



Commonwealth of Virginia's Safe Routes to School (SRTS) Program

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Safe Routes To School Program Status Report

- VDOT's SRTS program was announced one year ago in September 2006.
- Two grant cycles have closed with a total of 39 grant applications requesting \$7,446,695.
- The SRTS Program is currently being reorganized as part of TMPD's Bicycle & Pedestrian Program.
- A new SRTS Program Coordinator has been selected to fill the current vacancy.

First Round Grant Awards

First grant cycle closed 12/31/2006

Program Grant Awards

- Nine (9) Program Grant awards
 - Seven (7) for entire school divisions;
 - One (1) for a single school;
 - One (1) for a statewide education and outreach campaign;
- Total awards for first round - \$242,170

Project Grant Requests

- Eight (8) Project Grant awards
 - Funding provided for new sidewalks, “missing links”, crosswalks, shared-use paths, pedestrian signals, traffic calming, and signing.
- Total awards for first round - \$2,282,432



Second Round Grant Summary

Second grant cycle closed 06/30/2007

Program Grant Requests

- Nine (9) Program Grant proposals were submitted requesting a total of \$185,105, of which;
 - Seven (7) proposals for entire school divisions;
 - Two (2) for a single school;
 - Currently being reviewed

Project Grant Requests

- Three (3) Project Grant proposals requesting a total of \$1,802,710 were submitted
 - Currently being reviewed

SRTS National Partnership State Network Project

Pilot Program Aims to Develop Collaboration & Best Practices

- Virginia was one of 10 states chosen for pilot program under the SRTS National Partnership
- RWJ Foundation Grant to *BikeWalk Va* intended to
 - establish broader network of statewide stakeholders
 - address state and local policy issues at cross-purposes with SRTS
 - identify opportunities for collaboration to advance SRTS
- Funds a Network Organizer position within *BikeWalk Va*
- Additional Harvest Foundation Grant establishes initiative for Martinsville/Henry County, Va.
- Combined funding provides ~\$225,000 to advance SRTS initiatives throughout the Commonwealth.