

# **FY14 Tribal Transportation Program Safety Funds (TTPSF)**

## **Notice of Funding Availability (NOFA) and Grant Solicitation**

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## Background

- Section 1119 of Map-21 authorizes the establishment of the tribal safety program by setting aside not more than 2 percent of the funds made available under the tribal transportation program for each fiscal year. The funds are to be allocated based on an identification and analysis of highway safety issues and opportunities on tribal lands.
- Funding approximately \$9,000,000
- <http://flh.fhwa.dot.gov/programs/ttp/safety/>



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## FY 2013 TTPSF Awards

Total funding available

- \$8.6 Million

Total amount requested for FY 2013

- \$27 Million

Number of applications received

- 239



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## FY 2013 TTPSF Awards

### Statistics for projects awarded in FY 2013:

- **Total projects awarded through the TTPSF**
  - 193 projects awarded
- **Total requested for FY 2013**
  - 239 applications received
- **Number of applications received that were not funded**
  - 19% of applications received were not funded
  - 14 Indian tribes submitted applications but were not awarded funding



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## FY 2013 TTPSF Awards

### Funding Awards Breakdown by Category:

- **Safety Planning**
  - 166 Projects or 86% of awarded projects.
  - Represents 31% of the total dollar amount (40% funding goal)
- **Engineering Improvements**
  - 13 projects or 6% of awarded projects
  - Represents 49% of the total dollar amount (30% funding goal)
- **Enforcement and EMS**
  - 7 projects or 4% of awarded projects
  - Represents 16% of the total dollar amount (20% funding goal)
- **Education**
  - 7 projects or 4% of awarded projects
  - Represents 4% of the total dollar amount (10% funding goal)



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## Eligibility

- For Federally Recognized Tribes only
- Transportation Safety Improvement Projects
- Identified in 23 U.S.C 148(a)(4)  
<http://www.fhwa.dot.gov/map21/docs/title23usc.pdf>



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## Eligible Safety Projects

reducing fatalities and serious injuries from transportation incidents such as...

### Safety Planning

- Develop safety plan

### Other Safety Planning Activities

- Collection, analysis, and improvement of safety data
- Road safety assessments

### Enforcement/EMS

- The conduct of a model traffic enforcement activity at a railway-highway crossing
- Installation of a priority control system for emergency vehicles at signalized intersections
- Planning integrated interoperable emergency communications equipment, operational activities, or traffic enforcement activities

### Education

- Public service announcements
- Programs implemented to inform the public or address behaviors that affect transportation safety.

### Engineering

- Intersection safety improvements
- Pavement and shoulder widening
- Installation of rumble strips
- Installation of a skid-resistant surface
- Improvements for pedestrian or bicyclist safety
- railway-highway grade crossing safety features
- protective devices (guardrail)
- traffic calming features
- Elimination of a roadside hazard;
- Installation, replacement, and other
- improvement of highway signage and pavement markings
- traffic control or other warning device at a location with high crash potential
- Installation of guardrails, barriers, and crash attenuators
- Systemic safety improvements



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## TTPSF ALL TRANSPORTATION MODES ELIGIBLE



- Pedestrians
- Car/Truck
- Snowmobile
- ATV
- Maritime
- Air

Flexible to the needs of the individual tribe

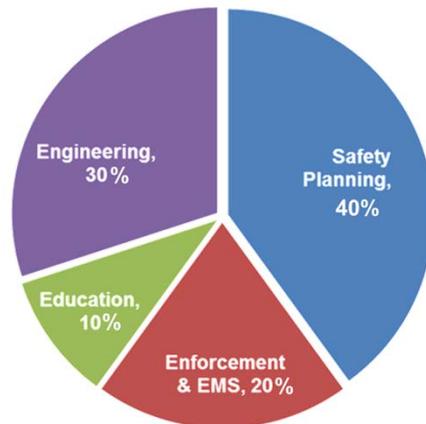
## Selection Criteria

- Projects evaluated by category
  - Safety Planning (40%)
  - Engineering Improvements (30%)
  - Enforcement and Emergency Services (20%)
  - Education Programs (10%)
- Can have multiple applications in various categories



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## TTPSF Funding Goals



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## Evaluation Process

- FHWA to establish evaluation team
- Applications to be rated as:
  - Highly Qualified
  - Qualified
  - Not Qualified



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## Safety Plan

### Development of Tribal Safety Plans

- Highly Qualified:
  - requests (up to a maximum of \$12,500) for development of new tribal safety plans or to update incomplete tribal safety plans
  - and requests (up to a maximum of \$7,500.00) to update existing tribal safety plans that are more than 3 years old.
- Not Qualified:
  - projects that do not meet the eligibility requirements; any request to update an existing tribal safety plan that is less than 3 years old.



