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## Summer 2011 SRTS Program Tracking Brief

*The SRTS Program Tracking Brief is prepared by the National Center for Safe Routes to School to provide a quarterly snapshot and brief analysis of the National Safe Routes to School Program in each state.*

### **Summer 2011 Snapshot: Students and the communities surrounding more than 200 schools will benefit from SRTS activities**

The number of schools or local programs that have benefited, or will benefit, from the National Safe Routes to School Program grew by 208 during the second quarter of 2011 (April – June). This brings the total number of schools involved with the National Safe Routes to School Program to 11,371.<sup>1</sup>

The amount of SRTS spending State programs<sup>2</sup> announced during the quarter was \$49.1 million. This brings the total amount of SRTS spending announced by states since 2006 to \$663.0 million,<sup>3</sup> which is 68 percent of the \$978.0 million apportioned to states through 9/30/2011.<sup>4</sup>

During the second quarter, 18 State SRTS Programs announced awarding funds to local SRTS programs. As of June 30, over three quarters of the States had made awards for their third, fourth or fifth funding cycles or had a rolling application process. The map on page two displays the most recently funded application cycle for each State.

During the quarter, States funded 42 percent of the 572 project applications they reviewed. Since the National Safe Routes to School Program began, states have received a cumulative total of 10,255 applications and have funded 4,542 of them.<sup>5</sup> Through the end of this quarter, States collectively were able to meet 38 percent<sup>6</sup> of the \$1.7 billion requested in the applications for local and statewide SRTS activities.

### **Key Points**

- At least 11,371 schools have benefited or will benefit from funds announced by State SRTS Programs.<sup>1</sup>
- States announced \$49.1 million in funding for local and/or statewide SRTS programs during the quarter.
- Approximately \$663.0 million has been announced for local and statewide SRTS activities since the National Safe Routes to School Program began.<sup>3</sup>

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<sup>1</sup> This number is a conservative estimate because states can report the number of schools or number of programs that were selected to receive SRTS funds or state-funded SRTS activities. For states that report the number of local programs funded, those programs may involve numerous schools.

<sup>2</sup> For the purposes of this tracking report the District of Columbia is treated as a state because it receives funds and is subject to the same program requirements and restrictions as states.

<sup>3</sup> This amount does not include state-level program administration costs, such as salaries for State Coordinators, office expenses, printing, travel, etc.

<sup>4</sup> The funding apportionments are based on amounts up through 9/30/2011 as defined in the Surface Transportation Extension Act of 2010 as described in FHWA Notice N 4520.732.

<sup>5</sup> Each application for funding may include more than one school. Therefore, the number of funding applications received is not directly indicative of the number of schools that apply for or receive SRTS funding

<sup>6</sup> This number only includes states where the amount of funding request and amount awarded was known and reported.



