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MINNESOTA SAFE ROUTES TO SCHOOL

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THE MINNESOTA SAFE ROUTES TO SCHOOL NETWORK...

...is approximately 220 dedicated professionals from organizations and agencies that are advancing Safe Routes to School (SRTS) in Minnesota...

...that builds skills in Minnesota communities to successfully implement SRTS, supporting partnerships between state and local agencies, municipalities, and advocacy organizations, and advocating for policy changes to support walking and bicycling to schools and improvements to the built environment...

...and makes Minnesota a state where all students, no matter their race, ethnicity, income level, age, ability, or geographic location, can walk and bicycle on routes that are safe, comfortable and convenient...

...because to be able to walk and bike safely makes health, learning, communities, and independence better for all of us.

9/12/19 Attendees (*Please note this list reflects those who's name appeared or introduced themselves.*

Dave Cowan, MnDOT

Jeremy Vann, MDH

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Cassy

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Lorna Schmidt

Julie Jones

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Jenny Bordon

25 participants



AGENDA

- Welcome and Introduction
- International Walk Bike to School Day 2019
 - Resources from MnDOT
- Bus Stop and Walk – Story from St Cloud
 - Bus Stop and Walk Resource Guide
- MnDOT Update
- Announcements



SRTS Updates: Network Call

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WALK/BIKE TO SCHOOL DATES:

OCTOBER 2ND, 2019

FEBRUARY 5TH, 2020

MAY 6TH, 2020



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Walk to School Day coming up,

MATERIALS



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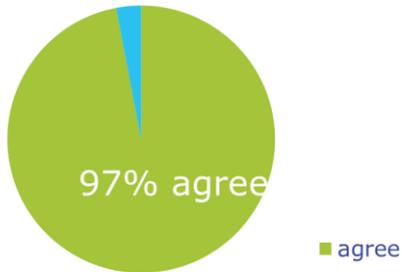


Walk to School Day coming up,



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***On the BSW day,
children arrive more
alert and ready to
learn.***



STAFF COMMENTS:

•I have never been at a school that does anything like this and it's amazing. Especially when we run into runners and bikers giving staff the thumbs up and getting our kids moving! Thank you!!

•I think it is awesome for the students to have outdoor exercise before coming into school!

•I hope we start it up again early in the fall. It also helps build staff community and gives staff a chance to interact with the students on an informal basis and have fun together!

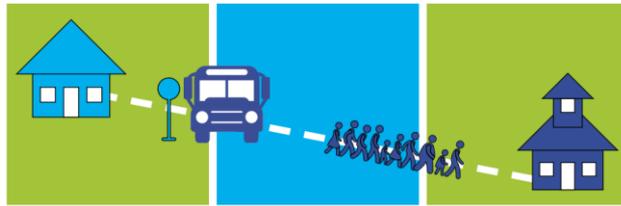
•We love it. It allows time for community building and shows the importance of wellness.



Bus Stop and Walk: Organizer's Guide



Organizer's Guide to Bus Stop and Walks

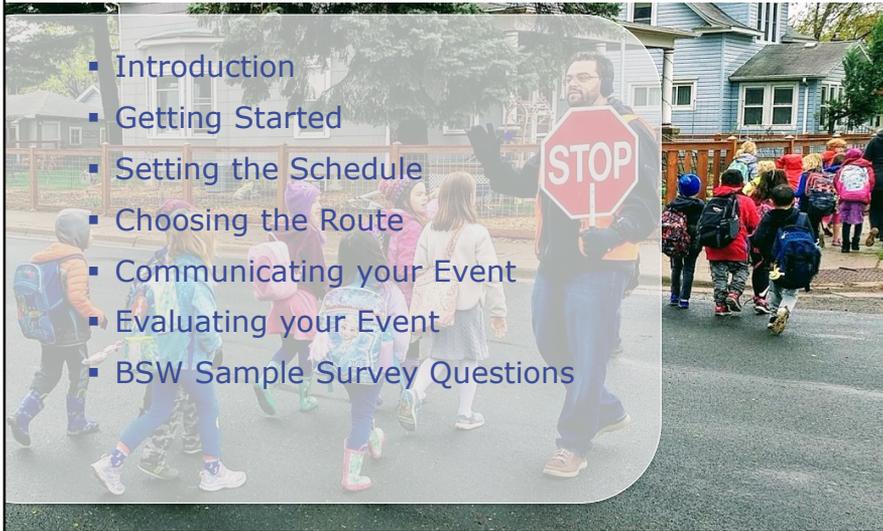


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What's in it?

