## What is Community Crossings?

Since 2016, and through December 2021, the state of Indiana has partnered with cities, towns and counties to provide more than \$1.04 billion in state funds to support local road and bridge projects. A great deal of this funding was made possible through the road funding increase championed by Gov. Eric J. Holcomb and the Indiana General Assembly in House Enrolled Act 1002, effective July 2017. The Community Crossings Matching Grant (CCMG) Program has proved to be a valuable tool for local governments to invest in infrastructure projects that catalyze economic development, create jobs, and strengthen transportation networks.

Applications are accepted by the Indiana Department of Transportation twice annually and are evaluated based on need, traffic volume, pavement and bridge conditions, impact on connectivity and mobility within the community. All Indiana city, town, and county governments are eligible to apply; however, each must have an Asset Management Plan, approved by the Local Technical Assistance Program (LTAP), and commit to the required local funding match. The Asset Management Plan enables local units to create a data-driven process of maintaining and upgrading their infrastructure assets to better determine when supplemental grant programs, such as the CCMG, might be beneficial to their community.



"Franklin has 120 road miles. With these funds, we have been able to reconstruct or repave about 20 miles of our roadways. These roads are in economic development areas and residential areas. This investment has encouraged new businesses to relocate and current businesses to expand. In addition, our homeowners are taking pride in their homes in our residential areas.

"The Community Crossings Grant has been an essential tool for the progress you see all across Franklin. This program makes an impressive impact in all of our communities and we are grateful for the opportunity to apply for these funds. This is an exciting day for the city of Franklin."

Mayor Steve Barnett
City of Franklin







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## **How It Works**

Funding available through the CCMG Program can be used for <u>construction only</u> and must be used on projects that are ready for the bid process. Depending on population, the state will fund local projects up to 75%.

- Cities and towns with a population of fewer than 10,000 can receive funds using a 75/25% match
- Cities and towns with a population of greater than 10,000 can receive funds using a 50/50% match
- Counties with a population of fewer than 50,000 can receive funds using a 75/25% match
- Counties with a population of greater than 50,000 can receive funds using a 50/50% match

To provide a funding match, local governments may use any source permitted to fund local road or bridge projects.

## **New Streamlined Application Process**

INDOT continues to make improvements to the application process, making it easier than ever for local units of government to apply for the CCMG Program. The online application can be found on the INDOT Technical Applications Pathway (ITAP). Full-time local public agency employees need an Access Indiana account and an ITAP account to get started. Create an account or login to Access Indiana at: in.gov/access/.

It is strongly encouraged that applications be submitted as early as possible to ensure no important details are missed. Applications will be accepted twice annually, in January and July. Local units of government will be capped at \$1 million per calendar year.

Sign up to receive the most up-to-date information on this program by visiting: in.gov/core/gov-delivery.html.

## **Helpful Contacts During the Application Process**

For assistance setting up your ITAP account, contact Program Director Michael Cales at mcales@indot.in.gov.

For assistance creating, updating or obtaining approval of your Asset Management Plan, contact LTAP Research Manager Patrick Conner, PE, at connerp@purdue.edu.

General inquiries about completing your CCMG application should be directed to your district office program directors. Trainings are also available online at: in.gov/indot/communitycrossings.



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