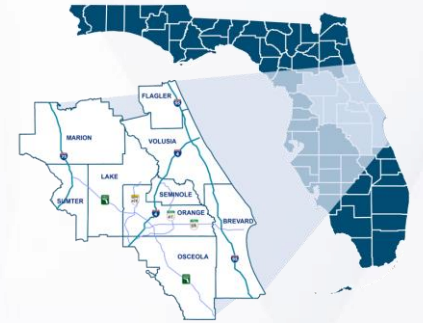




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# Central Florida TEAMS Program

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Florida Department of Transportation  
District Five - Office of Safety

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***What is TEAMS?***



## **Central Florida TEAMS Program**

**Targeting**

**Enforcement and**

**Awareness**

**Messaging for**

**Safety**

***Benefiting All***

# About the TEAMS Program



Law Enforcement Agencies (LEA's) participate in enforcement and engagement efforts based on safety needs identified by data or observations. Points are earned per effort and can be redeemed for Traffic Safety Equipment from FDOT District 5.

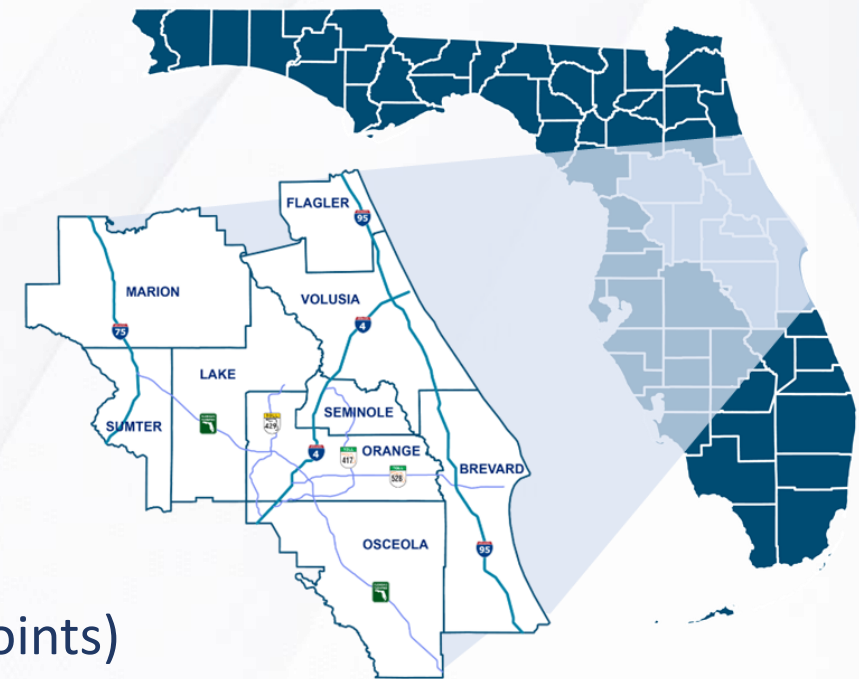
**Eligibility:** All LEA's operating in FDOT District Five

- Florida Highway Patrol
- County Sheriff's Offices
- Local Police Departments
- University Police Departments

**Timeline:** Spring 2026 launch

**Districtwide Annual Budget:**

- ~\$500,000 Equipment and Safety Items (~33,000 points)
- 1 Hour = 1 point = ~ \$15 value
- Rolling points (do not need to be within one annual cycle)



# About the TEAMS Program



## Efforts by LEA to earn points:

- Targeted enforcement
  - Location
  - Safety emphasis area
- Outreach
  - School based
  - Community based
  - Helmet fittings, presentations
- Road Safety Audit (RSA) participation
- Community Traffic Safety Team (CTST)
  - Attendance and participation – 1 point per agency attendance



# About the TEAMS Program



- Not overtime-based, quota-driven, or a replacement for existing grant programs
- Cannot overlap with other FDOT/NHTSA-funded programs (ie. HVE, other grants through FDOT)
  - For example, if pedestrian safety is the concern an LEA cannot earn TEAMS points at the same time as an active HVE operation.
- LEA's earn points and redeem them for equipment, which is provided with a Memo of understanding from FDOT to the LEA
- Memo of understanding gives ownership and maintenance responsibility to the LEA
- Not an annual program, points can be earned and redeemed on a rolling basis



# How District Five Agencies Benefit

- Earn traffic safety equipment for your agency
- Activities occur **during normal hours**
- **Flexible participation** based on agency needs and local safety priorities
- Supports both **enforcement** and **community engagement**



# Steps in the TEAMS Program

## 1. IDENTIFY OPPORTUNITY

Identify opportunities to improve traffic safety.

## 2. CONVERSATION TO DISCUSS POTENTIAL EFFORT

LEA Contact conversation with FDOT District 5's Joe Steward.

## 3. EFFORT DEFINED

Agree upon a plan for the effort.

## 4. EFFORT

Participate in eligible traffic safety activities

## 5. LOG EFFORT

Log basic engagement details in a web-based form.

