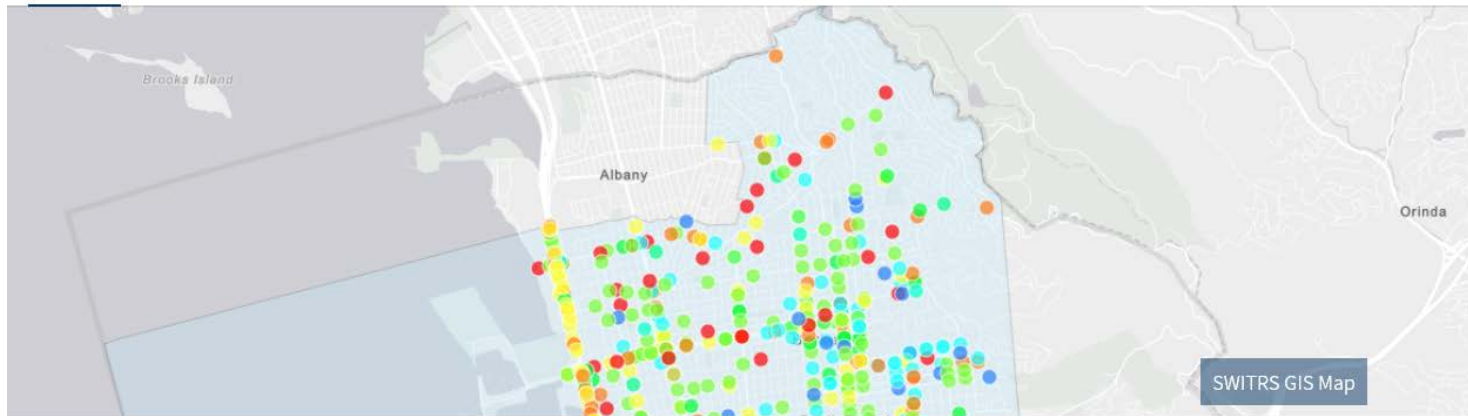
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Transportation Injury Mapping System

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About TIMS

The Transportation Injury Mapping System (TIMS) has been developed over the past five-plus years by SafeTREC to provide quick, easy and free access to California crash data, the [Statewide Integrated Traffic Records System \(SWITRS\)](#), that has been geo-coded by SafeTREC to make it easy to map out crashes.

[Learn More](#)

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Jan 25
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SWITRS GIS Map: Performance Issue

Jan 24
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Street Story - A new web tool released by SafeTREC

