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## **GHSA Receives Teen Driving Grant from The Allstate Foundation *States to Compete for Teen Driving Funds***

WASHINGTON, DC -- The Allstate Foundation has provided the Governors Highway Safety Association (GHSA) with a \$75,000 grant for its member State Highway Safety Offices (SHSOs) to mobilize teens to promote safe driving during National Youth Traffic Safety Month in May 2011. SHSOs are encouraged to submit proposals to compete for funding.

State and federal funding for teen driver safety programs is limited, so GHSA welcomes the opportunity to partner with The Allstate Foundation on this critical issue. According to GHSA Chairman Vernon F. Betkey, Jr., "We are very pleased that The Allstate Foundation is taking the initiative to help advance teen driving safety, and we look forward to hearing the creative ways that states will use the funds to empower teens to be safer drivers."

SHSOs are encouraged to submit proposals to GHSA by June 30, 2010. The state proposals will be reviewed by a panel of judges representing The Allstate Foundation and GHSA. A total of up to \$75,000 in funding will be awarded and shared among SHSOs. The panel will be looking for unique approaches to engaging teens as peer leaders for driver safety, how many teens the program will reach and the program's potential for replication in other states.

Grants will be awarded by August 31, and states receiving funding will implement their programs during National Youth Traffic Safety Month in May 2011.

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View the call for proposals at: [www.ghsa.org/html/projects/pdf/Allstate\\_CFP.pdf](http://www.ghsa.org/html/projects/pdf/Allstate_CFP.pdf).

The Governors Highway Safety Association (GHSA)® is a nonprofit association representing the highway safety offices of states, territories, the District of Columbia and Puerto Rico. GHSA provides leadership and representation for the states and territories to improve traffic safety, influence national policy and enhance program management. Its members are appointed by their Governors to administer federal and state highway safety funds and implement state highway safety plans. Contact GHSA at 202-789-0942 or visit [www.ghsa.org](http://www.ghsa.org).

Established in 1952, The Allstate Foundation is an independent, charitable organization made possible by subsidiaries of The Allstate Corporation. The Allstate Foundation strives to make our communities and our nation a better and safer place to live through partnerships with non-profit organizations promoting "safe and vital communities," "tolerance, inclusion and diversity" and "economic empowerment." Teen safe driving and building financial independence for domestic violence survivors have been priority issues for the Foundation since 2005. For more information, visit [www.ProtectTeenDrivers.com](http://www.ProtectTeenDrivers.com).