



Newsletter  
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CPBS is excited to announce our second free webinar: [Demystifying Federal Grants for Street Safety Improvements](#) on Tuesday July 16, 2024 from 2-3pm MDT (4-5pm EDT).

New pedestrian and bicyclist safety funding opportunities such as Safe Streets and Roads for All (SS4A) and the Active Transportation Infrastructure Investment Program can be difficult to navigate. Tune in to learn more about these grants, hear about winning strategies from past recipients, and improve your application. The SS4A Deadline #3 closes on August 29. Speakers will include the Federal Highway Administration, the City of Charlotte NC, and Bernalillo County NM.

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Dr. Lisa Losada-Rojas from UNM recently presented research, "[Exploring the Role of Arterial Roads' Characteristics on Pedestrian and Cyclist Crashes](#)," at two major conferences: the ASCE International Conference on Transportation and Development (ICTD) in Atlanta, GA and the TRB 2nd International Roadside Safety Conference in Orlando, FL. Both presentations attracted full rooms and generated great interest, with numerous questions from the audience. At ICTD, Dr. Losada-Rojas also showcased a related poster during a Road Safety session. CPBS looks forward to connecting with more individuals interested in this research.

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Our [open-source crash map is now available!](#) The map has more functionality/customization than standard cookie-cutter options. As a way to democratize the data, we're making it available to any agencies that are interested. Developed as part of a CPBS project, it currently runs on New Mexico crash data but any agency's crash data can be plugged in. Please reach out if you're interested in adopting this great tool for your work.

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While there is significant research focusing on bike-vehicle collisions, single bicycle crashes (e.g. bike-only falls) are a vastly underestimated road safety problem. New research out of the University of Tennessee, Trinity College Dublin, and Lund University [identifies common kinematic forms and impact patterns of bike-only falls](#). Findings indicate that the cyclist protective response is an important consideration in fall kinematics and dynamics. The researchers have [made the raw video available to the public](#).

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CPBS Director Dr. Nick Ferencak and other bicycle safety advocates were live on-air earlier this month at KUNM's "Let's Talk New Mexico" -- listen to the recording here: [Let's talk about bicycling safely](#).

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On June 6th, 2024 CPBS led a day-long workshop titled ***Building Safer Pedestrian and Bicycle Infrastructure: What does it really take?*** We heard from experts including former Albuquerque city councilor Pat Davis, the Jemez Pueblo Planning Department, the New Mexico DOT, and the City of Albuquerque Department of Municipal Development. Davis won over the room when he explained the "insider politics" of why a 6-month street calming project took nearly 3 years to complete. Thanks to our presenters who generously donated their time and expertise, as well as the attendees from various local government institutions who are working tirelessly to make our streets safer for all users.

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## From around the web...

Is not exceeding the speed limit too much to ask? [The surprisingly not-so-doomed effort to force US drivers to stop speeding](#)

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[Japanese wrestler tries to destroy a Delineator Post](#). Impressive.

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Two cyclists were [hit and run over by a drunk driver near the Dallas airport](#), captured on video. Thankfully they survived. We're curious to see how this will play out in the Texas legal system.



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