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Dear Denise Donohue and John LaMacchia:

Subject: Call for Projects - Fiscal Year 2027 Federal Local Safety Program: Highway Safety Improvement, Highway Safety Improvement Systemic, and High-Risk Rural Road Program

The Michigan Department of Transportation (MDOT) is pleased to announce the solicitation of applications for candidate projects for the Fiscal Year (FY) 2027 Local Safety Program encompassing the Highway Safety Improvement (HSIP), Highway Safety Improvement (HSIP) Systemic, and High-Risk Rural Road (HRRR) programs. The FY 2027 federal budget apportioned for this program is estimated to be \$21,098,000:

- \$13,098,000 for general HSIP
- \$2,000,000 for streamlined systemic HSIP
- \$6,000,000 for HRRR

Please distribute this notice to members.

Refer to the enclosed Exhibits for information regarding eligibility and submitting candidate Safety Project Applications.

Since 2024, the State of Michigan has been subject to a new Vulnerable Road User (VRU) Rule. It is likely the State will be subject to the rule for the foreseeable future. Therefore, a VRU financial goal of \$3,000,000 is included in Exhibit 2. For more information regarding VRU projects, please refer to the information provided in Exhibits 2 and 5.

Federal safety funds shall not exceed \$1,500,000 per Local Agency for the fiscal year. Any non-selected HRRR projects will be automatically considered for general FY 2027 HSIP safety funds. Selected projects are to be obligated in FY 2027.

All applications must be submitted electronically by 11:59pm on Thursday, May 1, 2025.

Applications must be sent to MDOT-DesignLAP-Safety@Michigan.gov.

A list of all submitted projects will be posted on the MDOT Local Agency Program (LAP) Special Funding Program website by Friday, May 23, 2025. Local Agencies are responsible to verify that their projects have been received and are on the list and must notify MDOT of any discrepancies no later than Friday, June 6, 2025.

Our goal is to maintain a fiscally-constrained program while maximizing the use of available federal funds. If you have any questions, please contact Jackie Pethers, Local Agency Programs Safety Engineer, at 517-643-6189 or at PethersJ1@Michigan.gov.

Sincerely,

E-SIGNED by Larry Doyle
on 2025-01-31 12:30:00 EST

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