

SAFE ROUTES NEWS

Oklahoma's Safe Routes to School (SRTS) Program was launched October 1, 2007 with Phase 1 of the Program's application process. Phase 1 of the application process requires interested applicants to complete a "SRTS Travel Plan" by February 7, 2008 for the opportunity to compete for available engineering projects, and/or educational programs and activities designed to encourage and enable children to walk and bike to school safely.

We received 40 stand alone "SRTS Travel Plans" from the communities statewide with an estimated project funding request totaling approximately \$7.2 million. Oklahoma has only \$ 3 million available for potential projects during the current application cycle. The table below represents the communities participating in the current application cycle. The next application cycle is anticipated to begin February 2009.

Communities Submitting 2007- 2009 SRTS Travel Plans				
Tishomingo	Piedmont	Noble	Shawnee	Moore
Oklahoma City	Norman	Bristow	Guymon	Antlers
Kingfisher	Bartlesville	Wellston	Checotah	Newcastle
Durant	Lawton	Enid	Blanchard	Laverne
Catoosa	Tulsa	Oklahoma County		

What's next?

Phase 2 of the process. The Communities listed above have until June 12, 2008 to complete the final application documents, which will be evaluated along with the SRTS Travel Plans by the SRTS Project Selection Committee. The Committee's first meeting is scheduled for late June. More information will be provided as the process continues.