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Town of Herndon Awarded US Dept of Transportation Grant to Fund Road Safety Analysis and Planning

Herndon, VA (May 28, 2024) – The Town of Herndon will receive \$400,000 from the United States Department of Transportation (USDOT) to conduct an analysis of town roads, with the intent to invest in priority transportation safety improvements.

The grant funds were awarded to the town as part of USDOT’s *Safe Streets and Roads for All (SS4A)* program, a federal initiative to enhance roadway safety throughout the nation. The town’s grant will be used to analyze the town’s existing roadways and then develop a comprehensive Roadway Safety Plan. The funds will also be applied toward two projects: making town sidewalks and crosswalks more accessible for individuals with visual or physical disabilities; and development of targeted safety enhancements for town roadways with the highest crash rates.

“The town’s receipt of this grant is a testament to our staff’s expertise and ability to successfully compete and prevail in highly competitive grant environments,” said Town Manager Bill Ashton. “This award will provide significant financial assistance in achieving the town’s roadway safety goals, at minimal direct cost to Herndon taxpayers.”

Following finalization of the grant process with USDOT, the town will commence its roadway safety analysis and planning. The project will include public engagement, and will ultimately result in a data-supported, town-wide strategy to enhance safety for motorists, cyclists and pedestrians in the town.

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