

## 10B. SAFETY ACTION PLANS

### BACKGROUND

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The eight-county planning area of the Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) accounts for nearly 20% of traffic deaths in Texas. Between 2020 and 2024, 3,730 people were killed and over 17,000 people were seriously injured on roads in the 8-county region. This equates to 760 fatalities per year and two fatalities per day related to transportation use in our metropolitan planning area. In response to these tragedies, H-GAC and local agencies have initiated the Safety Action Plans project.

H-GAC is developing a regional safety action plan and 11 local safety action plans with a goal to reduce fatalities and serious injuries. The 11 local partners include:

- City of Conroe
- City of Friendswood
- City of Galveston
- City of La Marque
- City of League City
- City of Missouri City
- City of Pearland
- City of Sugar Land
- Gulf Coast Rail District
- METRO
- Waller County

These plans align with the U.S. Department of Transportation's Safe Streets and Roads for All (SS4A) grant program and the National Roadway Safety Strategy. They also promote the regional and local Vision Zero policies in effect throughout the eight-county metropolitan planning area.

Recommendations included in the Safety Action Plans will result in eligibility of local partners to apply for Implementation Grants or Planning and Demonstration Grants through the SS4A program.

### CURRENT SITUATION

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The study areas and first steering committees, called the Safety Task Force, have been completed for all 12 plans. A heatmap showing high crash locations within each of the study areas is being used to guide the identification of the high injury networks. A website has been created for each plan and can be found at [H-GAC Safety Action Plan | Engage HGAC](#). Information and feedback are being sought from the public using a survey and interactive map on the website. Staff will provide an update regarding the status of the safety action plans.

### ACTION REQUESTED

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Information only.