## 6. POINTS EARNED

Earn points for your activities

## 7. REDEEM POINTS

Redeem points for traffic safety and enforcement equipment.

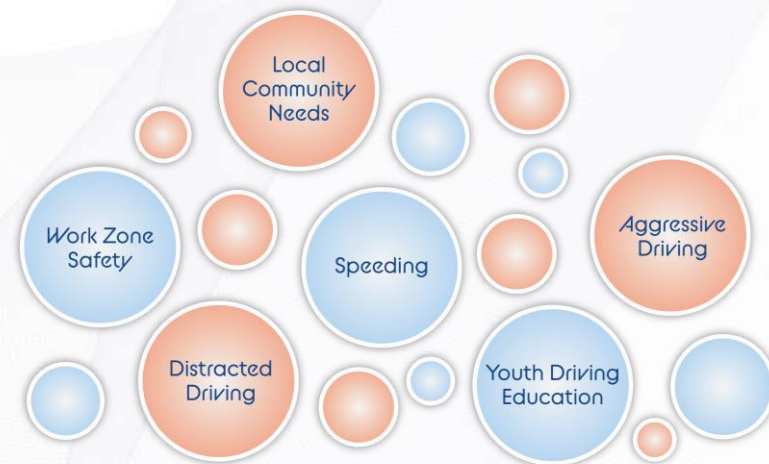
# 1. Identify opportunities to improve traffic safety.

## Concerns (examples include)

- Pedestrian Safety
- Speed enforcement
- Bike safety at a school
- Work Zone Safety
- Aggressive Driving
- Distracted Driving

## Where concerns can come from

- Specific locations/corridors due to observations or increase in crashes, etc.
- Citizen, stakeholder, FDOT observations and concerns



**FOCUS AREA EXAMPLES**

## 2. LEA ↔ FDOT Discussion

Discussion may be initiated by LEA or FDOT via different avenues such as:

- LEA or FDOT concerns
- CTST's
- Local gov't concerns
- Citizen phone calls/emails
  
- Effort number assigned for tracking  
ie, 2026-1



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### 3. Agree upon a plan for the effort

- Understand what safety improvement effort is being targeted
- Enforcement, Outreach, RSA, etc
- How long will this effort last?
  - 1 day, 1 week, 1 month
- Attend a CTST Meeting
  - A LEA can earn 1 point per  
CTST meeting attended and participated.
  - CTST meeting do not need a pre-conversation – will be entered based on the sign in sheet(s) each month.



# 4. Participate in agreed upon eligible traffic safety activities

- Targeted enforcement
- Education
- Outreach
- Road Safety Audits
- Attend monthly CTST Meetings



## 5. Log basic effort details in a web-based form

- County
- Agency
- Effort Number
  - 2026-1 (for example)
- Date of effort
- Hours per officer
- Interactions
- Citations/Warnings

\* We are developing a web based application that this information can be entered into per day.

\*\* Email of LEA(s) representative who might be inputting efforts needed beforehand for Joe to enter into the system.

\*\*\* Microsoft Outlook (365) email needed. If not, work with Joe.

# Web based application

Examples of what the application will look like



**Central Florida TEAMS Program**

Log Activity

Activity Type  
Targeted Enforcement Detail

Target Behavior  
Speeding

Plan Number  
e.g., 2026-SC-1

Activity Date  
3/27/2026

Roadway/Venue Type  
Interstate

Is it a State Road?  
 No

Number of Officers  
4

Officer Names  
Officer Names

Duration (Hours)  
4

Description  
Describe your activity

This activity is not funded by HVE, NHTSA, or other programs  
 Agree

Submit Activity

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Interstate

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✓

Submission Received!

Submit Another Activity

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Orange County Sheriff

Total Points Earned  
2

Available Balance  
0

Points Redeemed  
0

Most Recent Submissions

Targeted Enforcement Detail  
03/27/2026  
Points Earned: 4  
Status: Pending

Back to Home

\*\* Will provide guidance when ready to launch the application. Goal is for easy submission and tracking.

# 6. Earn points for your activities

1 Hour = 1 Point = ~\$15 value

Point totals will be maintained by FDOT and each LEA can decide when to redeem their points.

If working towards a larger item, points can continue to accumulate. For larger items, coordination with FDOT will be necessary due to lead times, etc.

Examples:

- Enforcement Details
  - Two (2) LEOs during a 3-hour detail = 6 points
  - Three (3) LEOs during a 2-hour detail = 6 points
- Community Engagement
  - 1 point per hour - educational presentation or school outreach
- Road Safety Audit (RSA)
  - Two (2) LEOs attending a 2-hour RSA = 4 points
- CTST Meeting
  - LEA attends a CTST Meeting= 1 point



# 7. Redeem points for traffic safety and enforcement equipment

## Equipment Examples

- Safety Trailers
- Wearable Guardian lights
- Binocular Speed Lasers
- Tint Meters
- Safety Vests
- Additional items dependent on points earned
- Redeem on app in coordination with Joe





# ***THANK YOU!***

***We look forward to continuing the mission of safety with you and your agencies.***

## ***QUESTIONS ??***

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