



and Highway Safety Plan

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### **INTRODUCTION**

The State and Community Highway Safety Grant Program, enacted by the Highway Safety Act of 1966 as Section 402 of Title 23, United States Code, provides grant funds to the states, the Indian nations and the territories each year according to a statutory formula based on population and road mileage. The grant funds support state planning to identify and quantify highway safety problems, provide start-up or "seed" money for new programs, and give new direction to existing safety programs. Monies are used to fund innovative programs at the State and local level.

Nine highway safety program areas are designated as National Priority Program Areas. They are Occupant Protection, Impaired Driving, Police Traffic Services, Motorcycle Safety, Bicycle and Pedestrian Safety, Speed Control, Roadway Safety, Emergency Medical Services, and Traffic Records. Other areas are eligible for funding when specific problems are identified. The National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) is the Federal oversight agency for Section 402 programs.

The Highway Safety Office (HSO) of the Arkansas State Police (ASP) administers the Section 402 funds and oversees the highway safety program efforts supported by these funds for the State of Arkansas. The Highway Safety Plan developed by the HSO identifies the traffic related safety problems in Arkansas and recommends programs that are most effective in reducing traffic fatalities, injuries and crashes. The Performance Plan portion of this report presents the process for identifying problems and developing programs to address those problem areas to which Section 402, as well as State highway safety funds, will be applied.

There are several highway safety incentive grants available to the States through the Safe, Accountable, Flexible, Efficient Transportation Equity Act: A legacy for Users (SAFETEA-LU). These incentive grants are earmarked for specific programs. Arkansas received Section 408 Data Improvements Implementation, 2010 Motorcycle Safety, 410 Alcohol Traffic Safety & Drunk Driving Prevention and 406 Safety Belt Performance grant funds. The program efforts supported by these incentive funds are also described in this plan.

### HIGHWAY SAFETY PLANNING PROCESS CALENDAR



The Highway Safety planning process, by its nature, is continuous and circular. The process begins by defining and articulating the problems. That stage leads to a collaborative effort and design with partners, which is an ongoing process. Development of performance goals and select measures is the next step followed by specific articulation of the objectives related to the performance goals. The process would then require identification and prioritization in the selection of programs and projects to be funded. Those programs and projects results are evaluated and appropriate adjustments are identified in new problem statements. At any one point in time, the Arkansas Highway Safety Office (AHSO) may be working on previous, current and upcoming fiscal year plans. In addition, due to a variety of intervening and often unpredictable factors at both the federal and state level, the planning process may be interrupted by unforeseen events and mandates.

The following page outlines the sequence and timeline schedule that the AHSO has established for the development of the FY 2010 program.

## PERFORMANCE PLAN (PP) AND HIGHWAY SAFETY PLAN (HSP) DEVELOPMENT SCHEDULE FOR FY 2010 PROGRAM

Task	Completed By
Begin problem identification:	January 14
<ul> <li>Collect and analyze data</li> <li>Identify and rank problems</li> <li>Establish goals and objectives</li> </ul>	thru July 6
Program Managers (PMs) submit charts and tables of crash data to Highway Safety Manager (HSM)	July 6
PMs meet with HSM and Administrator to review problem identification	July 12
PMs, HSM and Administrator conduct planning meetings with highway safety partners	July 15
PMs select and rank proposed countermeasures (projects) and review with HSM and Administrator	July 18
HSO request proposals from sub-grantees/contractors	May 22
PMs submit draft narrative of problem identification, proposed countermeasures and performance measures to HSM	May 27
Deadline for submission of proposals from sub-grantees/contractors	June 17
Fiscal Manager estimates funds available	July 17
PMs submit program area draft to HSM for review:	July 24
<ul> <li>* problem identification (include charts, tables, etc.)</li> <li>* problem solution (with project description)</li> <li>* project costs (Program Area Cost Summary)</li> </ul>	
Draft PP and HSP reviewed by Administrator	August 11
Submit final PP and HSP for Director's signature	August 26
Submit PP and HSP to NHTSA & FHWA	August 27
PMs prepare agreements/contracts & submit for review	August 27
Send agreements/contracts to sub-grantees/contractors for signature	August 29
Agreements/contracts returned for Director's signature	September 12
Submit agreements/contracts for Director's signature	September 19
Program implementation	October 1

### **HIGHWAY SAFETY OFFICE ORGANIZATION**

In July of 2002, by virtue of an Agreement of Understanding and the appointment of the Arkansas State Police (ASP) Director as the Governor's Highway Safety Representative, the Arkansas Highway Safety Office (AHSO) was transferred from the Arkansas Highway and Transportation Department to the Arkansas State Police. The program was authorized in the Arkansas State Police budget effective July 1, 2003 by the 84<sup>th</sup> General Assembly of the Arkansas Legislature. The AHSO retained its organizational identity within the ASP Director's Office, with the ASP Director/Governor's Representative reporting directly to the Governor. The ASP Organizational chart is shown on page 5.



### **MISSION STATEMENT**

The Arkansas Highway Safety Office coordinates a statewide behavioral highway safety program making effective use of federal and state highway safety funds and other resources to save lives and reduce injuries on the state's roads, and provide leadership, innovation and program support in partnership with traffic safety advocates, professionals and organizations.

Arkansas State Police Organizational Chart



### EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The State of Arkansas is taking increased steps in addressing safety on our state's roadways as part of an effort to develop innovative strategies to reduce fatalities throughout the State. The Arkansas Highway Safety Office considers safety issues by focusing on behavioral aspects at the driver level. The goal of this fatality reduction focus is to reduce highway fatalities by better identifying driver behaviors that cause fatal crashes and targeting problem areas where fatal crashes occur.

Particular attention is being focused on the continued participation towards impaired driving and occupant protection issues through the Selective Traffic Enforcement Programs (STEP). This program is stressed and sponsors active participation by approximately 50 Arkansas law enforcement agencies around the state. The following chart shows the citations issued by STEP projects during the last three years.



Law Enforcement projects will include high visibility sustained enforcement of alcohol, occupant protection and speed laws. The national mobilizations of "Click it or Ticket" (CIOT) and "Drunk Driving. Over the Limit, Under Arrest", along with the regional campaign, "Buckle up in Your Truck" have benefited from the greater participation of local agencies and targeted media campaigns. The targeted media included paid television, radio and billboard advertisements.

In Arkansas, over the past five years (2004-2008), the number of fatalities has declined from a high of 703 in 2004 to 600 in 2008. The most current data from 2008 shows fatalities at 600. The fatality rate, per 100 MVMT, for the most current period available (2004-2008) shows a decrease from 2.22 to 1.84. Serious injuries (2's & 3's) declined from 17,435 in 2004 to 12,723 in 2008.

While these figures do indicate decreases in fatal and injury crashes, an average of 654 motorists per year, lose their lives on Arkansas's highways and another 15,450 are seriously injured each year on Arkansas's roadways. In 2008, there were 600 total traffic fatalities compared to 649 the previous year. Over the past five years, alcohol-related fatalities averaged 187 per year. In 2008, there were 171 alcohol-related fatalities reported. This is a decrease of 10 from the previous year. Arkansas' alcohol-related fatalities in 2008 stood at 28.5% of the total fatalities.

An additional area of concern is occupant protection where in 2008, 44 percent of the recorded vehicle occupant fatalities were unrestrained. In 2008, Arkansas's safety belt use rate was 70.4%, while the National use rate stood at 83%. However, Arkansas' safety belt use rate increased to 74.4% in 2009. In CY 09 the State Legislature enacted a primary enforcement safety belt law which took effect on June 30, 2009. The AHSO led a comprehensive campaign to educate the motoring public on the new law and the consequences of non-Compliance. These efforts will continue in 2010.

The AHSO also recognizes the significance and impact that motorcycle related crashes

The Statewide Problem	<u>2007</u>	<u>2008</u>	<u>% Change</u>		
Statewide Crashes	66,393	63,146	-4.9		
Fatal Crashes	584	552	-5.5		
Fatalities	649	600	-7.6		
Alcohol Related Fatalities	179	171	-4.5		
Injuries (2 & 3 only**)	14,176	12,723	-10.2		
Vehicle Miles Traveled $(10^6)$	32,391	32,516	+.4		
Fatality Rate*	2.0	1.8	-10.0		
Fatal Crash Rate*	1.9	1.7	-10.5		
Alcohol Fatality Rate*	.67	.57	-14.9		
Injury Rate*	43.8	39.1	-10.7		
* per 100 Million vehicle miles traveled **Injury code #2 is incapacitating injury, #3 is non-incapacitating					

are having on the overall fatality picture in this State. Arkansas reported 80 motorcycle related fatalities in 2007. This is a significant increase from the 57 motorcycle fatalities reported in 2004. In 2008 fatalities dropped to 68 however, motorcycle fatalities still account for 12 percent of Arkansas' total traffic fatalities. There were 344 motorcycle involved traffic fatalities in Arkansas during the 5-year period from 2004-2008.

Targeted and identified projects are best undertaken on a statewide approach. This is the direction taken for selective traffic enforcement programs and training, occupant protection strategies, public information and education. The long-term goal for each geographical area is to develop a



comprehensive traffic safety program that is or becomes self-sufficient. It is possible that initiating a project in selective traffic enforcement will start building a local commitment to improving the traffic safety problems. Another possibility is that a community that has had a successful traffic safety project will now have an inherent willingness and desire to develop a comprehensive and ongoing project.

The Arkansas Highway Safety Office will issue sub-grants to approximately 60 different agencies statewide to target a myriad of Highway Safety issues. Those agencies will include state, county and municipal law enforcement agencies in both urban and rural locations. Other sub-grantees include, but are not limited to, Arkansas Highway & Transportation Department, Arkansas Administrative Office of the Courts, University of Arkansas System, Arkansas Department of Health, Black River Technical College Law Enforcement Training Academy and Mother's Against Drunk Driving.

Although the larger populated areas of Arkansas present the most exposure to problems involving crashes, the less populated areas exhibit a need for improving their problem locations. On average 74 percent of fatalities occur in rural areas of the state.



The statewide projects listed above will utilize their resources in combating this problem. Over the past 5 years crash fatalities have averaged 654 per year. In 2004 fatality numbers increased to 703, but from 2004 to 2008 the numbers decreased from 703 to 600 as depicted in the chart below.



It is obvious from the statewide problem analysis that the most effective reduction of fatalities and injuries, attributed to motor vehicle crashes, could be achieved by the reduction of impaired driving, and a significantly increased occupant protection use rate in the state. Therefore an aggressive, innovative and well publicized enforcement and education program must be implemented and remain ongoing.

### **LEGISLATIVE ISSUES**

The 87<sup>th</sup> General Assembly of the State of Arkansas, Legislative Session began on January 12, 2009 and adjourned on May 1, 2009. During this session a number of important bills were passed that will impact highway safety issues in Arkansas. Noteworthy among these are the primary seat belt law, ignition interlock laws, laws which restrict the use of cell phones, and laws regarding the licensing of youthful drivers. The next regular session is scheduled to begin in January of 2011. A legislative session in February 2010 will be held to discuss fiscal issues only. Relevant legislative activity that took place during the 87<sup>th</sup> General Assembly was as follows:

### BILLS THAT WERE SIGNED IN TO LAW/ACTS:

### ACT MAKING THE MANDATORY SEAT BELT LAW A PRIMARY LAW

Act 308 (SB78) —To improve the safety of motorists on highways and roads in the state of Arkansas by making the mandatory seat Belt Law a primary Law for enforcement purposes.

http://www.arkleg.state.ar.us/assembly/2009/R/Acts/Act308.pdf

### ACTS CONCERNING THE USE OF CELL PHONES WHILE DRIVING

Act 181 (HB1013) – "Pauls Law" prohibiting the use of hand held cell phones for typing, texting, e-mail or accessing the internet while driving

http://www.arkleg.state.ar.us/assembly/2009/R/Acts/Act181.pdf

Act 197 (HB 1119) –To improve the safety of the roads and Highways by limiting wireless telephone use by young drivers.

http://www.arkleg.state.ar.us/assembly/2009/R/Acts/Act197.pdf

Act 247 (SB 28) –To prohibit wireless telephone use by drivers under eighteen years of age; and to prohibit drivers who are at least eighteen but under twenty-one years of age from using handheld wireless telephones. To allow drivers who are at least eighteen but under twenty one years of age to use hands-free wireless telephones or devices

http://www.arkleg.state.ar.us/assembly/2009/R/Acts/Act247.pdf

### ACTS CONCERNING THE LICENSING OF YOUTHFUL DRIVERS

Act 394 (SB 309)--To improve the safety of roads and highways in the state by addressing issues related to the licensing of youthful drivers.

http://www.arkleg.state.ar.us/assembly/2009/R/Acts/Act394.pdf

Act 807 (SB 826) To place reasonable restrictions on youthful drivers granted a hardship license. http://www.arkleg.state.ar.us/assembly/2009/R/Acts/Act807.pdf

### ACTS REGARDING THE USE OF DWI IGNITION INTERLOCK DEVICES

Act 922 (SB 1799) Regarding DWI ignition interlock devices. http://www.arkleg.state.ar.us/assembly/2009/R/Acts/Act922.pdf

Act 1293 (HB 1640) Regarding the issuance ignition interlock restricted license. http://www.arkleg.state.ar.us/assembly/2009/R/Acts/Act1293.pdf

### ACT TO AMEND STATUTE REQUIRING A CHEMICAL TEST OF DRIVERS BLOOD, BREATH OR URINE WHEN INVOLVED IN AN ACCIDENT WHERE DEATH HAS OCCURRED OR IS LIKELY TO OCCUR.

