**Governors Highway Safety Association**

**Behavioral Traffic Safety Cooperative Research Program (BTSCRP)**

**FY 2024**

This is an opportunity to suggest research needs for the Behavioral Traffic Safety Cooperative Research Program (BTSCRP ─ <https://www.trb.org/BTSCRP/BTSCRP.aspx>). These problem statements are **not proposals** to conduct the research, but rather identify real-world research needs that will be considered for potential funding by the BTSCRP.

The BTSCRP undertakes research for any **behaviora**l issue faced by traffic safety stakeholders. Particular emphasis areas are alcohol-impaired driving, autonomous vehicles, bicyclists and pedestrians, child passenger safety, distracted driving, drowsy driving, drug-impaired driving, law enforcement, mature drivers, motorcyclist safety, seat belts, speed and red light cameras, speeding and aggressive driving, teen driver safety, and traffic records.

Anyone can write or submit a problem statement or statements. The BTSCRP is dedicated to diversity of ideas, panelists, disciplines, and research contractors. Submissions from individuals and organizations outside the traditional fields of traffic safety are also encouraged.

*Research Problem Statement Template*

1. **POSSIBLE PROJECT TITLE – Keep it short, concise**
2. **RESEARCH AREA (if more than one applies, check the one you think best applies)**

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| \_\_\_\_\_ Alcohol-Impaired Driving  \_\_\_\_\_ Autonomous Vehicles  \_\_\_\_\_ Bicyclists and Pedestrian Safety  \_\_\_\_\_ Child Passenger Safety  \_\_\_\_\_ Distracted Driving  \_\_\_\_\_ Drowsy Driving  \_\_\_\_\_ Drug-Impaired Driving  \_\_\_\_\_ Law Enforcement | \_\_\_\_\_ Mature Drivers  \_\_\_\_\_ Motorcyclist Safety  \_\_\_\_\_ Seat Belts  \_\_\_\_\_ Speed and Red Light Cameras  \_\_\_\_\_ Speeding and Aggressive Driving  \_\_\_\_\_ Teen Driver Safety  \_\_\_\_\_ Traffic Records  \_\_\_\_\_ Other: |

1. **RESEARCH PROBLEM STATEMENT – Describe the problem this research can help solve. Describe why the research is needed, how it will address a current behavioral traffic safety issue, and how it could be applied by State Highway Safety Offices.**
2. **RESEARCH OBJECTIVE – Identify the outcomes/products to be produced by the research.**
3. **IMPLEMENTATION PLANNING - Identify any significant barriers that could constrain implementation of research results, and suggest any activities you think would be helpful to facilitate and expedite implementation.**

**VI. RELATED RESEARCH (OPTIONAL) - List related research you are aware of; describe gaps, and describe how this proposed research project would address the gaps.**

Guidance on how to submit found [here](https://onlinepubs.trb.org/onlinepubs/btscrp/BTSCRP_2024_Problem_Statement_Instructions.docx).

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