

PROJECT: Community Transportation Safety Plan Update DATE: 8/19/2021
PROJECT NUMBER: 4051.21884.01 TIME: 10:30 am
ORGANIZER: Lisa Olmsted SUBJECT: AC Check-in Meeting
LOCATION: 1st Floor Conference Room; 222 N. 32nd St./Teams CONTACT INFORMATION: lolmsted@dowl.com

ATTENDEES:

Danny Choriki, City Council	Lanny Orr, Billings Clinic
Mac Fogelsong, Billings Public Works	Tony Beehler, Montana Highway Patrol
Dakota Martonen, Billings Public Works	Melissa Henderson, RiverStone Health
Lora Mattox, Billings/Yellowstone County Planning Division	Darrell Tunnichliff, Yellowstone County Planning Board
Elyse Monat, Billings/Yellowstone County Planning Division	Dan Brooks, Billings Chamber of Commerce
Scott Walker, Billings/Yellowstone County Planning Division	Doug Enderson, DOWL
Pam Langve-Davis, Montana Department of Transportation Planning	Lisa Olmsted, DOWL
Zach Kirkemo, Montana Department of Transportation – Billings District	

Introductions**2016 CTSP**

- Process:
 - The purpose of the CTPS process is to identify transportation safety issues within the Billings MPO planning area:
 - Using a data-driven approach
 - Working together toward common goals through a collaborative planning effort
 - Reduce fatal and serious injuries resulting from motor vehicle crashes
 - Focused on community-wide issues and strategies to improve safety
 - Does not identify specific roadway locations or projects
- Emphasis areas:
 - Unrestrained occupants
 - Impaired driving
 - Inattentive driving/speeding
- Vision: The Billings community will achieve zero fatalities and serious injuries through a culture of safety for all travelers
- Goal: Based on a five-year rolling average, reduce fatalities and serious injuries by 20% from 70 to 56 by 2020
- Ongoing efforts:
 - MHP – Impaired driver lead
 - Billings PD – Distracted/speeding driver lead
 - Billings MPO – Seatbelt lead

Crash Data Review

- Achieved a 15% reduction (57) in fatalities and serious injuries. Because of changes in crash reporting changes, MPO boundary changes, and slight data differences, the data doesn't line up directly with the 2016 data.
- Over the last five years, ~6,800 persons were involved in crashes each year

CTSP Update

- This approach will be patterned on the MDT approach
- Steps will include:
 - Establish CTSP AC
 - Review Crash data
 - Develop Vision and Goals
 - Define Emphasis Areas and Performance Measures
 - Review Current Community Programs and Safety Activities
 - Safety Summit and Public Meeting
 - Outline Implementation Steps and Responsibilities
 - Develop Draft CTSP
 - Develop Final CTSP

Proposed Schedule:

Meeting #	Meeting Goals	Date	Time
AC Meeting 1	Introduction and discussion of update	8/19/2021	10:30 AM
AC Meeting 2	Presentation on crash data	9/16/2021	10:30 AM
AC Meeting 3	Define a vision statement and goals for the CTSP	10/21/2021	10:30 AM
AC Meeting 4	Discussion of emphasis areas	11/18/2021	10:30 AM
AC Meeting 5	Discussion of safety programs and strategies	12/16/2021	10:30 AM
Safety Summit		January	
Public Meeting		January	
AC Meeting 6	Discussion of implementation steps and responsibilities	2/17/2021	10:30 AM
AC Meeting 7	Discussion of the draft plan	3/17/2021	10:30 AM

Discussion

MDT Planning – Look at behaviors that cause crashes

- What can we do to reduce crashes?
- Ideas/resources for funding
- What is your goal – focus on data
- Don't commit to projects
- Identifying why crashes happen
 - Inattentive driving
 - Rage and stress
- Most effective CTSP is Shelby/Toole county because they continue to meet regularly following the document development

Is 2020 data ready to add?

MHP – data takes time to compile

- 2020 – aggressive, road rage, alcohol, unrestrained/improperly secured
- Seeing increase in unrestrained vehicle occupants
- “Survivable space” – area in a vehicle that isn’t impacted
- Vehicles 2001 and newer have “black box”; data 5 seconds before crash is telling

Safety Summit Stakeholders to add:

- AARP
- AAA
- Railroad