Act 423 (SB 217) An act to require a chemical test of the blood, breath, or urine of the driver involved in an accident in which death has occurred or is likely to occur. http://www.arkleg.state.ar.us/assembly/2009/R/Acts/Act423.pdf

### ACT TO CREATE THE SCHOOL BUS SAFETY EQUIPMENT GRANT PILOT PROGRAM

Act 1207 (SB 500) An Act to assist school districts in equipping school buses with electronic devices and notices designed to improve the safety of children on school buses. <u>http://www.arkleg.state.ar.us/assembly/2009/R/Acts/Act1207.pdf</u>

### ACT TO CREATE REESTABLISH A TASK FORCE ON RACIAL PROFILING

Act 1458 (SB 299) An act to reestablish a task force on racial profiling. http://www.arkleg.state.ar.us/assembly/2009/R/Acts/Act1458.pdf

Act 1136 (SB 694) An act for the office of attorney general – expenses of the task force on racial profiling and to implement a hot line for reporting and data collection. <u>http://www.arkleg.state.ar.us/assembly/2009/R/Acts/Act1136.pdf</u>

### BILLS THAT WERE INTRODUCED BUT WERE NOT SIGNED IN TO LAW:

*House Bill 1481*, to require motorcycle passengers and operators to wear protective headgear. <u>http://www.arkleg.state.ar.us/assembly/2009/R/Bills/HB1481.pdf</u>

*House Bill 1256*, concerning racing motor vehicles on public highways and observing a race as a spectator.

http://www.arkleg.state.ar.us/assembly/2009/R/Bills/HB1256.pdf

*Senate Bill 106*, to improve motorcycle safety by requiring training and testing materials prepared by the motorcycle safety foundation.

http://www.arkleg.state.ar.us/assembly/2009/R/Bills/SB106.pdf

Senate Bill 29, to require all persons who operate or ride on a motorcycle to wear protective headgear or to carry adequate coverage under a health insurance plan. http://www.arkleg.state.ar.us/assembly/2009/R/Bills/SB29.pdf

### PERFORMANCE PLAN

### PROBLEM IDENTIFICATION PROCESS

The program management staff of the HSO analyzes crash data for preceding years to determine traffic fatality and injury trends and overall highway safety status. Basic crash data are obtained from the NHTSA website's FARS based data which includes annual tabulations of the statewide fatality counts for each FARS based core performance measure (e.g., total traffic fatalities; fatalities from alcohol vehicle occupant fatalities; speeding-related fatalities; fatalities from alcohol impaired driving crashes (BAC of 0.08% plus); unrestrained passenger vehicle occupant fatalities; speeding-related fatalities) for each of the five most recent available calendar years. (Reference: NHTSA's Traffic Safety Information Website). Data reflecting the number of serious injuries in traffic crashes was obtained from the State crash data files (Arkansas Traffic Analysis Reporting System (TARS) which compiles data from crash reports filed by law enforcement agencies with the Arkansas State Police. Other supplemental data, such as statewide demographics, motor vehicle travel, and statewide observational safety belt rates are evaluated as well.

The HSO coordinates with State and local agencies to obtain data and other information.

- Criminal Justice Institute
- Arkansas Highway Police
- Arkansas Crime Laboratory
- Arkansas Department of Health
- Local Law Enforcement Agencies
- Arkansas Department of Education
- Arkansas Crime Information Center
- Arkansas Administrative Office of the Courts
- Arkansas Office of the Prosecutor Coordinator
- Arkansas State Highway and Transportation Department
- Arkansas Department of Finance and Administration's Office of Driver Services

The HSO also collaborates with the following groups:

- Arkansas Traffic Records Coordinating Committee
- Strategic Highway Safety Steering Committee
- EMS/Emergency Medical Services for Children Advisory Committee
- Building Consensus for Safer Teen Driving Coalition
- Arkansas Alcohol and Drug Abuse Coordinating Council
- Arkansas Motorcycle Safety Advisory Committee
- Arkansas Task Force for Safe Senior Driving (UAMS)

Data together with other pertinent information are discussed, reviewed, analyzed, and evaluated among the various agencies to pinpoint specific traffic safety problems. Fatal, non-fatal injury and property damage crashes on Arkansas' streets and highways are identified as primary traffic safety problems. Based on the problems identified through the above process, the HSO recommends specific countermeasures that can be implemented to promote highway safety in an effort to reduce the incidence and severity of traffic crashes in the State.

In addition to traffic safety problems directly identifiable and measurable by crash and other traffic safety data, other problems or deficiencies are identified through programmatic reviews and

assessments. For example, deficiencies in the traffic records system cannot be ascertained from analysis of crash data. Nevertheless, it is important that such problems be alleviated, as doing so can have a significant traffic safety program benefit.

Specific emphasis has been placed upon identifying baseline traffic crash statistics for the following general areas of interest:

- Overall Fatalities
- Overall Serious Injuries (Incapacitating and Non-incapacitating)
- Alcohol Related Traffic Crashes
- Speeding Related Fatalities
- Occupant Restraint Use (Driver and front seat passenger)
- Number of Urestrained Passenger Vehicle Occupant Fatalities
- Rail-Highway Traffic Crashes
- Work-Zone Crashes
- Motorcycle Crash Fatalities (Helmeted and Un-helmeted)
- Pedestrian Fatalities
- Teen Fatalities

Arkansas' Performance Plan and Highway Safety Plan will focus on these identified areas. Shortterm goals were set in these areas for the end of 2010. Long-term goals were set through the year 2013.

### PROGRAM/PROJECT DEVELOPMENT

### PROGRAM DEVELOPMENT

Each year the HSO prepares a Performance Plan and Highway Safety Plan (HSP) that establishes the goals and objectives and describe the projects recommended for funding during the next Federal Fiscal Year (October 1 through September 30). For Fiscal Year 2010, the projects presented in the HSP are mostly continuation projects from the prior year. This years plan also includes a number of new projects including projects to facilitate the establishment of DWI Courts and address the issue of teen fatalities. The process of developing the Performance Plan and HSP begins early in the preceding federal fiscal year. A Performance Plan and HSP Development Schedule (shown on page 3) are issued to the HSO staff at the beginning of the development process. Problem identification is the beginning of the HSP development process and is the basis for all proposed projects. This process also involves planning meetings with select highway safety partners such as the Strategic Highway Safety Steering Committee, the Criminal Justice Institute, Arkansas State Highway and Transportation Department, University of Arkansas for Medical Sciences, Arkansas Motorcycle Safety Advisory Committee and the Traffic Records Coordinating Committee to help identify emerging problems and to develop strategies and countermeasures to address these problems. Priority for project implementation is based on ranking given during problem identification and indicators developed from crash data.

Based on problem identification, state and local entities are targeted for implementation of new projects or for continuation of existing projects and proposals are requested. All proposed projects continuing into the next fiscal year are identified and preliminary funding estimates are developed. If new projects are recommended, requests for proposals are issued to select new sub-grantees/contractors. Proposals submitted by State and local agencies and vendors are assigned to the appropriate program managers for review. Along with reviewing the proposals, the HSO staff analyzes traffic safety data and other information available. The data sources are used to identify emerging problem areas, as well as to verify the problems identified by the agencies that have submitted proposals for funding consideration.

After completing their analysis, the HSO program management staff develops funding recommendations for presentation to the HSO Manager and the Administrator. Following the determination of funding priorities, a draft plan is prepared and submitted to ASP management and the Governor's Highway Safety Representative (GR) for approval. A copy of the approved plan is sent to the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration Central Region office for review by September 1. The plan is finalized by September 30.

### PROJECT DEVELOPMENT

The process for development of new and continuing projects during the fiscal year involves the following major steps:

- Conduct problem identification
- Establish goals
- Request proposals (new and continuing projects)
- Review and approve proposals
- Develop funding recommendations
- Prepare draft Highway Safety Plan
- Conduct pre-agreement meeting between HSO staff and sub-grantee/contractor
- Finalize HSP after necessary review and approvals
- Prepare draft project agreements
- Review and approve final project agreements

Both continuing project and new project applicants are notified by September 1 whether their proposals are placed in the HSP. Sub-grant agreements/contracts are prepared for projects with approved proposals. After a satisfactory agreement/contract has been negotiated and approved, the applicant can begin work on the project on or after October 1. The HSO program management staff monitors the progress of each project throughout the year.

### ESTABLISHING PERFORMANCE GOALS

Performance goals for each program are established by the AHSO staff, taking into consideration data sources that are reliable, readily available, and reasonable as representing outcomes of the program. Both long-range and short-range measures are utilized and updated annually.

### <u>GOALS</u>

The goals identified in this report were determined in concert with the problem identification process. The goals were established for the various program priority areas identified as problems in Arkansas. The goals are accompanied by appropriate performance measures. Performance measures include one or more of the following:

- Absolute numbers
- Percentages
- Rates

The specific goals and target dates were identified based on past trends and the staff's experience. Historical trends were established through the use of graph and chart information. Data from the five year period (2004 thru 2008) were used in setting goals. This was supplemented by the judgment and expertise of the HSO staff and management.

The HSO recognizes that achievement of quantified goals is dependent not only on the work of the HSO, but also on the collaborative and ongoing dedication and efforts of a multitude of

governmental and private entities involved in improving highway safety. Advances in vehicle technology, coupled with traffic safety legislation, expanded participation by the public health and private sectors, and aggressive traffic safety education, enforcement and engineering programs are the best method to make those goals achievable.

### OVERALL PROGRAM GOALS

To implement projects and facilitate activities/programs which will contribute toward reducing the following:

• State fatality rate from 1.8 per 100 MVM traveled as recorded in 2008 to 1.7 per 100 MVM traveled by 2010, and 1.5 per 100 MVM by the year 2013.



• Total fatalities in the state from 600 in 2008 to 550 in 2010 and then 500 in 2013





• Reduce number of serious injuries from 12,723 in 2008 to 11,832 in 2010 and 10,995 by 2013.

### PROGRAM AREA GOALS

### **Alcohol and Other Drugs Countermeasures**

• To reduce the number of alcohol-related fatalities from 171 alcohol-related fatalities as recorded in 2008 to 154 alcohol-related fatalities by 2010 and 140 by 2013.

### **Occupant Protection**

- To increase the overall seat belt use rate of 74.4 percent as recorded in 2009 to 78 percent by 2010 and then to 80 percent by the year 2013.
- To decrease the number of unrestrained passenger vehicle occupant fatalities from 265 as recorded in 2008 to 245 in 2010 and to 225 by 2013.

### Speed

• To decrease the number of speeding related fatalities from 63 in 2008 to 60 in 2010 and 57 by 2013

### **Motorcycle Safety**

- To reduce the total number of motorcycle fatalities from the 68 fatalities as recorded in 2008 to 59 in 2010 and to 51 by 2013.
- To reduce the number of un-helmeted motorcycle fatalities from 37 in 2008 to 25 in 2010 and 13 in 2013.

### **Pedestrian Safety**

• To reduce the number of pedestrian fatalities from 45 in 2008 to 39 in 2010 and 33 in 2013.

### **Teen Driver Safety**

• To reduce the number of drivers age 20 or younger involved in fatal crashes from 103 in 2008 to 98 in 2010 and 93 in 2013.

### **Traffic Records**

• To reduce the backlog of crash reports to be entered into the Traffic Analysis Reporting System (TARS) from a two and one-half-month backlog as recorded in June 2009 to a one-month backlog by June 2010 and then decrease to a zero backlog by 2013.

### **Rail-Highway Grade Crossings**

• To maintain the number of rail-highway grade crossing crashes at or below 49 as recorded in 2008 for 2010 and 45 by the year 2013.

### Work Zone

• To maintain the number of work zone fatalities below 20 for 2010 and through the year 2013.

### **Performance measures**

- Traffic fatality rate per 100M VMT
- Number of speeding fatalities
- Number of serious injuries
- Number of traffic alcohol-related fatalities
- State seat belt use rate as determined through observational surveys
- Number of unrestrained passenger vehicle occupant fatalities
- Number of crash reports awaiting entry into the system
- Number of rail-highway grade crossing crashes
- Number of motorcycle fatalities
- Number of un-helmeted motorcycle fatalities
- Number of pedestrian fatalities
- Number of work zone fatalities
- Number of teen fatalities

### **Highway Safety Plan**

### PLANNING AND ADMINISTRATION

### I. Program Overview

Planning and Administration refers to those activities and costs that are attributable to the overall management and operation of the Arkansas Highway Safety Program. These necessary functions include fiscal support, financial reporting, purchasing, equipment inventory, maintenance and operations, and office management. Additional program responsibilities include identifying problems and solutions, developing and implementing projects, monitoring projects and evaluating accomplishments.

The overall program management of the Highway Safety Program is the responsibility of the Highway Safety Office (HSO) of the Arkansas State Police (ASP). The organizational chart of the HSO is shown on page 4.

The management and fiscal staff will build on and maintain their expertise in all aspects of the program by attending available training sessions. The staff will attend meetings and other sessions in the performance of their normally assigned functions. The percentage of funding distribution for positions by program area is provided on page 18. The costs associated with the overall management and operation of the Highway Safety Program under Planning and Administration are itemized as follows:

### Salaries and Benefits

The entire salaries and benefits for two full-time positions and a portion of the salaries and benefits for three full-time positions, fulfilling management and fiscal support functions are paid from federal funds.

### **Travel and Subsistence**

This component provides for travel and subsistence costs for management and fiscal support personnel.

### **Operating Expenses**

This component provides for operating expenses directly related to the overall operation of the Highway Safety Program.

POSITION	AL	ОР	TR MC P&A	FARS	STATE
GOVERNOR'S REPRESENTATIVE	AL	Or	IK MC F&A	FARS	100
ADMINISTRATOR			50		50
HIGHWAY SAFETY MANAGER	40	40	10		10
FISCAL MANAGER			50		50
FISCAL SUPPORT ANALYST			100		
SECRETARY			100		
SAFETY PROGRAM SPECIALIST	60	40			
SAFETY PROGRAM SPECIALIST	50	50			
SAFETY PROGRAM SPECIALIST	50	50			
SAFETY PROGRAM SPECIALIST	25	75			
SAFETY PROGRAM SPECIALIST (parttime)			50		
TRAFFIC RECORDS SPECIALIST			90	10	
ADMINISTRATIVE ANALYST I (2) (TARS)			100		
RECORDS MANAGEMENT ANALYST I (2) (FARS)				100	

Estimated 402 P&A Costs – FY2010						
	Fe	deral		State	To	tal
Salaries						
50% of 1 Full-time Position	\$	38,600	\$	38,600	\$	77,200
10% of 1 Full-time Position	\$	4,800	\$	4,800	\$	9,600
50% of 1 Full-time Position	\$	18,900	\$	18,900	\$	37,800
100% of 1 Full-time Position	\$	36,000			\$	36,000
100% of 1 Full-time Position	\$	26,500			\$	26,500
P&A Salaries paid by ASP			\$	32,500	\$	19,300
Sub-Total	\$	124,800	\$	94,800	\$	219,600
Benefits						
Payroll Additive (18.65%)	\$	23,300	\$	17,700	\$	41,000
Insurance	\$	14,500	<u>\$</u>	5,200	<u>\$</u>	19,700
Sub-Total	\$	37,800	\$	22,900	\$	60,700
Travel						
Travel & Subsistence	<u>\$</u>	10,000	<u>\$</u>		\$	10,000
Sub-Total	\$	10,000	\$		\$	10,000
Operating Expenses						
Association Dues & Publications	\$	7,000			\$	7,000
Office Supplies	\$	2,000	\$	3,900	\$	5,900
Printing Materials/Services/Fees	\$	8,000	\$	4,684	\$	12,684
Supplies & Materials	\$	2,100	\$	4,159	\$	6,259
Copier Lease			\$	5,400	\$	5,400
Vehicle Expense			\$	5,000	\$	5,000
Dept. of Info. Services Charges			\$	9,669	\$	9,669
Office Space Rental Charge			\$	26,188	\$	26,188
Office Equipment under \$2,500 ea			\$	15,000	\$	15,000
Sub-Total	\$	19,100	\$	74,000	\$	91,800

### Arkansas State Police-HSO Estimated 402 P&A Costs – FY2010

Federal P&A costs are 10% or less of total estimated new 402 funds available (+\$2,899,449).