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## Other Safety Planning Activities

### Highly Qualified:

- requests for other safety planning activities that are in a current State SHSP or tribal safety plan that is not more than 5 years old
- submission of data that demonstrates the need for the activities
- significant leveraging of private or public funding
- and are part of a comprehensive approach to safety which includes other safety efforts.



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## Other Safety Planning Activities

### Qualified:

- requests for other safety planning activities that are in a current State SHSP or tribal safety plan that is more than 5 years old
- submission of some data that demonstrates the need for the activity
- some leveraging of private or public funding
- and are part of a comprehensive approach to safety which includes other safety efforts.

### Not Qualified:

- projects that do not meet the eligibility requirements
- projects that are not included in a State SHSP or tribal safety plan.

## Engineering Improvements

### Highly Qualified:

- efforts that are in a current State SHSP or tribal safety plan that is less than 5 years old
- data included in the application that directly supports the project
- project is in a current road safety audit, impact assessment, or other safety engineering study
- projects located on a BIA or tribal facility
- significant leverage with other funding
- the tribe has not received funding for a TTPSF transportation safety construction project in more than 10 years or the project is part of a comprehensive approach to safety which includes three or more other safety efforts.



## Engineering Improvements

### Qualified:

- efforts that are in a current State SHSP or tribal safety plan, but the plan is more than 5 years old
- some data included in the application that supports the project; project is in a road safety audit, impact assessment, or other safety engineering study that is more than 5 years old
- project is located on a transportation facility not owned by a tribe or BIA
- some leveraging with other funding
- the tribe has not received funding for a TTPSF transportation safety construction project in the last 2 to 10 years or the projects is part of a coordinated approach with one to two other safety efforts.



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## Engineering Improvements

### Not Qualified:

- projects that do not meet the eligibility requirements
- are not included in a State SHSP or tribal safety plan
- no data provided in the application to support the request; are not included in a road safety audit, impact assessment, or other safety engineering study
- have received funding for a TTPSF transportation safety construction project within the last 2 years or do not have a comprehensive approach to safety with other partners.



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## Education, Enforcement, and Emergency Services

### Highly Qualified:

- efforts that are in a current State SHSP or tribal safety plan that is less than 5 years old
- data included in the application that directly supports the requested project, significant leverage with other funding or are part of a comprehensive approach to safety, including three or more other safety efforts.



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## Education, Enforcement, and Emergency Services

### Qualified:

- efforts that are in a current State SHSP or tribal safety plan but the plan is more than 5 years old
- some data included in the application that supports the project
- some leveraging with other funding or are coordinated with one to two other safety efforts.

### Not Qualified:

- projects that do not meet the eligibility requirements
- are not included in a State SHSP or tribal safety plan
- no data provided in the application that supports the project does not have a comprehensive approach to safety with other partners.



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## Education

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- data included in the application that directly supports the requested project
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## Education

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- no data provided in the application that supports the project does not have a comprehensive approach to safety with other partners.



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# Application Process

Start Here: <http://flh.fhwa.dot.gov/programs/ttp/safety/>

1. Review the [2014 TTPSF Notice of Funding Availability \(NOFA\)](#)
2. Prepare your project narrative using the [template](#)
3. Complete the [online Application \(SF-424\)](#) AND either:
  - Upload the project narrative in the online form
  - or, forward the confirmation email from the online form with your project narrative attached to [ttpsf@dot.gov](mailto:ttpsf@dot.gov)



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Location: Home > Programs > MAP-21 > TTP > Safety > Tribal Transportation Program Safety Funds

ABOUT   PROGRAMS   POLICY   PLANS   METHODS   RESOURCES

**Tribal Transportation Program**

Tribal Shares and Planning Funds

Office of Inspector General Audit Report

FY14 Tribal Shares

Program Delivery Guide

Safety

- TTP Safety Fund
- Safety Plans
- Safety Plans Toolkit
- Road Safety Audits
- Additional Resources

Bridge Program

High Priority Projects

Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA)

Tribal Technical Assistance Program (TTAP)

Every Day Counts Initiative (EDC)

Coordinating Committee

Contact Information

**Tribal Transportation Program Safety Funds (TTPSF)**

Each year under MAP-21, 2% of the available TTP funds are set aside to address safety issues in Native America. Funds are available to [federally recognized Indian tribes](#) through a competitive, discretionary program. Awarded annually, projects are chosen whose outcomes will address the prevention and reduction of death or serious injuries in transportation related crashes. We recognize that traffic fatalities and injuries severely impact the quality of life in Indian country. Statistics are consistently higher than the rest of the nation as a whole; we advocate the development of Strategic Transportation Safety Plans as a means for tribes to determine how transportation safety needs will be addressed in tribal communities.

