



Executive Leadership Meeting



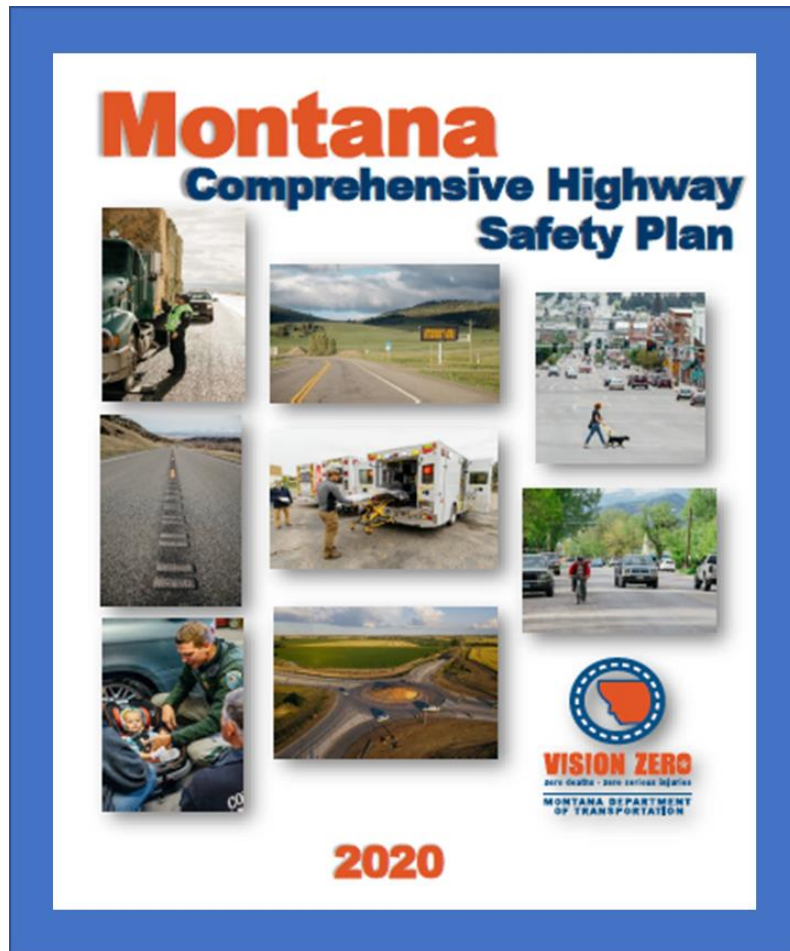
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CHSP Federal Requirements



Data Driven

Multiagency Coordination

Performance Measures

Consistent Safety Targets

Track & Evaluate Progress

Update every 5 Years

CHSP Purpose

Implement a collaborative process to reduce fatal and serious injuries utilizing education, enforcement, emergency medical services and response, & engineering strategies .