\$<u>191,700</u>

\$ 191,700

\$ 383,400

10% of 402 funds = \$289,945

Federal P&A costs are 50% or less of total P&A (384,400).

50% of P&A = \$191,700

Note: Percentages shown under Salaries represent the % of 402 funding.

TOTALS

Arkansas State Police-HSO							
Estimated 406 P	Estimated 406 P&A Costs – FY2010						
	Federal	State	Total				
Travel							
Travel & Subsistence	<u>\$ 10,000</u>	<u>\$</u>	<u>\$ 10,000</u>				
Sub-Total	\$ 10,000	\$	\$ 10,000				
Operating Expenses							
Association Dues & Publications	\$ 7,000		\$ 7,000				
Office Supplies	\$ 2,000	\$	\$ 2,000				
Printing Materials/Services/Fees	\$ 8,000	\$	\$ 8,000				
Supplies & Materials	\$ 2,100	\$	\$ 2,100				
HSO Website Development (consultant	\$ 557,900	\$	\$ 557,900				
HSO E-Grant Development (consultant)	\$ 200,000	\$	\$ 200,000				
Office Equipment under \$2,500 ea	\$ 10,000	\$	\$ 10,000				
Project Management Training	<u>\$ 20,000</u>		<u>\$ 20,000</u>				
Sub-Total	\$ 807,000	\$	\$ 807,000				
TOTALS	<u>\$ 817,000</u>	\$	<u>\$ 817,000</u>				

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### ALCOHOL AND OTHER DRUGS COUNTERMEASURES PROGRAMS



### I. Program Overview

During the five-year period from 2004 through 2008 the percentage of impaired driving fatalities, as a percentage of the total has remained at 29 percent. Fatalities rose to a high of 703 in 2004 and stood at 600 for 2008.

Alcohol related fatalities have fluctuated up and down over the past five years. The State

experienced a decrease from 182 in 2007 to 171 in 2008. A chart showing the number of alcohol related fatalities by county for 2004-2008 is shown on page 22.



In 2003, the Arkansas Crime Information Center (ACIC) reported driving 12,535 while intoxicated (DWI)/ driving under the influence (DUI) arrests. In 2004, the number of arrests decreased to 12,368. In 2006 the number of arrests increased to 12,699. For 2007 ACIC reported that there were 12,618 DWI/DUI arrests. The lower trend in arrest numbers, over the past several years, is an issue that has been questioned and researched. Agencies have reported manpower shortages, lack of training, DWI courtroom defense tactics and higher paying off-duty opportunities as contributory factors for the decline in impaired driving enforcement.

According to the Drug Enforcement Administration's 2007 report for Arkansas, the availability and rate of drug abuse in Arkansas remain high coinciding with the smuggling of methamphetamine, cocaine, and marijuana, the drugs of choice, for local consumption and further distribution. The

largest quantities of drugs are seized on the highways via interdiction programs. Methamphetamine has become Arkansas' primary drug of concern. The state's rural landscape provides for an ideal setting for illicit manufacturing of methamphetamine.

In 2006, 407 meth labs were put out of business, which is down from 426 in 2005. According to the DEA, approximately 35 kilograms of methamphetamine was seized along with 226 kilograms of cocaine and 944 kilograms of marijuana in 2006. While in 2007 240 meth labs were put out of business, 17.9 kilograms of methamphetamine was seized along with 181.6 kilograms of cocaine and 3,788.5 kilograms of marijuana. The ACIC reports that the number of drug violation arrests totaled 10,641 for 2006 and 10,635 in 2007. Each year the request for drug recognition expert (DRE) training exceeds the available resources in personnel. However, the acceptance and importance of the DRE program is gaining momentum throughout the state, with increased interest in agencies having certified DRE officers in their ranks.

Arkansas has increased the number of prosecutor positions as a result of increased demands upon the criminal justice system to meet speedy trial requirements. Prosecutors must become acquainted with alcohol and other drug testing procedures along with relevant case law, new validation studies, new legislation and testing updates.

Countermeasures to address the alcohol and other drug driving problems in Arkansas include the following: Selective Traffic Enforcement Projects (STEPs); Prosecutor, Judicial and Law Enforcement Training Projects; a BAC DataMaster Training Project; Youth Intervention and Training Projects; Underage Drinking; Alcohol Safety Education Programs; Blood Alcohol Training & Sobriety Checkpoint Mobile Training Project; Pilot DWI Courts, and a public information and enforcement campaign, "Drunk Driving. Over the Limit, Under Arrest".

### II. Performance Measure - Goal

### Program Goal

The goal of projects funded in the Alcohol and Other Drugs Countermeasures Program is:

• To reduce the number of alcohol-related fatalities from 171 alcohol-related fatalities as recorded in 2008 to 154 alcohol-related fatalities by 2010.



#### Alcohol Related Fatalities By County For 2004-2008 COUNTY TOTAL COUNTY TOTAL ARKANSAS (49) LEE (71) ASHLEY (22) LINCOLN (65) LITTLE RIVER (53) BAXTER (19) **BENTON (4)** LOGAN (17) BOONE LONOKE (9) **BRADLEY (64)** MADISON (26) CALHOUN (72) MARION (35) CARROLL (20) MILLER (12) CHICOT (41) **MISSISSIPPI (36) CLARK (57)** MONROE (27) MONTGOMERY CLAY (50) (62) CLEBURNE (230) NEVADA (73) CLEVELAND (66) **NEWTON (101)** COLUMBIA (51) OUACHITA (21) CONWAY (52) PERRY (45) **CRAIGHEAD** (5) PHILLIPS (467) CRAWFORD (23) **PIKE (31) CRITTENDEN (15)** POINSETT (28) **CROSS** (42) **POLK (37)** DALLAS (67) **POPE (11)** DESHA (43) PRAIRIE (32) **DREW (58)** PULASKI (1) FAULKNER (8) RANDOLPH (38) FRANKLIN (44) ST FRANCIS (29) FULTON (59) SALINE (13) GARLAND (2) **SCOTT (63) GRANT (60)** SEARCY (55) GREENE (24) SEBASTIAN (10) **HEMPSTEAD (34)** SEVIER (47) HOT SPRING (7) SHARP (33 HOWARD (68) **STONE (56)** INDEPENDENCE **UNION (40)** (16)**IZARD (75)** VAN BUREN (48) JACKSON (61) WASHINGTON (3) **JEFFERSON** (6) **WHITE (14)** JOHNSON (25) WOODRUFF (74) YELL (18) LAFAYETTE (69) Total LAWRENCE (70)

### III. Project Strategies

The objectives of projects funded in the Alcohol and Other Drugs Countermeasures Program are:

- To provide DWI adjudication training to approximately 85 municipal judges, 60 probation officers and 150 court clerks
- To provide a Statewide DRE training conference for Arkansas certified DREs
- To provide SFST and TOPS practitioner training to 400 Arkansas law enforcement officers
- To provide SFST refresher training to 200 Arkansas law enforcement officers
- To conduct a minimum of two Drug Recognition Expert (DRE) training classes for a total of approximately 50 law enforcement officers
- To provide SFST instructor development to 25 law enforcement officers
- To provide DRE instructor development to 15 law enforcement officers
- To provide a DWI seminar for a minimum of 40 prosecutors and 40 law enforcement officers along with an awards ceremony for law enforcement officers
- To provide five four-hour courses on Introduction to Drugged Driving throughout the State
- To provide awareness campaign to emphasize the reduction of impaired driving crashes among the 21 to 34 year old age group
- To conduct a high visibility enforcement/media campaign emphasizing impaired driving, such as "Drunk Driving. Over the Limit, Under Arrest"
- To achieve an average of 1 DWI/DUI arrest per eight/twelve hours, during DWI/DUI enforcement
- To conduct five waves of increased enforcement emphasizing DWI/DUI laws for each Section 402 and 410 STEP
- To conduct an ongoing public information and education campaign as a component of all enforcement projects
- To provide applicable training for Arkansas Department of Health, Office of Alcohol Testing (OAT) personnel
- To provide for the purchase portable breath testing devices, radar equipment, and passive alcohol sensors for selected STEPs
- To conduct a minimum of 25 victim impact panels statewide
- To conduct three chemical-free event training conferences and events
- To conduct one DUI workshop during the chemical-free event training
- To distribute and evaluate the use of Alcohol Safety PSAs and document a minimum of \$300,000 worth of donated airtime
- To provide State Alcohol Safety Education Programs statewide
- To provide a BAT mobile unit with facilities, equipment and evaluation tools to train and assist law enforcement officers and agencies in impaired driving checkpoints
- To establish at least two pilot DWI courts.

### IV. Tasks

### Task 1 - Judicial Training

This task is a continuing training activity that provides adjudication training to district court judges and other court officers in the State. The primary objective of this training project is to provide a three-day education program to approximately 85 of Arkansas's 112 district judges with emphasis on impaired driving issues. Sessions may also include, but are not limited to, careless driving, radar, search and seizure, probable cause, pharmacology, interaction with other agencies and sentencing. The faculty will be selected from district judges, substance abuse professionals, law enforcement officers, law professors and judges from other states who routinely teach traffic programs in their home state and at the national level.

This task will also:

• Send seven judges and two judicial branch educators to the 2009 American Bar Association Traffic Safety Seminar in Providence, Rhode Island in October. This seminar provides an opportunity for attendees to discuss the latest developments in traffic law, scientific evidence and the effects of drugs and traffic safety.

Funding for these tasks will also reimburse in-state and out-of-state travel, tuition, meals and lodging.

### ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE OF THE COURTS (AOC) (AL) \$63,800

Task 2 - Law Enforcement and Prosecutor Training Project This task will:

- Provide DWI and standardized field sobriety test (SFST) / traffic occupant protection strategies (TOPS) training and education for approximately 400 law enforcement officers.
- Provide SFST refresher training to 200 law enforcement officers.
- Provide drug recognition expert (DRE) training/education to approximately 50 law enforcement officers.
- Provide instructor development training to 25 SFST/TOPS officers and 15 DRE officers.
- Fund a training conference for approximately 80 prosecutor/law enforcement officer participants specific to the prosecution of DWI cases.
- Fund a training conference for the State's certified Drug Recognition Experts.
- Provide five 4-hour courses to police agencies throughout the State entitled "Introduction to Drugged Driving" that presents educational information on the detection of drivers that are impaired by drugs other than alcohol.
- Fund an awards ceremony in conjunction with the prosecutor-training seminar, to recognize officers who have displayed exemplary performance while working STEP. Additional recognition will be afforded at this ceremony to projects that meet and/or

• Surpass project objectives by presenting them with equipment that can aid in the detection and arrest of errant drivers.

This task will also provide for professional development (specified training) for law enforcement officers and/or other personnel in matters of alcohol and other drugs programs. Funding will provide for personnel, travel/training, supplies, meeting room expenses, speaker honorariums, operating expenses, printing, transparency and video tape reproduction.

### **CRIMINAL JUSTICE INSTITUTE**

### (AL) \$390,000

#### Task 3 – Youth and Young Adult Intervention and Public Information/Education Program

This task will continue to train volunteers and develop PowerPoint presentations and program presentations to provide information about Arkansas laws, the consequences of drunk driving and underage drinking prevention to student groups with special emphasis in counties with the highest number of alcohol related fatality crashes. This includes initiating a state-wide competition to invite high school students to create PSA's for a competition and award program focusing on Alcohol Awareness Month and prom and graduation activities. Three press conferences/public awareness campaigns will be conducted under the direction of the AHSO to encourage Arkansas drivers to make a commitment to drive safe and sober. A statewide program targeting young adults 21 - 34 years old will continue to emphasize information about law enforcement mobilization efforts, Arkansas laws and consequences at employer safety and college campus presentations. A college campus alcohol summit will be conducted targeting fraternity and sorority groups and civic group and faith-based presentations will support public awareness. A statewide law enforcement recognition program will continue. Conduct a conference for law enforcement agencies on best practices related to mobilization efforts. Funding will provide for personnel, in-state and out-of-state travel, training/conference attendance, printing, supplies, materials, promotional items, meeting room expenses and operating costs.

### MOTHERS AGAINST DRUNK DRIVING (MADD) (AL) \$45,000

### Task 4 – Training for Planning and Implementation of Chemical-Free Events

This is a continuing project to provide training in organizing and implementing chemical-free events to at least 350 youth and 60 adult sponsors in schools and communities. The training will include emphasis on planning chemical-free events during the 2009-2010 school year resulting in a commitment from at least 50 percent of the participating schools to host one activity of this nature during the year. The chemical-free training will be conducted at the annual Teens of Northeast (TONE) Arkansas conference. A one-day TONE follow-up and youth led training will be held with at least 285 participants to provide recognition and awards for the best events. A special issue of the newsletter TONE NET, devoted to chemical-free activities, and promotional items with traffic safety messages will be distributed to participants. The project will provide an on-going public information campaign to promote chemical-free events to the media. This project will also provide emphasis on notifying the public, especially youth, of the impact of youth impaired driving and the implications of Act 863 of 1993, the underage DUI law and Act 1694 of 2001, the graduated driver licensing law, Act 308 or 2009 the primary seat belt law and the new 2009 laws relating to young drivers. Funding will provide for personnel, in-state travel, operation expenses, conference expenses, promotional items and supplies.

### CROWLEY'S RIDGE DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL (AL) \$16,000

### Task 5 - Traffic Safety Non-Commercial Sustaining Announcement Evaluation Program

There is a continuous need to educate the public on the dangers of alcohol/drug impaired driving and the risks of traffic crashes. This is a continuing project to distribute non-commercial sustaining announcements (NCSAs) to radio and television stations and evaluate their use to obtain a minimum of \$300,000 in documented public service air time for traffic safety awareness messages. Funding will provide for technical services.

### ARKANSAS BROADCASTERS ASSOCIATION (AL) \$37,900

### Task 6 – State-Funded Alcohol Safety Education Programs

This task will provide for alcohol safety education programs through the Arkansas Department of Human Services, Alcohol and Drug Abuse Prevention (ADAP) for those convicted of driving while intoxicated (DWI) or driving under the influence (DUI). The programs will conduct preliminary investigations and pre-sentence screening of those convicted of DWI/DUI. State funding will provide for personnel, travel, equipment, meeting room expenses, printing, administrative/indirect costs, and operating expenses.

