

SECTION 405 MOTORCYCLIST SAFETY GRANTS

Year	2013	2014
Authorization (\$1,000s)	\$3,975	\$4,080

Purpose: To encourage States to adopt and implement effective programs to reduce the number of single- and multi-vehicle crashes involving motorcyclists.

Eligibility: 50 States, the District of Columbia (DC) and Puerto Rico are eligible for this grant. To receive a grant a motorcyclist safety grant, a State must adopt or demonstrate to the satisfaction of the Secretary at least two (2) of the following criteria:

- An effective motorcycle rider training course that is offered throughout the State, which:
 - ✓ Provides a formal program of instruction in accident avoidance and other safety-oriented operational skills to motorcyclists; and
 - ✓ May include innovative training opportunities to meet unique regional needs.
- An effective statewide program to enhance motorist awareness of the presence of motorcyclists on or near roadways and safe driving practices that avoid injuries to motorcyclists.
- A reduction for the preceding calendar year in the number of motorcycle fatalities and the rate of motor vehicle crashes involving motorcycles in the State (expressed as a function of 10,000 motorcycle registrations).
- Implementation of a statewide program to reduce impaired driving, including specific measures to reduce impaired motorcycle operation.
- A reduction for the preceding calendar year in the number of fatalities and the rate of reported crashes involving alcohol- or drug-impaired motorcycle operators (expressed as a function of 10,000 motorcycle registrations).
- All fees collected by the State from motorcyclists for the purposes of funding motorcycle training and safety programs will be used for motorcycle training and safety purposes.

Use of Funds:

- (A) A State may use these grant funds only for motorcyclist safety training and motorcyclist awareness programs, including:
- Improvements to motorcyclist safety training curricula;
 - Improvements in program delivery of motorcycle training to both urban and rural areas, including:
 - ✓ Procurement or repair of practice motorcycles;
 - ✓ Instructional materials;
 - ✓ Mobile training units; and
 - ✓ Leasing or purchasing facilities for closed-course motorcycle skill training;
 - Measures designed to increase the recruitment or retention of motorcyclist safety training instructors; and

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- Public awareness, public service announcements and other outreach programs to enhance driver awareness of motorcyclists, such as the “share the road” safety messages.
- (B) An agency of a State that receives a grant under this subsection may sub-allocate funds from the grant to a nonprofit organization incorporated in that State to carry out this subsection.

Allocation of Funds to the States:

MAP-21 does not specify an allocation of funds to the States. However, the statutory maximum (Cap) award for this grant is 25 percent of the amount apportioned to the State for fiscal year 2003 under Section 402.

Federal Share:

The Federal share of these grants shall not exceed 80%.