



Updated 12-Year Transportation Program Adopted

The State Transportation Commission (STC) recently adopted the 2025 12-Year Transportation Program (TYP). The plan anticipates that \$88 billion will be available over the next 12 years for improvements to roads, bridges, transit systems, airports, railroads, and active transportation — *an increase of more than 5% from the 2023 TYP.*

The TYP, PennDOT's official mid-range planning tool, lists statewide planned projects across all modes of transportation and assigns funding over 12 years. The TYP also highlights some of PennDOT's initiatives and accomplishments over the past two years ranging from the modernization of train stations to implementing innovative strategies and the latest technologies to enhance safety and efficiency across a wide range of operations.

The newly adopted program, which takes effect October 1, 2024, anticipates the following funding availability in the first four years of the TYP from federal, state, and local sources:

- \$16.4 billion for state highway and bridge projects
- \$12.5 billion for public transit
- \$352 million for multimodal projects
- \$236 million for rail freight
- \$175 million for aviation

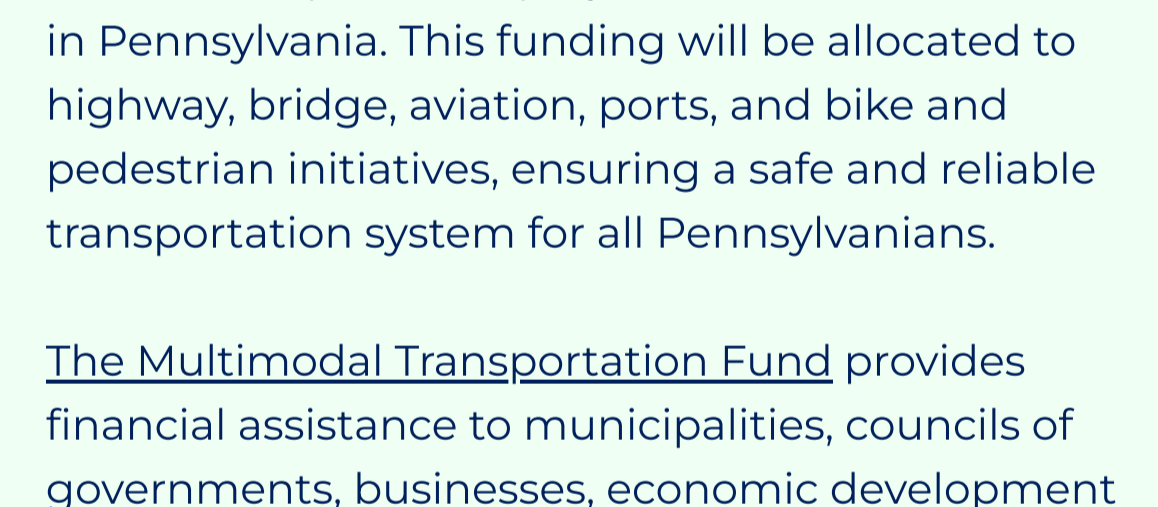


Additional \$7.1 Million in Investments for Electric Vehicle Charging Infrastructure

PennDOT recently announced \$7.1 million in investments for Round 1B of federal National Electric Vehicle Infrastructure (NEVI) funding. This funding represents another step in the Shapiro Administration's commitment to combatting climate change and providing travelers with transportation options that are cleaner, safer, more affordable, and built by Pennsylvanians.

Ten projects in nine counties across the state were selected to fill in the final gaps along Pennsylvania's Alternative Fuel Corridors (AFCs) following NEVI Round 1 and Round 1A. Charging stations will expand access to, and the reliability of, electric vehicle (EV) charging within Pennsylvania. Pennsylvania has over 1,800 miles of AFCs.

The investment is part of the \$171.5 million PennDOT will receive and distribute for EV charging infrastructure over five years through the federal Bipartisan Infrastructure Law. Additionally, charging stations awarded in Round 1B will support the administration's commitment to hire local by requiring at least 50% of the total amount of labor performed during the project to be completed by workers who reside within 50 miles of the site. PennDOT will verify compliance via certified payroll records containing all workers' permanent residential addresses.

