

# Local Road Safety Plan and Tribal Strategic Highway Safety Plan Crosswalk

This crosswalk is intended to help communities determine whether their Local Road Safety Plan (LRSP), Tribal Strategic Transportation Safety Plan (STSP), or other similar plan meets Action Plan requirements for the Safe Streets and Roads for All (SS4A) grant program. It is not intended to be an additional SS4A application requirement, but instead to help guide communities in understanding the Action Plan eligibility requirements as they relate to two planning templates available from the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA). This crosswalk may also be used when developing an LRSP or Tribal STSP to ensure that those plans can be used for future SS4A grant applications.

SS4A requires communities to self-certify that their Action Plans are eligible for the program when applying for Implementation Grants and certain supplemental planning and demonstration activities. The SS4A Action Plan Components in this crosswalk are taken from the **SS4A Self-Certification Eligibility Worksheet**, which is part of the application and is used to determine whether an Action Plan is eligible. At a minimum, three of the nine Action Plan components are required, plus four of the six remaining, as indicated in the table below. This document is not meant to replace the SS4A Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO). Applicants should follow the instructions in the NOFO to correctly apply for a grant. See the SS4A website for more information: <https://www.transportation.gov/SS4A>.

FHWA encourages local and Tribal agencies to develop an LRSP or STSP with the aim of providing awareness of their safety issues and addressing them to save lives. The templates and guidance established by FHWA to develop these plans was designed to be flexible and adaptable based on the needs, existing processes, and capacity of different agencies. This crosswalk uses two FHWA templates to demonstrate whether a plan developed using these templates might meet the SS4A Action Plan requirements, highlighting how SS4A requirements might go beyond what is outlined in the templates. These are not comprehensive examples; notes addressed in this crosswalk may apply to plans developed using other templates as well.

SS4A Category	Eligibility Requirement	SS4A Action Plan Component	LRSP	LRSP Template Notes	STSP	STSP Template Notes
			Page		Page	
		Source: SS4A Self-Certification Eligibility Worksheet (2023)	Source: Local Road Safety Plan Template (2023)		Source: Strategic Transportation Safety Plan Template for Tribes	
Leadership Commitment and Goal Setting	4 of 6	Did a high-ranking official and/or governing body in the jurisdiction publicly commit to an eventual goal of zero roadway fatalities and serious injuries?	2	Footnote 2 of template includes guidance about leadership commitment and goal setting specifically for SS4A.		Template lists Tribal leadership as a potential safety partner and provides examples of goals that may meet this requirement. An eligible Action Plan needs to include a distinct and public commitment from Tribal leadership and establishes targets.
		Did the commitment include either setting a target date to reach zero, OR setting one or more targets to achieve significant declines in roadway fatalities and serious injuries by a specific date?	3	Footnote 3 of template includes guidance about goal setting specifically for SS4A.	2	
Planning Structure	4 of 6	To develop the Action Plan, was a committee, task force, implementation group, or similar body established and charged with the plan's development, implementation, and monitoring?	4	Footnote 4 of template includes guidance about planning structure specifically for SS4A.	3	Template describes potential safety partners. However, an eligible Action Plan needs to include a group, which may include safety partners, charged with the development, implementation, and monitoring of the Action Plan.
Safety Analysis	Required	Analysis of existing conditions and historical trends to baseline the level of crashes involving fatalities and serious injuries across a jurisdiction, locality, Tribe, or region.	5 - 7	Data Analysis and Summary sections provide guidance for types of data, possible analyses, and useful data sources that may meet this requirement. Not all communities have access to the same types of data, so an eligible Action Plan should demonstrate how available data and analysis meets SS4A requirements to the extent possible. When describing the safety impact of a proposed implementation project, the narrative should address data challenges and emphasize the safety issues or needs that have been identified (e.g., unsafe road features, sightlines, school zones, high number of seniors in the area, etc.). Note that SS4A grants may be used to support additional data analysis (Planning and Demonstration Grant) or for the development of a more robust crash data system (Implementation Grant).	3	Data Analysis and Summary sections provide guidance for types of data, possible analyses, and useful data sources that may meet this requirement. Not all communities have access to the same types of data, so an eligible Action Plan should demonstrate how available data and analysis meets SS4A requirements to the extent possible. When describing the safety impact of a proposed implementation project, the narrative should address data challenges and emphasize the safety issues or needs that have been identified (e.g., unsafe road features, sightlines, school zones, high number of seniors in the area, etc.). Note that SS4A grants may be used to support additional data analysis (Planning and Demonstration Grant) or for the development of a more robust crash data system (Implementation Grant).
		Analysis of the location where there are crashes, the severity, as well as contributing factors and crash types.				
		Analysis of systemic and specific safety needs is also performed, as needed (e.g., high risk road features, specific safety needs of relevant road users).				
		A geospatial identification (geographic or locational data using maps) of higher risk locations.				
Engagement and Collaboration	4 of 6	Engagement with the public and relevant stakeholders, including the private sector and community groups.	4	Template references engagement in the plan development. An eligible Action Plan should demonstrate how engagement and collaboration have influenced the analysis and recommendations in the plan to meet SS4A requirements.	3	Template includes list of safety partners and includes public engagement/partner involvement in the Process section. An eligible Action Plan should demonstrate how engagement and collaboration have influenced the analysis and recommendations in the plan to meet SS4A requirements.
		Incorporation of information received from the engagement and collaboration into the plan.				
		Coordination that included inter- and intra-governmental cooperation and collaboration, as appropriate.				