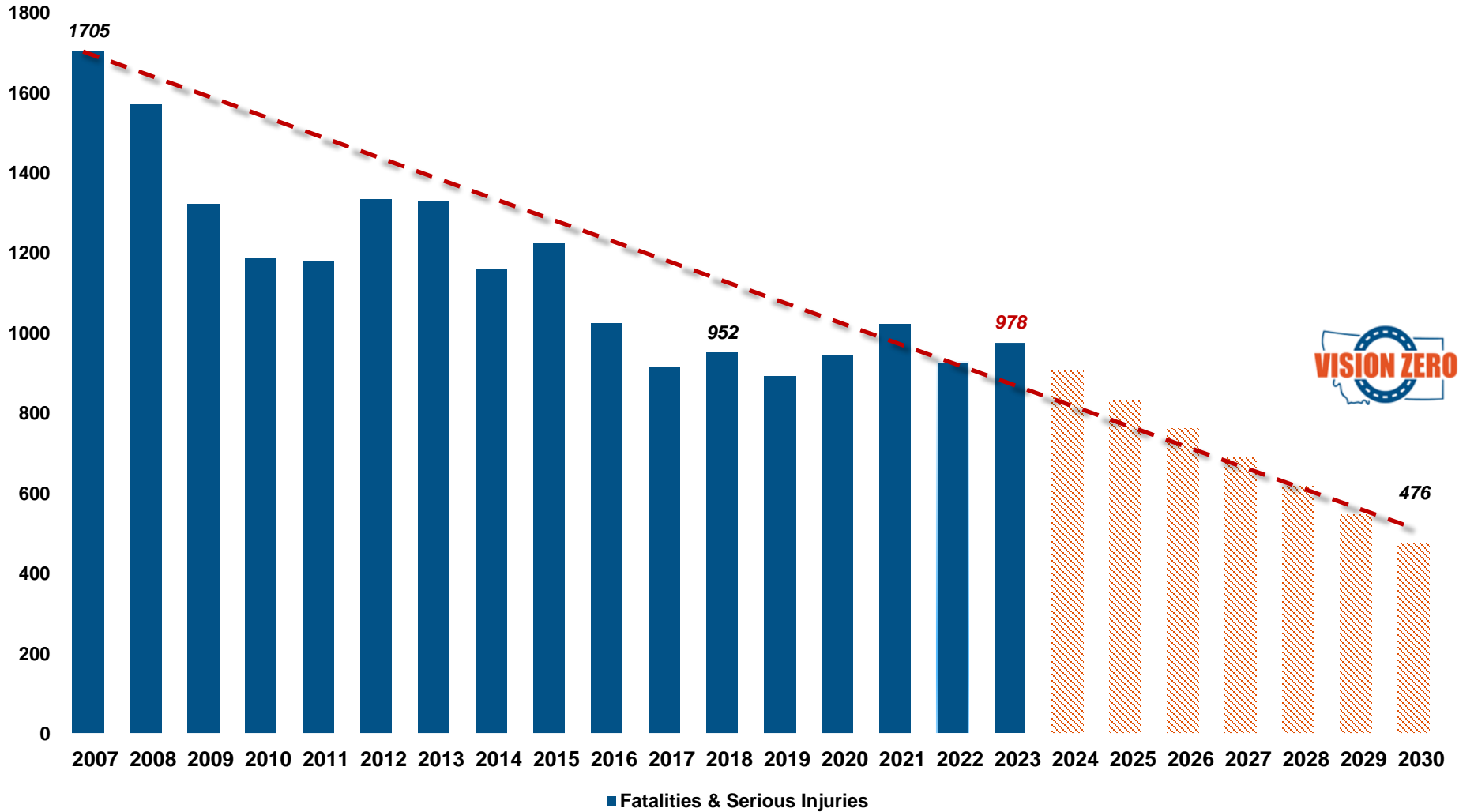
The CHSP will seek to focus our resources strategically where opportunities for safety improvements are the greatest.

