

PROJECT:	Community Transportation Safety Plan Update	DATE:	11/18/2021
PROJECT NUMBER:	4051.21884.01	TIME:	10:30 am
ORGANIZER:	Lisa Olmsted	SUBJECT:	AC Check-in Meeting
LOCATION:	1 st Floor Conference Room; 222 N. 32 nd St./Teams	CONTACT INFORMATION:	lolmsted@dowl.com

ATTENDEES:

Lora Mattox, Billings/Yellowstone County Planning Division	Zach Kirkemo, Montana Department of Transportation – Billings District
Scott Walker, Billings/Yellowstone County Planning Division	Parker Osterloh, Montana Department of Transportation Planning
Elyse Monat, Billings/Yellowstone County Planning Division	Darrell Tunncliff, Yellowstone County Planning Board
Danny Choriki, City Council	Eric Fisher, St. Vincent Healthcare
Dakota Martonen, Billings Public Works	Doug Enderson, DOWL
Melissa Henderson, RiverStone Health	Lisa Olmsted, DOWL
Lanny Orr, Billings Clinic	

Welcome

Vision

- The Billings community will achieve zero fatalities and serious injuries through a culture of safety for all travelers.

Goal

- 2021 Goal: Based on a 5-year rolling average, reduce fatalities and serious injuries by 20% from 57 to 46 by the end of 2024.
- 2016 Goal: Based on a 5-year rolling average, reduce fatalities and serious injuries by 20% from 70 to 56 by 2020.

Identify emphasis areas

- Data
- Impact
- Commitment
- Decided to maintain focus on:
 - Impaired Driving
 - Distracted Driving
 - Lack of Restraint Use
 - Speed Related
- Impaired and distracted driving will be explored independently. In the 2016 CTSP, they were combined because the advocate was the same.
- The committee is concerned about the number of crashes that involve young drivers, so their directive is to look at each of those emphasis areas with that demographic in mind. However, efforts will not be strictly relegated to that area.

- Is there an opportunity to support SD2 or County curriculum?

Discussion

- Emerging safety concerns to consider:
 - Distracted driving: Cell phones – young drivers
 - Impaired driving: Marijuana
 - Inattentive driving – has lost its focus
- All emphasis areas could have a youth component
- City Council funding?
 - The only safety-oriented City funding currently comes through Billings PD efforts
 - No direct funding for safety programming resulting from CTSP efforts
 - Public Information Officer staff member in process
 - There is a Council focus on minimizing impact of cannabis
- Major subdivisions, growth – plan proactively
- Skepticism of legislative action related to seatbelts - still a need to keep pushing
 - Could an initiative be a way to get around the lack of legislative action?
- Cannabis will be front and center in the coming months/years
 - How will testing be administered?
- Much of the programming associated with the 2016 CTSP was dependent on existing programs offered by partner agencies. Expanding beyond already-implemented programs is desirable.
- Yellowstone County DUI Task Force – engagement
- There is currently no fund tracking for efforts related to CTSP programs because they're all administered by separate agencies as a part of their regular programming

Next steps

- Community safety programs
- Safety summit
- Public meeting and public input on website (www.billingsctsp.com)