We have established funding goals in four categories under TTPSF: [Safety Planning \(40%\)](#); [Engineering Improvements \(30%\)](#); [Enforcement/EMS \(20%\)](#); and [Education \(10%\)](#).

• **FY 2014 Grant Application Process:**  
To apply for the 2014 TTP Safety Fund:

1. Download and review the [2014 TTPSF Notice of Funding Availability \(NOFA\)](#) (Acrobat, 222 KB)
2. Prepare your project narrative using the [template provided in the Application Information](#) (Word/docx, 38 KB)
3. Complete the online [Application for Federal Assistance \(SF-424\)](#) and either:
  - Upload the project narrative as an attachment while completing the online form
  - or, forward the confirmation email from the online form with your project narrative attached to [ttpsf@dot.gov](mailto:ttpsf@dot.gov)

## Project Narrative

- **Identifier Information & Location**
- **Descriptive Title of Applicant's Project:** a short project description that readily identifies the project
- **Project Abstract:** work that is to be completed, the project purpose, safety benefit to the Tribe, and whether this is a complete project or part of a larger project (Max: 5 Sentences—see [“How to Write a Project Abstract”](#) )
- **General Information (Project Description)**
  - Describe the scope of work
  - intended outcome
  - describe the way in which this project addresses the safety needs
  - how strategic goals of a safety plan will be addressed by completion of the project
  - Provide appropriate supporting documentation and reference attachments.
- **Amount of TTPSF Funds Requested:**
- **Cost Estimate:**
- **Project Schedule:**
- **Previous Federal funds contributed to this project:**
- **Commitment of Other Funds:**
- **Entity Administering Project:** (Tribe, Tribe's consultant, consortium, federal agency, TTAP, etc.)
- **Will the funds be obligated within one year and will the funds be applied to a ready-to-advance project?**

## Project Narrative (continued...) Selection Criterion

	<p><b>For Developing Safety Plans:</b></p> <p>What is the age and status of existing tribal safety plans? (Or is this application for funding to develop the tribe's first Tribal Transportation Safety Plan?) Describe how funding will be used in the development of a Tribal Transportation Safety Plan.</p> <p>Is there any funding being leveraged to complete this plan? (Leveraged funding may include resources donated by partners such as time or data analysis)</p>
	<p><b>For Education, EMS, and/or Enforcement Activities, or Planning efforts other than a Tribal transportation safety plan (Examples of "Other Planning Efforts": RSA, Traffic Study, Data Improvement, etc.)</b></p> <p>Is the activity identified in a Tribal Transportation Safety Plan that is no more than 5 years old or a State Strategic Highway Safety Plan (SHSP) <a href="http://safety.fhwa.dot.gov/hisp/shsp/state_links.cfm">http://safety.fhwa.dot.gov/hisp/shsp/state_links.cfm</a> ? (attach page from plan)</p> <p>Please summarize any supporting data that clearly demonstrates the need for the project and/or reference attachments.</p> <p>Is other private or other public funding leveraged by this project?</p> <p>Does this project compliment a comprehensive approach to safety with a multi-disciplinary (4E) approach?</p>
	<p><b>For Engineering Projects:</b></p> <p>Is the activity identified in a Tribal Transportation Safety Plan that is no more than 5 years old (attach page from plan) or a State Strategic Highway Safety Plan (SHSP) <a href="http://safety.fhwa.dot.gov/hisp/shsp/state_links.cfm">http://safety.fhwa.dot.gov/hisp/shsp/state_links.cfm</a></p> <p>Is the activity identified in a completed road safety audit (RSA), engineering study, impact assessment or other engineering document?</p> <p>Please summarize any supporting data that clearly demonstrates the need for the project and/or reference attachments.</p> <p>Who owns the facility?</p> <p>Is other private or other public funding leveraged by this project?</p> <p>When did the Tribe last receive funds for an engineering safety improvement project? What was the source of those funds?</p> <p>Does this project compliment a comprehensive approach to safety with a multi-disciplinary (4E) approach?</p>