- Introduction
- Getting Started
- Setting the Schedule
- Choosing the Route
- Communicating your Event
- Evaluating your Event
- BSW Sample Survey Questions



Intro: benefits, description

Getting started: Who are you? Staff, administrators, parents. Liability. Planning checklist.

Setting the schedule: weather, one time versus reoccurring, cancelling, opt-out busing

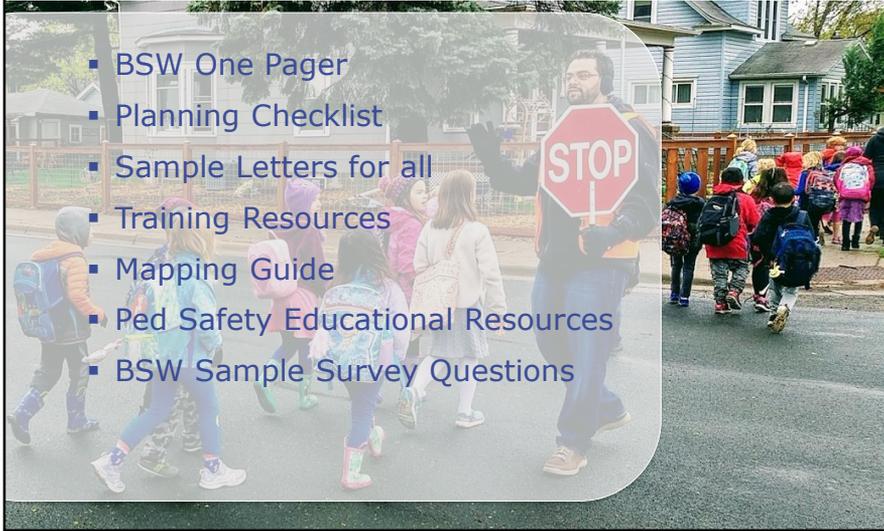
Choosing the Route: length, intersections/infrastructure, drop off location, supervision

Communicating: who to communicate to about expectations, etc.



What's else?

- BSW One Pager
- Planning Checklist
- Sample Letters for all
- Training Resources
- Mapping Guide
- Ped Safety Educational Resources
- BSW Sample Survey Questions



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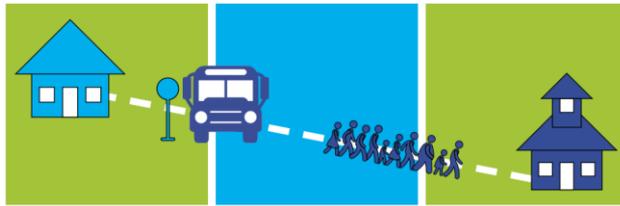
- BSW Introductory PowerPoint
- BSW One-Pager
- BSW Planning Checklist
- Crossing Guard Training Resources
- Mapping Guide
- Sample Letters for parents, bus drivers, volunteers, and neighbors
- Pedestrian Safety Education Resources

