

State Aid Program

The State Aid Program provides funds to county governments for the improvement or rehabilitation of roads on the State Aid System. Types of qualifying work include the planning, engineering, Right-of-Way acquisition, grading, drainage, bridge construction, and pavement upgrades or rehabilitation. For more information contact John.Phillips@tn.gov.

Grant Match



98% State*
2% Local*

Surface Transportation Block Grant

Previously known as the Surface Transportation Program (STP), the Surface Transportation Block Grant (STBG) provides flexible funding that may be used on projects to preserve and improve the conditions and performance on any Federal Aid Highway, bridge and tunnel projects on any public road, pedestrian and bicycle infrastructure, and transit capital projects, including inter-city bus terminals. For more information contact Whitney.Britt@tn.gov.

Grant Match



80% Federal*
20% Local

For Cities with populations over 5,000

Multimodal Access Grant

The Multimodal Access Grant provides funding to Tennessee cities and counties for projects that support multimodal transportation choices and connectivity along state routes. Examples of projects include, but are not limited to, sidewalk improvements, safe pedestrian crossings, shared use paths, park and ride facilities, and construction of bus shelters. The grant is 95% state, 5% local match with a maximum award of \$950,000 in state dollars. The grant funding covers all phases of project development including Preliminary Engineering, Design, Right-of-Way, and Construction. For more information contact Jessica.L.Wilson@tn.gov.



95% State
5% Local
Maximum award amount

Transportation Alternatives Program (TAP)

The Transportation Alternatives Program provides funding for programs and projects defined as transportation alternatives. These include on and off-road pedestrian and bicycle facilities, infrastructure projects for improving non-driver access to public transportation and enhanced mobility. Community improvement activities such as historic preservation, rehabilitation of historic transportation facilities and vegetation management practices. Environmental mitigation and other investments that enhance communities, connections, and access.

Grant Match



80% Federal*
20% Local
*Construction ONLY

No maximum award amount*
*Typically \$1,000,000 ceiling

Off-System Federal Aid Bridge Program

Every two years, TDOT inspects all bridges across the state, determines their condition and provides a rating that indicates the safe weight that can use the bridge. Rehabilitated bridges must have a sufficiency rating greater than 80 at project completion, and Federal Highway Bridge Replacement Funds cannot be used on that bridge again for 10 years. For more information contact John.Phillips@tn.gov.

Grant Match



80% Federal
20% Local*
*State Bridge Grant funds, if available, can be used to offset match

No maximum award amount

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Grant Information

The Tennessee Department of Transportation oversees the annual distribution of millions of dollars in grant funds awarded to both State and Local transportation-related projects. Current grant programs are listed below.

Interchange Lighting Program

This program provides funding to interstate interchanges and exit ramps on interstate or interstate-type facilities. All projects must be completed in compliance with TDOT standards. For more information contact Whitney.Britt@tn.gov.

Grant Match



50% State
50% Local*
*Can use STBG funds to offset match

Local Interstate Connector Program

The Local Interstate Connecting Route Act of 1965 authorized TDOT to contract with cities and counties to establish and construct a system of connector routes to furnish citizens of Tennessee with adequate access to the interstate highway system from existing road and street networks.

Grant Match



50% State
50% Local*

Eligible local interstate connector routes provide or facilitate appropriate ingress and egress between an interstate facility and a road of important benefit to a locality. For more information contact Whitney.Britt@tn.gov.

State Industrial Access Program (SIA)

The State Industrial Access Program provides funding and technical assistance for highway access to new and expanding industries across the state. TDOT contracts with local governments for projects that will be developed under the State Industrial Access Program. For more information contact Danielle.Hagewood@tn.gov.

