

# Media Release

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## LOCAL VOICES TO SUPPORT COMMUNITY ROAD SAFETY

The Allan Labor Government continues to make Victorian roads safer with the 2026 round of grants for organisations and community groups to develop and implement community-based road safety projects now open.

Through this grant program, the Transport Accident Commission (TAC) will award a total of \$600,000 to help make roads in the community safer.

There are two categories including a Road Safety Support Grant of up to \$50,000 and Road Safety Collaboration Grant of up to \$150,000 where successful applicants will work alongside TAC's road safety experts.

In 2025, nine Victorian groups and organisations received more than \$360,000 in grants for projects to improve road safety in their communities.

MiCare delivered culturally tailored road safety education workshops designed to support vulnerable newly arrived refugees, ensuring they have the knowledge and confidence to navigate Victorian roads safely.

Mums Supporting Families in Need complemented this work by providing professionally fitted car seats to families experiencing disadvantage, helping to protect children and promote safe travel from the very beginning.

Early Childhood Intervention Australia developed inclusive road safety resources to support children with disabilities, their families and therapists, ensuring every child can learn essential safety skills.

Leisure Networks further strengthened this community-wide effort through its Power 2 Pedal program, which helps children and teenagers with autism in Geelong learn to ride bikes safely, fostering independence, confidence and safer cycling habits.

These programs support the goals of the Labor Government's Victorian Road Safety Strategy 2021-2030, which aims to halve deaths and reduce serious injuries on roads by 2030.

Expressions of interest for the program's Collaboration Grants opened today and close on Friday, 27 February, while full applications for Support and Collaboration Grants open on Monday, 16 March and close on 15 April.

Visit [tac.vic.gov.au/roadsafetygrants](https://tac.vic.gov.au/roadsafetygrants) for more information.

### Quotes attributable to Minister for Roads and Road Safety Melissa Horne

*"The TAC Road Safety Grant Program enables Victorian community groups and organisations to take practical, evidence-based action to reduce road trauma."*

*"Local communities understand the unique safety challenges in their areas, and we are committed to supporting them to deliver grassroots solutions that save lives and make our roads safer for all Victorians."*

### Quote attributable to Transport Accident Commission CEO Tracey Slatter

*"The TAC Road Safety Grant Program supports community groups to take an active role in making their local roads safer, building a culture where road safety is a shared responsibility and ensuring projects reflect the needs of local communities."*

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