BSW Sample Survey Questions

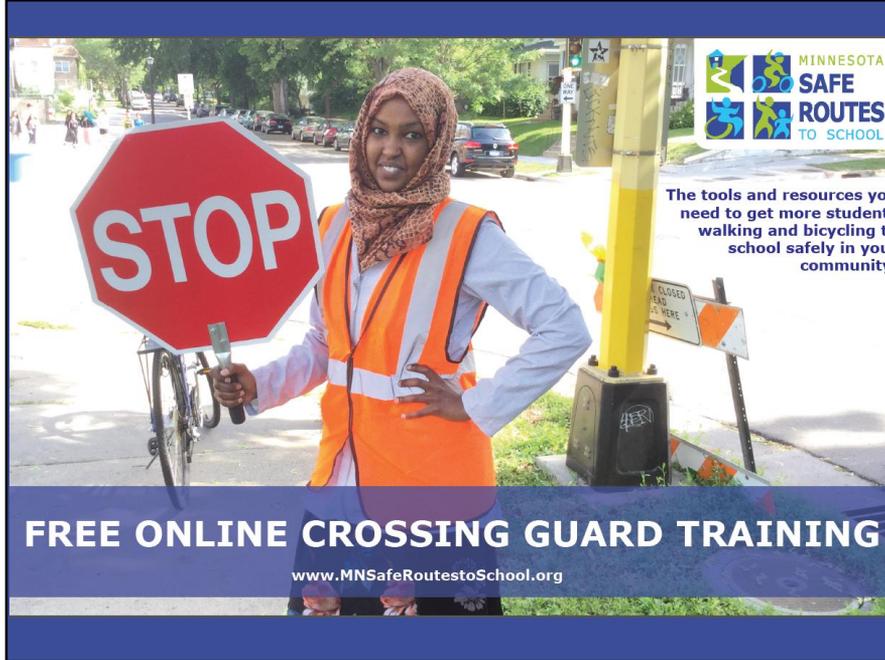
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Organizer's Guide to Bus Stop and Walks



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Message:

Let's take a look at some specific law enforcement strategies. I want you to notice that ticketing is only one small part.

Note to instructor:

This is a lead-in to the next several slides which explain the law enforcement methods listed here. Not all of the methods will be appropriate for each location. For example, photo enforcement is not allowed in all states. If possible, review these methods in advance with the local coordinator or law enforcement agency to determine which are available and which are legal in the jurisdiction. "Hide" slides that are inappropriate for the location in which you are presenting, or be sure to inquire about what is legal in their community as you are presenting.

Image:

Morey Middle School, Denver, CO provided by Mike Cynecki.

SCHOOL SAFETY PATROL TRAINING



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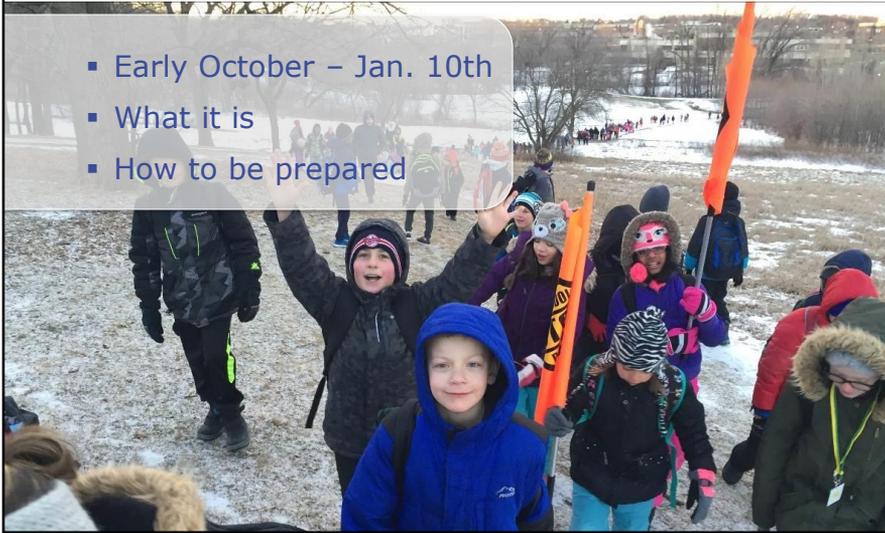
Upcoming Grant Solicitations:

- Planning Assistance
- TAP Infrastructure Solicitation
- SRTS Boost Grants
- Engineering Plans Application
- Demonstration Projects



Planning Assistance

- Early October – Jan. 10th
- What it is
- How to be prepared



Funds planning assistance (not dollars)



TAP Infrastructure Grants

- 20 percent match
- Letter of Intent – Oct. 1 - 31st
- Review period
- Full Application Nov. 18 – January 3rd
- ATPs select projects by April 15th

The TA program officially kicks off on October 1st.

