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## **COMPASS survey indicates broad public support for regional transportation safety improvements**

### ***COMPASS shares community update on the Regional Safety Action Plan***

*Meridian, Idaho* – The Community Planning Association of Southwest Idaho (COMPASS) is sharing an update on the development of its Regional Safety Action Plan (RSAP), including key findings from its transportation safety survey conducted in March and April 2024 and recommended strategies to improve safety in the Treasure Valley. All the information can be accessed directly [online](#) and is linked from the COMPASS website at [compassidaho.org/safety](https://compassidaho.org/safety).

“COMPASS and our partners have made a significant effort over the past year to develop a robust and actionable Regional Safety Action Plan that reflects the community’s concerns and priorities for transportation safety in the Treasure Valley,” said Hunter Mulhall, Principal Planner at COMPASS and project manager for the RSAP. “We are excited to share an update on the plan with our community as we work to establish the RSAP as an effective catalyst to making roadways safer throughout Ada and Canyon Counties.”

Over 400 residents from the Treasure Valley participated in a survey earlier this year, sharing their perspectives on transportation safety, their safety priorities, and other transportation-related concerns. Seventy-one percent of respondents expressed a willingness to add a moderate to significant amount of time to their commute for safer roads. More than 80% of respondents agreed that zero deaths or serious injuries is the correct goal for the RSAP, with 66% saying that zero is the annual acceptable threshold for deaths on local roadways.

COMPASS was awarded a Safe Streets and Roads for All planning grant in 2023, which provided the necessary resources to build the RSAP in collaboration with COMPASS’ member agencies and other local partners. COMPASS established a Safety Working Group – comprised of state agencies, counties, cities, law enforcement, and local highway districts – and analyzed available data and public feedback to better understand the current transportation safety landscape. This insight informed the myriad of strategies incorporated into the RSAP to improve transportation safety across southwest Idaho.

To view the interactive update and submit questions or comments, please visit <https://compassidaho.org/safety>. Contact [info@compassidaho.org](mailto:info@compassidaho.org) or 208/855-2558 to request a paper copy of the update.