***Vision Zero -
zero fatalities &
serious injuries on
Montana's
roadways.***

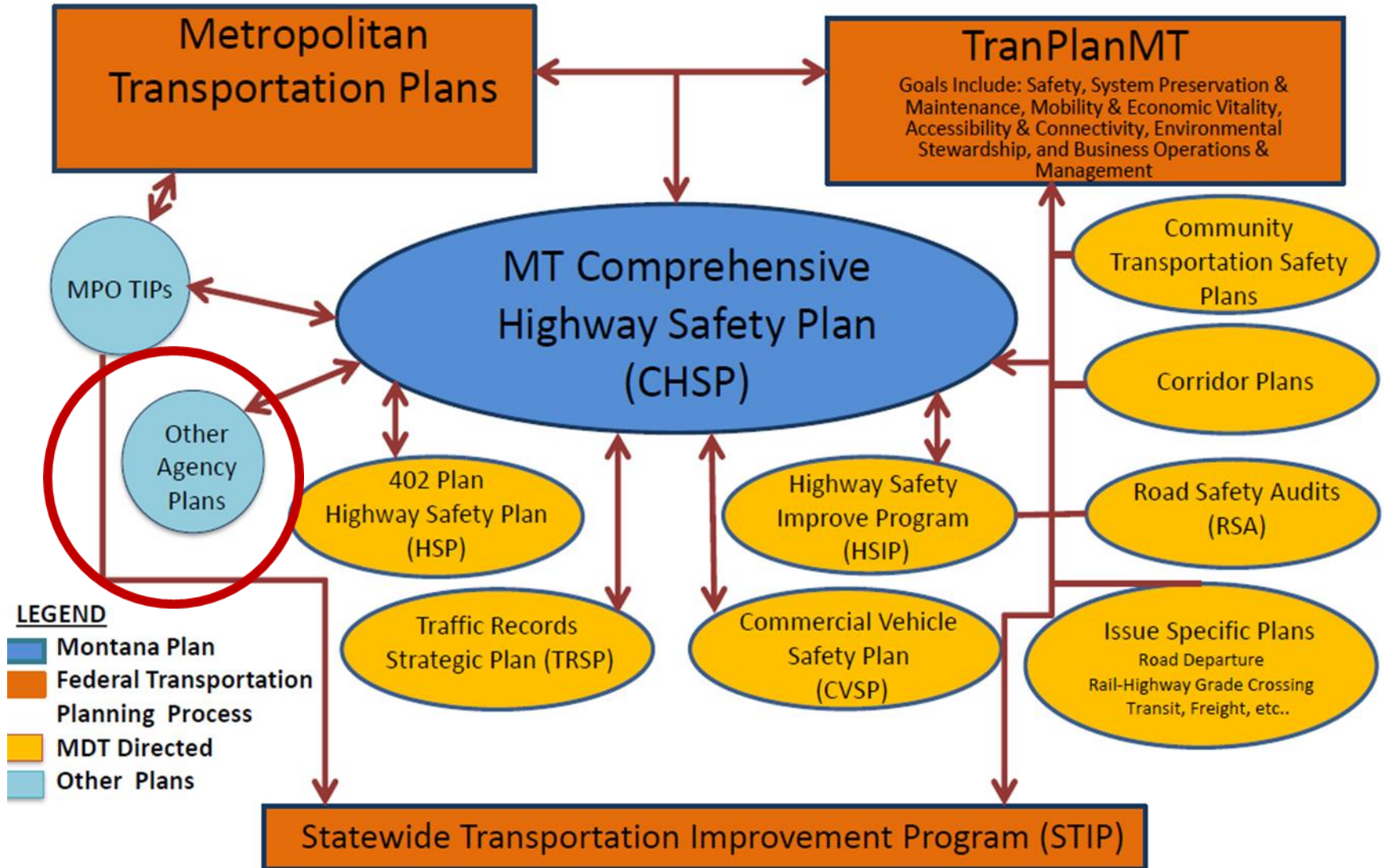


CHSP Interim Goal

Reduce fatalities and serious injuries on Montana's roads by half,
from 952 in 2018 to 476 in 2030.
Based on 2023 Preliminary Data



Relationship of Montana's Safety Plan (CHSP) with Agency Safety Plans & Programs



Comprehensive Approach

*Roadway
Departure &
Intersection-
related*

*Death & serious injuries
are unacceptable
Humans are vulnerable
Safety is proactive
Responsibility is shared
Redundancy is crucial
because
Humans make mistakes*

