Highway Safety Grants Program

**FY2013 Request:** $8,000,000

| Reference No: | 33485 |

**AP/AL:** Allocation

**Category:** Transportation

**Location:** Statewide

**Impact House District:** Statewide (HD 1-40)

**Estimated Project Dates:** 07/01/2012 - 06/30/2017

**Appropriation:** Statewide Federal Programs

**Project Type:** Life / Health / Safety

**House District:** Statewide (HD 1-40)

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**Brief Summary and Statement of Need:**
The Alaska Highway Safety Office coordinates highway safety programming through federally funded grants directed toward public outreach and education; enforcement; promotion of new safety technology; integration of public health strategies; collaboration with safety and private sector organizations; and cooperation with state and local governments.

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**Additional Information / Prior Funding History:**
FY2012 - $8,000,000; FY2011 - $5,500,000; FY2010 - $5,500,000; FY2009 - $5,500,000; FY08 - $3,000,000; FY2007 - $3,000,000; FY2006 - $1,885,000; FY2005 - $1,885,000; FY2004 - $1,855,000; FY2003 - $1,676,300; FY2002 - $2,674,400; FY2001 - $2,667,500.

**Project Description/Justification:**
The Alaska Highway Safety Office manages highway safety program funds from the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA). Federally funded grants are directed toward public outreach and education; enforcement; promotion of new safety technology; integration of public health strategies; collaboration with safety and private sector organizations; and cooperation with state and local governments. The match requirement for the program administration grant is part of the Other Federal Program Match request (RefNum 41923).

**Section 402 - State and Community Highway Safety Programs**
Section 402 funds are to be used to support the States’ Performance Plans, which contain performance goals and performance measures, based on the National Priority Program Areas and other problems identified by the States, and Highway Safety Plans for the implementation of programs that address a wide range of highway safety problems that are related to human factors and the roadway environment and that contribute to the reduction of crashes, deaths, and injuries resulting thereof.
Section 405 - Occupant Protection Incentive Grant
Section 405 grants encourage States to adopt and implement effective programs to reduce deaths and injuries from riding unrestrained or improperly restrained in motor vehicles. A State may use these grant funds only to implement and enforce occupant protection programs.

Section 408 – State Traffic Safety Information System Improvements Grants
The purpose of this grant program is to encourage States to adopt and implement effective programs to improve the timeliness, accuracy, completeness, uniformity, integration, and accessibility of State data that is needed to identify priorities for national, State, and local highway and traffic safety programs; to evaluate the effectiveness of efforts to make such improvements; to link these State data systems, including traffic records, with other data systems within the State; and to improve the compatibility of the State data system with national data systems and data systems of other States to enhance the ability to observe and analyze national trends in crash occurrences, rates, outcomes, and circumstances. A State may use these grant funds only to implement such data improvement programs.

Section 410 - Alcohol Impaired Driving Countermeasures
These grants encourage States to adopt and implement effective programs to reduce traffic safety problems resulting from individuals driving while under the influence of alcohol. A State may use these grant funds to implement the eight impaired driving programmatic grant criteria as well as costs for high visibility enforcement; the costs of training and equipment for law enforcement; the costs of advertising and educational campaigns that publicize checkpoints, saturation patrols or other law enforcement traffic maneuvers, increase law enforcement efforts and target impaired drivers under 34 years of age; the costs of a State impaired operator information system, and the costs of vehicle or license plate impoundment.

Section 2010 – Motorcyclist Safety Grants
This program of incentive grants is to encourage States to adopt and implement effective programs to reduce the number of single and multi-vehicle crashes involving motorcyclists. A State may use these grants funds only for motorcyclist safety training and motorcyclist awareness programs, including improvement of training curricula, delivery of training, recruitment or retention of motorcyclist safety instructors, and public awareness and outreach programs.

Section 2011 – Child Safety and Child Booster Seat Incentive Grants
This is a new incentive grant program to make grants available to States that are enforcing a law requiring any child riding in a passenger vehicle who is too large to be secured in a child safety seat to be secured in a child restraint that meets the requirements prescribed under section 3 of Anton’s Law (49 USC 30127 note; 116 Stat. 2772). These grant funds may be used only for child safety seat and child restraint programs.

This project contributes to the Department's Mission by reducing injuries, fatalities and property damage.