## Safe Routes to School State Program Status Table – April 1 to June 30, 2011 revised

State	SRTS funded schools/ programs <sup>1</sup>	Percent of funds announced based on funds available [\$ millions] <sup>2</sup>	Funding announced <sup>3</sup> to local programs	Statewide spending announced <sup>4</sup>	Percent of funds announced based on funds requested [\$ millions] <sup>5</sup>	Percent of applications selected <sup>6</sup>
Alabama	142	97% [\$14.8]	\$13,311,240	\$975,000	47% [\$30.6]	56% [88/158]
Alaska	116	15% [\$7.5]	\$829,506 <sup>7</sup>	\$308,615	N/A <sup>8</sup>	82% [27/33]
Arizona	180	67% [\$18.6]	\$12,250,000	\$165,000	36% [\$34.8]	49% [103/211]
Arkansas	69	56% [\$9.5]	\$4,801,845	\$472,390	28% [\$19.0]	51% [68/133]
California	2,448	79% [\$116.0]	\$87,039,750	\$4,101,617	34% [\$269.0]	27% [219/806]
Colorado	571	68% [\$14.4]	\$9,842,533	N/A	31% [\$31.4]	45% [126/279]
Connecticut	41	51% [\$11.2]	\$5,100,000	\$667,324	49% [\$11.7]	36% [14/39]
Delaware	34	44% [\$7.2]	\$2,839,812	\$299,388	N/A <sup>9</sup>	100% [34/34] <sup>9</sup>
D.C.	22	53% [\$7.2]	\$771,615	\$3,040,084	N/A <sup>10</sup>	100% [22/22]
Florida	1,000	100% [\$49.2]	\$64,150,653 <sup>11</sup>	\$863,173	N/A	N/A [198/N/A] <sup>12</sup>
Georgia	380	70% [\$28.8]	\$16,309,080	\$3,750,000	89% [22.6]	37% [45/122] <sup>13</sup>
Hawaii	5	8% [\$7.2]	\$363,246	\$185,887	42% [\$1.3]	45% [5/11]
Idaho	180	72% [\$7.1]	\$4,925,770	\$200,000	65% [\$7.9]	69% [103/150]
Illinois	284	55% [\$40.0]	\$22,039,071	N/A	21% [\$105.6]	20% [284/1420] <sup>14</sup>
Indiana	223	68% [\$19.8]	\$13,580,434 <sup>15</sup>	N/A	37% [\$36.8] <sup>16</sup>	37% [89/222] <sup>17</sup>
Iowa	84	88% [\$9.8]	\$7,821,868	\$840,908	21% [\$41.7]	30% [91/304]
Kansas	55	48% [\$9.5]	\$4,562,719	N/A	34% [\$13.5]	40% [42/105] <sup>18</sup>
Kentucky	126	74% [\$12.9]	\$9,276,165	\$250,000	85% [\$8.1] <sup>19</sup>	35% [32/91]
Louisiana	75	75% [\$14.6]	\$10,817,061	\$143,200	71% [\$15.4]	56% [54/96]
Maine	170	74% [\$7.3]	\$5,000,000	\$369,500	21% [\$25.6]	35% [41/118]
Maryland	290	100% [\$17.0]	\$15,372,302	\$1,600,000	65% [\$26.0]	83% [81/98]
Massachusetts	396 <sup>20</sup>	23% [\$18.5]	N/A <sup>20</sup>	\$4,178,425 <sup>21</sup>	N/A	100% [396/396] <sup>20</sup>
Michigan	98	60% [\$31.3]	\$15,205,264	\$3,602,938	68% [\$27.7]	83% [101/114]
Minnesota	115	48% [\$15.8]	\$7,300,000	\$217,000	9% [\$81.0]	23% [92/400]
Mississippi	80	67% [\$10.5]	\$6,197,049	\$883,163	33% [\$21.3]	49% [33/68]
Missouri	239	100% [\$17.9]	\$17,404,740	\$382,400	23% [\$79.0]	40% [170/422]
Montana	81	59% [\$7.2]	\$3,743,552	\$480,000	44% [\$9.6]	68% [81/119]
Nebraska	82	69% [\$7.2]	\$4,867,174	\$130,000	18% [27.3]	21% [58/269]
Nevada	248	24% [\$9.0]	\$2,209,127 <sup>22</sup>	N/A	37% [\$5.9]	92% [11/12]
New Hampshire	147	58% [\$7.1]	\$4,083,057	\$48,889	62% [\$6.7]	91% [81/89]
New Jersey	192	57% [\$26.5]	\$13,570,160	\$1,625,740	12% [\$120.0]	19% [104/537]
New Mexico	44	51% [\$7.5]	\$2,581,584	\$1,208,322	86% [\$2.5] <sup>23</sup>	80% [39/49]
New York	181	52% [\$53.4]	\$27,499,133	\$457,143	48% [\$58.3]	40% [70/176]
North Carolina	155	37% [\$26.0]	\$8,874,194	\$850,000	25% [\$21.3] <sup>24</sup>	35% [49/141]
North Dakota	157	78% [\$7.1]	\$5,540,862	N/A	30% [\$18.6]	30% [55/183]
Ohio	415	99% [\$34.3]	\$32,620,000	\$1,300,000	72% [\$47.0]	90% [352/390]
Oklahoma	71	55% [\$11.7]	\$6,129,700	\$325,270	59% [\$11.0]	58% [35/60]
Oregon	116	68% [\$11.2]	\$7,161,908	\$475,365	57% [\$13.3]	70% [58/83]
Pennsylvania	126	60% [\$35.0]	\$18,168,351	\$2,844,985	36% [\$56.8]	41% [75/181]
Rhode Island	40 <sup>25</sup>	63% [\$7.3]	\$4,100,000	\$500,000	38% [\$12.1]	44% [25/57]
South Carolina	26	39% [\$13.2]	\$5,000,000	\$152,000	47% [\$11.0]	45% [25/55]
South Dakota	38	46% [\$7.2]	\$3,317,615	N/A	42% [\$7.9]	69% [24/35]
Tennessee	80	49% [\$18.1]	\$8,836,252	N/A	29% [\$30.5]	31% [51/166]
Texas	853	72% [\$75.9]	\$54,000,000	\$939,830	37% [\$147.0]	80% [484/604]
Utah	50	86% [\$9.9]	\$7,590,186	\$936,699	41% [\$20.1]	46% [61/132]
Vermont	70	66% [\$7.4]	\$4,800,000	\$120,000	60% [\$8.2]	63% [85/135]
Virginia	166	54% [\$22.4]	\$10,993,892	\$1,065,000	72% [\$15.2]	59% [79/133]
Washington	129	100% [\$19.1]	\$20,133,086	\$1,000,000	23% [\$90.0]	21% [55/267]
West Virginia	72	81% [\$7.2]	\$5,798,087	N/A	55% [\$10.6]	47% [54/116]
Wisconsin	350	82% [\$16.6]	\$13,409,168	\$208,600	28% [\$49.1]	35% [126/361]
Wyoming	64	93% [\$7.1]	\$6,539,496	\$53,000	55% [\$12.0]	77% [57/74]
<b>Total</b>	<b>11,371</b>	<b>68% [\$978.0]<sup>26</sup></b>	<b>\$620,789,319<sup>27</sup></b>	<b>\$42,216,855</b>	<b>39% [\$1,722.7]<sup>28</sup></b>	<b>44% [4,542/10,255]<sup>29</sup></b>

