

# Safe Local Roads and Streets Program

## Expression of interest

April 2023

Through the Safe Local Roads and Streets Program, the Department of Transport and Planning and the Transport Accident Commission will work alongside all Victorian local governments to plan, design and deliver \$200 million of safety improvements on the highest risk local roads, intersections and precincts, such as schools.

Recognising the barriers local governments face in delivering road safety improvements, this program will also support local governments to build capacity and capability to deliver safer local roads into the future.

To launch the program, we're seeking local governments interested in being one of the first to work in partnership with the Department of Transport and Planning and the Transport Accident Commission to develop shared road safety plans and begin delivering safe system improvements on their roads.

This initial round of project development will begin in mid-2023 and continue throughout project delivery.

During this stage, selected councils will participate in a collaborative workshop process to assess and analyse road safety risk on their road network and inform a list of prioritised projects for potential funding through established governance arrangements.

## A safe system approach

The Safe Local Roads and Streets program is designed to integrate local governments' priorities with a safe system approach.

A safe system approach requires roads to be designed and managed so that death and serious injury are avoidable. It acknowledges that our road environment plays a vital role in preventing serious crashes and helps to reduce the severity of crashes when they're unavoidable.

As humans, we can't always avoid making mistakes. What we can do is build more forgiving road infrastructure so that when a mistake does happen on the road, it doesn't cost a life.

# Application process

## Step 1: Expression of Interest

Expressions of interest must be completed and returned by **5pm on Friday 19 May 2023**.

To submit your expression of interest, please complete the form on the following page and return it via email: **roadsafetyvictoria@roads.vic.gov.au**.

Receipt of your application will be acknowledged via email to your nominated email address provided.

For further information, advice or assistance completing forms, please get in contact by email: **roadsafetyvictoria@roads.vic.gov.au**.

## Step 2: Selection

The selection panel will review expressions of interest in May and June.

Local governments will be selected for participation based on a range of criteria, including geographic and statistical factors, as well as their background and interest in road safety.

If you are selected for participation for this round of development, you will be contacted by the Department of Transport and Planning to confirm your ongoing interest.

If you are unsuccessful, you will be notified and invited to participate in a later round of engagement.

## Step 3: Getting started

Once selected local governments have confirmed their participation, they will be contacted by the Department of Transport and Planning to begin planning and project development.

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## Contact information

1. Name of applicant

Local government

2. Name of applicant representative

First name

Surname

3. Representative contact details

Role in organisation

Email

Phone

## Interest in initial planning and development

4. Describe your organisation's reasons for applying to be involved in this initial round of planning and development.

5. Does your organisation have a proposed road safety infrastructure project or projects it would like to develop through this process?

Yes

No

6. If yes, please briefly outline the project/s.

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## Support required

7. Please indicate if you think your council would need support in the following areas:
  - a. Project development – defining scope and cost  
Yes            No
  - b. Project delivery – project construction contract management  
Yes            No
  - c. Communications and engagement  
Yes            No
8. If answering yes for any of the above, please briefly outline what level of support you think you would need.

## Additional comments

9. Include any further information you feel relevant to your application.

## Form submission

The completed form can be sent to [roadsafetyvictoria@roads.vic.gov.au](mailto:roadsafetyvictoria@roads.vic.gov.au)