Virginia's Highway Safety Office 2019 Grant Application Workshop

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WELCOME & INTRODUCTIONS



FY 2018 GRANTS

REMEMBER TO PLEASE COMPLETE YOUR FIRST QUARTER MONITORING REPORTS AND REIMBURSEMENTS VOUCHERS BEFORE THE END OF JANUARY 2018. THANKS.......



Our Mission

To reduce crashes, injuries, fatalities and associated cost by identifying transportation safety issues and developing and implementing effective integrated programs and activities



Funding Source & Purpose

The program is administered by the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) at the federal level, and by the Virginia Highway Safety Office (VAHSO) at the state level. The VAHSO is the grantee of the NHTSA grant funds and the funds are awarded to sub-recipients



Funding Source & Purpose

The VAHSO provides grants for programs which are designed to reduce the number of crashes, injuries, fatalities and related economic losses resulting from traffic crashes on Virginia's roadways.



Funding Priorities

The Virginia Highway Safety Office under the direction of NHTSA will focus on the below priority areas for the FY2019 grant year.

- Impaired Driving
- Occupant Protection
- Speeding
- Pedestrian and Bike Safety



Other Fundable Programs

Other areas for consideration include the following:

- Traffic Records
- Motorcycle Safety
- Roadway Safety



Who can submit an application?

- Localities
- State Agencies
- Private institutions of higher education
- Nonprofit organizations serving Virginia with transportation programs(501C-3)



Grant Application Procedures

Application must be submitted through our online application system at

http//www.dmvnow.com

On-line application must be submitted by February 28, 2018

Grant period

October 1, 2018 to September 30, 2019



Let's DISCUSS the Grant Application



Assessment

As you prepare your grant application you should determine:

- the problem
- what is already being done
- any gaps
- resources that are available
- existing programs
- key players



Application

The grant application consists of:

- Problem Statement
- Data
- Goals/Objectives
- Budget
- Plans for Cost Sharing (Match)



Problem ID

Is developed from crash data assessment.



Data

- Must show there is a problem
- At least 3 years of data(2014-2016)
- Focus on Virginia data
- Data resources (state data required):
 - Virginia Highway Safety Office
 - Local Agency Crash Data



Goals

Goal is the benchmark that has a measurable outcome. It is established to correct an identified problem.

Example:

- Decrease alcohol related crashes from ____
 to ____ by use of last year's data (either in state or in the locality).
- Increase Belt Use by ____ % from presurvey to post-survey



Objectives

Are shorter term, measurable targets that are action oriented and includes timeframe for accomplishment.

Objectives should be SMART-Specific, Measurable, Action oriented, Realistic, and Time bound



Objectives- Examples

For LAW ENFORCEMENT APPLICATIONS: To conduct ____checkpoints and ____ individual patrols, using high visibility enforcement and citations to discourage drinking and driving.



Amount of grant awards-Minimum of \$5,000, no maximum cap

Matching-

Project <u>MUST</u> include a 50% match of funds for law enforcement.

The match can be monetary or in-kind match (e.g., fuel and vehicle maintenance).



Traffic vs. Enforcement

All grant funded overtime for law enforcement agencies is for selective enforcement activities such as saturation patrols and checkpoints, <u>not</u> traffic activities such as directing traffic, escorts, and conducting safety talks and manning safety exhibits



<u>Personnel</u>

List each position or job title required to participate in the Highway Safety Project (do not include individual name as the person may change). Description of the job duties must also be provided, hourly rate of pay, and number of hours to be worked on proposed project.

Personnel Fringe Benefits

Law Enforcement agencies cannot claim fringe benefits



- Reimbursement based on approved budget after the actual cost have incurred and been paid.
- Supplanting-
 - Federal funds cannot supplant state or local funds.
 - Replacing routine and/or existing state or local expenses with federal funds
 - Using grant funds for cost of activities that constitute general expenses required by state/local government to carry out duties



Travel/Training

Explain travel/training expenses for project, include the number of persons traveling and related cost (transportation, lodging, and per diem)

Must be approved by program manager prior to trip

Must be required by grant

Must be in accordance to Virginia state travel regulations



Project Budget

Matching Funds

List items that will be used as matching funds (e.g., Fuel and Vehicle Maintenance)



Project Budget

Equipment

List any equipment purchases

Equipment purchases of \$5,000 or more require advance written approval by NHTSA. The approval will be obtained by the Highway Safety Office.

You will be required to enter a justification for equipment \$5,000.00 or more.



Non-Allowable Items

Some examples include:

- Radar/Lidar on Alcohol Grant Applications
- Raincoats
- Body camera, servers, and rental fees for video storage and maintenance fees
- Message Boards and Radar Trailers
- International travel



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