

# Safe Streets for All (SS4A)



## What Is This Project?

Safe Streets for All (SS4A) is a federally supported program that helps communities reduce serious injuries and deaths on their streets. Monte Vista is developing a local Safety Action Plan that looks at where crashes happen, why they happen, and what practical steps can make streets safer for everyone—drivers, pedestrians, bicyclists, seniors, kids, and people with disabilities.

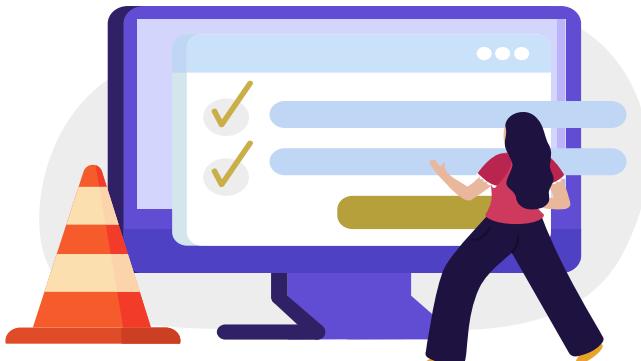
This project is about planning, not construction. It creates a roadmap the City can use to:

- Identify priority safety improvements
- Apply for future state and federal funding
- Coordinate with CDOT and Rio Grande County
- Track safety progress over time

## What This Is Not...

- **NOT** a construction project
- **NOT** an automatic change to speed limits or road design
- **NOT** a ‘one-size-fits-all’ urban design policy

Any future changes will come back to City Council for discussion and approval.



## What Will the Plan Do?

The Safety Action Plan will:

- Look at crash data and community concerns
- Identify high-risk streets and intersections
- Recommend safety strategies and priority projects
- Create a way to track progress over time
- Position Monte Vista to compete for future safety grants

# Project Timeline & Community Involvement

## How Long Will It Take to Make A Plan?

The project will take approximately 12 months from kickoff to final plan adoption.



Months 1-2	Months 3-5	Months 6-8	Months 9-12	Months 13-14
Project kickoff, website launch, Steering Committee formation	Community listening, crash data review	Identify safety strategies and priority projects	Draft plan and community review	Final plan and Council adoption

## FAQs

How Will The Community Be Involved?	Why Does This Matter for Monte Vista?	Why Now?	What Will City Council Be Asked to Do?
<p>Community input is a core part of this project. Engagement will include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Public workshops</li><li>• Online surveys</li><li>• An interactive project website</li><li>• Outreach to Spanish-speaking residents and underserved groups</li><li>• Coordination with schools, businesses, public safety, and community organizations</li></ul> <p>This helps ensure the plan reflects local experience and local priorities.</p>	<p><b>Key Benefits for the City</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <b>Safer streets:</b> Fewer serious crashes and injuries</li><li>• <b>Local control:</b> Monte Vista defines its own priorities</li><li>• <b>Grant readiness:</b> Required to apply for future SS4A implementation funding</li><li>• <b>Smart investments:</b> Focus limited resources where they matter most</li><li>• <b>Transparency:</b> Clear process and public accountability</li><li>• <b>Long-term value:</b> A plan the City can use for years</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Traffic safety is a growing concern statewide and nationally</li><li>• Federal funding is available for communities with approved Safety Action Plans</li><li>• This plan helps Monte Vista be proactive instead of reacting after crashes occur</li><li>• The City can shape its own safety priorities rather than relying on outside agendas</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Support community engagement</li><li>• Stay informed as the plan develops</li><li>• Consider adoption of the final Safety Action Plan</li><li>• Use the plan to guide future safety and funding decisions</li></ul>

**This plan helps Monte Vista make practical, locally-driven decisions to improve street safety and unlock future funding—without committing the City to any specific construction project today.**