

Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs) for SRTS Grant Applications:

Q: Who should be filling out the application(s)?

A: The municipality should be the lead applicant for the Signs and Lines and Infrastructure Grants, but the school also needs to be a co-applicant. The school AND municipality need to work together.

Q: What are the minimum requirements for my school/municipality applying for a Signs & Lines or Infrastructure?

A: The school must be an SRTS partner for at least *six months* before applying AND have implemented several SRTS Programs. (Examples of SRTS Programs are in the following resource document: <u>What is SRTS?</u>)

Q: What types of projects are best for Signs & Lines?

A: The best projects for Signs & Lines are:

- Projects that can be completed in the same school year as the application year
- Projects with signs and pavement marking improvements estimated at \$10K
- Projects within half a mile of the school entrance

Q: What type of projects are best for Infrastructure?

A: The best projects for Infrastructure are:

- Projects that will be scheduled out four to five years from the application year
- Projects with major improvements including sidewalks, bike lanes, shared-use paths, etc. totaling \$250K to \$2M
- Projects within two miles of the school entrance
- Projects that are NOT already in design or already have funding allocated

Q: If my application is selected, will I be receiving a check to fund my project?

A: No, each grant has a different funding process.

- For Signs & Lines grants, design services will be covered, but municipalities will need to complete the work. Once work is completed, the municipality will be reimbursed for construction costs (up to \$10,000).
- For Infrastructure grants, the projects will be funded by MassDOT through Federal Highway
 Transportation Alternative (TA) funds and cover both design and construction costs. These projects will
 be programmed into the State Transportation Improvement Program (STIP) and follow all federal
 contracting guidelines/requirements.



Q: Where can I learn more?

A: We have a lot of great resources on the **Engineering** page of the SRTS website including:

- Our <u>2023 Grants Program launch webinar</u> (to be updated each year)
- The 2023 Signs & Lines Guidelines (to be updated each year)
- The 2023 Infrastructure Guidelines (to be updated each year)