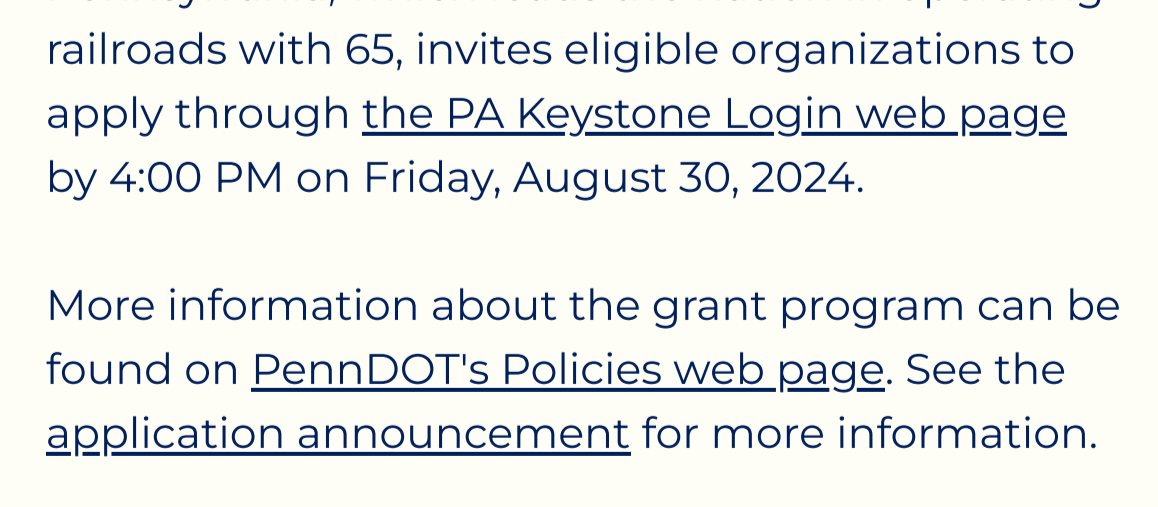


Sixty-Six Transportation Projects to Improve Safety, Mobility, and Grow Local Economies

This week, Governor Josh Shapiro announced a significant investment of over \$51 million from the Multimodal Transportation Fund to support 66 crucial transportation projects across 32 counties in Pennsylvania. This funding will be allocated to highway, bridge, aviation, ports, and bike and pedestrian initiatives, ensuring a safe and reliable transportation system for all Pennsylvanians.

The Multimodal Transportation Fund provides financial assistance to municipalities, councils of governments, businesses, economic development organizations, public transportation agencies, and ports and rail freight entities. By improving transportation assets, this program aims to enhance communities, pedestrian safety, and transit revitalization.

For more details about the program, the selected projects, and the next funding round, please refer to the official announcement.



2024 Rail Freight Application Period – Now Open

PennDOT announced the opening of the 2024 Rail Freight Grant application period. The grants, offered under the Rail Transportation Assistance Program (RTAP) and the Rail Freight Assistance Program (RFAP), provide financial support for rail freight infrastructure projects with the intent of preserving essential rail freight service and stimulating economic growth through new or expanded rail freight service.

In 2023, \$42.5 million was awarded for 25 projects, supporting over 300 jobs statewide.

Pennsylvania, which leads the nation in operating railroads with 65, invites eligible organizations to apply through the PA Keystone Login web page by 4:00 PM on Friday, August 30, 2024.

More information about the grant program can be found on PennDOT's Policies web page. See the application announcement for more information.



BIL Discretionary Grants Spotlight

BIL Discretionary Grants: Open for Applications

The Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (IIJA) page on PennDOT's website offers the latest news and information on federal grant opportunities available through the IIJA, also known as the BIL.

Grant opportunities, application guides, and other resources on federal grant funding are added to the page as they become available, so please visit often to see if any of these grant funding programs would benefit your community.

The following is a list of federal grant programs currently accepting applications:

-  **Safe Streets and Roads for All**

The Safe Streets and Roads for All (SS4A).

Program offers grants for diverse roadway safety initiatives involving planning, infrastructure, behavioral, and operational measures. It targets all roadway users, including pedestrians, cyclists, motorists, and public transportation users, aiming to prevent fatalities and serious injuries. Grants support the development of tools to enhance community safety approaches tailored to various local, Tribal, and regional needs.