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Equity Considerations	4 of 6	Considerations of equity using inclusive and representative processes.	4	Template references equity in the process of developing an LRSP and in data and analysis. An eligible Action Plan should demonstrate how equity has been incorporated into the development of the plan, as well as in the data analysis and strategies presented in the plan. This may include stakeholders of different ages and abilities, as well as other considerations to ensure that equity is considered. The extent to which a community is able to assess equity considerations within an Action Plan may vary; additional information describing challenges may be included in the application narrative.		Not addressed in the template. An eligible Action Plan should demonstrate how the development of the plan, data analysis, and proposed strategies and projects incorporated input from diverse stakeholders and address the needs of different people. This may include stakeholders of different ages and abilities, as well as other considerations to ensure that equity is considered. The extent to which a community is able to assess equity considerations within an Action Plan may vary; additional information describing challenges may be included in the application narrative. Note that, for the purposes of SS4A, all Tribal lands are considered Underserved Communities.
		The identification of underserved communities through data.	5 - 7			
		Equity analysis, in collaboration with appropriate partners, focused on initial equity impact assessments of the proposed projects and strategies, and population characteristics.				
Policy and Process Changes	4 of 6	The plan development included an assessment of current policies, plans, guidelines, and/or standards to identify opportunities to improve how processes prioritize safety.	4	Template includes policies and programs in the Existing Efforts section and mentions that they may be under evaluation. In addition to listing existing policies, plans, guidelines, and/or standards, an eligible Action Plan should include actionable recommendations to revise existing and/or adopt new policies, plans, guidelines, and/or standards to increase safety.	3	Template includes policies and programs in the Existing Efforts section and mentions that they may be under evaluation. In addition to listing existing policies, plans, guidelines, and/or standards, an eligible Action Plan should include actionable recommendations to revise existing and/or adopt new policies, plans, guidelines, and/or standards to increase safety.
		The plan discusses implementation through the adoption of revised or new policies, guidelines, and/or standards.				
Strategy and Project Selections	Required	Does the plan identify a comprehensive set of projects and strategies to address the safety problems in the Action Plan, time ranges when projects and strategies will be deployed, and explain project prioritization criteria?	8 - 11	Template provides guidance for developing goals, strategies, and a project list. An eligible Action Plan needs to provide details about prioritization and strategies for deployment.	4 - 5	Template provides guidance for developing goals and strategies, but does not include a project list. An eligible Action Plan needs to include projects and provide details about prioritization and strategies for deployment.
Progress and Transparency	4 of 6	A description of how progress will be measured over time that includes, at a minimum, outcome data.	12	Template includes a description of the planned evaluation process, including questions that may be considered as part of an evaluation process. Template does not specifically call out metrics/outcome data that will be used, which should be included in an eligible Action Plan.	5	Template includes a description of the planned evaluation process, including questions that may be considered as part of an evaluation process. Template does not specifically call out metrics/outcome data that will be used, which should be included in an eligible Action Plan.
		The plan is posted publicly online.		Footnote 6 of template includes guidance that SS4A requires annual reporting and that the Action Plan be posted online.		Not addressed in the template. An eligible Action Plan needs to be posted publicly online, but it is not required that supporting data or other materials be shared publicly. Tribal applicants that don't have a website or a place to post their Action Plan may submit it to <a href="https://www.tribalsafety.org/safety-plans-library">https://www.tribalsafety.org/safety-plans-library</a> and use that link to demonstrate that this component is addressed.
Recent	Required	Was the plan finalized and/or last updated between 2018 and 2023?		Not addressed in the template. An eligible Action Plan must have been developed or updated a maximum of 5 years before an SS4A application is submitted.		Not addressed in the template. An eligible Action Plan must have been developed or updated a maximum of 5 years before an SS4A application is submitted.