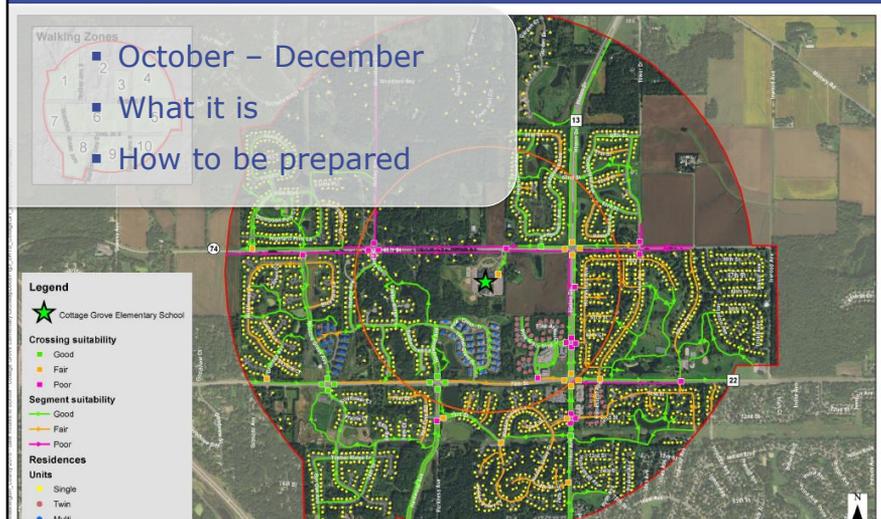
Local communities have until October 31st to submit letters of intent.

After regional reviewers bless their project, local communities have from November 18th to January 3rd to submit a full application.

ATPs have until April 15th to select their TA projects for award.



Engineering Studies for Plans



Next step for schools that have a SRTS Plan, but engineering recommendations need more study before becoming actual projects

Consultant will conduct a traffic engineering analysis of the school area and school walking and bicycling routes

Potential Studies

Hibbing Safe Routes to School Plan



September 2008

Upon request, information in this plan is available in alternate formats by contacting the author of the plan.



Project Sheet No. 1

INTERSECTION CONCEPT:

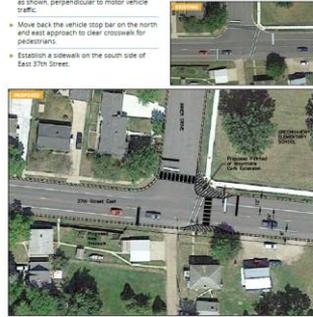
East 37th Street and Inner Drive Near Greenhaven Elementary

Recommendations:

- Construct painted or concrete curb extensions on northeast and southeast corners to shorten crossing distance and slow motor vehicle traffic.
- Install high-visibility continental crosswalks, as shown, perpendicular to motor vehicle traffic.
- Move back the vehicle stop bar on the north and east approach to clear crosswalk for pedestrians.
- Establish a sidewalk on the south side of East 37th Street.

Benefits:

- Reduces vehicle lane width and turning radii.
- Reduces pedestrian crossing distance of East 37th Street.



A. RECOMMENDATIONS

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- Review and evaluate existing transportation system
- Conduct traffic and crash analysis
- Identify safety risks and recommending strategies to address
- Prioritize potential projects by cost and effectiveness
- Develop stand alone project sheets to assist with future infrastructure grant applications

Requirements

- Local agency must agree to sponsor
- Local agency must have a project manager that is a licensed professional engineer in MN
- School(s) or school district must have an existing SRTS Plan



