



Sonoma County Transportation Authority  
Regional Climate Protection Authority

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## **SCTA Awarded \$1 Million in Federal Funding for Safe Streets for All Program**

Biden-Harris Administration Invests Locally to Improve Safety and Prevent Roadway Deaths

SANTA ROSA, CA – On December 13<sup>th</sup>, the U.S. Department of Transportation announced \$817 million from President Biden’s Bipartisan Infrastructure Law for 385 Safe Streets and Roads for All (SS4A) grants. The Sonoma County Transportation Authority (SCTA), in partnership with jurisdictional partners, has been awarded \$1,060,000 in SS4A planning funds as part of this grant.

Sonoma County has seen more fatal and serious injury crashes per capita than any other county in the San Francisco Bay Area, with 176 traffic fatalities and 924 crashes with severe injuries between 2016 and 2021. SCTA and Sonoma County jurisdictions have worked together to prioritize surface transportation safety and have set a collective goal to end traffic deaths and severe injuries on our roadways by 2030 through adoption of the Sonoma County Vision Zero Action Plan (VZAP) in March 2022. The creation of the VZAP was a collaborative effort led by SCTA, the Sonoma County Department of Health Services, and the Sonoma County Vision Zero Advisory Committee (VZAC) which includes local cities and towns, law enforcement, health care providers, climate change leaders, and advocacy groups.

“Eliminating roadway deaths and injuries is a crucial step in building a safer Sonoma County,” said Chris Rogers, SCTA Chair and Santa Rosa Council Member. “The Safe Streets for All Program is an excellent framework to work towards transportation safety and we’re thankful to the Biden Administration for awarding this grant”.

The awarded funds will be used to conduct supplemental planning and carry out demonstration activities related to transportation safety. SCTA will enter into agreements with local agencies to receive the federal funding and will work with the local agencies to assist with delivery and invoicing with the Federal Highway Administration.

“Local cities don’t always have the resources and staff to move forward with safety projects like Safe Streets for All,” said SCTA Vice Chair Lynda Hopkins. “With this grant, SCTA can assist with planning safety improvements for all modes of transportation”.

This award will be used by Sonoma County Transportation Authority to:

- **Conduct a Countywide speed limit review and reduction analysis, and City of Healdsburg Engineering and Traffic Survey**
- **Develop a Countywide Safe Routes to School Plan, and update the City of Healdsburg's Safe Routes to School Plan**
- **Make updates to the County's Vision Zero data dashboard and progress reporting**
- **Conduct a Lakeville Corridor Multi-modal Improvements Study with the City of Petaluma**

**About the Sonoma County Transportation Authority:**

The Sonoma County Transportation Authority (SCTA) was created in 1990 and is governed by a twelve-member Board of Directors representing each of the nine cities. The SCTA plays a leading role in transportation in Sonoma County by securing funds, overseeing project delivery and long-term planning. The SCTA acts as the countywide planning and fund programming agency for transportation related issues.

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