

# Safe Routes to School Innovations in Michigan



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# Overview

- Michigan SRTS History
- W2SD & B2SD Support
- Make Trax for student empowerment
- Network Partners
- Mini Grants and District wide approaches
- 0% Match
- Grant Coordinator and MDOT innovations

# A History of Safe Routes To School in Michigan





W2SD  
&  
B2SD



Important event to gain interest  
Often a first SRTS for communities  
Way to gauge interest in larger SRTS efforts

# Event Support



- Distribute Event Packets
- Online event toolkit
- Event promotion on platforms
- Broad view of Audience
- Grant Coordinator site visits

This Year's  
Theme

WALK ON THE WILD SIDE  
ON WALK TO SCHOOL DAY!

Wednesday, October 2, 2019





# MAKE TRAX

## Make Trax Curriculum

Middle school student-led civic engagement and planning curriculum

Assess the environment, create recommendations and presenting these

Youth become change agents in their communities.

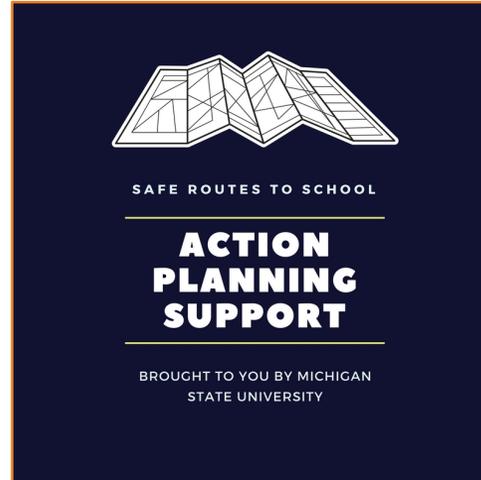
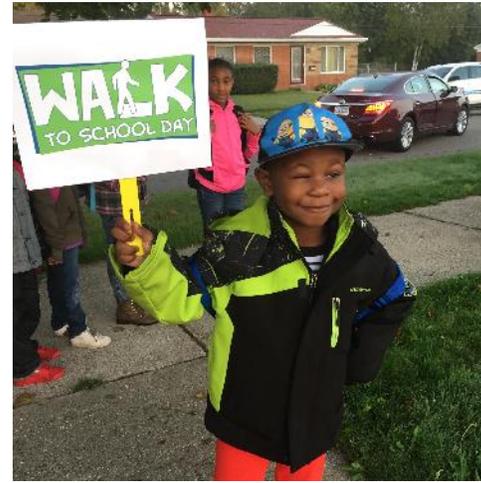




# Network Partners

Michigan Association of Planning

MSU School of Planning, Design and Construction and MSU College of Engineering





# mini vs. MAJOR

## SAFE ROUTES TO SCHOOL GRANT

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**REGISTER YOUR SCHOOL**

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Submit a proposal during the January application period. Hear back by April on awards.

### mini Grant:

A programming (non-infrastructure) only grant, administered by the Michigan Fitness Foundation. Funds available average up to \$5,000/school or up to \$25,000 for multiple schools within a district. Annual call for application proposals in January.



# Building Something Major



Mini grants to gain support for SRTS as a concept in a community and increase interest to pursue larger scale Major grants





# District-wide Approaches



## Comprehensive

Larger district culture of walking and biking between schools



## Flexible

Adaptive school programming to be specific to each school's needs



## Phased

Can make it manageable and long-term change approach



# 0% Match for Michigan SRTS

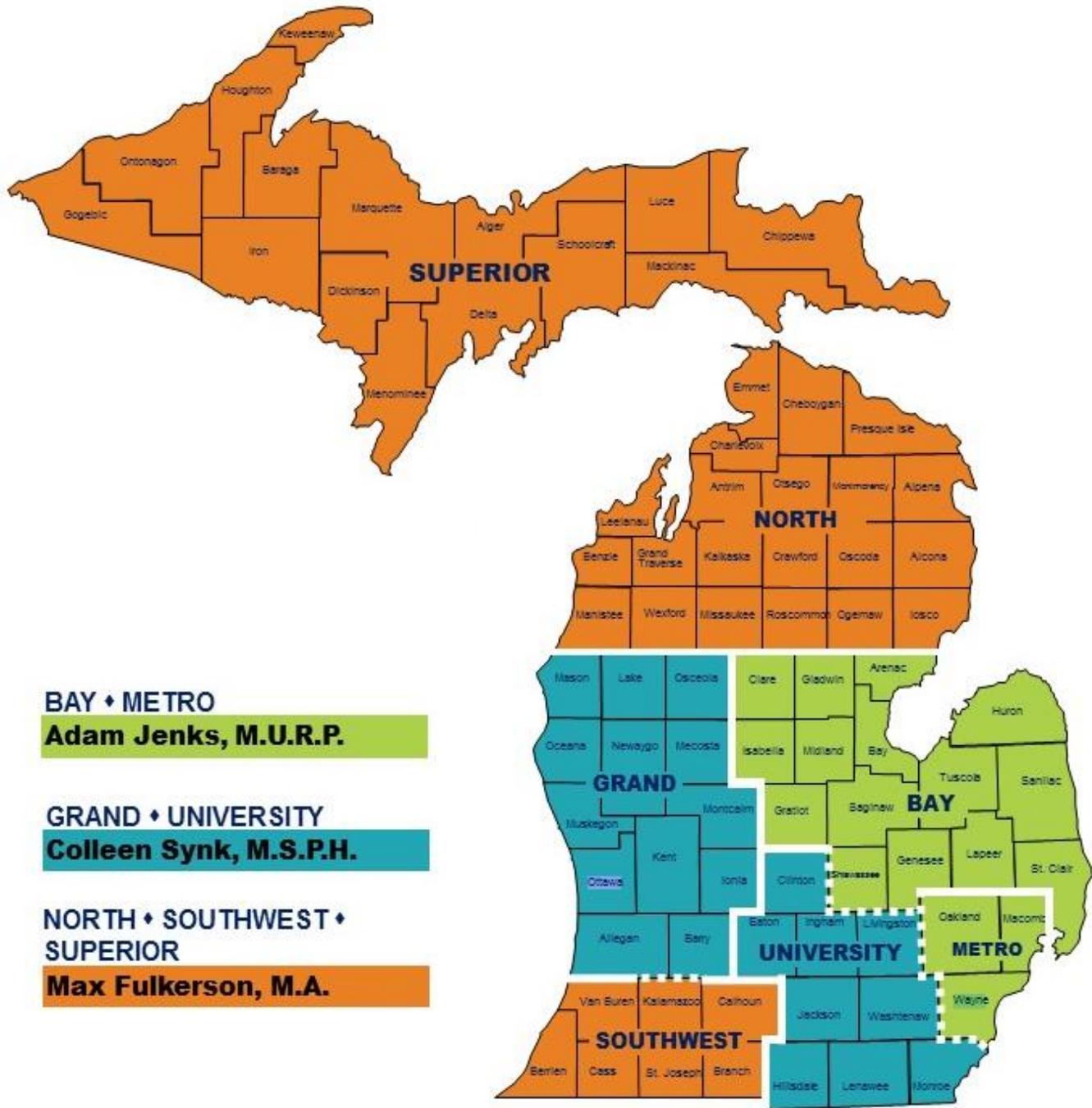
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FHWA match required of 20% cash minimum,  
MDOT currently not requiring.

Toll credits to cover the programmatic match  
for SRTS.

# SRTS Regional Grant Coordinator





# Technical Review to Conditional Commitment



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