AR DEPT. OF HUMAN SERVICES- ADAP	AL (STATE)	\$1,200,000
AR DEPT. OF HUMAN SERVICES- ADAP	K8 (STATE)	\$1,600,000

### Task 7 – Statewide Public Information and Education (PI&E)

This task will provide for statewide public information and education to promote awareness of the impacts of impaired driving and will support national mobilizations such as "Drunk Driving. Over the Limit, Under Arrest" (DD-OLUA) targeting messages to young persons age 18 to 34. This task will also emphasize the .08 BAC law, Act 561 of 2001. The components of this task may include, but are not limited to, educational materials such as brochures, posters, public service announcements (PSAs), and/or corresponding promotional items to enhance other traffic safety projects. This task will provide funds for the services of a full-service advertising agency to create and develop traffic safety public information materials. This task will also provide assistance with PI&E efforts in specific community projects such as selective traffic enforcement projects (STEPs), support national mobilizations like "DD-OLUA", and state mobilizations. This task may also provide for the placement of traffic safety messages relating to impaired driving public information campaigns in the media. The media placements may include television, radio, internet and print. Section 410 funds will be allocated for paid media. Section 402 and 410 funding could also provide for PSA creation and production, PI&E materials creation and production, meeting expenses including meals and/or promotional items.

<b>CRANFORD JOHNSON ROBINSON WOODS (CRJW)</b>	(AL)	\$ 20,000
ASP	( <b>K8</b> )	\$ 100,000
CJRW	(K8PM)	\$ 600,000

### Task 8a - Selective Traffic Enforcement Projects (STEPs)

This task provides funding for selected cities and counties to conduct selective traffic enforcement projects. The project emphasis will be the sustained enforcement of DWI/DUI laws throughout the year (Section 410 funding can only be used for alcohol and other drug related countermeasures). A PI&E campaign will supplement enforcement. The primary objective of these projects is to achieve one DWI/DUI arrest per eight/twelve hours during project enforcement periods. Participating agency will conduct checkpoints and/or saturation patrols on at least four nights during the National impaired driving campaign and will also conduct checkpoints and/or saturation patrols for state impaired driving campaigns during the year. A media blitz will be associated with the mobilizations.

Section 410 funding will provide for selective enforcement pay (compensation at a rate of no more than one and one half of an officer's regular hourly pay), applicable payroll matching, out-of-state travel (HSO approved conferences only) and portable breath testing devices. This task may also provide for the purchase of ten (10) in-car video cameras for select agencies (at a cost not to exceed \$5,100 each). It is expected that advanced technology video cameras will provide enhanced supportive evidence that should result in increased impaired driving convictions. A list of the city and county agencies are shown on the next page.

Cities/	Counties	Funding Source	Federal Funds	Local Match
1	Benton County Sheriff's Office	 K8	\$ 25,000	\$ 25,000
2	Benton Police Department (Saline County)	K8	29,000	29,000
3	Bentonville Police Dept. (Benton County)	K8	2,500	2,500
4	Blytheville Police Department (Mississippi County)	K8	8,000	8,000
5	Bryant Police Department (Saline County)	K8	10,000	10,000
6	Camden Police Department (Ouachita County)	K8	5,000	5,000
7	Carroll County Sheriffs Office	K8	6,000	
8	Cleburne County Sheriff's Office	K8	6,000	
9	Conway Police Department (Faulkner County)	K8	20,000	20,000
10	Dardanelle Police Department (Yell County)	K8	5,000	
11	Drew County Sheriff's Office	K8	2,000	2,000
12	Faulkner County Sheriff's Office	K8	32,000	32,000
13	Fayetteville Police Department (Washington County)	K8	31,200	31,200
14	Fort Smith Police Department (Sebastian County)	K8	38,000	38,000
15	Garland County Sheriff's Office	K8	15,000	
16	Greenwood Police Department (Sebastian County)	K8	11,600	
17	Harrison Police Department (Boone county)	K8	20,400	20,400
18	Hope Police Department (Hempstead County)	K8	13,500	13,500
19	Hot Springs Police Department (Garland county)	K8	22,500	22,500
20	Jacksonville (Police Department (Pulaski County)	K8	23,500	
21	Jonesboro Police Department (Craighead County)	K8	6,000	6,000
22	Little Rock Police Department (Pulaski County)	K8	25,000	25,000
23	Lonoke County Sheriff's Office	K8	16,000	16,000
24	Marion Police Department (Crittenden County)	K8	4,000	4,000
25	Maumelle Police Department (Pulaski County)	K8	10,000	10,000
26	Mountain Home Police Dept (Baxter County)	K8	7,000	7,000
27	North Little Rock Police Dept. (Pulaski County)	K8	20,000	20,000
28	Osceola Police Department (Mississippi County)	K8	4,500	4,500
29	Paragould (Police Department (Greene County)	K8	4,000	4,000
30	Pulaski County Sheriff's Office	K8	26,000	26,000
31	Russellville Police Dept (Pope County)	K8	7,000	
32	Saline County Sheriff's Dept.	K8	40,000	40,000
33	Sherwood Police Department (Pulaski County)	K8	12,000	12,000
34	Springdale Police Department (Washington County)	K8	17,500	17,500
35	Texarkana Police Department (Miller County)	K8	50,000	50,000
36	U of A - Fayetteville (Washington County)	K8	10,500	
37	U of A - Ft. Smith (Sebastian County)	K8	10,000	
38	U of A @ Little Rock (UALR) (Pulaski County)	K8	10,000	
39	University of Central Arkansas (UCA) (Faulkner County)	K8	10,000	
40	Van Buren Police Department (Crawford County)	K8	18,000	18,000
40	Washington County Sheriff's Office	K8	2,500	2,500
42	West Memphis Police Department (Crittenden County)	K8 K8	2,300	25,000
Total 1			<u>661,200</u>	546,600

### Task 8b - Statewide Selective Traffic Enforcement Project

This task provides funding for a statewide selective traffic enforcement project. The primary emphasis will be sustained DWI/DUI enforcement throughout the year. A PI&E campaign will supplement enforcement. The participating agency will conduct checkpoints and/or saturation patrols on at least four nights during the National impaired driving campaign and will also conduct checkpoints and/or saturation patrols during state impaired driving campaigns this year.

A media blitz will be associated with the mobilizations and frequent PSAs will be publicized periodically to remind motorists of the increased potential for being stopped and ticketed. This approach is designed to condition drivers to be more attentive to their driving responsibilities while traveling in and around the State. Vehicles stopped during increased enforcement campaigns will also be monitored for occupant restraint and impaired driving violations. Purchase approximately 50 advanced technology in-car video camera-systems to be used to enhance the collection of evidentiary information at traffic stops which will aid in the prosecution of the traffic cases, especially, DWI/DUI. Federal-aid Section 410 funds will provide for selective enforcement pay (compensated at a rate of no more than one and one half times an officer's regular hourly rate), applicable fringe benefits, incentives/promotional items, in-state/out of state travel, and portable breath testing devices and state match (approximately \$163,100) will provide for administration, vehicle expense and supplies. Section 406 funds will be used to purchase in-car camera systems at a cost not to exceed \$5,100 each.

ARKANSAS STATE POLICE	( <b>K8</b> )	\$ 489,300
ARKANSAS STATE POLICE	(K4AL)	\$ 250,000

### Task 9 – BAC DataMaster and Blood Testing Training Project

This task will provide for:

- Director of the Office of Alcohol Testing (OAT) and one chemist to attend the three day Breath Alcohol Ignition Interlock Devices (BAIIDS) Meeting in Oklahoma in October of 2009.
- Two representatives of OAT to attend the annual conference of the international Association for Chemical Testing (IACT) in Dallas, TX in April of 2010.
- Provide for the Director of the Office of Alcohol Testing to attend the October 23, 2009 meeting of the National Safety Council's (NSC) Committee on Alcohol and Other Drugs (COAD) in Oklahoma City, OK.
- To purchase 1% Sodium Flouride (NAF) tubes for use in blood test kits to be mailed upon request to law enforcement and hospitals for drug analysis by the Crime Lab in addition to using them to send to the OAT for alcohol testing.

ARKANSAS DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH – OAT	(K8) \$32,000
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### <u>Task 10 – Law Enforcement Training Academy BAT & Sobriety Checkpoint Mobile Training</u> <u>Project</u>

This task provides funding for a mobile Breath Alcohol Testing (BAT) & Sobriety Checkpoint, support and training project with the Black River Technical College, Law Enforcement Training Academy in Pocahontas, AR. The primary emphasis will be low manpower & multi-agency sobriety checkpoint training and support. This project will also supplement the DWI/SFST/DRE program with the Criminal Justice Institute by providing a mobile platform during DRE evaluations that are part of the DRE certification process.

The BAT Sobriety Checkpoint Mobile Training Project will offer law enforcement attendee's (students) an 8-hour educational and certification program for the professional, safe and legal management and operation of a sobriety checkpoint. Upon request the BAT mobile will be made available and delivered to agencies in areas of the State where sobriety checkpoints are or will be conducted. A technical advisor/instructor will accompany the BAT mobile to monitor all aspects of the sobriety checkpoint(s). The BAT mobile will be present at public events such as county fairs and local festivals to aid in the promotion of highway safety and to deter impaired driving.

A Breath Alcohol Testing (BAT) Mobile, purchased in 2009, will provide law enforcement officers and agencies with a mobile platform that will allow on-site processing of impaired driving suspects. This will reduce transport time thereby reducing officer down-time and increase public awareness of enforcement activities. Included with this package will be a new generation DataMaster breath testing instrument for mobile units, interior video recording system, floodlights, hydraulic leveling jacks, roof air conditioner with generator upgrade, digital signal processing camera, vehicle seating and miscellaneous supplies. The vehicle shall be available for display and/or utilization at selected educational activities, public service announcements, county fairs, training conferences and other highway safety related activities, which may include activities outside of Randolph County. The recipient will develop a policy and procedures that govern the maintenance and operation of this vehicle.

Agency	Federal Funds (K8)
Black River Tech. ALETA	\$ 117,100

### Task 11 - Pilot DWI Courts

This task will provide for a DWI Administrator who will solicit the cooperation of various court jurisdictions statewide to promote and improve the adjudication of traffic laws related to impaired driving. The DWI Administrator activities will include soliciting and generating interest statewide for the development and implementation of DWI Courts. The DWI Administrator will coordinate summits/conferences to encourage courts to more aggressively prosecute impaired driving. The DWI Administrator will assist in planning and coordinating media events to promote new DWI Court implementation. This Task will also provide for the implementation cost for up to three pilot DWI courts. Federal funds will pay for salaries, fringe benefits, in-state and out-of state travel, speaker honorariums and travel, meeting expenses, maintenance and operations, printing and administration and start-up costs for up to three pilot DWI Courts.

AOC	(K8)	\$100,000
INDEPENDENCE COUNTY	(K8)	\$140,400
GARLAND COUNTY	( <b>K8</b> )	\$ 40,500
TBD	(K8)	\$ 50,000

### Task 12 - Alcohol and Other Drugs Countermeasures Program Management

This task will provide program management for projects within the Alcohol and Other Drugs Countermeasures program area. This task will provide proper administration of projects within this program area through program planning, oversight/monitoring, evaluation, coordination and staff education and development. This task will also provide for and make available program related materials that are also essential components of program management. Funding will provide for personnel, (see page 18 for positions funded under AL) travel/training and PI&E materials.

ASP

(AL) \$180,500
## **OCCUPANT PROTECTION**

#### I. Program Overview

From 2004-2008 Arkansas had 3,271 fatalities. Of these fatalities 2,516 or 77 percent were passenger vehicle occupants where non-use of a seat belt was a factor in the outcome of the crash.

Seat belt use has been proven to reduce the risk of fatal injury to front-seat passenger car occupants by 45 percent and 60 percent for light-truck occupants. In 2009, Arkansas' seat belt usage rate was 74.4 percent. The national usage rate for 2009 has not been determined as of this date, however in 2008 the usage rate was 83 percent.

Fatalities by Person Type											
		20	04	20	05	20	06	20	07	20	08
Person Type		Number	Percent*								
	Passenger Car	314	45	261	40	256	38	244	38	221	37
	Light Truck – Pickup	129	18	148	23	130	20	131	20	127	21
	Light Truck – Utility	95	14	73	11	96	14	84	13	76	13
Occupants	Light Truck – Van	26	4	34	5	28	4	22	3	21	4
	Large Truck	15	2	26	4	25	4	27	4	20	3
	Bus	16	2	0	0	0	0	3	0	0	0
	Other/Unknown Occupants	14	2	8	1	16	2	9	1	16	3
	Total Occupants	609	87	550	84	551	83	520	80	481	80
Motorcyclists	Total Motorcyclists	57	8	63	10	76	11	80	12	68	11
	Pedestrian	32	5	37	6	31	5	45	7	45	8
Nonoccupants	Bicyclist and Other Cyclist	3	0	3	0	3	0	3	0	5	1
	Other/Unknown Nonoccupants	2	0	1	0	4	1	1	0	1	0
	Total Nonoccupants	37	5	41	6	38	6	49	8	51	9
Total	Total	703	100	654	100	665	100	649	100	600	100

The graphs that follow portray the passenger vehicle fatalities by age group and the distribution of Arkansas' population by age groups





Young drivers from age 16 to age 34 and particularly those between 16 and 24 make up a higher percentage of fatalities versus their percentage of the overall population.

Men are overrepresented in passenger vehicle fatalities. Men represented 63 percent of the fatalities but they are only 49 percent of the population.

White's are 80 percent of the population and 79 percent of the passenger vehicle fatalities. African Americans are 16 percent of the population and 15 percent of the passenger vehicle fatalities.

			АКГ	Y 2010 PP & H	SF
County	Fatalities	Rank	County	Fatalities	Rank
Pulaski	234	1	Jackson	24	39
Benton	108	2	Johnson	24	40
Garland	95	3	Madison	24	41
Craighead	78	4	Ashley	23	42
Lonoke	75	5	Columbia	22	43
White	71	6	Phillips	22	44
Washington	68	7	Arkansas	21	45
Faulkner	62	8	Fulton	21	46
Mississippi	62	9	Randolph	21	47
Jefferson	59	10	Hempstead	20	48
Saline	58	11	Perry	20	49
Miller	51	12	Prairie	20	50
Hot Spring	50	13	Nevada	18	51
Independence	48	14	Clay	17	52
Poinsett	48	15	Grant	17	53
Sebastian	48	16	Searcy	17	54
Crittenden	46	17	Polk	16	55
Baxter	44	18	Stone	16	56
Pope	42	19	Chicot	15	57
Carroll	40	20	Cleveland	15	58
Cleburne	40	21	Scott	15	59
Crawford	39	22	Bradley	14	60
Greene	38	23	Desha	14	61
Union	37	24	Lincoln	14	62
St. Francis	33	25	Montgomery	14	63
Lawrence	31	26	Franklin	13	64
Drew	28	27	Little River	13	65
Sevier	28	28	Marion	12	66
Yell	28	29	Pike	12	67
Sharp	27	30	Woodruff	12	68
Logan	26	31	Dallas	11	69
Monroe	26	32	Howard	11	70
Ouachita	26	33	Lee	11	71
Van Buren	26	34	Calhoun	10	72
Boone	25	35	Lafayette	8	73
Conway	25	36	Izard	7	74
Cross	25	37	Newton	6	75
Clark	24	38			

Act 562 of the 1991 Arkansas General Assembly provided for mandatory seat belt use seat belt law. The passage of the seat belt law and the implementation of STEPs to enforce the law and provide public information were instrumental in the State's use rate increasing from 33.6 percent in 1999 to 52.0 percent in 1991 Preliminary results of the 2008 seat belt survey currently show

the adult seat belt use rate at 70.4%. In CY 09 the State Legislature enacted a primary enforcement safety belt law which took effect June 30, 2009. The survey completed for 2009 shows seat belt use currently at 74.4%. This represents an overall increase of 27% in the seat belt use rate since 1999.



