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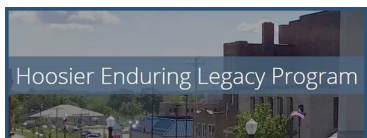
Community Crossings Matching Grant Awards

Last week, 188 Indiana cities, towns, and counties received a combined \$91.5 million in state matching funds for local road projects through the Community Crossings Matching Grant (CCMG), a component of the Governor's Next Level Roads program. Thirteen communities in the MACOG region received awards totaling over \$5.6 Million.

Congratulations to all!

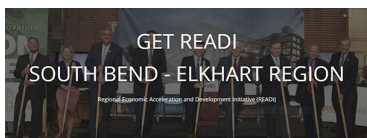
A total of over \$14.5 million has been awarded to 24 different MACOG communities between the first and second rounds of grants this year! The list of all communities receiving matching funds in the 2023 summer/fall call for projects can be [found online](#).

The next CCMG call for projects will be opening on Tuesday, January 2, 2024.



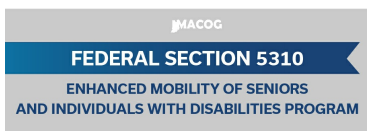
HELP Grant Update and Public Hearings

Kosciusko County and its partner communities, Milford, Mentone, and Pierceton, are actively pursuing Hoosiers Enduring Legacy Program (HELP) grants. They are currently in the process of applying for Community Development Block Grants (CDBG) from the Indiana Office of Community and Rural Affairs (OCRA) to fund projects outlined in their strategic investment plans, covering both planning and construction. Following successful income surveys in Mentone and Pierceton, all communities are now progressing to the next phase, which includes the Financial, Engineering, Permits & Site Control (FEPS), and Environmental Review (ER) processes. For more information on the project, you can attend an upcoming public hearing on November 9 at 6 p.m. in Mentone and November 13 at 6:30 p.m. in Pierceton.



READI 2.0

We are excited to share that Indiana Economic Development Corporation (IEDC) launched READI 2.0 earlier this month. Once again, regions must apply to the state for funding. The South Bend Elkhart - Regional Partnership invites you to be part of the input process for our region's application, which is due on February 16, 2024. IEDC anticipates announcing regional awards in the second quarter of 2024. Register to attend one of [six identical workshops](#) across the region in November. Municipal partners, developers, entrepreneurs, residents, and those with a passion for our region's prosperity are all welcome.



5310 Grant Application Now Available

The INDOT Calendar Year 2024 Section 5310 grant application is now available through BlackCat, INDOT's Office of Transit grants management system. Applications are due on Friday, March 8, 2024. Grants are only available to not-for-profit corporations and eligible public bodies in small urban areas 50,000 to 199,999 population, or rural areas less than 50,000 population. INDOT will host two remote application workshops: December 5, 2023, and January 9, 2024, both at 10 a.m. EST.

Election Day

Today is Election Day! We hope you have been able to go to your nearest polling location and VOTE!

GRANTS



INDOT Rural Call Notice of Funding Availability

INDOT has announced an upcoming Notice of Funding Availability (NOFA) for local rural federal aid projects, which opened on October 30 and will close on December 1, 2023. These funds are available for Local Public Agencies (LPAs) who are interested in any type of new project including bridge, road, safety,



EPA Funding Announcement

The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) released its funding announcements for projects funded by the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law and the Inflation Reduction Act. The grants will fund a wide range of projects from clean air to environmental justice, pollution reduction, solid waste recycling infrastructure, and brownfields job

sidewalk, or other projects that are eligible under the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (IIJA).

training. The EPA plans to distribute about \$15 billion in grants to local governments, tribes, and states.



2024-1 CCMG Call for Projects

The 2024-1 Community Crossings Matching Grant (CCMG) Call for Projects will begin at 8 a.m. Eastern Time, Tuesday, January 2, 2024, and will close at 5 p.m. Eastern Time, Wednesday, January 31, 2024.

If you need assistance with any grant application, feel free to reach out to MACOG.

UPCOMING EVENTS

November 7
Tuesday

MACOG Out of the Office
Election Day

November 8
Wednesday
10:00 am

Policy Board Meeting
[Agenda](#) | [Livestream](#)

November 10
Friday

MACOG Out of the Office
Veterans Day Observed

November 23-24
Thursday & Friday

MACOG Out of the Office
Thanksgiving Holiday



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