## Detailed Notes and Comments:

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<sup>1</sup> **SRTS Funded Schools or Programs:** shows the number of schools in the State that are receiving SRTS funds or state-funded SRTS activities. If the number of schools is not known, the number of SRTS programs is used. This number typically is an estimate because many funding recipients conduct programs in numerous schools. Funds typically are awarded through a competitive process, but in some instances the State may directly select local programs to fund.

<sup>2</sup> **Percent of funds announced based on funds available** shows the percent of SRTS federal funds each state has announced relative to the total funds available to that State through the federal SRTS program. The percent is calculated by summing the values in the table's Funding Announced and Statewide Spending columns and dividing by the number in [brackets] in this column. The bracketed number is the federal SRTS dollars apportioned to states through 9/30/2011 (FY 2011.)

<sup>3</sup> **Funding Announced** includes the amounts that State SRTS Programs have announced they will spend on specific local SRTS projects or programs. This does not identify funds that have actually been dispersed. It also does not include the amounts that a State has committed to making available through its application process.

<sup>4</sup> **Statewide Spending** includes funds that State SRTS Programs have announced they will spend on statewide SRTS activities. These are typically funds provided to statewide organizations or agencies that will conduct SRTS-related encouragement, education, enforcement, or training. These are funds that are directly intended to reach target audiences; the category does not include State SRTS Program administrative costs, such as Coordinator salary, office expenses, etc.

<sup>5</sup> **Percent of funds announced based on funds requested** shows the percent of SRTS funds each state has announced relative to the total dollar amount of SRTS funds requested, which is shown in [brackets]. The percent is calculated by summing the values in the table's Funding Announced and Statewide Spending columns and dividing by the number that appears in [brackets] in this column.