Recognizing the importance of promoting seat belt use, the HSO will continue to contract with an advertising/public relations firm to provide high-visibility public information campaigns. Other projects will also continue to educate young drivers about seat belts; to educate the public about child passenger safety (CPS); to train law enforcement, healthcare and childcare professionals, and other highway safety advocates in CPS; and to continue child safety seat loaner programs.

Occupant protection selective traffic enforcement projects (STEPs) were continued in FY 2009. These 42 projects included selective enforcement of speeding, seat belt laws and impaired driving. The primary emphasis of these projects was the enforcement of seat belt and child restraint laws. A PI&E component supplemented these projects.

The Click It or Ticket (CIOT) Campaign implemented in 2002 continues to play an important part in raising the adult seat belt use rate. This enforcement mobilization effort was instrumental in raising the adult seat belt use rate from 63.7 percent in 2002 to 74.4% in 2009. The Buckle Up In Your Truck (BUIYT) overlay campaign was added to CIOT during the May 2004 campaign. These projects and the CIOT program will be continued in FY 2010.

The communities selected for Selective Traffic Enforcement Projects fall within the top 50 ranked counties. A methodology was developed to identify counties with the greatest need for an occupant protection project (seat belt use rates contribute to that ranking). The ranking of the 75 counties was based on four different factors utilizing 2004 - 2008 crash data. (See chart on previous page.)

#### **II.** Performance Measures – Goals

#### Program Goals

The goal of projects funded in the Occupant Protection Program is:

• To increase the overall seat belt use rate of 74.4 percent as recorded in 2009 to 78 percent by 2010.

## **III.** Project Strategies

The strategies of projects funded in the Occupant Protection Program are:

- To achieve an average of three enforcement points or vehicle stops per hour during seat belt enforcement periods.
- To conduct two waves of increased, high visibility enforcement emphasizing occupant restraint laws.
- To conduct PI&E activities as a component of all enforcement projects.
- To conduct a minimum of six child safety seat technician and instructor training courses.
- To conduct a minimum of three half-day child safety seat training for law enforcement officers.
- To obtain a minimum of \$300,000 worth of public service air time for traffic safety messages.
- To conduct a statewide public information and education and enforcement campaign that will emphasize occupant restraint laws, such as CIOT.
- To provide statewide child passenger safety education to healthcare, childcare and law enforcement professionals.
- To employ at least one Law Enforcement Liaison to encourage traffic enforcement statewide.
- To conduct a statewide survey of seat belt, child restraint and motorcycle helmet use.

## IV. Tasks

Task 1 – Comprehensive Occupant Protection/Injury Prevention Program

This task provides funding to increase usage of occupant protection systems and decrease the number of pedestrian fatalities and injuries by providing presentations, materials and technical assistance to businesses and civic groups, community service organizations, the news media, health professionals, law enforcement agencies and the general public. An important component of these projects will be an ongoing PI&E campaign with special emphasis on child restraint usage. These projects may also provide child safety seat technician and instructor training and one-day child safety seat training for law enforcement officers. In addition to the community occupant protection activities, this task will include a comprehensive community injury prevention effort. These projects will continue to assist Safe Communities coalitions in Craighead, Washington and Benton Counties. The coalitions' goal is to decrease preventable injuries within the communities by identifying and prioritizing problematic injury sources and developing and implementing prevention strategies. The projects will provide traffic safety expertise and tactical support to the coalitions. Funding will provide for salaries and benefits for part-time personnel, travel, printing materials, meeting expenses, instructor honorariums, child safety seats, and operating expenses. These projects will be funded from Occupant Protection (OP), Safe Communities (SA), and State Child Passenger Protection Funds (CPPF). Funding details are contained in the chart on the next page.

<b>Comprehensive Occupant Protection/Injury Prevention Program</b>					
I	Project Funding Deta	ils			
	FY 2007	FY 2007			
	Federal Share	State Share (CPPF)			
Dimensions, Inc.	\$102,000 (OP)	\$ 46,000			
U of A – Fayetteville	\$ 40,700 (SA)	\$ 5,000			
Total (OP)	\$ 102,000	\$51,000			
Total (SA)	\$ 40,700				

#### Task 2a – Selective Traffic Enforcement Projects (STEPs)

This task provides funding for selected cities and counties to conduct sustained selective traffic enforcement projects throughout the year. The primary emphasis will be seat belt/child restraint enforcement. Speed enforcement will also be a vital component of enforcement efforts. A PI&E campaign will supplement enforcement. A child safety seat clinic/checkpoint may also supplement enforcement efforts. The primary objectives of these projects are to achieve an average of three vehicle stops per hour during seat belt enforcement periods. These projects will conduct increased enforcement with primary emphasis on occupant protection laws during two specified period (mobilization) during the year. These mobilizations will be conducted in November surrounding the Thanksgiving holiday period and in May surrounding the Memorial Day holiday period. A media blitz will be associated with each mobilization. Also, pre and post observational surveys will be conducted to measure results for the periods which emphasize enforcement of occupant restraints. Federal funding will provide for selective enforcement pay (compensated at a rate of no more than one and one half times an officer's regular hourly rate and shall include project hours worked for child safety seat clinics), applicable fringe benefits, in-state travel (child safety seat training only), out-of-state travel (HSO approved conferences only), child safety seat clinics (including supplies and breaks), radar speed measurement devices (cost not to exceed \$4,000 per unit), child seat technician/instructor recertification and renewal and child safety seats, local funding will provide for additional enforcement, administration, vehicle mileage and PI&E, and State child passenger protection funds will provide for child safety seats. A list of the city and county agencies are shown on the next page.

Cities	s/Counties	Funding Source	Federal Funds	State Funds	Local Funds
1	Benton County Sheriff's Office	OP	25,000	10.000	15,000
2	Benton Police Dept.	OP	22,000	9,000	13,000
3	Bentonville Police Dept.	OP	9,000	2,500	6,500
4	Blytheville Police Dept.	OP	12,000	5,000	7,000
5	Bryant Police Dept.	OP	11,900	3,000	8,900
6	Camden Police Dept.	OP	12,000	4,000	8,000
7	Carroll County Sheriff's Office	OP	5,500		
8	Cleburne County Sheriff's Office	OP	6,000		
9	Conway Police Dept.	OP	30,000	3,200	26,800
10	Dardanelle Police Dept.	OP	10,000	1,500	
11	Drew County Sheriff's Office	OP	5,000		5,000
12	Faulkner County Sheriff's Office	OP	20,000	2,000	18,000
13	Fayetteville Police Dept.	OP	61,800	12,500	49,300
14	Fort Smith Police Dept.	OP	60,000	10,000	50,000
15	Garland County Sheriff's Dept.	OP	15,000		
16	Greenwood Police Dept.	OP	10,000		
17	Harrison Police Dept.	OP	14,000	4,000	10,000
18	Hope Police Dept.	OP	4,500	4,000	500
19	Hot Springs Police Dept.	OP	25,000		25,000
20	Jacksonville Police Dept.	OP	22,500	2,000	
21	Jonesboro Police Dept.	OP	50,000	8,000	42,000
22	Little Rock Police Dept.	OP	92,000	3,500	88,500
23	Lonoke County Sheriff's Office	OP	12,000		12,000
24	Marion Police Department	OP	10,000		10,000
25	Maumelle Police Dept	OP	10,000		10,000
26	Mountain Home Police Dept	OP	10,000	2,000	8,000
27	North Little Rock Police Dept.	OP	40,000	8,000	32,000
28	Osceola Police Dept.	OP	10,500	2,000	8,500
29	Paragould Police Dept.	OP	13,000	6,000	7,000
30	Pulaski County Sheriff's Office	OP	25,000		25,000
31	Russellville Police Dept.	OP	5,000		
32	Saline County Sheriff's Dept.	OP	20,000		20,000
33	Sherwood Police Dept.	OP	10,000	2,500	7,500
34	Springdale Police Dept.	OP	27,500	5,000	22,500
35	Texarkana Police Dept.	OP	26,000		26,000
36	U of A - Fayetteville	OP	9,000		
37	U of A – Ft. Smith	OP	7,000		
38	U of A – Little Rock	OP	7,000		
39	University of Central Arkansas	OP	8,500		
40	Van Buren Police Dept.	OP	32,000	9,000	23,000
41	Washington County Sheriff's Office	OP	10,000	5,000	5,000
42	West Memphis Police Dept.	OP	30,000		30,000
	tal OP		845,700	123,700	620,000

### Task 2b – Statewide Selective Traffic Enforcement Project

This task provides funding for a statewide selective traffic enforcement project. The primary emphasis will be sustained seat belt/child restraint enforcement throughout the year. A PI&E campaign will supplement enforcement. A child safety seat clinic/checkpoint may also supplement enforcement efforts. This project will conduct increased enforcement with primary emphasis on occupant restraint laws during at least two specified periods (mobilizations) during the year. These mobilizations will be conducted in May surrounding the (CIOT) Memorial Day holiday period and in November surrounding the thanksgiving holiday period. Also, pre and post observational surveys will be conducted to measure results for the mobilization period. Section 402 funds will provide for selective enforcement pay (compensated at a rate of no more than one and one half times an officer's regular hourly rate and shall include project hours worked for child safety seat clinics and observational surveys) and applicable fringe benefits, other personnel costs, in-state and out-of-state travel (approved highway safety conferences) and state match (approximately \$125,000) will provide for administration, vehicle expense, and supplies.

#### **Project Details**

Arkansas State Police	\$500,000 (OP)

#### Task 3 – Traffic Safety Non-Commercial Sustaining Announcement Evaluation Program

There is a continuous need to educate the public on the importance of occupant restraint usage and the risks of traffic crashes. This is a continuing project to distribute non-commercial sustaining announcements (NCSAs) to radio and television stations and evaluate their use to obtain a minimum of \$300,000 in documented public service air time for traffic safety awareness messages. Funding will provide for professional services.

## ARKANSAS BROADCASTERS ASSOCIATION (OP) \$37,900

#### Task 4 – Statewide Law Enforcement Liaison (LEL)

This task will provide for a LEL who will solicit the cooperation of law enforcement agencies statewide to conduct enforcement of traffic laws with primary emphasis on seat belt and child restraint laws. The LEL's activities may be expanded to also solicit participation of law enforcement agencies to conduct enforcement of DWI/DUI laws. The LEL will coordinate law enforcement summits/conferences to encourage agencies to support and participate in promoting increased seat belt usage and to conduct selective traffic enforcement. The LEL will also help the law enforcement agencies plan and coordinate media events to announce increased enforcement. The LEL will implement an incentive program to encourage non-STEP agencies to participate in enforcement mobilizations such as the CIOT/BUIYT campaigns and DD-OLUA campaigns. Federal funds will pay for salaries, fringe benefits, in-state and out-of-state travel, speaker honorariums and travel, meeting expenses, maintenance and operations, printing, incentive items (traffic safety-related equipment not exceeding \$4,000 each) and administration.

#### **CRIMINAL JUSTICE INSTITUTE**

(OP) **\$195,000** 

## Task 5 – Statewide Observational Survey

This task will provide for the FY 2010 statewide observational survey of seat belt, child restraint and motorcycle helmet use. The survey will provide the county, regional and statewide use rates. Funding will provide for personnel, in-state travel, printing costs and overhead expenses.

### PETERS AND ASSOCIATES ENGINEERS INC. (OP) \$45,000

#### Task 6 – Statewide Public Information and Education (PI&E)

This task will provide for statewide public information and education to promote occupant protection and will particularly focus on national Click It or Ticket enforcement mobilizations surrounding the Memorial Day and Thanksgiving holidays targeting messages to young persons age 18 - 34. This task will also emphasize the child restraint law, Act 470 of 2001, and Graduated Licensing laws, Act 1694 of 2001 and Act 394 of 2009 and new cell phone laws, Acts 181, 197, and 247 of 2009. The components of this task may include, but are not limited to, educational materials such as brochures, posters, public service announcements (PSAs), and/or corresponding promotional items to enhance other traffic safety projects. This task will provide funds to secure the services of a qualified full-service advertising agency to create and develop a traffic safety public information campaign. The advertising agency will develop the methodology to document and report audience reach to include telephone survey(s). This task will also provide assistance with PI&E efforts in specific community projects such as selective traffic enforcement projects (STEPs), and with diversity outreach and press events. Section 402 funding could provide for PSA creation and production, PI&E materials creation and production, promotional items, and meeting and press event expenses including PA system rental, material/supplies, meals and breaks (refreshments). This task will also provide for the placement of traffic safety messages relating to occupant protection public information campaigns in the media. The media placements may include television, radio, cinema, Internet and print. At a minimum, an assessment to measure audience exposure will be documented and included in the cost of media placements. A telephone survey may also be conducted to document campaign awareness. Section 402 funds will be allocated for the paid media.

CRANFORD JOHNSON ROBINSON & WOODS (CJRW)	( <b>OP</b> )	\$ 100,000
ASP/TBD	( <b>OP</b> )	\$ 30,000
CJRW	(PM)	\$ 450,000
CJRW	(K4PM)	\$ 500,000

#### Task 7 – Statewide Child Passenger Protection Education Project

This task will provide continuation of the statewide child passenger protection education project. This project will provide certification training primarily for, but not limited to, health care and childcare professionals to educate parents on the proper use of child restraint devices. The certification training will be the approved curriculum of the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, Standardized Child Passenger Safety Course. This project will target rural and minority populations. At a minimum, this public education project will address 1) all aspects of proper installation of child restraints using standard seat belt hardware, supplemental hardware, and modification devices (if needed), including special installation techniques, 2) appropriate child restraint design, selection and placement, and 3) harness adjustment on child restraints. Funding will provide for salaries, fringe benefits,

training, in-state and out-of-state travel, printing, pre-printed material, operating expenses, child safety seats and indirect costs.

Project Details						
	Federal Funds					
Agency	OP	State Match				
University of Arkansas for Medical Sciences	\$190,000	\$47,500				

## Task 8 - Occupant Protection Program Management

This task will provide program management for projects within the Occupant Protection program area. This task will provide proper administration of projects within this program area through program planning, oversight/monitoring, evaluation, coordination and staff education and development. This task will also provide for and make available program related materials that are also essential components of program management. Funding will provide for personnel (see page 18 for positions funded under OP), travel/training, and PI&E materials.

