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IN REPLY REFER TO:

December 26, 2018

The Honorable Ronald D. Kouchi  
President and Members of the Senate  
Thirtieth State Legislature  
State Capitol, Room 409  
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

The Honorable Scott K. Saiki,  
Speaker and Members of the House of  
Representatives  
Thirtieth State Legislature  
State Capitol, Room 431  
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

Dear President Kouchi, Speaker Saiki, and Members of the Legislature:

For your information and consideration, I am transmitting a copy of the Safe Routes to School Report as required by Section 291C-3, Hawaii Revised Statutes. In accordance with Section 93-16, Hawaii Revised Statutes, I am also informing you that the report may be viewed electronically at <http://hidot.hawaii.gov/library/reports/reports-to-the-legislature/>.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "J. T. Butay".

JADE T. BUTAY  
Director of Transportation

DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION'S  
REPORT TO LEGISLATURE  
OF  
THE STATE OF HAWAII  
REQUIRED UNDER  
SECTION 291C-3, HAWAII REVISED STATUTES

**ANNUAL REPORT: "SAFE ROUTES TO SCHOOL"  
FROM ACT 317  
SESSION LAWS OF HAWAII 2012**

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REQUIRED UNDER

SECTION 291C-3 HAWAII REVISED STATUTES

**Annual report to the Hawaii Legislature on the Safe Routes to School Program**

Introduction:

Section 291C-3 Hawaii Revised Statutes requires the Department of Transportation (DOT) to report annually on the status and progress of the safe routes to school (SRTS) program.

The federal SRTS program was created by Section 1404 of the Safe, Accountable, Flexible, Efficient Transportation Equity Act: A Legacy for Users (SAFETEA-LU) in 2005 and is a federally-funded program administered by the DOT. It is designed to encourage elementary and middle school aged children to be physically active; make walking and bicycling to school a safe, routine activity; and facilitate planning, development, and implementation of projects and activities that will improve safety and reduce traffic, fuel consumption, and air pollution in the vicinity of schools.

Act 317 signed into law on July 10, 2012 created county-level SRTS programs and established a state SRTS program special fund. A surcharge fee from moving violations is deposited into the SRTS program special fund. The DOT is responsible for managing and distributing funds in the SRTS program special fund.

SRTS Federal Program:

A summary of all SRTS non-infrastructure and infrastructure projects funded with SRTS federal funds obtained under SAFETEA-LU is shown in the attached Table 1 and Table 2, respectively. All ongoing infrastructure projects are in the design phase. For ongoing projects, the amounts shown are the amount of funds awarded and may not reflect the actual cost of each project.

One non-infrastructure project and two infrastructure projects were awarded this year during the fourth round of Call for Applications. The Campaign to Utilize Safe Routes to Wilson Elementary project will develop and distribute school-specific SRTS materials, and expand the JPO program at Wilson Elementary School. The Kailua Bicycle Boulevard Keolu Drive to Kailua Road project will install a bicycle boulevard, widen an existing walkway, and install traffic calming measures, wayfinding signage and new pavement markings near Kailua Elementary School and Kailua Intermediate School. The Kalaheo School SRTS Phase 1 project will install sidewalks and pedestrian crossings near Kalaheo Elementary School.

SRTS Program Special Fund:

In accordance with Chapter 19-109 of the Hawaii Administrative Rules (HAR) entitled "Safe Routes to School Program Special Fund," the amounts shown in the attached Table 3 have been

distributed to counties to support county-level SRTS programs. Chapter 19-109 of the Hawaii Administrative Rules (HAR) can be viewed at <http://hidot.hawaii.gov/highways/files/2014/03/Chapter-19-109-HAR-Standard-final-Signed.pdf>.

The following is a summary of recent county SRTS efforts that used funds obtained from the SRTS Program Special Fund. Counties may have implemented additional SRTS activities that were funded by other sources and therefore not included in the summary.

The City and County of Honolulu is currently in the design phase to install pedestrian improvements near Fern Elementary School, and is developing a process to allow schools to apply for county SRTS funds. The County of Hawaii is partnering with PATH – Peoples Advocacy for Trails Hawaii, a non-profit organization, to implement a youth bicycle and pedestrian safety program, and work with stakeholders on SRTS issues and best practices. The County of Kauai funded a portion of the design of a shared use path near Kapaa Elementary School. The County of Maui installed speed feedback monitors near Lihikai Elementary School, and a channelizing curb system to separate the pedestrian shoulder from the vehicular travel lane near Iao Intermediate School.

Table 1: Non-Infrastructure Projects Funded with SRTS SAFETEA-LU Funds

Award Date	Project Title	Awardee	Amount	Status
5/30/08	Non-Infrastructure Public Service Announcements	State of Hawaii DOT	\$162,662	completed
5/30/08	Safe Routes to School Awareness Project	State of Hawaii Department of Education	\$13,280	completed
6/9/08	West Hawaii Safe Routes to School Program	PATH – Peoples Advocacy for Trails Hawaii	\$34,231	completed
6/9/08	Ride to Live, Live to Ride	Honolulu Police Department	\$48,202	completed
6/10/08	SRTS for Dole Middle School	Kokua Kalihi Valley	\$12,226	completed
4/10/14	Fern Elementary School SRTS	Michaels Community Services Corporation dba Better Tomorrows	\$46,933	ongoing
4/10/14	Putting Our Plans to Work	PATH – Peoples Advocacy for Trails Hawaii	\$20,094	ongoing
4/10/14	Get Fit Kauai SRTS	University of Hawaii at Manoa Office of Public Health Studies	\$19,809	completed
7/29/16	Campaign to Utilize Safe Routes to Wilson Elementary	Wilson Elementary School	\$20,980	ongoing

Table 2: Infrastructure Projects Funded with SRTS SAFETEA-LU Funds

Award Date	Project Title	Awardee	Amount	Status
2/22/12	Princess Nahienaena Elementary School Safe Routes to School Project	County of Maui	\$116,189	completed
2/22/12	Kamalii Elementary School Safe Routes to School Project	County of Maui/ Keonekai Neighborhood Association	\$404,629	completed
4/10/14	Island-Wide Rectangular Rapid Flashing Beacon (RRFB) Crosswalks and Sidewalk Improvements	County of Kauai	\$251,500	ongoing
4/10/14	King Kaumualii School SRTS Phase 1	County of Kauai	\$416,540	ongoing
4/10/14	Koloa Safe Routes Phase 2	County of Kauai	\$490,875	ongoing
4/10/14	Paia School Frontage Improvements	County of Maui	\$502,443	ongoing
4/10/14	Paia School Sidewalk Improvements	County of Maui	\$455,495	ongoing
9/9/16	Kailua Bicycle Boulevard Keolu Drive to Kailua Road	City and County of Honolulu	\$500,000	ongoing
10/28/16	Kalaheo School SRTS Phase 1	County of Kauai	\$499,458	ongoing

Table 3: Distributions from the Safe Routes to School Program Special Fund

State Fiscal Year	City and County of Honolulu		County of Hawaii		County of Kauai		County of Maui	
	Amount	Date of Transfer	Amount	Date of Transfer	Amount	Date of Transfer	Amount	Date of Transfer
2014	\$317,801	3/2015	\$94,329	6/2014	\$86,463	6/2014	\$101,406	6/2015
2015	\$158,901	6/2015	\$47,165	6/2015	\$43,232	7/2015	\$50,703	6/2015
2016	\$582,635	8/2016	\$172,937	6/2016	\$158,516	6/2016	\$185,911	5/2016