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2016-2017 SWITRS Update



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Safety Data & Risks

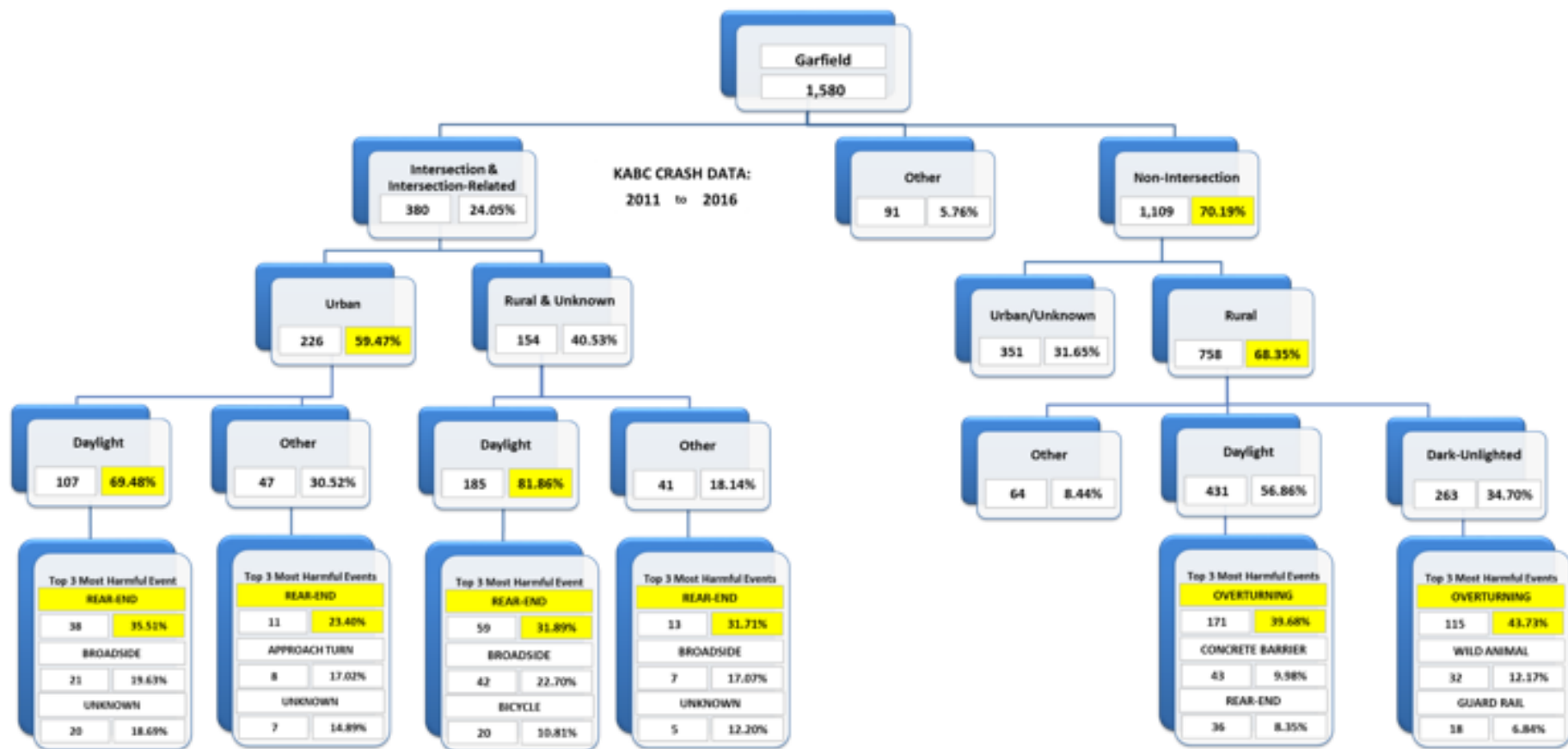


Example Crash Data (in Template)

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1		Fatal/Serious Injury Crashes Only												KABC Crashes												Total Crashes											
2	2011-2016 Garfield County Data	County Roads		Glenwood Springs & Rifle		Garfield County							County Roads		Glenwood Springs & Rifle		Garfield County							County Roads		Springs & Rifle		Garfield County									
3		2011-2016	%	2011-2016	%	2011-2016	%	2016	2015	2014	2013	2012	2011	2011-2016	%	2011-2016	%	2011-2016	%	2016	2015	2014	2013	2012	2011	2011-2016	%	2011-2016	%	2011-2016	%	2016	2015	2014	2013	2012	
4	Overall Numbers																																				
5	Total # of Collisions	33		34		202		33	30	34	36	43	26	233		450		1,580		275	233	249	273	313	237	867		2,849		7,480		1,158	1,170	1,355	1,228	1,382	
6	# of Fatal Collisions	5	15.2%	6	17.6%	41	20.3%	8	7	7	5	7	7	5	2.1%	6	1.3%	41	2.6%	8	7	7	5	7	7	5	0.6%	6	0.2%	41	0.5%	8	7	7	5	7	
7	# of Serious Injury Collisions	28	84.8%	28	82.4%	161	79.7%	25	23	27	31	36	19	28	12.0%	28	6.2%	161	10.2%	25	23	27	31	36	19	28	3.2%	28	1.0%	161	2.2%	25	23	27	31	36	
8	# of Alcohol-Related Collisions	11	33.3%	8	23.5%	47	23.3%	12	9	9	6	8	3	60	25.8%	43	9.6%	172	10.9%	28	28	29	30	31	26	140	16.1%	111	3.9%	420	5.6%	60	68	69	75	74	
9	Total # of Fatalities	5		7		41		8	7	7	5	7	7	5		7		41		8	7	7	5	7	7	5		7		41		8	7	7	5	7	
10	Total # of Injuries	38		47		175		26	25	30	33	40	21	283		553		2,041		350	299	323	361	398	310	283		553		2,041		350	299	323	361	398	
11	Weather																																				
12	Fog	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0%	1	0.2%	2	0.1%	0	0	0	0	1	1	1	0.1%	4	0.1%	18	0.2%	2	3	0	4	3	
13	None	22	66.7%	27	79.4%	157	77.7%	26	22	22	27	37	23	124	53.2%	375	83.3%	1,186	75.1%	216	174	175	193	251	177	422	48.7%	2,203	77.3%	5,475	73.2%	906	887	896	871	1,083	
14	Rain	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	9	4.5%	0	2	1	4	2	0	6	2.6%	14	3.1%	85	5.4%	15	19	6	24	9	12	28	3.2%	105	3.7%	370	4.9%	57	71	56	75	37	
15	Snow/Sleet/Hail	2	6.1%	2	5.9%	21	10.4%	5	3	7	1	4	1	20	8.6%	18	4.0%	173	10.9%	26	19	39	26	44	19	82	9.5%	231	8.1%	923	12.3%	98	120	246	141	208	
16	Unknown	9	27.3%	4	11.8%	13	6.4%	1	3	4	3	0	2	83	35.6%	41	9.1%	128	8.1%	17	21	28	29	7	26	332	38.3%	300	10.5%	669	8.9%	92	88	150	132	46	
17	Wind	0	0.0%	1	2.9%	2	1.0%	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0.0%	1	0.2%	6	0.4%	1	0	1	1	1	2	2	0.2%	6	0.2%	25	0.3%	3	1	7	5	5	
18	Lighting																																				
19	Dark-Lighted	0	0.0%	3	8.8%	11	5.4%	2	2	3	2	1	1	1	0.4%	67	14.9%	105	6.6%	24	14	18	15	19	15	19	2.2%	434	15.2%	641	8.6%	100	116	129	87	114	
20	Dark-Unlighted	12	36.4%	4	11.8%	59	29.2%	10	9	6	9	16	9	89	38.2%	24	5.3%	378	23.9%	62	50	50	72	80	64	327	37.7%	192	6.7%	1,629	21.8%	248	214	274	266	348	
21	Dawn or Dusk	2	6.1%	3	8.8%	14	6.9%	3	2	2	3	2	2	17	7.3%	16	3.6%	96	6.1%	14	12	19	16	21	14	59	6.8%	101	3.5%	437	5.8%	58	82	73	65	79	
22	Daylight	19	57.6%	24	70.6%	118	58.4%	18	17	23	22	24	14	126	54.1%	342	76.0%	1,000	63.3%	175	156	162	170	193	144	462	53.3%	2,110	74.1%	4,751	63.5%	750	751	875	807	837	
23	Unknown	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0%	1	0.2%	1	0.1%	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0.0%	12	0.4%	22	0.3%	2	7	4	3	4	
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27	3 (B)													97	41.6%	105	23.3%	506	32.0%	95	73	75	100	94	69	97	11.2%	105	3.7%	506	6.8%	95	73	75	100	94	
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Crash Tree #1 (Intersection vs. Non-Intersection): Garfield County—All Roads; 1580 KABC crashes; 2011 – 2016



