

Memorandum

To: Citizen Advisory Members
From: Alvin Au, Executive Director
Date: September 25, 2020

RE: Bus and Paratransit Transit Agency Safety Plan – Safety Performance Targets

The Federal Transit Administration (FTA) published the Public Transportation Agency Safety Plan (PTASP) Final Rule, which requires certain operators of public transportation systems that receive federal funds under FTA's Urbanized Area Formula Grants to develop safety plans that include the processes and procedures to implement Safety Management Systems (SMS).

The plan must include safety performance targets based upon the safety performance measures in the National Public Transportation Safety Plan.

In the PTASP for Department of Transportation Services, safety performance measures are:

- Fatalities
- Injuries
- Safety Events, and
- System Reliability

These measures were selected by FTA because they are applicable to all modes of public transportation and are based on data that is already reported to the National Transit Database (NTD).

The Safety Performance Targets (SPT) in the Bus and Paratransit Transit Agency Safety Plan were established by averaging five years of reportable NTD incident data by mode for each safety performance measure category for the calendar years 2015 through 2019. The purpose of setting SPT is to reduce fatalities, injuries, and safety events and improve system reliability.

Should you have any questions regarding the methodology and process used to establish the safety performance targets, please contact Eileen Mark, Chief, Transportation Mobility Division, City Department of Transportation Services at 768-8379.