ASP

(OP) \$180,500

# SPEED ENFORCEMENT /POLICE TRAFFIC SERVICES

## I. Program Overview

During the five-year period from 2004 through 2008 speed related fatalities have declined. Total fatalities have fallen from a high of 104 in 2004 and currently stand at 63 for 2008. Speed enforcement will be integrated into STEP project enforcement criteria.

# **II. Performance Measure - Goal**

## Program Goal

The goal of the projects funded in the speed Enforcement Program is:

• To decrease the number of speeding related fatalities from 63 in 2008 to 60 in 2010.



# **III.** Project Strategies

The strategies of projects for the speeding component are:

- To achieve an average of three enforcement points or vehicle stops per hour during enforcement periods.
- To conduct one wave of increased, high visibility enforcement emphasizing enforcement of speeding laws.
- To conduct PI&E activities as a component of all enforcement projects.
- To conduct a statewide public information and education and enforcement campaign that will emphasize speed laws.
- To conduct sustained low-visibility traffic enforcement using stealth patrol vehicles.
- To conduct/provide driving simulation training to law enforcement statewide.

## IV. Tasks

## Task 1a—Selective Traffic Enforcement Projects (STEPS)

This task provides funding for selected cities and counties to conduct sustained selective traffic enforcement projects. Speed enforcement will be a vital component of these enforcement efforts. Projects will conduct one wave of increased, high visibility enforcement emphasizing enforcement of speeding laws. In conjunction with enforcement activities there will be a statewide public information and education and enforcement campaign that will emphasize speed laws. A PI&E campaign will also supplement enforcement. The primary objectives of these projects are to achieve an average of three vehicle stops per hour during enforcement periods. Federal funding will provide for selective enforcement pay (compensated at a rate of no more than one and one half times an officer's regular hourly rate, applicable fringe benefits, and radar speed measurement devices (cost not to exceed \$4,000 per unit). A list of the city and county agencies are shown on the next page.

#### Task 1b – Statewide Selective Traffic Enforcement Project (STEP)

This task provides funding for a statewide selective traffic enforcement project. The primary emphasis will be speed enforcement throughout the year. A PI&E campaign will supplement enforcement. This project will conduct increased enforcement with primary emphasis on speed during one specified period (mobilization) during the year. In conjunction with enforcement activities there will be a statewide public information and education and enforcement campaign that will emphasize speed laws. Section 402 funds will provide for selective enforcement pay (compensated at a rate of no more than one and one half times an officer's regular hourly rate) and applicable fringe benefits. Section 406 funds will provide for radar speed measurement devices at a cost not to exceed \$4,000 per unit.

ARKANSAS STATE POLICE	( <b>SE</b> )	\$ 36,000
ARKANSAS STATE POLICE	(K4SE)	\$200,000

Cities	s/Counties	Funding Source	Federal Funds
1	Benton County Sheriff's Office	SE	2,000
2	Benton Police Dept.	SE	500
3	Bentonville Police Dept.	SE	1,000
4	Blytheville Police Dept.	SE	2,000
5	Bryant Police Dept.	SE	1,500
6	Camden Police Dept.	SE	1,000
7	Carroll County Sheriff's Office	SE	2,000
8	Cleburne County Sheriff's Office	SE	1,000
9	Conway Police Dept.	SE	2,000
10	Dardanelle Police Dept.	SE	2,000
11	Drew County Sheriff's Office	SE	1,000
12	Faulkner County Sheriff's Office	SE	2,000
13	Fayetteville Police Dept.	SE	2,500
14	Fort Smith Police Dept.	SE	3,000
15	Garland County Sheriff's Dept.	SE	2,000
16	Greenwood Police Dept.	SE	2,000
17	Harrison Police Dept.	SE	2,200
18	Hope Police Dept.	SE	1,500
19	Hot Springs Police Dept.	SE	4,000
20	Jacksonville Police Dept.	SE	1,000
21	Jonesboro Police Dept.	SE	3,800
22	Little Rock Police Dept.	SE	10,000
23	Lonoke County Sheriff's Office	SE	2,000
24	Marion Police Dept.	SE	1,000
25	Maumelle Police Dept.	SE	1,000
26	Mountain Home Police Dept	SE	1,200
27	North Little Rock Police Dept.	SE	5,000
28	Osceola Police Dept.	SE	2,000
29	Paragould Police Dept.	SE	2,000
30	Pulaski County Sheriff's Office	SE	1,000
31	Russellville Police Dept.	SE	1,000
32	Saline County Sheriff's Dept.	SE	1,000
33	Sherwood Police Dept.	SE	1,500
34	Springdale Police Dept.	SE	1,000
35	Texarkana Police Dept.	SE	2,000
36	U of A - Fayetteville	SE	1,300
37	U of A – Ft. Smith	SE	1,000
38	U of A – Little Rock	SE	1,000
39	University of Central Arkansas	SE	1,500
40	Van Buren Police Dept.	SE	1,500
41	Washington County Sheriff's Office	SE	2,500
42	West Memphis Police Dept.	SE	2,400
	- *		82,900

## Task 2 – Low-Visibility Traffic Enforcement Vehicles – Stealth Units

This task will provide for the purchase of approximately 36 stealth vehicles for the Arkansas State Police. These vehicles will be marked on one side with ASP identifying markings and will include HSO Aggressive Driving Speed logo/markings on the bumpers. These vehicles will be used by ASP Highway Patrol solely in the performance of low visibility traffic enforcement operations which will provide broader opportunity to detect traffic violators. These vehicles at a cost of approximately \$49,700 each will be used statewide (3 in each troop), but only on US and Interstate highways.

#### ASP

## (K4PT) \$1,789,200

#### Task 3 - Law Enforcement Driving Simulator Training Project

This task will provide for the purchase of 4 driving simulators. These simulators will be assigned to 3 law enforcement training academies in the state and at the ASP. The simulation training will provide law enforcement officers with training to aid them in becoming proficient in high risk driving scenarios in a virtual environment. Federal funds will be used to purchase 4 simulators at an estimated cost of \$112,500 each.

ASP

(K4PT) \$450,000

# TRAFFIC RECORDS PROGRAM

# I. Program Overview

In 2007, the Arkansas State Police (ASP) logged 69,150 crash reports of which 66,393 were entered into the Traffic Analysis Reporting System (TARS) database. The total logged by the ASP for 2008 was 65,100 of which 63,146 were entered into the TARS database. Reports entered into TARS do not include duplicate, private property or parking lot crashes.



The ongoing goals of the Traffic Records Program are to reduce the backlog of crash report data to be entered into the TARS and to improve the accuracy of data. A crash data entry project was modified to allow for additional temporary personnel to assist in the reviewing and coding of crash reports as well as data entry in order to decrease the backlog of reports to be entered in TARS. Due to this modification, the backlog has been reduced from three months as of July 2008 to two and one-half months as of June 2009.

The Traffic Records Program will continue to reduce the backlog and improve the accuracy of data. This will be accomplished through two projects. One is a new project to go paperless by using a computer image of the crash report for review and data entry. Another project that is underway is to capture a portion of the data that is uploaded by the troopers and other law enforcement officers through the TraCS system.

# II. Performance Measure—Goal

# Program Goal

The goal of the projects funded in the Traffic Records Program is:

• To reduce the backlog of crash reports to be manually entered into the TARS from a two and one-half month backlog as recorded in June 2009 to a one-month backlog by June 2010.

## III. Project Strategies

The strategies of the projects in the Traffic Records Program are:

- To provide for the daily operation of the TARS.
- To out-source data entry services of the TARS.
- To acquire additional computer hardware, software and peripherals as needed for TARS improvement and TraCS.
- To modify computer software that will allow the ASP to enter crash data at the troop and local level within a few days of the crash.
- To continue specialized training in computer systems software.
- To provide more timely and accurate updates to traffic citation history file.
- To maintain required data elements for NEMSIS compliance.
- To develop and implement an electronic citation system statewide.

## IV. Tasks

## Task 1 – Program Operation

This task provides for the operation of the TARS by the ASP. The data entry staff time, hardware and software maintenance and data processing charges needed to carry out the daily work are covered by this task. This task will also provide for retaining the services of a qualified firm to input crash data in a timely manner. The portion of this task provided by the ASP will be funded with State funds and a portion funded with Section 402 funds and the portion out-sourced will be funded with Federal-aid Section 408 funds.

ASP	TR	\$ 134,900
ASP	TR (STATE)	\$ 134,900
SOURCECORP	K9	\$ 300,000

## Task 2 – TARS Improvement Project

This task will provide for the acquisition of additional computer hardware, software, and peripherals as needed to continue the TARS improvements. These improvements will include transition to a paperless processing of crash reports through the TARS. Improvements will also include the purchase of one Reflectorless Total Station. This instrument will provide the ASP with the latest technology to help improve the timeliness and accuracy of data collected at the crash scene. This instrument will help improve the troopers' ability to clear the crash scene quicker and also aid in providing better evidence for prosecutors. The Total Station's diagramming component will more accurately plot out areas in high crash locations and help to answer questions as to why crashes are occurring in those locations. The estimated cost for the Total Station instrument is \$6,300, plus additional hardware (data collector) at an estimated cost of \$2,900, diagramming software at an estimated cost of \$4,995, and maintenance at an estimated cost of \$400. Federal funds will also provide for other necessary TARS computer purchases.

ASP	K9	\$ 60,000
ASP	TR (STATE)	\$ 20,000

## Task 3 – Electronic Traffic Crash Record Entry System Project

This task will continue the project for the modification of computer software applications (TraCS) for the ASP to enter crash data at the troop level within a few hours of the crash. The end result of the project will allow the HSO to integrate the data directly into its database without reentering the data. This task provides for the purchase of computer hardware to continue phase VI of the project. In-car computer systems with necessary operating software will be purchased at approximately \$4,220 each. The in-car computer systems are used at the crash scene to capture data and enable multimedia, magnetic strip and bar code data capture and transfers. TraCS will also use GPS receivers to accurately locating the crash via longitude and latitude readings. TraCS will continue to be expanded to local agencies. To accomplish this expansion, this task may provide for a technician/liaison position. Equipment necessary for this project is as follows: 12 troop Back-up Servers at a cost of \$15,000 each, 1 ESRI Mapping/Location Server at a cost of \$25,000, 2 ESRI Mapping Software at a cost of \$75,000 each, 1 ESRI ArcGIS Data Appliance at a cost of \$100,000, 1 ESRI Database Server at a cost of \$20,000, 1 TraCS Location Tool at a cost of \$50,000, 2 development Computer Work Stations at a cost of \$12,000 each, 1 Data Management Workstation at a cost of \$6,500, 2 Development Laptops at a cost of \$5,100, and 1 Mapping Plotter at a cost of \$65,000.

The Backup Servers are necessary to safeguard the data by having a backup Source at each Troop. The ESRI Mapping Server will house the user created maps that will be used to locate crashes in an easy to read and understandable format. The ArcGis Server will be used to distribute maps and GIS capabilities via web mapping applications and services. The ArcGIS Data Appliance will house the base maps and imagery used by the mapping server. The ESRI Database Server will house the geo database that is required for the ArcGIS Server. The TraCS Location Tool will be used for development modification of the Location Tool to fit the needs of Arkansas. The Development workstations are needed because current hardware will not support the software needed for processing the amount of data required by the ESRI software. The Development laptops are needed because current hardware will not support the software needed for processing and developing the amount of data required by the ESRI software. Laptops are also needed because of the huge amount of travel required by the technical staff of this project t. The mapping Plotter will be used to print maps for use by the HSO, ASP and other agencies. Travel, training and materials will also be associated with this effort. Federal funds will also provide for travel/training, additional software, supplies, TRACS user and location user fees and equipment.

ASP	TR (STATE)	\$ 150,000
ASP	К9	\$ 900,000
ASP	K9 (STATE)	\$ 300,000
ASP	K4TR	\$ 500,000

## Task 4 – Traffic Case Disposition Exchange Project

This task will provide more timely and accurate updates to the traffic citation history file. This will be accomplished by sending traffic case dispositions electronically to the driver history file. This phase of the project will encompass nightly batch transmissions of disposition data. The amount of data transmitted will increase as new courts are added to the Administrative Office of the Courts (AOC) case management system. Federal funds will provide for system software updates and consultant fees.

### Task 5 - EMS Data Injury Surveillance Continuation Project

This task will include maintenance of the data elements necessary to continue system compliance with NEMSIS data collection. The addition of 35 data elements last year brought the system to Silver level in compliance. Efforts will be made to reach a higher level of compliance with data collection and members of the Section staff will continue as active members of the TRCC to help with data sharing. Federal funds will provide for system user fees.

DOH – Office of EMS and Trauma Systems	( <b>K9</b> )	\$ 21,300
DOH - EMS	(STATE)	7,100

#### Task 6—Electronic Citation System

This task will provide for a vendor to develop and implement a system which will electronically capture and submit traffic citations by state and local law enforcement. This system will allow faster and more efficient issuance of a citation to the violator and will capture citation data for timely reporting to various entities. The system will allow submission of citations directly to the Administrative Office of the Courts for their dissemination to various courts and to the Office of Driver Services. Funding will provide for vendor services and equipment with an acquisition cost of less than \$4,000 each, including pda's and printers, travel and training.

#### ASP

#### (K4TR) \$4,583,300

#### Task 7-Traffic Records Professional Development

This task provides for specified training to law enforcement professionals in matters of traffic records. May involve continued crash investigation and reconstruction training courses.

ASP

#### (K4TR) \$225,000

#### Task 8 - Traffic Records Program Management

This task provides for the administration of the Traffic Records Program and provides support for other program areas. Funding will provide for the necessary staff time (see page 18 for positions funded under TR), travel and training expenses directly related to the planning, programming, monitoring, evaluation and coordination of the Traffic Records Program. Funding will also provide for continued training in the administration of computer systems software.

ASP

(TR) \$73,400

# **RAIL/HIGHWAY AND ROADWAY SAFETY PROGRAM**

#### I. Program Overview

Historically, Arkansas has had a relatively high rate of rail-highway grade crossing fatalities. Part of this is attributed to the high number of grade crossings, especially those in rural areas that are not signalized, and the vehicle miles of travel. Training needs to be provided to law enforcement officers on the causes of grade crossing crashes and ways to improve crash investigation and crossing safety.

There were 49 rail-highway grade crossing crashes recorded in 2008, which is 14 less than the previous year. The following chart shows the rail-highway grade crossing crashes for the years 2004 through 2008.



There were reported 63,146 motor vehicle crashes in Arkansas in 2008. Elements within the roadway environment, including construction and maintenance work zone traffic control, have been identified as contributing factors in some of these crashes. There were 1,932 work zone crashes reported in 2008.