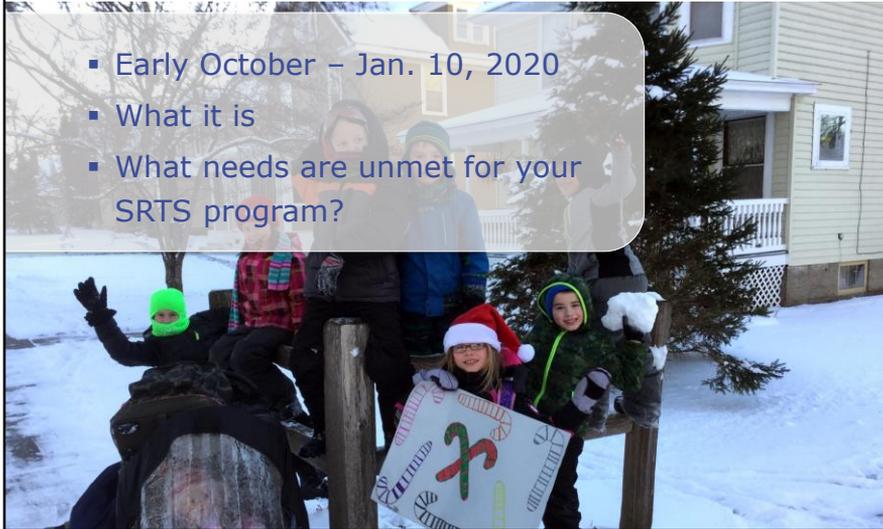
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Safe Routes Boost Grants

- Early October – Jan. 10, 2020
- What it is
- What needs are unmet for your SRTS program?



Same timeline as planning assistance

Aimed at bolster Safe Routes to School programs by providing the funding for what your communities need to get more students walking and bicycling.

A response to a cycle of grants that maybe didn't/doesn't align with local SRTS needs

Stop for Me Campaign, Bike Fleet, Walking School Bus support, etc.



Demonstration Projects

- Winter 2020
- What it is
- How to be prepared



QUESTIONS?



WALK/BIKE TO SCHOOL DATES:

OCTOBER 2, 2019

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Implementation support

Funding

Capacity of rdcs

Evaluation

Completeness of an application (asks the most important questions)

Most planning work or largest # of students reached



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MONTH
July 11, 10:00 – 11:00 AM

TOPIC

- Resources that support SHIP SRTS Implementation
- Applying Behavioral Change Lessons - Jessica Roberts

MONTH
August 8, 10:00 – 11:00 AM

TOPIC

- Evaluation: Refresh on Tools

MONTH
September 12, 10:00 – 11:00 AM

TOPIC

- Leveraging Walk Bike To School Events
- St Cloud example of Bus Stop and Walk with Hannah B.

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THE MINNESOTA SAFE ROUTES TO SCHOOL NETWORK...

MONTH

October 24, 10:00 – 11:00 AM

TOPIC

- Adaptive Walk! Bike! Fun!

MONTH

November 21, 10:00 – 11:00 AM

TOPIC

- SRTS National Conference Highlights
- Stop For Me and Toward Zero Death Initiatives

MONTH

December 12, 10:00 – 11:00 AM

TOPIC

- Impact of Demonstration Projects
- Year end Evaluation

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2019 MEETINGS

2019 Meeting Dates:

~~January 17 (3rd Thursday)~~

~~February 14~~

~~March 14~~

~~April 11~~

~~May 9 - Cancelled~~

~~June 13~~

~~July 11~~

~~August 8~~

~~September 12~~

~~October 24 (Changed)~~

~~November 21 (Changed)~~

~~December 12~~

Call Time: 10:00 – 11:00AM



THANK YOU!



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MONTH
January 17, 10:00 – 11:00 AM

TOPIC

- SRTS and Active Transportation Policy Update
- Equitable Development Scorecard

MONTH
February 14, 10:00 – 11:00 AM

TOPIC

- 2019 Priorities

MONTH
March 14, 10:00 – 11:00 AM

TOPIC

- Winter Walk To School Day Recap
- Walkable Community Workshops

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April 11, 10:00 – 11:00 AM

TOPIC

- Bike to School Event Planning Preparation (Skill Share)
- Legislative Update
- Preview Meet Up Agenda

MONTH

May 9, 10:00 – 11:00 AM

TOPIC

- Cancelled due to Meet Up Planning

MONTH

June 13, 10:00 – 11:00 AM

TOPIC

- SRTS Strategies and Tribal Communities
- Debrief SRTS Meet Up

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