

# **The U.S. Department of Transportation**

invites you to join USDOT Division and Regional Staff in planning and conducting a Pedestrian and Bicyclist Safety Assessment



## **SAFER PEOPLE, SAFER STREETS: Secretary Foxx's Call for USDOT-led Pedestrian and Bicyclist Safety Assessments**

Secretary Foxx is committed to reversing the recent increase in nonmotorized fatalities and injuries, launching a multifaceted Pedestrian and Bicycle Safety Initiative working toward that goal. As part of this initiative, the Secretary is asking the USDOT field offices to conduct corridor-level safety assessments with State and local partners to promote better understanding of the safety challenges faced by nonmotorized travelers. Division and Regional Staff from FHWA, FTA, NHTSA, FMCSA, and FRA will be assuming the leadership role in convening, facilitating, and participating in at least one assessment in each state. Division and Regional Staff are asking their federal, state, and local partners to join them in planning and conducting these assessments.

These safety assessments are on-the-ground examinations of a road corridor or transit center conducted by a multidisciplinary team. The purpose of these assessments is to: 1) facilitate and encourage relationship-building between people who work for the different jurisdictions and share responsibility for creating safer streets, 2) engage practitioners who are not typically focused on pedestrian and bicycle safety, and 3) focus on locations that have nonmotorized safety challenges. The assessments provide a real-world environment to foster discussions, share knowledge, identify patterns that result in gaps in the nonmotorized network, and build relationships and plans that will help lead to safer pedestrian and bicycle networks over time. As a knowledge-building exercise, the assessments do not include discretionary project-level funding, but should assist participants in understanding the existing federal and local funding available for project improvements.