

Eligible Mini-Grant Programs

Walking School Bus

A Walking School Bus is a program that involves children walking to school along designated routes, with designated meeting points, a timetable, and a regularly rotated schedule of trained volunteers serving as Walking School Bus leaders. The National Center for Safe Routes to School has produced an online audio/video training program that provides strategies and tips for planning a Walking School Bus program. *The Walking School Bus Program: A Primer and First Steps*, is available online at http://apps.saferoutesinfo.org/training/walking_school_bus

Bike Train/Bike Brigade

Like a Walking School Bus, a Bike Train or Bike Brigade is a group of students riding their bikes to school along a designated route, led by volunteer Bike Train/Bike Brigade leaders. Typically conducted for middle school or upper elementary students, these programs also incorporate lessons on bicycle safety and maintenance.

Corner Captains

Corner Captain Programs involve parents, teachers, neighbors, or other volunteers who are strategically stationed at designated points along established routes to school to keep an eye on the students as they make their way in groups to school.

Mileage Program

Mileage programs encourage walking or biking by tracking trips or distance students travel by active transportation to and from school (intended only for trips between home and school; not programs that keep the students on the school grounds).

Bike Share Program

A Bike Share program can be started to help students who do not own a bicycle get to and from school. Students can "check out" bikes to ride from school to home and back again. Schools

who would like to start a bike share program should think about purchasing bike locks and helmets in addition to the bikes. Please note: any steel-based products must be purchased in accordance with the Buy America Act.

COVID-19 Resources

Many communities are modifying their program implementation with social distancing and remote learning in mind. Here are some resources that can assist you with any adjustments you are looking to make depending on the learning format of your school or district.

Have an idea for a program that's not on this list? We love creativity. Give you SRTS Coordinator a call to talk over your ideas for your proposal. <http://saferoutesmichigan.org/contact/>

Example Safe Routes to School Mini Grant Budget Worksheet

Applicant/Fiduciary:

School(s):

ABC Schools

123 Academy

Non-personnel Expenses (e.g. items needed to plan or carry out proposed activities)

	Description	Cost per Unit	Total Number of Units	Total Amount Requested
1	Training Session for Crossing Guards	\$150.00	1	\$150.00
2	Small Encouragement Incentives for Students	\$2.00	250	\$500.00
3	Printing Costs	\$0.15	500	\$75.00
4	Healthy Refreshments for Walking School Bus Participants	\$2.00	250	\$500.00
5	Walking School Bus Supplies (vests, flashlights, signs)	\$25.00	21	\$525.00
6	Bike Rodeo Supplies (Cones, Chalk, Megaphone)	\$18.00	25	\$450.00
7	Bike Helmets for Rodeo Participants	\$10.00	70	\$700.00
8	LED Light Bracelets	\$7.00	300	\$2,100.00
Total Non-personnel Amount Requested				\$5,000.00

Personnel Expenses (e.g. salaries or other compensation)

	Role Description	Activities	Cost per Unit	Total Number of Units	Total Amount Requested
1	Coordinator	Organizes General Programming, Outreach	\$25.00	106	\$2,650.00
2	Corner Captain 1	Oversees Priority Location 1	\$20.00	35	\$700.00
3	Corner Captain 2	Oversees Priority Location 2	\$20.00	35	\$700.00
4	Walking School Bus Leader	Leads students on identified route	\$20.00	35	\$700.00
5	Bike Rodeo Instructor	Implements Bike Rodeos on designated days	\$25.00	10	\$250.00
6					\$0.00
7					\$0.00
8					\$0.00
Total Personnel Amount Requested					\$5,000.00

Total Personnel Expenses + Total Non-Personnel Expenses: \$10,000.00

*Please note, if awarded, the fiduciary may be asked to submit verification of personnel hourly rate or wages.