# Project Narrative

## Acceptable File Formats

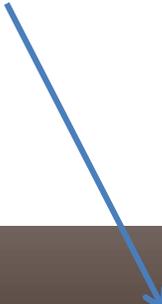
Pdf  
Doc/Docx  
Xls/Xlsx  
jpg, jpeg  
tif, tiff  
png

A screenshot of the 'Application for Federal Assistance SF-424' form. The form is filled out with various fields, many of which are marked with a large red 'X', indicating errors or missing information. The form includes sections for 'Type of Submission', 'Date Received', 'Applicant Information', 'Organizational Unit', and 'Name and contact information'. A stack of papers is visible on the right side of the form. At the bottom, the text 'FY-2013' is displayed in large red letters.

# 2014 Online Application

22 Question Application + Project Narrative

Preview of questions is available





**MAX Survey**

**Tribal Transportation Program Safety Fund Application**

Apply to the Tribal Transportation Program Safety Fund using this form. In order for your project to be considered for funding, you must complete this online form and attach a project narrative. This online form replaces the SF-424 Application for Federal Assistance. A project narrative is still required. Supporting documentation may also be attached. For additional information about this funding opportunity, please visit: <http://fhw.fhwa.dot.gov/programs/tts/fund/>

For questions about the application process or the TTP Safety Fund, please send an email to [TTPSF@dot.gov](mailto:TTPSF@dot.gov)

100%  
Funding Opportunity Information

The grant you are applying for is identified by the information below.

Select the category that you feel best describes the project.

Choose one of the following answers

- Developing a new safety plan
- Revising an existing safety plan
- Other safety planning activities
- Engineering
- Enforcement/Emergency Medical Services
- Education
- No answer

Note: The selection team may move your application to another funding category at their discretion.

Grant Information

Name of Federal Agency	<input type="text" value="Federal Highway Administration"/>
Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance (CFDA) Number	<input type="text" value="20.205"/>
CFDA Title	<input type="text" value="Highway Planning and Construction"/>
Funding Opportunity Title	<input type="text" value="Tribal Transportation Program Safety Fund"/>

This is standard information about the grant and should not be changed.

Type of Applicant 1

## ONLINE APPLICATION

- Grant Info
- Applicant Info
- Project Info
- Project Narrative
- Preview Answers

**Submit** ↓

## Preview Answers

**Application for Federal Assistance (SF-424) for TTP Safety Fund**

**Grant Info**

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Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance (CFDA) Number	20-205
CFDA Title	Highway Planning and Construction
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Funding Opportunity Title	Tribal Transportation Program Safety Fund

**Applicant Info**

Name of Applicant	my tribe
Applicant Identifier	my tribe
Legal Name	my tribe
Department / Division Name	Division
Street Address	Street 1 Street 2 City County Borough State Zip Code Phone
Contact Person	First Name Last Name Suffix Title Organizational Affiliation (Title/Department) Telephone Number mytribe@mytribe.com Phone
Contact Person's Email	mytribe@mytribe.com
Authorized Representative	First Name Last Name Suffix Title Telephone Number Email Address
Delinquent?	No
Delinquent Expiration	Number of Days Remaining

**Project Information**

Area of Interest	the 424 area
Department of Project	the 424 project
Congressional District	Applicant
Project Start Date	2014-05-20 00:00
Project End Date	2014-05-20 00:00
Submitted Funding	Amount
	State
	Local
	Other

**Project Narrative**

Project Narrative (Number of Submissions)

Forward confirmation email from the team with project narrative attached to TTPSF@DOT.GOV

HC: Has been received as far for the Project Narrative. A project narrative MUST be submitted by forwarding this confirmation email to the file attached to TTPSF@DOT.GOV before the application deadline.

I AGREE

The list of certifications and assurances, or an internal one where you may obtain them, is contained in the terms and conditions, specific instructions.

\* Previous    Submit ?

Submit

## Confirmation Email

Application ID: R44455-14-16

Thank you for starting an application to the [Tribal Transportation Program \(TTP\) Safety Fund](#).

**Your application is NOT YET complete! To finish the application, please forward this email with your project narrative attached to: [TTPSF@DOT.GOV](mailto:TTPSF@DOT.GOV)**

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Application ID

Are you done?

## Next Step

- TTPSF NOFA Published May 14, 2014
- Deadline for Submission – June 30, 2014
- Project Award List – August 2014
- Funds Obligation – September 2014



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Questions???



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