

REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL

Fort Belknap Indian Community – Safe Streets for All Safety Action Plan

Issue Date: December 31, 2025

Proposal Due: February 11, 2026

Introduction

The Fort Belknap Indian Community (FBIC) seeks proposals from qualified firms or teams to develop a Comprehensive Transportation Safety Action Plan for all eligible facilities on the Fort Belknap Reservation, located in Blaine County and Phillips County, Montana. This plan will identify safety issues, analyze crash and roadway data, and recommend strategies to reduce fatalities and serious injuries for all road users.

Background

The Fort Belknap Reservation encompasses multiple communities and transportation facilities that serve tribal members, residents, emergency responders, and visitors. Public safety—particularly transportation safety—is a top priority. The Safety Action Plan will align with Safe Streets for All (SS4A) federal guidelines and support future funding applications for implementation projects.

Scope of Work

- Data Collection & Analysis: Gather crash, enforcement, and roadway safety data from Tribal, State, County, and Federal sources. Conduct speed studies, operational analysis, and geospatial mapping to identify high-risk locations and systemic issues.
- Stakeholder Engagement: Facilitate kickoff and stakeholder meetings with FBIC, Montana DOT, BIA, Indian Highway Safety Program, local schools, hospitals, and transit agencies. Implement a public engagement process to gather community input.
- Plan Development: Review existing policies, plans, and projects. Identify equity considerations, underserved areas, and policy gaps. Develop measurable strategies and prioritize safety projects.
- Deliverables: Draft Safety Action Plan for review and Final Safety Action Plan suitable for future SS4A and other safety funding applications.

Proposal Requirements

- Must meet TERO regulations, licenses and fees
 - TERO Office – 406-353-8454 or 406-353-8437
- Contact information for project lead.
- Detailed description of approach and methodology.

- Qualifications and resumes of key staff.
- Relevant experience and references.
- Project timeline and milestones.
- Budget breakdown by task. Limit: 10 pages (excluding resumes).

Evaluation Criteria

- Prior Similar Experience
- Experience with Indian Reservations
- Staff experience and team qualifications
- Understanding of project/program
- Sensitivity to Indian Culture
- Insurance/Professional Liability Insurance
- Availability/Location
- Experience working with Federal programs, specifically P.L. 93-638 contracts

Submission Details

Deadline: February 5, 2026

Hard Copies:

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Bid Opening: February 12, 2026 at 2:00 PM

Estimated Budget

The project is funded through SS4A Safety Planning funds. Budget details will be negotiated with the selected consultant.