

## Goal, Objectives, and Measurements of the RSTF

#### **MISSION**

The Regional Safety Task Force (RSTF) is a multi-disciplinary group of transportation safety professionals and stakeholders that enhances and promotes transportation safety in the Delaware Valley.

#### **GOAL**

To reduce roadway crashes, injuries, and fatalities in the Delaware Valley

#### **OBJECTIVES**

- 1. Build, maintain, and leverage partnerships among traditional and non-traditional transportation safety stakeholders.
- 2. Increase the effectiveness of the RSTF through strategies and actions.

#### **MEASURES**

These measures track a combination of work by DVRPC staff and RSTF members all working together on this regional shared undertaking to improve safety.

**Objective 1** – Build, maintain, and leverage partnerships among traditional and non-traditional stakeholders

Output – How many tasks got done?

- Retain and increase attendance at RSTF meetings by having more people at each meeting than was the average for the four previous meetings.
- Recruit and retain participants from at least two agencies involved in each of the four E's and policy/legislative at each meeting.

Outcome – What result did they have?

- Active participation in each meeting by more than one agency in each of the four E's and policy/legislative, measured by substantial points in the meeting summaries.
- Survey of participants to find out what percent report increased and effective partnerships as a result of RSTF meetings, with the measure being that the percent increases each year.

Objective 2 - Increase the effectiveness of the RSTF through strategies and actions..

Output – How many tasks got done?

- Continue to refine Safety Action Plan strategies into doable actions at each RSTF meeting and document progress in a table. The measure will be that at least two agencies report back each quarter.
- Market and promote safe transportation practices to a broader public than RSTF participants through a brief e-mail newsletter on each emphasis area

Outcome – What result did they have?

- Keep a list of the effects of actions taken as a result of the RSTF based on the results for the Tracking Safety Actions Table. For now, this will be a list of these outcomes. Some examples could be:
  - Information about another agency's event (such as a Click-it or Ticket)
    was written up in our newsletter for the first time and sent to 1,000 people.
  - We redid the signage at a dangerous intersection based on discussion at an RSTF meeting and here are the crash numbers from six months before and six months after.
  - At this year's event we spoke to (or ticketed) 5,000 people. We used a partnership developed at an RSTF meeting. The number was 1,000 more than last year when we ran a similar event.
- The RSTF will assist with one program and a before-and-after analysis of the program being done by a participant agency per year. The outcome will be reduction in fatalities, injuries, and crashes for a set time period or location. This will be a smaller effort in FY 2011 and proposed in the DVRPC Work Program as a bigger effort in FY 2012. The first effort could be coordinated with a Congestion Management Process before and after analysis task.

### OTHER ANALYSIS

In addition, data on fatalities, injuries, and crashes will be tracked for the region and within the region, by state and county. While reducing these numbers is the real outcome, it is considered too difficult to know whether the RSTF influenced regional numbers at this time. The data that will be tracked includes:

- Road fatalities Preliminary numbers available quarterly from PennDOT, checking with NJDOT
- Crashes Preliminary numbers available quarterly from PennDOT, checking with NJDOT
- Road injuries If crash data is not available quarterly, what is? Would we be able to get past and ongoing quarterly information from a large hospital?
- Fatalities, injuries, and crashes by emphasis area This may need to stay annual
- Other crash data, preferably available more than once a year.

The *Annual Crash Data Bulletin*, first produced with 2009 data, will be prepared each year when data is made available.

# **Draft RSTF Measurements and Status**

Objective & Measures	Status November, 2011	Winter, 2012	Spring, 2012	Summer, 2012
Build, maintain, and leverage partnerships		-	-	
Retain and increase attendance at RSTF	Attendance:			
meetings by having more people at each meeting	Average of last four meetings:			
Recruit and retain participants from at least two	Education:, Enforcement,			
agencies involved in each of the four E's and	Engineering,			
policy/legislative at each meeting.	Em. Response,			
	Policy/Legislative			
Active participation in each meeting by more than	Education:, Enforcement,			
one agency in each of the four E's and	Engineering,			
policy/legislative, measured by substantial points	Em. Response,			
in the meeting summaries.	Policy/Legislative			
Survey to find out what percent of participants	This year:			
report increased and effective partnerships as a	Last year:			
result of RSTF meetings				
Increase the effectiveness of the RSTF				
through strategies and actions.				
Continue to refine Safety Action Plan strategies	Did at least two agencies report			
into doable actions at each RSTF meeting and	on actions? Y/N			
document progress in Tracking Progress table				
Market and promote safe transportation practices	E-mail newsletter sent for last			
to a broader public than RSTF participants	meeting? Y/N			
List of the effects of actions taken as a result of	What was done and what did it			
the RSTF based on the Tracking Safety Actions	do? This is a list.			
Table				
The RSTF will assist with one program and a	Assisted with a program? Y/N			
before-and-after analysis of the program being	Completed before and after			
done by a participant agency per year.	analysis? Y/N			