Local Cost Share

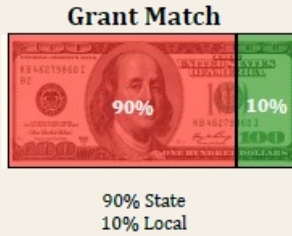


Determined by development process

Maximum award amount
Determined by benefit cost analysis

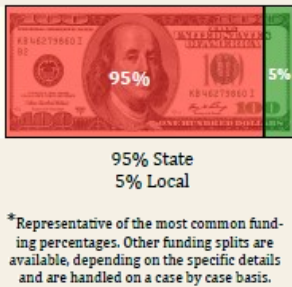
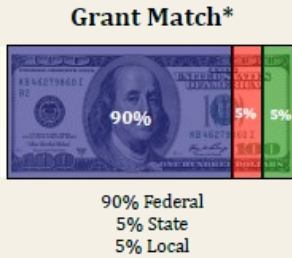
Community Transportation Planning Grants (CTPG)

The Community Transportation Planning Grant program provides resources that assist Tennessee communities in developing transportation plans for preparation for future transportation system, land use, and growth management issues. For more information contact Kwabena.Aboagye@tn.gov.



Aeronautics Grants

TDOT Aeronautics provides grants to qualifying airports in Tennessee for capital improvement projects. Projects meeting eligibility requirements are prioritized and preference is given to projects addressing safety, security, preservation/maintenance, and/or compliance with Federal and State standards. Projects associated with economic development, increasing capacity, or modernization will be considered on a case by case basis. Project funding requests over \$100,000 are reviewed by the Tennessee Aeronautics Commission. For more information contact Michelle.Frazier@tn.gov.

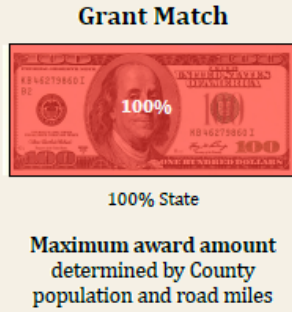


State Bridge Grant Program

The 1990 Bridge Grant Program was established to assist local governments (cities and counties) with the replacement or rehabilitation of deficient bridges under their jurisdiction. 50% of funds are distributed equally among all 95 Tennessee counties, and then the remaining 50% based upon priority or counties with the most bridges in poor conditions. Eligible bridges are off-system, publicly-owned bridges with sufficiency ratings less than 80, based on bridge condition. For more information, contact John.Phillips@tn.gov.

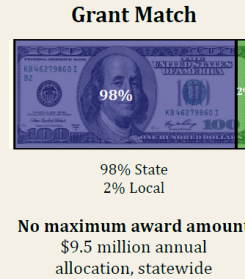
Litter Grants

A specialty tax on the malt beverage and soft drink industries funds the Tennessee Litter Grant Program. Grant funds are contracted to county governments only and are designed for the pick-up and prevention of roadside litter. For more information contact Michael.McClanahan@tn.gov.



Highway Safety Improvement Program (HSIP)

The Highway Safety Improvement Program (HSIP) is a core program with the purpose of achieving a significant reduction in fatalities and serious injuries on all public roads. States are required to report annually on the progress being made to advance HSIP implementation and evaluation efforts.



An HSIP project is identified through TDOT's safety needs investigation process and must be qualified using the three (3) most current years of crash data. Local routes qualify on six (6) years of current crash data.

The primary tool for HSIP is the Road Safety Audit (RSA). An RSA is a proactive low cost approach to improve safety including a formal safety performance examination of an existing road or intersection(s) by an independent, multidisciplinary team. It qualitatively estimates and reports on potential road safety issues and identifies opportunities for improvements in safety for all road users. TDOT works with Federal, State and Local jurisdictions to implement RSAs. For more information contact Brandon.Darks@tn.gov.



Congestion Mitigation & Air Quality Program (CMAQ)

The federal Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality Improvement Program provides dedicated federal funding to State Departments of Transportation for projects that improve air quality and reduce congestion. The Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality Program improves air quality by funding transportation projects and programs that reduce air emissions from cars, trucks and buses (mobile sources) in air quality non-attainment and maintenance areas, which are the only areas eligible for Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality funding.



What are some eligible project types?

- Retrofit control equipment for diesel engines
- Bicycle and pedestrian facilities and programs
- Idling reduction projects
- Traffic flow improvements
- Transit fare subsidy programs for air quality action days
- Intelligent Transportation Systems
- Public-private partnerships to implement projects that reduce emissions
- Travel Demand Management programs
- Park and Ride facilities

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