*Emergency
Response - Post-
Crash Care*

Impaired Driving

*Unrestrained
Vehicle
Occupants*

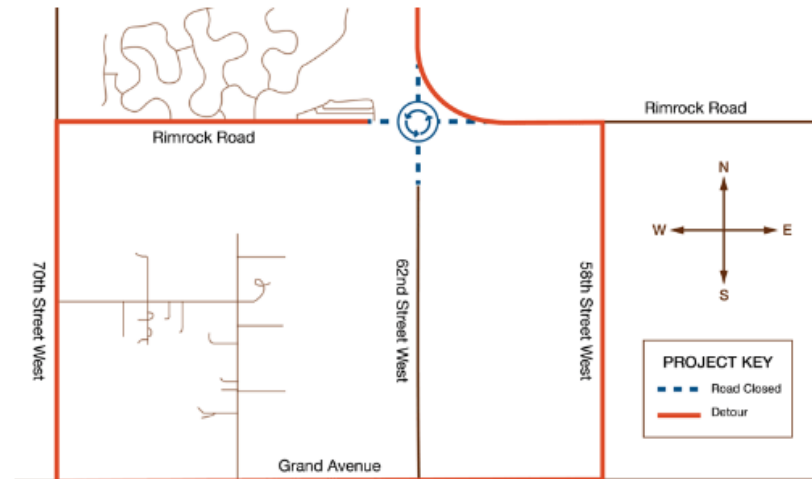
Implementation Structure



- Provides leadership
- Prioritizes Vision Zero
- Commit safety resources & staff
- Identifies & remove barriers
- Incorporates safety strategies
- Delegate appropriate staff
- Statewide Impaired Driving Task Force

Roadway Departure & Intersection-related Team Accomplishments

- Identified crash cluster at the three intersections
- Roundabout will reduce high-severity crash incidents.
- Design to eliminate deadly T-bone & head-on crashes.
- Roundabouts reduce rear-end crashes
- Slower speeds & one-directional traffic mean fewer crossing conflicts.
- Allows vehicle operators & pedestrians time to react to one another.



Objective: Reduce Intersection-related Fatalities and Serious Injuries

Roadway Departure & Intersection-related Team Accomplishments

I-90 Corridor in Gallatin County Wrong Way Driver

- 24 incidents were reported in 2023
- 17 incidents in 2024 YTD (3 arrested for DUI)

- Wrong Way detection & warning system installations
- Nine detection and warning systems were installed.



WW200

Wrong-way detection system that leverages radar technology to trigger high-intensity flashing lights.

Objective: Reduce Roadway Departure Fatalities and Serious Injuries

Emergency Response- Post Crash Care Team Accomplishments

MDTs EMS Grants Program

4 new ambulances

- Boulder Ambulance,
- Columbus Rural Fire District,
- Joliet EMS, and
- Three Forks Area Ambulance



**Objective: Reduction of morbidity and mortality of the
Montana motor vehicle crash victim**



Unrestrained Vehicle Occupant Team Accomplishments

Continued Educational Outreach

- 4 BUMT coalition cover 56 counties
- Partner with Safe Kids Yellowstone County & Greater Gallatin Safety Coalition



Child Passenger Safety Certification Training & inspection stations.

- Recertification 59.4% compared to 47.5%

Purchase & distribution of child safety seats

- 587 car seats

Ongoing seatbelt education & awareness efforts

- 2022 seat belt observation of 92.9% compared to 91.6%

Objective: Reduce Unrestrained Vehicle Occupant Fatalities and Serious Injuries.

Unrestrained Vehicle Occupant –SOAR Team Accomplishments

- 7 SOAR coordination
- 7 Certificated Child Passenger Safety techs
- Basketball Buckle Up Campaign
- SOAR/OPI Montan Drive
- SOAR/OPI Driver Educator Certification MSU-N



**Be the real MVP.
Buckle up for your team.**

Buckle up for your team this season. Seat belts reduce your risk of serious injury or death by half. Make the smart call this season and click it. Your team and community are counting on you.



Unrestrained Vehicle Occupant - Teen Peer-to-Peer Accomplishments

Partners with FCCLA to promote teen traffic safety.

- Relevant to their peers/ community
 - Seat belt use
 - Distracted driving
 - Drowsy driving
 - Impaired driving



Beaverhead County FCCLA



Huntley Project FCCLA

Impaired Driving Team Accomplishments

Preventions and Educations Programs:

- Alcohol Responsibility Matters billboard campaign- DOR
- Enhanced responsible alcohol sales and service training -DOR



Objective: Reduce Impaired Driving related Fatalities and Serious Injuries.



