

June 12, 2017

To: AASHTO Board of Directors

Re: Announcement for 2017 AASHTO Safety Award

Dear CEO,

AASHTO is now accepting applications for the 2017 AASHTO Safety Leadership Award.

The AASHTO Safety Leadership Award honors a state that has made a significant improvement in safety by showing a decreasing trend in the five year moving average of fatalities and has shown:

- Demonstrated leadership in safety,
- Strong safety partnerships and strategic planning, and
- Innovation in safety.

Applications are due on **August 18, 2017**, and may be submitted via email to Rosemary TenEyck at [rteneyck@aaashto.org](mailto:rteneyck@aaashto.org). Full application details are attached.

The award will be presented to the winner at the AASHTO Annual Meeting in Phoenix, Arizona, in September 2017.

Please contact Kelly Hardy at [khardy@aaashto.org](mailto:khardy@aaashto.org), or 202-624-5868 if you have any additional questions.

Sincerely,



Bud Wright  
AASHTO Executive Director

Enclosure

## 2017 AASHTO Safety Leadership Award

### Goal

Recognize a member State that has demonstrated itself as a safety champion through actions designed to drive down serious injuries and fatalities.

### Potential Candidates

Any AASHTO member State is eligible for the Safety Leadership Award.

### Criteria

- Leadership: Evidence showing that safety is a priority in their state.
  - State CEO and/or Safety Champion is a recognized safety leader (in-state, national, or international).
  - Works cooperatively with state, local and other safety stakeholders including, but not limited to, the formation of a state highway safety policy committee.
  - Have in place a Strategic Highway Safety Plan (SHSP) that includes
    - Aggressive safety targets.
    - The development of strong partnerships at the state and local level and shared ownership of targets.
    - Processes for ensuring the SHSP is evaluated and updated as appropriate.
  - Active participation in/on AASHTO, TRB/NCHRP, or FHWA safety-related committees, panels, and/or programs.
- Innovation: Application of new safety programs, infrastructure or legislation to reduce fatal and serious injury crashes.
- Results: fatality and/or serious injury reduction trend – a favorable trend in the five year moving average of fatalities.

### Application

- Applicants will be judged based upon a 3-page (maximum) write-up detailing how the agency meets the award criteria. Type size may be no smaller than 12 point font size and Times New Roman font. You are allowed one additional page to showcase results with data displays. Data displays include graphic information (graphs, charts, trend analysis, results oriented data/information, etc.). Narrative on the attachment page will not be scored.
- Candidates can be nominated singularly or as a group by any member of the AASHTO Board of Directors, any active member (voting & non-voting) of an AASHTO committee, or any representative of an AASHTO member department.

- A task force of the Standing Committee on Highway Traffic Safety will review and score the applications and recommend recipients to the AASHTO Leadership. The award will be presented during the Annual Meeting of the AASHTO Board of Directors in Phoenix, Arizona, in September 25 – 28, 2017.

We encourage submitting applications via e-mail to [rteneyck@aaashto.org](mailto:rteneyck@aaashto.org). Applications must be saved as a Word (.doc), Rich Text Format (.rtf), or PDF formatted file using the candidate's State name as the file name. You also may mail an original application plus four copies to Rosemary TenEyck, 444 N. Capitol St. NW, Suite 249, Washington, DC 20001.

All applications must be received by **August 18, 2017**. Please allow appropriate time if you plan to use the US postal system. Submissions received after August 18, 2017, will not be scored.

For further information, contact Kelly Hardy, AASHTO Safety Program Manager, at 202-624-5868 or [khardy@aaashto.org](mailto:khardy@aaashto.org), 444 N. Capitol St. NW, Suite 249, Washington, DC 20001.