Roadway Risk Factors

- Lane width
- Shoulder width and type
- Horizontal Curvature, delineation, and advance warning devices
- Pavement condition and friction
- Roadside rating
- Presence of centerline and edgeline markings
- Presence of centerline, edgeline, or shoulder rumble strips
- Driveway design and density
- Intersection skew angle
- Intersection traffic control devices
- Intersection in or near horizontal curve
- Presence of left and right turn lanes
- Average daily traffic volumes
- Proportion of commercial vehicles
- Posted or operating speed
- Adjacent land use (agricultural, commercial, schools, alcohol sales/establishments)
- Crosswalk presence
- Crossing distance



FHWA's Systemic Safety Project Selection Tool (page 18)

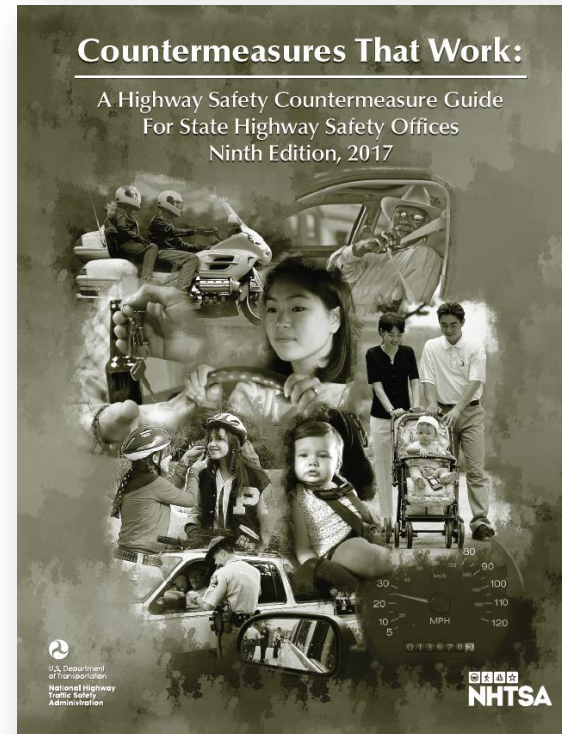
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Focus on Proven Safety Countermeasures



