

What is Community Crossings?

Since 2016, the state of Indiana has partnered with cities, towns and counties to provide more than \$611.8 million 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, as well as regional economic significance. 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.



A Rewarding Partnership

“Our community applied for the first round of the Community Crossing Funding. Union City is a third-class city, a small community of less than 5,000 in population. Previously, the community had no pavement maintenance program. Through the Community Crossing application process, we worked with the guidance of Indiana LTAP and the INDOT Greenfield District to conduct a road inventory and complete a pavement assessment for the community.

“The process of developing the pavement maintenance plan was not difficult with the help from LTAP and the training they provided. I have applied for a number of funding opportunities during my 10 years as city manager, and the Community Crossing funding was an exceptionally smooth and easy process compared to most other grant funding. This funding has an immediate positive impact on community residents and is a great example of their tax dollars at work. We appreciate the opportunity to apply for this funding.”

– Monte Poling
City Manager, Union City



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How It Works

Funding available through the CCMG Program can be used for construction only 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. A new online application can be found at itap.indot.in.gov. All you need is an INDOT Technical Application Pathway (ITAP) account and a registered user name to get started.

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/indot/2346.htm.

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/2390.htm.



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