Year	Work Zone Crashes	Work Zone Fatalities
2004	3,722	26
2005	2,502	27
2006	2,083	53
2007	2,206	24
2008	1,932	19

Of the 1,932 work zone crashes reported in 2008, 146 were on the Interstate System. There is a need to inform the public of construction activity on Arkansas roadways. The

Arkansas State Highway and Transportation Department will provide motorists with information on construction activities and the Arkansas State Police and the Arkansas Highway Police will conduct traffic enforcement in construction work zone areas.

In many cases limited funds and lack of expertise in highway safety affect a local government's ability to provide adequate traffic engineering services, crash analysis, safety training and safety related materials. The Section 402 Program assists these jurisdictions by providing funds for these services. Also technical support, staff time and travel are needed to ensure that the roadway safety program is adequately administered.

## **II.** Performance Measure – Goal

## Program Goal

The goal of projects funded in the Roadway Safety Program are:

- To maintain the number of rail-highway grade crossing crashes at or below 49 crashes in 2010.
- To maintain the number of work zone fatalities below 20 fatalities in 2010.

## **III.** Project Strategies

The strategies of projects funded in the Roadway Safety Program are:

- To provide professional development for highway safety professionals.
- To provide three, two-day enforcement training courses addressing rail-safety issues.
- To provide for the purchase of construction and maintenance work zone traffic control devices for selected cities/counties.

## IV. Tasks

## Task 1 – Professional Development

This task provides funds for specified training to highway safety professionals in matters of roadway and rail-highway safety. Professional development funds will provide for in-state and out-of-state travel, meals, lodging, and registration fees to conferences, workshops and other training opportunities promoting traffic safety.

# AHTD

## (RS/RH) \$2,000

## Task 2 – Railroad Crossing Safety Courses

This task will provide for the continuation of grade crossing collision investigation courses for law enforcement officers, local officials and railroad representatives to educate them on the proper investigation techniques of grade crossing crashes and ways to reduce crashes through proper enforcement of laws at railroad crossings. The project will provide for planning and implementation of two two-day law enforcement training courses addressing rail highway safety issues, while emphasizing law enforcement and crash prevention at crossings. The two-day grade crossing collision investigation course will provide information on investigating a grade crossing sollision, State and Federal Motor Vehicle Codes pertaining to rail-highway grade crossings and grade crossing collision prevention efforts. The Union Pacific Railroad, having the most track mileage in the State, will select two site locations. The Kansas City Southern or Burlington Northern Santa Fe Railroads will determine one other site location. Funding will provide for travel, meals, lodging and meeting room expenses.

### ARKANSAS OPERATION LIFESAVER, INC. (RH) \$7,000

#### Task 3 – Section 154 Transfer Program

This task will provide for programs as a result of the transfer of Federal-aid highway construction funds as required by Section 154 of Title 23, United States Code (Open Container Law). These funds will be used on hazard elimination projects that will reduce the occurrence or the severity of traffic crashes on sections of highways with high crash rates.

### AHTD

## (154HE) \$23,500,000

#### Task 4 - Construction and Maintenance Work Zone Traffic Control Devices

This project will provide for the purchase of construction and maintenance work zone traffic control devices for selected cities/counties. The local governments will provide 10 percent of the cost.

# AHTD LOCAL GOVERNMENTS

(RS) \$ 45,000 (LOCAL) \$ 5,000

## MOTORCYCLE SAFETY PROGRAM

#### I. Program Overview

The Arkansas Highway Safety Office (AHSO) is developing a statewide plan of action and has initiated components for a motorcycle safety program to increase public awareness, support rider education and through enforcement and PI&E efforts reduce the number of motorcycle fatalities and injuries. Arkansas is one of three states that do not have a statewide motorcycle safety program. The AHSO, in order to address the increase in motorcycle crashes and fatalities, received authorization from the Governor to designate the AHSO as the State authority having jurisdiction over motorcyclist safety issues. This was the first and most important step towards Arkansas' efforts to focus on and develop a statewide motorcycle safety program.

Arkansas reported 68 motorcycle related fatalities in 2008. This is a significant increase from the 57 motorcycle fatalities reported in 2004. Motorcycle fatalities now account for approximately 12 percent of Arkansas' total traffic fatalities.



There were 344 motorcycle involved traffic fatalities in Arkansas during the 5-year period from 2004-2008. In 1999 the motorcycle helmet law was repealed in Arkansas, requiring that only person(s) under the age of 21 wear protective headgear, since that time the total number of motorcycle fatalities have more than tripled. The same can also be said for the number of motorcyclists killed that were not wearing protective headgear.

The 2008 estimated state population in Arkansas is 2,855,390 according to the United States Census Bureau. Arkansas reported 1,776 motorcycle involved crashes in 2008. The table on the next page provides a ranking of the top twenty-five counties in order, from highest to lowest of the number of motorcycle crashes in 2008.

Rank	County	Crashes	Rank	County	Crashes
1	Pulaski	241	14	Jefferson	28
2	Washington	150	15	Carroll	27
3	Garland	132	16	Miller	27
4	Sebastian	127	17	Newton	26
5	Benton	119	18	Greene	25
6	Faulkner	70	19	Cleburne	22
7	Craighead	58	20	Hot Spring	20
8	Saline	53	21	Van Buren	20
9	Crawford	46	22	Union	19
10	Pope	42	23	Crittenden	18
11	White	40	24	Boone	17
12	Baxter	33	25	Mississippi	17
13	Lonoke	32			1

Since 2004 motorcycle registrations and drivers license numbers have increased significantly. Licensed motorcycle drivers increased by 33% with registration numbers increasing by 69%. With the added impact of rising gas prices this trend is expected to continue.



The Arkansas Highway Safety Office recognizes the significance and impact that motorcycle related crashes are having on the overall fatality picture in this State. It has become necessary to implement effective countermeasures to address this growing problem in Arkansas.

## II. Performance Measure - Goal

#### Program Goal

The goals of this program are:

- To reduce the total number of motorcycle fatalities in 2010 from the 68 fatalities as recorded in 2008 to 65 in 2010.
- To reduce the number of un-helmeted motorcycle fatalities from 37 in 2008 to 25 in 2010.

# I. Project Strategies

- Increase enforcement of the existing helmet law for riders and passengers under 21.
- Improve public information and education on the value of wearing protective riding gear.
- Improve public information and education on the value of not operating a motorcycle while under the influence of alcohol and/or other drugs.
- Increase and enhance motorist awareness of the presence of motorcyclists on or near roadways and safe driving practices that avoid and minimize injuries to motorcyclists.

# IV. Tasks

# Task 1 – Public Information and Education

This task will provide funding to purchase items promoting alcohol/impaired driving law enforcement activities. Items that will be produced and purchased are educational pamphlets, posters, and other items as appropriate to promote the program.

# ASP

# Task 2 - Motorcycle Safety Professional Development

These funds will be used to support Motorcycle safety program overtime statewide. Funds can be used to reimburse the ASP or local law enforcement agencies for operating expenses, overtime at safety events and purchases of necessary equipment to support the statewide communications program. These funds will be used in accordance with both State and Federal rules and regulations.

# ASP

# Task 3 – State Advisory Committee for Motorcycle Safety

This task will provide meeting expense and in-state travel funding for a State Motorcycle Safety Administrator and the State Advisory Committee for Motorcycle Safety to work in collaboration with other agencies and organizations to develop motorcycle safety plans and programs to address issues specific to Arkansas.

# ASP

# Task 4 – Motorcycle Safety Program Management

This task will provide program management for projects within the Motorcycle Safety program area. This task will provide development and proper administration of projects within this program area through program planning, oversight/monitoring, evaluation, coordination and staff education and development. This task will also provide for and make available program related materials that are also essential components of program management. Funding will provide for personnel, travel/training and PI&E materials.

ASP	(K6)	\$59,000
ASP	(MC)	\$25,000

(MC) \$10,000

(K6) \$101,000

(K6) **\$ 9,300** 

# PEDESTRIAN SAFETY PROGRAM AREA

# I. Program Overview

During 2008 there were 45 pedestrian fatalities in the State. Combined, these fatalities represent 8 percent of all motor vehicle fatalities for this period. No Section 402 funds will be used solely for pedestrian/bicycle safety in FY 2008. However, information on pedestrian and bicycle safety will be presented as part of several occupant protection projects.



## TEEN DRIVER SAFETY PROGRAM

## I. Program Overview

In 2008 there were 102 fatalities of drivers ages 15 to 20. Motor vehicles crashes are the #1 cause of death among teenagers (NHTSA). In Arkansas, the fatality and injury rates of teen drivers are twice the national rate. Specifically, nearly 9000 teenagers were killed or injured in 2007. In addition to the lives lost, the yearly estimated expense on motor vehicle crashes is \$2 billion dollars in Arkansas (Advocates for Highway Safety). Contributing factors to teen crash statistics include inexperience, easy distractibility, and driving at night.

During the recent legislative session Arkansas passed a new Graduated Driver Licensing (GDL) law. The GDL addresses these issues by helping new drivers gain experience in lower-risk conditions. In other states, comprehensive GDL programs have been a proven success by reducing teen fatalities and injuries by up to 38%.

The AHSO will work with the Arkansas Children's Hospital Injury Prevention Center, the Allstate Foundation Teen Driving Program and the Injury Free Coalition for Kids to expand the "Building Consensus for Safer Teen Driving Project". This project works to increase physician influence of motor vehicle safety for teen drivers and passengers, increase the use of graduated driving principles within families of young drivers, and increase grass roots awareness of motor vehicle safety risks for young drivers and passengers.

#### II. Performance Measure – Goal

#### Program Goal

The goal of the project funded in the Teen Driver Safety Program is:

• To reduce the number of drivers ages 20 or younger involved in fatal crashes from 103 in 2008 to 98 in 2010

## **III. Project Strategies**

• To facilitate the expansion of the Building Consensus for Safer Teen Driving Project

#### IV. Tasks

#### Task 1—Building Consensus for Safer Teen Driving Project

This task will provide for expansion of the UAMS/ACH Building Consensus for Safer Teen Driving Project. The project will be expanded to implement additional coalitions around the state to help facilitate teen driver education. Federal funds will provide for meeting expenses, travel, training, materials, supplies, salaries, and benfits for additional personnel.

UAMS	K4	\$250,000
TBD	K4	\$250,000

# STATE CERTIFICATIONS AND ASSURANCES

Failure to comply with applicable Federal statutes, regulations and directives may subject State officials to civil or criminal penalties and/or place the State in a high risk grantee status in accordance with 49 CFR §18.12.

Each fiscal year the State will sign these Certifications and Assurances that the State complies with all applicable Federal statutes, regulations, and directives in effect with respect to the periods for which it receives grant funding. Applicable provisions include, but not limited to, the following:

- 23 U.S.C. Chapter 4 Highway Safety Act of 1966, as amended;
- 49 CFR Part 18 Uniform Administrative Requirements for Grants and Cooperative Agreements to State and Local Governments
- 49 CFR Part 19 Uniform Administrative Requirements for Grants and Agreements with Institutions of Higher Education, Hospitals and Other Nonprofit Organizations
- 23 CFR Chapter II (§§1200, 1205, 1206, 1250, 1251, & 1252) Regulations governing highway safety programs
- NHTSA Order 462-6C Matching Rates for State and Community Highway Safety Programs
- Highway Safety Grant Funding Policy for Field-Administered Grants

## **Certifications and Assurances**

The Governor is responsible for the administration of the State highway safety program through a State highway safety agency which has adequate powers and is suitably equipped and organized (as evidenced by appropriate oversight procedures governing such areas as procurement, financial administration, and the use, management, and disposition of equipment) to carry out the program (23 USC 402(b) (1) (A));

The political subdivisions of this State are authorized, as part of the State highway safety program, to carry out within their jurisdictions local highway safety programs which have been approved by the Governor and are in accordance with the uniform guidelines promulgated by the Secretary of Transportation (23 USC 402(b) (1) (B));

At least 40 per cent of all Federal funds apportioned to this State under 23 USC 402 for this fiscal year will be expended by or for the benefit of the political subdivision of the State in carrying out local highway safety programs (23 USC 402(b) (1) (C)), unless this requirement is waived in writing;

The State will implement activities in support of national highway safety goals to reduce motor vehicle related fatalities that also reflect the primary data-related crash factors within the State as identified by the State highway safety planning process, including:

- National law enforcement mobilizations,
- Sustained enforcement of statutes addressing impaired driving, occupant protection, and driving in excess of posted speed limits,
- An annual statewide safety belt use survey in accordance with criteria established by the Secretary for the measurement of State safety belt use rates to ensure that the measurements are accurate and representative,
- Development of statewide data systems to provide timely and effective data analysis to support allocation of highway safety resources.

The State shall actively encourage all relevant law enforcement agencies in the State to follow the guidelines established for vehicular pursuits issued by the International Association of Chiefs of Police that are currently in effect.

This State's highway safety program provides adequate and reasonable access for the safe and convenient movement of physically handicapped persons, including those in wheelchairs, across curbs constructed or replaced on or after July 1, 1976, at all pedestrian crosswalks (23 USC 402(b) (1) (D));

Cash drawdowns will be initiated only when actually needed for disbursement, cash disbursements and balances will be reported in a timely manner as required by NHTSA, and the same standards of timing and amount, including the reporting of cash disbursement and balances, will be imposed upon any secondary recipient organizations (49 CFR 18.20, 18.21, and 18.41). Failure to adhere to these provisions may result in the termination of drawdown privileges);

The State has submitted appropriate documentation for review to the single point of contact designated by the Governor to review Federal programs, as required by Executive Order 12372 (Intergovernmental Review of Federal Programs);

Equipment acquired under this agreement for use in highway safety program areas shall be used and kept in operation for highway safety purposes by the State; or the State, by formal agreement with appropriate officials of a political subdivision or State agency, shall cause such equipment to be used and kept in operation for highway safety purposes (23 CFR 1200.21);

The State will comply with all applicable State procurement procedures and will maintain a financial management system that complies with the minimum requirements of 49 CFR 18.20;

The State highway safety agency will comply with all Federal statutes and implementing regulations relating to nondiscrimination. These include but are not limited to: (a) Title VI of the

Civil Rights Act of 1964 (P.L. 88-352) which prohibits discrimination on the basis of race, color or national origin (and 49 CFR Part 21); (b) Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972, as amended (20 U.S.C. §§ 1681-1683, and 1685-1686), which prohibits discrimination on the basis of sex; (c) Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, as amended (29 U.S.C. §794), which prohibits discrimination on the basis of handicaps (and 49 CFR Part 27); (d) the Age Discrimination Act of 1975, as amended (42U.S.C. §§ 6101-6107), which prohibits discrimination on the basis of age; (e) the Drug Abuse Office and Treatment Act of 1972 (P.L. 92-255), as amended, relating to nondiscrimination on the basis of drug abuse; (f) the comprehensive Alcohol Abuse and Alcoholism Prevention, Treatment and Rehabilitation Act of 1970(P.L. 91-616), as amended, relating to nondiscrimination on the basis of alcohol abuse of alcoholism; (g) §§ 523 and 527 of the Public Health Service Act of 1912 (42 U.S.C. §§ 290 dd-3 and 290 ee-3), as amended, relating to confidentiality of alcohol and drug abuse patient records; (h) Title VIII of the Civil Rights Act of 1968 (42 U.S.C. §§ 3601 et seq.), as amended, relating to nondiscrimination in the sale, rental or financing of housing; (i) any other nondiscrimination provisions in the specific statute(s) under which application for Federal assistance is being made; and, (j) the requirements of any other nondiscrimination statute(s) which may apply to the application.

