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California Office of Traffic Safety Awards \$313,953 Grant to Enhance Emergency Medical Services Data Accessibility with Esri's ArcGeographic Information System

Rancho Cordova, Calif. – The California Emergency Medical Services Authority (EMSA) has received a \$313,953 grant from the California Office of Traffic Safety (OTS) to boost accessibility and visualization of emergency medical services (EMS) data statewide. Titled "EMS Data Accessibility Improvement," the grant took effect on October 1, 2025, and will leverage Esri's ArcGeographic Information System software to create interactive, visual tools for analyzing EMS data. The grant program runs through September 2026.

The initiative is a partnership with local EMS agencies and builds on California's ongoing use of the National EMS Information System standards within the California Emergency Medical Services Information System. Improved accessibility will help end-users better identify critical trends. For example, stakeholders can gain clearer insights into high-frequency traffic collision hotspots, usage of safety devices like child passenger seats, and patterns in air medical transport.

"This generous grant from OTS supports improved data collection, sharing and analysis which will ultimately improve EMS delivery statewide and help save lives on California's roads," said EMSA Director Liz Basnett.

EMSA's commitment to advancing EMS data systems is bolstered by strong collaboration with OTS and the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA).

Funding for this program is provided by a grant from the California Office of Traffic Safety, through the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration.

EMSA oversees California's EMS system to ensure optimal patient-centered emergency care.

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