

ALCOHOL-IMPAIRED DRIVING COUNTERMEASURES INCENTIVE GRANTS							
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Year	1997(ISTEA)	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003
Authorization	\$25.5M	\$34.5M	\$35M	\$36M	\$36M	\$38M	\$40M

Program Purpose

Section 2004 of TEA-21 amended the alcohol-impaired driving countermeasures incentive grant program (under Section 410 of chapter 4 of Title 23) to encourage States to adopt and implement effective programs to reduce traffic safety problems resulting from individuals driving while under the influence of alcohol. A state may use these grant funds only to implement and enforce impaired driving programs. (TEA-21 continued the current Section 410 through the end of FY 1998.)

Eligibility

Beginning in FY 1999, a State is eligible for an incentive grant by meeting the criteria for *Basic Grant A*, *Basic Grant B*, or both.

Basic Grant A: A State demonstrates that it has implemented at least 5 of the following 7 criteria:

- 1. Administrative license revocation.
- 2. A program to prevent drivers under age 21 from obtaining alcoholic beverages.
- 3. A program for intensive impaired driving law enforcement.
- 4. A graduated licensing law with nighttime driving restrictions and zero tolerance.
- 5. A program to target drivers with high BAC.
- 6. Young adult drinking programs to reduce impaired driving by individuals age 21 through 34.
- 7. An effective system for increasing the rate of testing for BAC of drivers in fatal crashes; in FY2001 and after, the testing rate must be above the national average.

Basic Grant B: A State demonstrates:

- A reduction in its percentage of fatally injured drivers with .10 BAC or greater, in each of last 3 years and
- Its percentage of drivers with .10 BAC or greater is lower than the national average for each of last 3 years.

Supplemental Grants: A State which qualifies for either or both Basic Grants may apply for one or more Supplemental Grants by demonstrating that it implements any of the following:

- 1. Videotaping of drunk drivers by police.

- 2. A Self-sustaining impaired driving program.
- 3. Laws to reduce driving with suspended license.
- 4. Use of passive alcohol sensors by police.
- 5. A system for tracking information on drunk drivers.
- 6. Other innovative programs.

Funding

Authorizes \$219.5 million over six years. Beginning in FY 1999, each State that qualifies for a grant receives up to 25 percent of its FY 1997 Section 402 apportionment for each Basic Grant. Supplemental grants may not exceed 10% of funding made available for Section 410. The Federal share of programs funded this section shall not exceed 75 percent in the first and second years in which a State receives a grant, 50 percent in the third and fourth years in which a State receives a grant, and 25 percent in the fifth and sixth years in which a State receives a grant.

The Secretary may transfer any amounts remaining available under Sections 405, 410, and 411 to the amounts made available under any other of these programs to ensure, to the maximum extent possible, that each State receives the maximum incentive funding for which it is eligible.

Program Administration

This program will be administered by the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration.