# FY26 MISSISSIPPI OFFICE OF HIGHWAY SAFETY FUNDING GUIDELINES FOR PUBLIC INFORMATION AND EDUCATION, STATE AGENCIES, AND SPECIALIZED FUNDING GRANT APPLICATIONS



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# **Schedule for Application Process:**

- Application released December 3, 2024 Application packets will be available at the following sites: Department of Public Safety website <a href="https://www.dps.ms.gov">https://www.dps.ms.gov</a>
- Application Deadline January 28, 2025 Grant applications may be submitted early but are due no later than 5:00 p.m. on January 28, 2025. Grant applications received after the due date will be noted and may be delayed in processing for the upcoming grant year.
- Funding Notification All applicants will be notified of application results no later than July 2025.
- Completed grant applications packets must be <u>submitted electronically</u> to the Mississippi Office of Highway Safety email address at:

# mohs@dps.ms.gov

#### A complete grant application packet should only include:

- 1. The FY26 Grant Application
- 2. Most recent A-133 Financial Audit. If your agency doesn't meet the requirement for an A-133 Audit, you should submit the most recent financial audit. If an audit is not included with the grant application, the application will not be considered for funding eligibility.

**Note:** Do <u>not</u> submit policies and payroll schedules in the application packet. If approved for funding, MOHS will request required documents for FY26 at a later date.

# **Available Applicant Criteria and Program Areas:**

<u>Eligible Applicants:</u> All law enforcement jurisdictions (activities other than enforcement), State agencies, Judicial, Colleges/Universities, Non-profit Organizations and Community Organizations.

<u>Eligible Program Expenses:</u> Personal Services-Salary, Fringe, Contractual Services, Travel, Equipment, Commodities, Indirect Costs, Match.

#### **Program Type: Public Information & Education (PI&E)**

Public Information & Education projects are to reach the public on highway safety issues across the state. The projects should focus on seat belt safety, impaired driving, driver's education, youth programs, community outreach, training, research, traffic records, educational/training conference, and any other program designated by MOHS.

#### **Program Areas:**

- Alcohol (154)
- Alcohol and Drug Impaired Driving (405d)
- Occupant Protection (402/405b)
- Driver's Education (402)
- Data Program (405c)

# **Purpose of the Funding Guidelines**

The purpose of this document is to outline the specific criteria to be followed in the preparation of highway safety applications for funding. The manual provides direction and guidelines to assist state and local agencies in obtaining federal funding support for their highway safety programs.

The Mississippi Office of Highway Safety (MOHS) receives annual funding under the Highway Safety Act of 1966, State and Community Highway Safety Grant Program currently operating under the new authorization The Bipartisan Infrastructure Law (BIL) and Fixing America's Surface Transportation Act (FAST). The funding was established to provide financial assistance to states to stimulate the development of traffic safety projects at the state and local levels. The funding is received from the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) and the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) to the state to support highway safety programs. The success of the programs is determined by the efforts and interest demonstrated by the state and local agencies with traffic safety responsibilities.

The State produces a Highway Safety Plan (HSP), which provides for statewide initiatives, directs activity toward resolving identified traffic safety problems, and establishes statewide targets and performance measures for highway safety. The planning process incorporates the solicitation of applications or proposals (through the problem identification process) for highway safety activities from state agencies and political subdivisions to ensure a statewide effort that will satisfy state highway safety objectives. Applications for funding submitted for traffic safety activities are not restricted to any dollar value but must provide evidence of being cost effective. Applications must state in detail the goals of the project, the problem to be addressed, and the associated activities.

These guidelines are provided to assist the applicant agency in developing traffic safety activities, eligible for federal support and aid in reaching state highway safety goals and objectives. The FY26 grant year **begins** October 1<sup>st</sup> and end September 30<sup>th</sup>. Applications can be requested for funding for a full year (October-September) or specified dates selected by the Applicant. All dates will be approved by MOHS.

# FY26 Mississippi Office of Highway Safety Targets, Performance Measures and Strategies

Per Federal guidelines, the Mississippi Office of Highway Safety must set targets, performance measures and strategies that will be accomplished on an annual basis to remain in federal and state compliance and meet all federal and state requirements for funding.

By funding agencies and projects across the State of Mississippi, the MOHS hopes to achieve success in the target areas and reach all proposed performance measures, by performing specialized strategies.

# **FY26 MOHS Program Areas:**

<u>Alcohol Countermeasures (154AL)</u> - Alcohol projects such as DUI Prosecution, DUI Judicial, law enforcement training, public education and outreach. These funds are strictly for alcohol only related activities, programs and projects.

Alcohol and Drug Impaired Driving (405d) - The Impaired Driving program is for projects working to reduce

alcohol and drug related fatalities and injuries on our roadways. Grant funds are used for educational courses and trainings.

Occupant Protection (402/405b) - To educate the public on the importance and proper use of seat belts and child restraints, to reduce the severity of injuries and the number of fatalities resulting from vehicle crashes, and to measure the results of enforcement and educational programs by conducting surveys and evaluating the results. Activities also include child passenger seat technician (CPST) training, public education, community outreach, and seat belt survey.

<u>Data Program (405c)</u> - The collection, analysis and dissemination of crash, citation, as well as, all other electronic data systems related to highway safety which assist and increase the capability for identifying and alleviating highway safety problems. Centralized Data Systems, Data website, Electronic Data Entry/Collection/Reporting Program activities must be specific to highway safety information.

# <u>Instructions for the Completion of Application Signature Sheet:</u>

Fill out the FY26 Grant Application Signature sheet in its entirety.

1.	Applicant Name, Mailing Address, Telephone and Email Address.
2.	Date: Date of the Application Submission
3.	Beginning and Ending Dates: See the following options and provide a "X" in the box of your choice:
	Full Grant (October 1, 2025 - September 30, 2026)
	Other (Specify Date:)

- 4. Sub-grantee Payment Method: Completed
- 5. UEI# Unique Entity Identifier; city/county clerk can provide. This number must be "active" and remain active throughout the grant period.
- 6. Congressional District
- 7. Program Title: Program you are applying for grant funding. 154 Alcohol, 405d Alcohol and Drug, 402 Occupant Protection, 405b Occupant Protection, 402 Driver's Education, 405c Data Program.
- 8. Funding Requested
  - a. Cost Category
    - 1.Personal Services-Salary
    - 2.Personal Services-Fringes
    - 3. Contractual Services
    - 4.Travel

- 5.Equipment
- 6.Commodities
- 7.Indirect Cost
- 8.Match Amount
- b. Source of Funds
  - 1.Federal
  - 2.State
  - 3.Local
  - 4.Other
- 9. Agreement Statement: Completed
- 10. Approved Signature of Authorized Official (CEO, Director, Mayor, Board of Supervisor President, Commissioner) for Jurisdiction to Apply.

# **Prior Experience with Federal Awards:**

Fill out the chart on the application to reflect if the applicant had prior experience with the same or a similar federal sub-award. Answer Yes or No to the requested questions. This section must be completed for all project applications.

# **Problem Identification: Location**

This section must be filled out completely for all project applications. If this will be a "Statewide" program and will not target a specific city and/or county, indicate "Statewide" for City, County, Troop District, Square Miles and Population. If the program will only focus on a specific city and/or county, list each separately.

City Name to Serve:	
County Name to Serve:	
Troop District:	
Number of Personnel In Agency:	
Number of Personnel to Work Grant:	
Number of Square Miles:	
Number of Population:	
Age Group to Serve	
(PI&E Applicants):	

# **Problem Identification Summary:**

What is the focus area?

Public Information and Education
Public Information and Education – Youth 16-20
Training (Law Enforcement)
Research (Survey and Problem Identification)
Data

What is the program funding source?

154 Alcohol
405d Alcohol and Drug Impaired Driving
402/405b Occupant Protection
402 Driver's Education
402 Child Restraint
405c Data Programs

# **Problem Identification Summary:**

Please provide a detailed problem identification description for the area the program will target for funding, such as high fatality/injury/crash areas, youth, adults, college/universities, community events, training needs, program research, etc.

<u>Please limit to 350 words for the Problem Identification Summary</u>. Provide as much information as possible about how your agency will work toward the highway safety issues for the area of service.

# **Proposed Target, Performance Measure and Strategies to be achieved during FY26:**

**TARGET:** This section must be completed for all project applications. Please provide a description of how the agency will counter the problems stated in the problem identification sections above. <u>Use 2022 State Data for fatality and injury crashes.</u> If state data is not available, provide local data.

**Target for Projects:** What targets will your agency work toward accomplishing during the FY26 grant year?

#### **Alcohol Countermeasures Programs:**

The jurisdiction	on/agency will	attribute	to the reduction	on of the	number o	f alcohol	related fatali	ities from _	i	in
2022 to	by the end of	2026.								

Impaired Driving Programs:
The jurisdiction/agency will attribute to the reduction of the number of alcohol related fatalities from in 2022 to by the end of 2026.
The jurisdiction/agency will attribute to the reduction of the number of drug related fatalities from in 2022 to by the end of 2026.
Seat Belt/Child Restraint Programs:
The jurisdiction/agency will attribute to the reduction of unbelted fatalities from in 2022 to by the end of 2026.
Driver's Education Programs:
The jurisdiction/agency will attribute to the reduction of unbelted fatalities from in 2022 to by the end of 2026.
The jurisdiction/agency will attribute to the reduction of speed fatalities from in 2022 to by the end of 2026.
Other Targets for Programs: Please provide additional targets, if not listed above.
<u>Target Examples:</u> The jurisdiction/agency will attribute to the reduction of the number of alcohol related fatalities from $\underline{5}$ in 2022 to $\underline{3}$ by the end of 2026.
The jurisdiction/agency will attribute to the reduction of unbelted fatalities from 10 in 2022 to 5 by the end of

\*\*Note\*\* Be reasonable with your targets, do not set a target that your agency will not be able to attain or maintain.

2026.

**PERFORMANCE MEASURE:** Continuation Projects should use **2024 grant funded data**, if available. If your agency has never applied for grant funds or has not applied in several years, please start your "grant funded" data at "0". **Select "increase or maintain"** and remove areas that do not pertain to your program area.

<u>Performance Measure for Projects</u>: What grant funded performance goals will your agency work toward accomplishing during the FY26 grant year to obtain the set target?

Alcohol Countermeasures Programs:
(Increase or Maintain) the number of grant funded alcohol related presentations from in 2024 to by the end of 2026.
Impaired Driving (405d) Programs:
(Increase or Maintain) the number of grant funded alcohol related presentations from in 2024 to by the end of 2026.
(Increase or Maintain) the number of grant funded drug related presentations from in 2024 to by the end of 2026.
(Increase or Maintain) the number of grant funded legal technical assistance trainings and presentations to judges, prosecutors, clerks and law enforcement officers from in 2024 to by the end of 2026.
<u>Seat Belt/Child Restraint Education Programs:</u> (Increase or Maintain) the number of grant funded unbelted presentations from in 2024 to by the end of 2026.
(Increase or Maintain) the number of grant funded child restraint presentations from in 2024 to by the end of 2026.
(Increase or Maintain) the number of grant funded car seat checks from in 2024 to by the end of 2026.
(Increase or Maintain) the number of CPS technicians from in in 2024 to by the end of 2026.
Driver's Education Programs:
(Increase or Maintain) the number of grant funded unbelted presentations from in 2024 to by the end of 2026

# **Alcohol/Impaired Training Programs:**

end of 2026.

(Increase/Maintain) the number of grant funded SFST trainings by from\_\_\_\_ in 2024 to \_\_\_\_ by the end of 2026. (Increase/Maintain) the number of grant funded SFST Instructor trainings from\_\_\_ in 2024 to \_\_\_\_ by the end of 2026.

(Increase or Maintain) the number of grant funded speed related presentations from \_\_\_\_ in 2024 to \_\_\_\_ by the

(Increase/Maintain) the number of grant funded ARIDE trainings from in 2024 to by the end of 2020
(Increase/Maintain) the number of law enforcement officers trained in SFST from in 2024 to by the end of 2026.
(Increase/Maintain) the number of law enforcement officers re-certified in SFST from in 2024 to be the end of 2026.
(Increase/Maintain) the number of law enforcement officers trained in ARIDE from in 2024 to by the end of 2026.
(Increase/Maintain) the number of law enforcement officers trained in DRE from in 2024 to by the end of 2026.
(Increase/Maintain) the number of grant funded SFST Instructors from in 2024 to by the end of 2020

#### **Performance Measure Examples:**

Increase the number of grant funded alcohol related presentations from 20 in 2024 to 32 by the end of 2026.

Increase the number of grant funded unbelted presentations from 15 in 2024 to 25 by the end of 2026.

Maintain the number of CPS technicians from 153 in 2024 to 153 by the end of 2026.

Increase the number of grant funded SFST Instructors from 20 in 2024 to 25 by the end of 2026.

<u>Other Performance Measures for Programs:</u> Please provide additional performance measures, if not listed above.

\*\*Note\*\* Be reasonable with your performance measures, do not set measures that your agency will not be able to attain or maintain. Performance measures are reviewed throughout the grant year for performance efficiency and effectiveness.

**STRATEGIES:** This section must be completed for all project applications.

<u>Strategies for Project:</u> What strategies will your agency perform to reach the performance measure and reach the target for the FY26 grant year? For example:

Provide educational sessions/courses
Provide training
Conduct activities/presentations
Conduct health and/or safety fairs
Conduct pre and post survey
Dissiminate information
Community presentations
Perform statistical analyses

Other Strategies for Programs: Please provide additional strategies, if not listed above.

# **FY26 Proposed Program Coordination:**

If grant is awarded, please identify the following persons that will be working on grant activities and will be responsible for the grant. NOTE: The signatory official is the Director, CEO, University President, Mayor, Board of Supervisors President, or Commissioner.

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Name of Chief/Sheriff/Director:	Name of Project Director:
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Email Address:	Email Address:
Name of Financial Manager:	Name of Signatory Official:
Traine of Financial Trainager.	Traine of Signatory Officials
Phone Number:	Phone Number:
Email Address:	Email Address:

# FY26 Proposed Program Coordination: Proposed Project Staff for Grant Responsibilities:

Submit information for proposed project staff that will be funded with federal funds under the grant agreement. If approved for funding, all pay rates requested for reimbursement will be verified with the agency check stub and/or agency payroll documentation.

#### **Salary Amounts:**

Personnel Title:	% of Time	Hourly Salary	# of Hours	Total:
Total Salary:				

#### **Examples of Salary:**

- Director @ (rate of pay) x (# of hours) = (total salary)
- Training Coordinator @ (rate of pay) x (#of hours)= total salary

#### **Fringe Amounts:**

Personnel:	Fringe Item:	%	Total
Total Fringe:			

#### **Examples of Fringe Amounts.** Add any additional Fringe expenses as needed.

• (<u>Title of Person</u>) – (<u>total of salary being claimed above</u>) X 7.65% = (<u>total FICA</u>) (<u>total of salary being claimed above</u>) X 17.9% = (<u>total Retirement</u>) Total fringe = (total fringe)

# **FY26 Proposed Contractual Services Expenses:**

Include a detailed assessment of contractual services within the program area in which you will be applying. Also include a cost estimate for all contractual needs (rental/venue fee, shipping costs, etc.). All expenses must be in accordance to current state and federal guidelines. For applications that will be applying for grant funds such as rent, utilities, etc. cost allocations must be included with the application request.

Type of Contractual Service Expenses:	Quantity/Amount of Service/Amount per Month	Total Costs of Expenses:
Total Contractual Service		
Expense:		

#### **Examples of Proposed Contractual Service Expenses:**

• (Type of Service) (Quantity) X (Price) = (total)

• (Type of Service) (Amount of Service) X (% being requested) = (amount to reimburse)

• (Type of Service) (Amount per month) X 12 = (amount to reimburse)

# **FY26 Proposed Travel Expenses:**

Include a detailed assessment of travel needs within the program area. Also include a cost estimate for all travel needs (airfare, hotel, hotel taxes, per diem, mileage, parking, baggage, gratuity, etc.). All expenses must be in accordance to current state and federal guidelines. Meals can only be claimed with an overnight hotel stay.

Type of Travel	Number of People	Cost:	Total:
<b>Total Travel Expense:</b>			

#### **Travel Justification:**

Provide a detailed description of why your agency needs to travel and how it will benefit your program and the State of Mississippi. Provide justification for travel consideration.

Possible travel opportunities for FY26 funds:

#### • In-State Travel

- $\circ$  Room rate (amount) X (%) room taxes X (#) of nights = (total)
- $\circ$  Meals (per diem total) X (#) of days = (total)
- o 20% gratuity X (total meals) = (total)
- o Trip amount per person (total of all above)
- O Number of people (#) x (trip amount) = (total travel amount)

#### • In-State Travel - Mileage

• Approximately (#) miles X approximately .67/mile = (total)

#### • In-State Conferences

- o Registration fee (amount)
- $\circ$  Room rate (amount) X (%) room taxes X (#) of nights = (total)
- $\circ$  Meals (per diem total) X (#) of days = (total)
- o 20% gratuity X (total meals) = (total)
- o Trip amount per person (total of all above)
- Number of people (#) x (trip amount) = (total travel amount)

#### • Out of State Conferences

- o Registration fee (amount)
- Room rate (amount) X (%) room taxes X (#) of nights = (total)
- $\circ$  Meals (per diem total) X (#) of days = (total)
- o 20% gratuity X (Total meals) = (total)
- o Airfare (amount)

- o Misc. (baggage, parking, taxi, etc.) (amount)
- o Trip amount per person (total of all above)
- Number of people (#) x (trip amount) = (total travel amount)

# **FY26 Proposed Equipment:**

Grant funding must be tied to performance, data and problem identification. **Applicants that are requesting equipment only applications will not be funded.** Please list the cost for each piece of equipment requested.

Important Note: MOHS defines major equipment as "...each item \$1,000.00" or more. All <u>computers</u> regardless of value are considered equipment. All other items must be requested under Commodities.

Federal guidelines require equipment purchased must be essential to the project. If any equipment is requested in the application, **please include quotes(0 to \$5,000.00 requires one quote, Over \$5,000.00 requires two quotes, Over \$50,000.00 requires sealed bids)** for the equipment, equipment descriptions and a thorough explanation of the use of the equipment and how it will impact the target and the agency problem identification.

All law enforcement equipment must be approved by MOHS and/or NHTSA, be included on the Conforming Product List (CPL) and must be used specifically for the purposes for which is purchased. CPL list can be found at:

- Alcohol Screening Devices: (Only 154/405D/402PTS)
   http://www.gpo.gov/fdsys/pkg/FR-2012-06-14/pdf/2012-14582.pdf
- Breath Alcohol Measurement Devices: (Only 154/405D/402PTS)
   http://www.gpo.gov/fdsys/pkg/FR-2012-06-14/pdf/2012-14581.pdf
- <u>Calibrating Units for Breath Alcohol Testers(Only 154/405D/402PTS)</u> http://www.dot.gov/sites/dot.dev/files/docs/20121022 CPL Calibrating Units.pdf
- Radar Speed Measuring Devices (Only 402PTS)/ Lidar Speed-Measuring Devices (Only 402PTS) http://www.theiacp.org/portals/0/documents/pdfs/Combined-CPL.pdf

Unallowable equipment for FY26: Furniture and Fixings, Guns, Ammunition, Uniforms, Vehicles, Body Armor and Body Cameras. Radar and lidars are unallowable under alcohol/impaired funding sources.

#### **Unallowable Costs for Facilities and Construction**

Construction, rehabilitation, or remodeling for any buildings or structures or for purchase of office furnishings and fixtures. Examples of office furnishings and fixtures:

<ul> <li>Bookcase</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Portable Partition</li> </ul>
<ul> <li>Filing Cabinet</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Picture, Wall Clock</li> </ul>
<ul> <li>Floor Covering</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Draperies and Hardware</li> </ul>
• Land	<ul> <li>Fixed Lighting/Lamp</li> </ul>
	• Floor Covering

Type of Equipment:	# Requested:	Cost Per Item (Quote Required):	Line Total:

Total Equipment Expense:		

#### Describe how equipment will be used for grant purposes:

Provide detailed description of how the equipment will be used during FY26 for grant purposes. Be as detailed as possible on how the equipment will benefit the program and work to help to accomplish the targets and the performance measures.

#### **Examples of Proposed Equipment Expenses:**

(Equipment name) (Quantity) X (Price) = (total)

# **FY26 Proposed Commodities:**

Include a detailed assessment of other grant expenses within the program area. Also include a cost estimate for all additional grant expenses (office supplies, brochures and flier paper, ink, easel stands/flip charts, etc.). All expenses must be in accordance to current state and federal guidelines.

Federal guidelines require commodities purchased must be essential to the project. If any commodities are requested in the application, **please include quotes(0 to \$5,000.00 requires one quote, Over \$5,000.00 requires two quotes)** for the commodities, commodities descriptions and a thorough explanation of the use of the commodities and how it will impact the target and the agency problem identification.

Type of Commodity Expenses:	Quantity	Cost Per Item (Quote Required):	Total of Expense:
<b>Total of Commodity Expenses:</b>			

#### **Commodity Justification:**

Provide a thorough explanation of the use of the commodities and how it will impact the target and the agency problem identification.

#### **Examples of Proposed Commodities Expenses:**

• (Type of Service) (Quantity) X (Price) = (total)

#### **FY26 Proposed Indirect Costs:**

Approved cost allocation plans can charge an approved percentage of salaries and fringe benefits for administrative services received. A copy of the cost allocation for indirect costs must be on file at MOHS. Office of Management and Budget (OMB) 2 CFR Part 225, "Cost Principles for State, Local, and Indian Tribal Governments", describes indirect costs as those costs incurred for a common or joint purpose benefiting more than one cost objective and not readily assignable to the cost objectives. Documentation must be provided for any amount claimed.

If an agency does not have a set indirect cost rate, the sub-grantee may elect to charge a 15% de minimis rate of the modified total direct cost which may be used indefinitely. The 2024 revision to the OMB Guidance for Federal Financial Assistance increased the De Minimis Indirect Rate from 10% to 15%. The changes still allow agencies to apply a rate lower than 15% at their own discretion. **Reference 2 CFR 200.414(f)** 

#### **Institutions of Higher Education:**

OMB Guidance for Federal Financial Assistance requires that institutions of higher education provide documentation for Indirect (F&A) rate agreements for federally funded projects. OMB requires:

<u>Certification of Charges</u>: To assure that expenditures for Federal awards are proper and in accordance with the agreement documents and approved project budgets, the annual and/or final fiscal reports or vouchers requesting payment under the agreements will include a certification, signed by an authorized official of the university, which reads "By signing this report, I certify to the best of my knowledge and belief that the report is true, complete, and accurate, and the expenditures, disbursements and cash receipts are for the purposes and intent set forth in the award documents. I am aware that any false, fictitious, or fraudulent information, or the omission of any material fact, may subject me to criminal, civil or administrative penalties for fraud, false statements, false claims or otherwise. (2 CFR Appendix III to Part 200)

#### Certification of Indirect (F&A) Cost (2CFR Appendix III to Part 200):

- Policy-Cognizant agencies must not accept a proposed indirect cost rate unless such costs have been certified by the educational institution using the Certificate of indirect (F&A) Costs set forth in subsection F.2.c
- The certificate must be signed on behalf of the institution by the chief financial officer or an individual designated by an individual at a level no lower than vice president or chief financial officer.

List all proposed indirect costs. If requesting indirect costs, please include your agency approved indirect cost agreement or de minimis indirect cost rate letter. If indirect costs change during application process and/or changes will go into effect before the effective date of the grant agreement, please provide documentation to the MOHS, as soon as changes have been approved.

List All Indirect Costs:	Amount of Indirect Costs:
Total of Indirect Costs:	

# **FY26 Match Amounts:**

#### **Program Matching:**

Any project support can be in the form of cash or in-kind contributions, which generally consist of the value of services, supplies, and nonexpendable personal property. Documentation must be provided for any amount claimed.

Criteria for determining the acceptability of cost sharing or matching funds and all contributions, including cash and in-kind contributions are established in 2 CFR 200.306 Cost Sharing or Matching. Such contributions must meet the following criteria:

- Verifiable from the sub-grantee's records
- Not to include any contributions for any other federal award
- Necessary and reasonable for proper and efficient accomplishment of program objectives
- Charges that would be allowable under 2 CFR 200.306
- Not paid by the federal government under another federal award, unless authorized under the other federal statue and the laws and regulations it is subject to
- Provided for in the approved budget when required by the federal agency.

List all items and amounts that the agency will use as match. Documentation must be provide if agency claims match. **Match is not a requirement for MOHS sub-grantees**.

List All Match Items:	Amount of Match Amounts:
Total of Match Amounts:	

# Mississippi Office of Highway Safety

#### **MOHS FY26 Application Submission**

The application submitted to the MOHS is a request for funds. Funding is based on funds available to the MOHS through federal and state funds. Application requests received are not guaranteed and will be subject to be adjusted, as funding is available.

Each application will be reviewed by the MOHS staff and management for application completeness, data provided, citation information, budget requests of personnel, contractual services, travel, equipment and other expenses requested to enhance the already existing program. The proposed targets, performance measure and strategies are also reviewed for effectiveness and efficiency.

Applications received from continuation grant agencies will be reviewed by MOHS staff and management for application completeness, data provided, citation information, budget requests of personnel, contractual services, travel, equipment and other expenses requested to enhance the already existing program. Grants will also be funded based on the review of past grant performance of meeting targets and performance measures, expenditure of previous grant funds and information from program documentation and assessments.

The MOHS grant program is a data driven program and all applications must represent a need and the ability to help reach the State's target and performance measures to help reduce fatalities, crashes and injuries.

#### **Submission of Financial Audit**

All applicants for the FY26 MOHS Grant Application must submit a copy of the most recent A-133 financial audit from the requesting agency. If your agency doesn't meet the requirement for an A-133 Audit, you should submit the most recent financial audit. If an audit is not included with the grant application, the application will not be considered for funding eligibility.

#### **Incomplete Applications:**

If all sections of this Application are not filled out, documentation provided and/or justifications provided, this Application will not be considered for review and/or approval. This includes missing signatures.

#### **Agreement of Understanding and Compliance:**

The Agreement of Understanding and Compliance documents will be attached within the FY26 Grant Agreement. The Applicant will be required to sign all compliance documents upon receipt of the finalized Grant Agreement between the State, MOHS and applicant. Certifications and assurances will be included in the Grant Agreement.

# **REMINDER**

# **Applications must include:**

- FY26 Application (with Signatory Official signature and date included)
- Most Recent Financial Audit of Agency
- Cost Allocation of Contractual Services (If Applicable)
- Quotes for Equipment and Commodities (If Applicable)
- Applications are due: January 28, 2025

# **Contact Information:**

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