NHTSA's Countermeasures that Work

1. Impaired Driving
2. Seatbelts
3. Speed Limits
4. Distracted Driving
5. Motorcycles
6. Young Drivers
7. License Renewal
8. Education Campaigns
9. Bicycle Helmets



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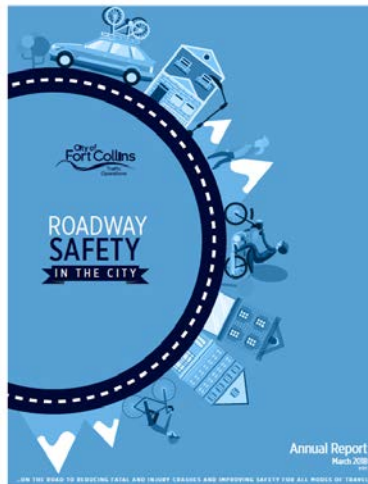
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- Foster local, state, fed



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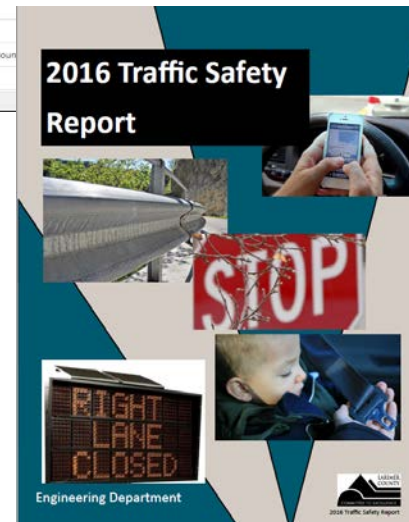
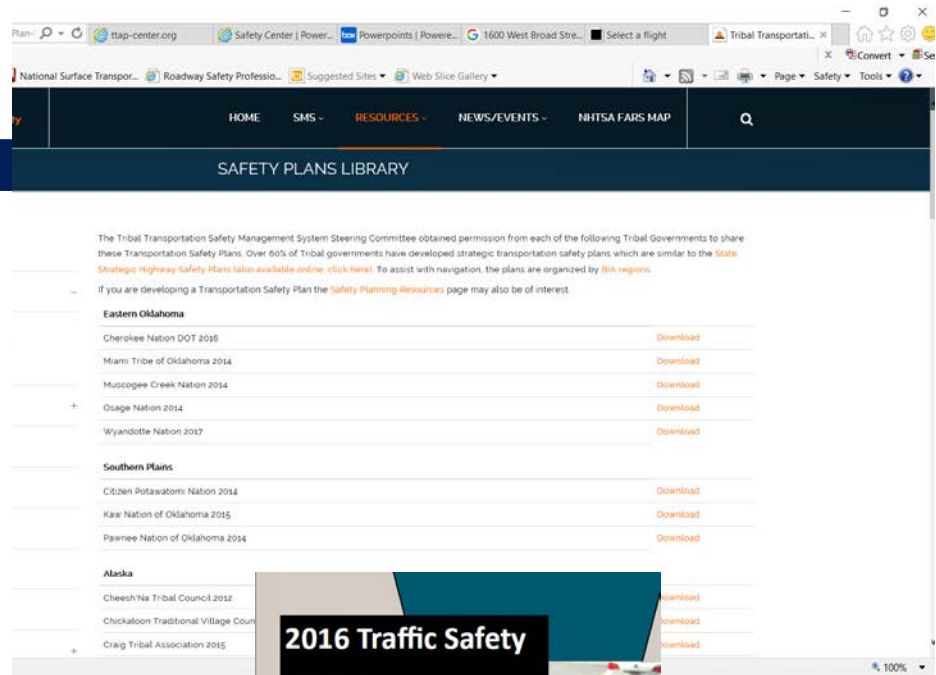
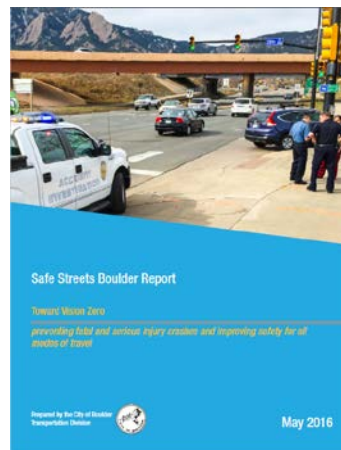
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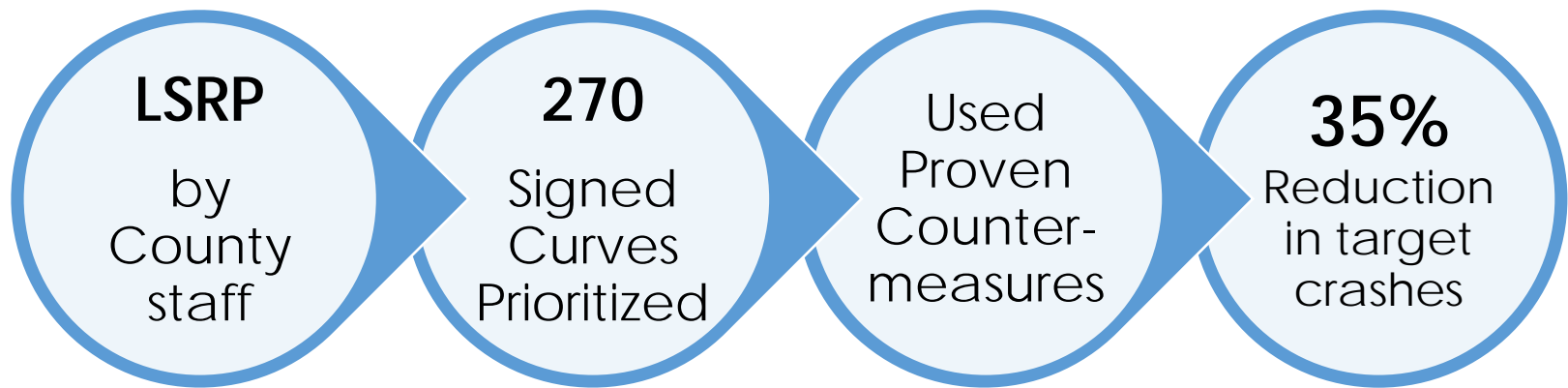


