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Ozarks Transportation Organization seeks input on Destination Safe Streets – the Regional Safety Action Plan.

The Ozarks Transportation Organization (OTO) is hosting a series of public workshops to get input on Destination Safe Streets – the Regional Safety Action Plan. In 2023, OTO was awarded a \$228,800 Safe Streets and Roads for All (SS4A) Grant from the United States Department of Transportation (USDOT). Established in 2022, the SS4A program funds planning and implementation activities to prevent deaths and serious injuries on our roadways.

The Safety Action Plan is being developed for the OTO planning area which includes Christian County, Greene County, Battlefield, Nixa, Ozark, Republic, Springfield, Strafford, and Willard. The plan is anticipated to be completed November 2024.

Upcoming workshops will provide residents a chance to give input on how to make streets safer in the region. OTO wants to hear from everyone on their experiences traveling and how to enhance roadway safety for all users. There is also an online survey on the project website.

The planned workshops are:

- The Library Station (2535 N Kansas Expy, Springfield, MO 65803) Monday, January 29, 2024 from 11:30am – 1:30pm
- Ozark Community Center (1530 W Jackson St, Ozark, MO 65721) Monday, January 29, 2024 from 5:00 – 7:00pm
- Republic Community Center (711 E Miller Rd, Republic, MO 65738) Tuesday, January 30, 2024 from 4:00 – 6:00pm

If you are unable to attend a meeting in person and to learn more, please visit the project website and complete our survey at https://www.ozarkstransportation.org/ss4a.



For more information, contact: Natasha Longpine, Transportation Planning Manager, Ozarks Transportation Organization, 2208 W. Chesterfield Boulevard, Suite 101, Springfield, Missouri 65807, 417-865-3042.

Ozarks Transportation Organization is your Springfield-regional Metropolitan Planning Organization, or MPO. The MPO is a body of elected and appointed members who work together with local, state and federal elected officials and policy-makers, serving to make funding and planning decisions for transportation within the Springfield, MO region.

Public input is a cornerstone of our operations. To tell us what you think, please email us at comment@ozartstransportation.org. Find us on Facebook or on Twitter @theOTOMPO.

Si usted necesita la ayuda de un traductor, por favor comuníquese con David Knaut al 417-865-3042, al menos 48 horas antes del plazo.

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