The SS4A Program provides funding for:

- **Planning and Demonstration Grants** – Funding to develop an Action Plan, conduct supplemental safety planning to enhance an Action Plan, and carry out demonstration activities to inform the development of or update to an Action Plan. Applicants can bundle all three activities into one application or request funding for just one. Each applicant can apply for only one grant type, but both grant types allow for Planning and Demonstration projects. The ultimate goal of each supplemental planning and demonstration activity is to develop or update an Action Plan.
 - **There is one remaining deadline for Planning and Demonstration Grants:**
 - **August 29, 2024, 5:00 PM EST**

Applicants may also reapply if not selected if the application is received by the last Planning and Demonstration Grants deadline of August 29, 2024, 5:00 PM EST.

BIP – Planning and Bridge Project Grants

The goals of the BIP - Planning and Bridge Project grants are to 1) Improve safety, efficiency, and reliability of the movement of people and freight over bridges; 2) Improve the overall condition of bridges in the United States; and 3) Provide financial assistance that both leverages and encourages non-federal contributions from sponsors and stakeholders involved in the planning, design, and construction of eligible projects that will cost less than \$100 million.

- **Planning grant deadlines for FY 2025:**
 - **Requesting PennDOT support – September 17, 2024**
 - **Applying for funds in rolling application process* – October 1, 2024, 11:59 PM EST**
- **Bridge Project grant deadlines for FY 2025:**
 - **Requesting PennDOT support – October 18, 2024**
 - **Applying for funds in rolling application process* – November 1, 2024, 11:59 PM EST**

**Submissions will be reviewed on a first-come, first-served basis until program funding is expended or the notice of availability is superseded.*

Charging and Fueling Infrastructure Program

The Charging and Fueling Infrastructure (CFI) Program provides alternative fuels infrastructure grants through two separate grant categories: 1) Community Charging and Fueling and 2) Alternative Fuel Corridor. This program will fund grants to strategically deploy charging and alternative fueling infrastructure located on public roads or in other publicly accessible locations and along designated alternative fuel corridors.

Specific questions can be directed to the resource account at RA-PDEVCORRIDORS@pa.gov.

- **The Round 2 deadline to apply for this program is Wednesday, August 28, 2024, 11:59 p.m. EST.**

Wildlife Crossings Pilot Program (WCPP)

The Wildlife Crossings Pilot Program (WCPP) is a competitive grant program to reduce Wildlife Vehicle Collisions (WVC) while improving habitat connectivity for terrestrial and aquatic species. The grant provides funding for construction and non-construction projects. Construction examples include the design and pre-construction of an underpass or overpass for wildlife passage. A non-construction example includes research on safety innovations to reduce WVCs as well as research and monitoring the effectiveness of WVC mitigation.

Because PennDOT is required to administer grants for local/regional partners for this program, we must review and approve all applications for this program to ensure the project can be delivered within the budget and schedule proposed by the applicant.

Specific questions can be directed to the resource account at RA-PDTRANSFEDFUNDOPP@pa.gov.

- **The deadline to apply post-PennDOT approval for FY 2024-2025 is Wednesday, September 4, 2024, 11:59 p.m. EST.**

Culvert Aquatic Organism Passage Program

The Culvert Aquatic Organism Passage (AOP) Program provides competitive grants for projects aimed at replacing, removing, and/or repairing culverts or weirs/barriers. The primary goal is to significantly improve or restore fish passage for anadromous fish such as salmon, sturgeon, and shad. This may involve creating infrastructure to help fish pass around or over weirs/barriers and making improvements to the weirs/barriers themselves.

Specific questions can be directed to the resource account at RA-PDTRANSFEDFUNDOPP@pa.gov.

- **The deadline for requesting PennDOT's support is September 9, 2024.**
- **The deadline to apply is Monday, September 23, 2024, 11:59 p.m. EST.**

Reconnecting Communities Pilot Program

The Reconnecting Communities Pilot (RCP) Program advances community-centered transportation projects, prioritizing disadvantaged communities by improving access to essential services like jobs, education, healthcare, food, nature, and recreation. It focuses on equitable development, providing technical assistance and grant funding for planning and construction to address infrastructure barriers and restore community connectivity.

- **The deadline for requesting PennDOT support is September 16, 2024.**
- **The deadline to apply for this program is Monday, September 30, 2024, 11:59 p.m. EST.**

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