Discussion about Implementation

- Buy-in
- Partners
- Measurable
- Money
- Timeline
- Follow-through
- Time
- Acceptance



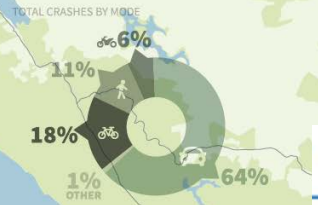
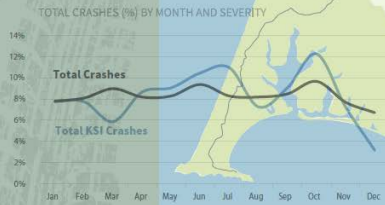
Case Study: Thurston County, W A



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2018 MARIN COUNTY TRAVEL SAFETY PLAN Systemic Safety Analysis

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Engineering Streets for Safety

More than 70 percent of severe and fatal collisions occur on just 12 percent of San Francisco streets. Engineering projects in support of Vision Zero incorporate effective safety improvements like protected bike lanes, wider sidewalks and reduced traffic speeds. The goal is to calm traffic, enhance visibility and improve the organization of our streets.

One of the first commitments to advance Vision Zero was to complete 24 priority projects in 24 months; the City surpassed that target and completed 30 priority projects in 24 months. To maintain the momentum, a new set of priority projects have been identified although this time the list goes beyond engineering—it includes education, enforcement, evaluation and policy efforts as well.

Many projects are already underway or completed. You can follow our progress for making safer streets and safer road users on [this map](#).



Project Updates

As a part of its commitment to change business as usual, the City has expedited 24 key safety projects and developed an online tracking tool to allow anyone to track their progress and hold the City accountable. Visit the



WalkFirst

WalkFirst was a two-year public process that identified the 6% of San Francisco streets that are responsible for 60% of pedestrian collisions and developed solutions



Bicycle Safety Projects

The SFMTA implements bicycle safety improvements across San Francisco, helping growing numbers of people to bike safely and comfortably across the City. In

2019

Nevada County Local Road Safety Plan



2017 High Friction Surface Treatment Project



Department of Public Works
1/3/2019



Local Road Safety Plans

The CA LRSP Peer Exchange – Feb 2019



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NOTEWORTHY Practices

- * Linking Low B/C to high B/C projects
 - Do what you can with what you have
- * project bundling
 - LRSP
 - ICE Report (MPO support)
 - Incremental Improvements (Low Cost)
 - Focusing on Lower cost/lower Env. Impact

Barriers/challenges

- Over design of roundabouts
- Patience Buy-In (Roundabouts)
- Phasing projects for Future needs

What is needed

- ~~help funds~~ R/W certification is very same as long
- higher set asides for non-proto/tized, smaller communities - complete street do not require cashback
- Look at distribution of funds especially ATP
- more funding for LRSP's
 - Another call
- Streamline NEPA for set asides and small projects



“Do what you can,
with what you have,
where you are.”
– *Theodore Roosevelt*