## The Drug-free Workplace Act of 1988(49 CFR Part 29 Sub-part F):

The State will provide a drug-free workplace by:

- a) Publishing a statement notifying employees that the unlawful manufacture, distribution, dispensing, possession or use of a controlled substance is prohibited in the grantee's workplace and specifying the actions that will be taken against employees for violation of such prohibition;
- b) Establishing a drug-free awareness program to inform employees about:
  - 1) The dangers of drug abuse in the workplace.
  - 2) The grantee's policy of maintaining a drug-free workplace.
  - 3) Any available drug counseling, rehabilitation, and employee assistance programs.
  - 4) The penalties that may be imposed upon employees for drug violations occurring in the workplace.
- c) Making it a requirement that each employee engaged in the performance of the grant be given a copy of the statement required by paragraph (a).
- d) Notifying the employee in the statement required by paragraph (a) that, as a condition of employment under the grant, the employee will --
  - 1) Abide by the terms of the statement.
  - 2) Notify the employer of any criminal drug statute conviction for a violation occurring in the workplace no later than five days after such conviction.
- e) Notifying the agency within ten days after receiving notice under subparagraph (d)
  (2) from an employee or otherwise receiving actual notice of such conviction.
- f) Taking one of the following actions, within 30 days of receiving notice under subparagraph (d) (2), with respect to any employee who is so convicted -

- 1) Taking appropriate personnel action against such an employee, up to and including termination.
- 2) Requiring such employee to participate satisfactorily in a drug abuse assistance or rehabilitation program approved for such purposes by a Federal, State, or local health, law enforcement, or other appropriate agency.
- g) Making a good faith effort to continue to maintain a drug-free workplace through implementation of paragraphs (a), (b), (c), (d), (e), and (f) above.

# **BUY AMERICA ACT**

The State will comply with the provisions of the Buy America Act (23 USC 101 Note) which contains the following requirements:

Only steel, iron and manufactured products produced in the United States may be purchased with Federal funds unless the Secretary of Transportation determines that such domestic purchases would be inconsistent with the public interest; that such materials are not reasonably available and of a satisfactory quality; or that inclusion of domestic materials will increase the cost of the overall project contract by more than 25 percent. Clear justification for the purchase of non-domestic items must be in the form of a waiver request submitted to and approved by the Secretary of Transportation.

# POLITICAL ACTIVITY (HATCH ACT).

The State will comply with the provisions of 5 U.S.C. §§ 1501-1508 and implementing regulations of 5 CFR Part 151, concerning "Political Activity of State or Local Offices, or Employees".

# **CERTIFICATION REGARDING FEDERAL LOBBYING**

Certification for Contracts, Grants, Loans, and Cooperative Agreements

The undersigned certifies, to the best of his or her knowledge and belief, that:

(1) No Federal appropriated funds have been paid or will be paid, by or on behalf of the undersigned, to any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any agency, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress in connection with the awarding of any Federal contract, the making of any Federal grant, the making of any Federal loan, the entering into of any cooperative agreement, and the extension, continuation, renewal, amendment, or modification of any Federal contract, grant, loan, or cooperative agreement.

(2) If any funds other than Federal appropriated funds have been paid or will be paid to any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any agency, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress in connection with this Federal contract, grant, loan, or cooperative agreement, the undersigned shall complete and submit Standard Form-LLL, "Disclosure Form to Report Lobbying," in accordance with its instructions.

(3) The undersigned shall require that the language of this certification be included in the award documents for all sub-award at all tiers (including subcontracts, subgrants, and contracts under grant, loans, and cooperative agreements) and that all subrecipients shall certify and disclose accordingly.

This certification is a material representation of fact upon which reliance was placed when this transaction was made or entered into. Submission of this certification is a prerequisite for making or entering into this transaction imposed by section 1352, title 31, U.S. Code. Any person who fails to file the required certification shall be subject to a civil penalty of not less than \$10,000 and not more than \$100,000 for each such failure.

# **RESTRICTION ON STATE LOBBYING**

None of the funds under this program will be used for any activity specifically designed to urge or influence a State or local legislator to favor or oppose the adoption of any specific legislative proposal pending before any State or local legislative body. Such activities include both direct and indirect (e.g., "grassroots") lobbying activities, with one exception. This does not preclude a State official whose salary is supported with NHTSA funds from engaging in direct communications with State or local legislative officials, in accordance with customary State practice, even if such communications urge legislative officials to favor or oppose the adoption of a specific pending legislative proposal.

# **CERTIFICATION REGARDING DEBARMENT AND SUSPENSION**

# Instructions for Primary Certification

1. By signing and submitting this proposal, the prospective primary participant is providing the certification set out below.

2. The inability of a person to provide the certification required below will not necessarily result in denial of participation in this covered transaction. The prospective participant shall submit an explanation of why it cannot provide the certification set out below. The certification or explanation will be considered in connection with the department or agency's determination whether to enter into this transaction. However, failure of the prospective primary participant to furnish a certification or an explanation shall disqualify such person from participation in this transaction.

3. The certification in this clause is a material representation of fact upon which reliance was placed when the department or agency determined to enter into this transaction. If it is later determined that the prospective primary participant knowingly rendered an erroneous certification, in addition to other remedies available to the Federal Government, the department or agency may terminate this transaction for cause or default.

4. The prospective primary participant shall provide immediate written notice to the department or agency to which this proposal is submitted if at any time the prospective primary participant learns its certification was erroneous when submitted or has become erroneous by reason of changed circumstances.

5. The terms *covered transaction, debarred, suspended, ineligible, lower tier covered transaction, participant, person, primary covered transaction, principal, proposal, and voluntarily excluded, as used in this clause, have the meaning set out in the Definitions and coverage sections of 49 CFR Part 29. You may contact the department or agency to which this proposal is being submitted for assistance in obtaining a copy of those regulations.* 

6. The prospective primary participant agrees by submitting this proposal that, should the proposed covered transaction be entered into, it shall not knowingly enter into any lower tier covered

transaction with a person who is proposed for debarment under 48 CFR Part 9, subpart 9.4, debarred, suspended, declared ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from participation in this covered transaction, unless authorized by the department or agency entering into this transaction.

7. The prospective primary participant further agrees by submitting this proposal that it will include the clause titled "Certification Regarding Debarment, Suspension, Ineligibility and Voluntary Exclusion-Lower Tier Covered Transaction," provided by the department or agency entering into this covered transaction, without modification , in all lower tier covered transactions and in all solicitations for lower tier covered transactions.

8. A participant in a covered transaction may rely upon a certification of a prospective participant in a lower tier covered transaction that it is not proposed for debarment under 48 CFR Part 9, subpart 9.4, debarred, suspended, ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from the covered transaction, unless it knows that the certification is erroneous. A participant may decide the method and frequency by which it determines the eligibility of its principals. Each participant may, but is not required to, check the list of Parties Excluded from Federal Procurement and Non-procurement Programs.

9. Nothing contained in the foregoing shall be construed to require establishment of a system of records in order to render in good faith the certification required by this clause. The knowledge and information of a participant is not required to exceed that which is normally possessed by a prudent person in the ordinary course of business dealings.

10. Except for transactions authorized under paragraph 6 of these instructions, if a participant in a covered transaction knowingly enters into a lower tier covered transaction with a person who is proposed for debarment under 48 CFR Part 9, subpart 9.4, suspended, debarred, ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from participation in this transaction, in addition to other remedies available to the Federal Government, the department or agency may terminate this transaction for cause or default.

## <u>Certification Regarding Debarment, Suspension, and Other Responsibility Matters-Primary Covered</u> <u>Transactions</u>

(1) The prospective primary participant certifies to the best of its knowledge and belief, that its principals:

(a) Are not presently debarred, suspended, proposed for debarment, declared ineligible, or voluntarily excluded by any Federal department or agency;

(b) Have not within a three-year period preceding this proposal been convicted of or had a civil judgment rendered against them for commission of fraud or a criminal offense in connection with obtaining, attempting to obtain, or performing a public (Federal, State or local) transaction or contract under a public transaction; violation of Federal or State antitrust statutes or commission of embezzlement, theft, forgery, bribery, falsification or destruction of record, making false statements, or receiving stolen property;

(c) Are not presently indicted for or otherwise criminally or civilly charged by a governmental entity (Federal, State or Local) with commission of any of the offenses enumerated in paragraph (1)(b) of this certification; and

(d) Have not within a three-year period preceding this application/proposal had one or more public transactions (Federal, State, or local) terminated for cause or default.

(2) Where the prospective primary participant is unable to certify to any of the Statements in this certification, such prospective participant shall attach an explanation to this proposal.

## Instructions for Lower Tier Certification

1. By signing and submitting this proposal, the prospective lower tier participant is providing the certification set out below.

2. The certification in this clause is a material representation of fact upon which reliance was placed when this transaction was entered into. If it is later determined that the prospective lower tier participant knowingly rendered an erroneous certification, in addition to other remedies available to the Federal government, the department or agency with which this transaction originated may pursue available remedies, including suspension and/or debarment.

3. The prospective lower tier participant shall provide immediate written notice to the person to which this proposal is submitted if at any time the prospective lower tier participant learns that its certification was erroneous when submitted or has become erroneous by reason of changed circumstances.

4. The terms *covered transaction, debarred, suspended, ineligible, lower tier covered transaction, participant, person, primary covered transaction, principal, proposal, and voluntarily excluded, as used in this clause, have the meanings set out in the Definition and Coverage sections of 49 CFR Part 29. You may contact the person to whom this proposal is submitted for assistance in obtaining a copy of those regulations.* 

5. The prospective lower tier participant agrees by submitting this proposal that, should the proposed covered transaction be entered into, it shall not knowingly enter into any lower tier covered transaction with a person who is proposed for debarment under 48 CFR Part 9, subpart 9.4, debarred, suspended, declared ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from participation in this covered transaction, unless authorized by the department or agency with which this transaction originated.

6. The prospective lower tier participant further agrees by submitting this proposal that is it will include the clause titled "Certification Regarding Debarment, Suspension, Ineligibility and Voluntary Exclusion -- Lower Tier Covered Transaction," without modification, in all lower tier covered transactions and in all solicitations for lower tier covered transactions. (See below)

7. A participant in a covered transaction may rely upon a certification of a prospective participant in a lower tier covered transaction that it is not proposed for debarment under 48 CFR Part 9, subpart 9.4, debarred, suspended, ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from the covered transaction, unless it knows that the certification is erroneous. A participant may decide the method and frequency by which it determines the eligibility of its principals. Each participant may, but is not required to, check the List of Parties Excluded from Federal Procurement and Non-procurement Programs.

8. Nothing contained in the foregoing shall be construed to require establishment of a system of records in order to render in good faith the certification required by this clause. The knowledge and information of a participant is not required to exceed that which is normally possessed by a prudent person in the ordinary course of business dealings.

9. Except for transactions authorized under paragraph 5 of these instructions, if a participant in a covered transaction knowingly enters into a lower tier covered transaction with a person who is

proposed for debarment under 48 CFR Part 9, subpart 9.4, suspended, debarred, ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from participation in this transaction, in addition to other remedies available to the Federal government, the department or agency with which this transaction originated may pursue available remedies, including suspension and/or debarment.

## <u>Certification Regarding Debarment, Suspension, Ineligibility and Voluntary Exclusion -- Lower Tier</u> <u>Covered Transactions:</u>

1. The prospective lower tier participant certifies, by submission of this proposal, that neither it nor its principals is presently debarred, suspended, proposed for debarment, declared ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from participation in this transaction by any Federal department or agency.

2. Where the prospective lower tier participant is unable to certify to any of the statements in this certification, such prospective participant shall attach an explanation to this proposal.

## ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT

The Governor's Representative for Highway Safety has reviewed the State's Fiscal Year 2010 highway safety planning document and hereby declares that no significant environmental impact will result from implementing this Highway Safety Plan. If, under a future revision, this Plan will be modified in such a manner that a project would be instituted that could affect environmental quality to the extent that a review and statement would be necessary, this office is prepared to take the action necessary to comply with the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (42 USC 4321 et seq.) and the implementing regulations of the Council on Environmental Quality (40 CFR Parts 1-500-1517).

Representative for Highway Safety

26 Marst 2009 Date

## HIGHWAY SAFETY PROGRAM COST SUMMARY

	Approved Program Costs	State/Local Funds	Federally Funded	l Programs	Federal Share to Local
Program Area			Previous Balance	Increase/ (Decrease)	
PA	191,700	191,700	\$	191,700	
AL	753,200	1,200,000	\$	753,200	265,400
MC	35,000		\$	35,000	
OP	2,226,100	967,200	\$	2,226,100	1,140,200
SE	118,900			118,900	82,900
TR	208,300	304,900	\$	208,300	
RH	7,000		\$	7,000	7,000
RS	47,000	5,000	\$	47,000	45,000
SA	40,700	35,700	\$	40,700	40,700
PM	450,000	450,000	\$	450,000	225,000
K4	500,000			500,000	
K4PA	817,000			817,000	
K4AL	250,000	·		250,000	
K4SE	200,000		·	200,000	
K4TR	5,308,300			5,308,300	
K4PT	2,239,200			2,239,200	
K4PM	500,000	·		500,000	
K9	1,281,300	428,000		1,281,300	
K8	1,730,500	2,309,700	\$	1,730,500	1,000,700
K8PM	600,000	600,000	\$	600,000	300,000
K6	169,300		\$	169,300	
154HE	23,500,000		\$	23,500,000	
otal NHTSA 402	4,077,900	3,154,500	\$	4,077,900	1,806,200
otal NHTSA 406	9,814,500			9,814,500	
otal NHTSA 408	1,281,300	428,000	\$	1,281,300	
otal NHTSA 410	2,330,500	2,909,700	\$	2,330,500	1,300,700
otal NHTSA 2010	169,300		\$	169,300	
otal NHTSA 154	23,500,000		\$	23,500,000	
Grand Total	41,173,500	6,492,200	\$	41,173,500	3,106,900

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