



Cost Effective Local Road Safety Planning and Implementation

Working to improve the safety on local roads can be a challenge for officials, particularly those faced with limited staff and financial resources. The extensive depth and breadth of information pertaining to safety analysis and treatments can be daunting to these officials, particularly when they are tasked with a variety of other daily duties. These officials may know a safety problem exists at a given highway location (ex. a high number of crashes occurring at a particular site), but the time to identify and assess the available solutions to address that problem is not necessarily available. Furthermore, conveying both the problem and potential solutions to non-engineers (elected officials, the general public), can also be a challenge.



Finally, identifying and obtaining funding for potential safety improvements can be difficult. Consequently, there is a need for a general guide which local officials can utilize to identify and quantify existing safety issues, identify potential solutions to those issues, and identifying potential state and local partnerships to fund them. The American Traffic Safety Services Association (ATSSA) and the National Association of County Engineers (NACE) have partnered to develop such a guide for local officials that will serve as an easy-to-read resource and reference on roadway infrastructure safety. This publication, *Cost Effective Local Road Safety Planning and Implementation*, is the result of that partnership. The focus of this work has been on local roads (i.e. county and smaller rural community roads), but the approaches and solutions presented are often just as transferable to urban areas.

Click on the following link to access the publication.

<http://www.countyengineers.org/ResourcesEdu/PublishingImages/Local%20%20Roads%20NACE%20ATSSA.pdf>

ROADWAY SAFETY+: A Road Construction Industry Consortium Program

Safety is a priority in everything we do today. Managers and supervisors are continually looking for new tools to make the work place safer. The National Work Zone Safety Information Clearinghouse has an interactive safety training program that is free to users. The Roadway Safety Awareness Program provides an overview of common hazards in highway and road construction and simple prevention measures. It is designed for use by supervisory personnel with some safety and health experience or by safety and health personnel to orient new workers as they arrive on the jobsite. The program contents are available in English, Spanish, and Portuguese. The program is not intended as a compliance guide. It is intended to help you produce the worker awareness needed to achieve best practices. It is not a substitute for an OSHA 10-hour course or more in-depth training.



Information for ordering or downloading the program is available by clicking on the following link:

http://www.workzonesafety.org/training/courses_programs/rsa_program

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