<sup>6</sup> **Percent of Applications Selected** shows the percent of applications each state selected to receive funding and the number of applications selected to receive funding divided by the number of applications requesting National SRTS Program funding. The numbers presented only include application numbers for funding cycle(s) that have been closed and funds announced. A difference may exist between the Number of Applications Selected and the number of Schools Receiving SRTS because applications can contain activities and projects that encompass multiple schools.

<sup>7</sup> The \$829,506 awarded for direct grants to communities and \$308,615 awarded for statewide outreach have received notice-to-proceed authorization.

<sup>8</sup> Alaska has funded all the valid applications they have received for funding.

<sup>9</sup> Delaware usually receives two requests per school: One request for planning followed later by a formal application for implementation. Therefore there is no requested funding amount to report. The application numbers reflect all programs including those requesting initial planning assistance.

<sup>10</sup> D.C offers planning assistance and SRTS activities but there is no requested funding amount to report.

<sup>11</sup> Florida has announced funding for the entire amount (\$49.2M) it has been apportioned through the federal SRTS program through 9/30/2011.

<sup>12</sup> The total number of applications received is unknown. Florida has a decentralized application process that allows each Florida DOT District to receive and review the applications from their district. The Districts forward only the selected applications to DOT headquarters for approval.

<sup>13</sup> The 45 applications GA funded were received during GA's application cycle 1 and 2. Non-Infrastructure programs are developed on an on-going basis with rolling admission and GA SRST Resource Center support.

<sup>14</sup> Illinois can select individual projects/activities listed within an application so their process involved selecting 284 projects to fund from 1420 project/activities reviewed.

<sup>15</sup> This amount accounts for the cancellation of several local program from IN's previous funding cycles. New total amount awarded should be \$13,580,434. Two previously announced projects were cancelled during the latest quarter.

<sup>16</sup> The \$36.8M includes 6 projects that have been cancelled since the program began in 2006.

<sup>17</sup> The 89 includes 6 local program cancelations and the 222 include the cancellation of the 6 local programs from the 2006, 2007, 2009 and 2010 funding cycles.

<sup>18</sup> Number does not reflect the total number of applications received or selected for each of Kansas' funding cycles.

<sup>19</sup> The calculated percent and funding requested only include requested and funded amounts since 2008.

<sup>20</sup> Massachusetts' SRTS program is currently conducting education, encouragement, enforcement, and evaluation activities at 396 schools. At least 35 of these schools have also been selected for infrastructure assessments. The State announced its SRTS program and then selected these initial participating schools based on criteria to ensure distribution between different populations, parts of the state, and urban, rural, and suburban locations.

<sup>21</sup> Massachusetts funds reflect actual expenditures as of 6/30/2011.

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<sup>22</sup> The amount reflects funds that Nevada has obligated, rather than announced. Funds that have been obligated mean that a project agreement has been executed and this is deemed a contractual obligation of the Federal Government for the payment of the Federal share of the cost of the project.

<sup>23</sup> The percent and amount of funding does not include funds the NM SRTS Program is using for a 2 year pilot program in the state nor does it include funds used for SRTS engineering assistance available to all funded communities.

<sup>24</sup> The 25% is calculated using NC's competitive grants only: total awarded was \$5,328,811 and total requested was \$21,343,518. An additional \$2,612,723 was awarded through NC's Division Fund program, which is non-competitive.

<sup>25</sup> The 40 schools reported by Rhode Island represent the schools that are being served after 5 schools opted not to proceed with the award.

<sup>26</sup> The percent and cumulative dollar values only include up to the amount of each state's apportionment in the federal SRTS program through 9/30/2011.

<sup>27</sup> The column total calculation only includes funding announced up to, but not exceeding, the amount available to states through the federal SRTS program through 9/30/2011. Four states have announced funding beyond their apportionments and the funding announced values that appear in the table for each of these states reflect the announced amounts. The amount this state contributes to the cumulative column total is found by subtracting the amount in that state's statewide spending column from the amount displayed in that state's funding to local programs column.

<sup>28</sup> This percent only includes states where the funding announced, statewide spending, and the amount of funding requested were known and provided.

<sup>29</sup> Totals only includes number of applications received and selected for funding cycles where the number of applications received and number of applications selected were known.