Impaired Driving Team Accomplishments



STEP activities

- 3 National Mobilizations
- 10 HVE events
- Winter mobilization

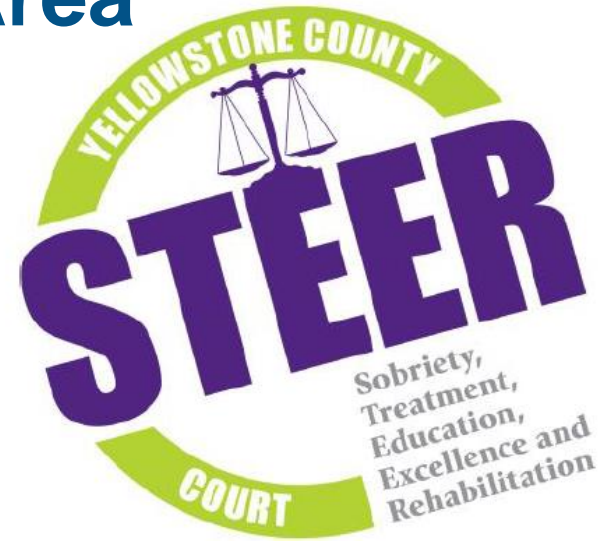
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- 4th of July,
- St Patrick's Day in Butte,
- State Fair in Great Falls/ Cascade County,
- Yellowstone Co Fair and Blue Angels Air Show in Billings/ Yellowstone Co.
- Winterfest Carnival in Whitefish/ Flathead County



Impaired Driving Emphasis Area Team Accomplishments

- **Five NHTSA funded DUI Courts**
 - 13th Judicial District: STEER
 - Missoula County: ROAD Court
 - 12th Judicial District
 - Butte Silver Bow
 - 7th Judicial District
- Montana has 45 Treatment Courts statewide- DUI, Veteran, Family . Often co-occurring.



Montana's Statewide Impaired Driving Strategic Plan



- Following 23 CFR 1300.23
- Montana is classified as a High Range State for Alcohol-Impaired Driving Fatalities.
- States with a .60 or higher for the average alcohol-impaired driving fatality rate.
- Montana is at a .68 for 2019-2021 Fatality Analysis Report System (FARS) data.
- **Average impaired driving fatality rate means** the number of fatalities in motor vehicle crashes involving a driver with a blood alcohol concentration of at least 0.08 percent for every 100,000,000 vehicle miles traveled, based on the most recently reported three calendar years of final data from the FARS.



High Range = Extra Requirements

- ✓ Statewide Impaired Driving Task Force/Executive Leadership Team (ELT)
- ✓ Impaired Driving Emphasis Area is working group
- ✓ Statewide Impaired Driving Plan that includes:
 - Must follow NHTSA's Highway Safety Program Guideline on Impaired Driving. (coincides with ID EA Work Plan)
 - NHTSA Impaired Driving Assessment – Response to Recommendations
 - Projects implementing impaired driving activities/funding.

Impaired Driving Work Plan

Strategy 1: Deterrence and Enforcement

Strategy 2: Prevention and Education

Strategy 3: Criminal Justice System

Strategy 4: Communication Program

Strategy 5: Alcohol and Other Drug Misuse: Screening, Assessment, Treatment and Rehabilitation

Strategy 6: Program Evaluation and Data



Impaired Driving Assessment

- Conducted on November 14-18th, 2022
- Over 60 Montana safety partners interviewed
- Ten (10) priority recommendations and twenty-five (25) lower tier recommendations



Impaired Driving Projects/Funding for Federal Fiscal Year 2025

- MDT will utilize NHTSA funds for 16 projects which include impaired driving strategies.
- Multiple subrecipients within projects.
- Projects align with NHTSA's *2023 Countermeasures That Work*



Statewide Impaired Driving Strategic Plan Overview & Approval

Comprehensive Highway Safety Plan information

<http://www.mdt.mt.gov/visionzero/plans/chsp.shtml>

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