

FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES



TRANSPORTATION PROJECTS

Program	Due Date	Comments
CDBG Allocation (formerly formula) Program	June to State	Grants for communities or areas that are 51% or more LMI. 50% of counties will receive allocation in odd years (i.e., 2017) and 50% of counties will receive allocation in even years (i.e., 2018) (See list) Allocated by the County Commissioners or their designee and direct cities. Submission deadlines to counties vary by County. PDG contact: histerm@poggemeyer.com
CDBG Competitive Program <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Critical Infrastructure (high-priority, single component infrastructure improvement) 	Open Cycle until Funds Expended LOI submitted prior to full application	Submitted through County Commissioners or by cities receiving direct allocations– may receive up to 2 competitive set-asides annually with no open awards. Grants for streets, bridges and sidewalks. For communities or areas that are 51% or more LMI. Must have a high community-wide impact. PDG contact: histerm@poggemeyer.com
TMACOG Surface Transportation Program (STP)	Every 2 Years	For FY2018 through 2021. Approximately \$11 million for projects in Wood and Lucas County on federal aid eligible roads. Includes small projects funded 50/50 match up to \$400,000. Construction costs only. Total of \$2 million set aside for small projects for 2 yr. period. All projects should comply with regional complete streets policy. PDG contact: yodert@poggemeyer.com or bieszczadg@poggemeyer.com
Metropolitan Planning Organizations (MPO) and Large Cities	Varies	ODOT sub-allocates federal STP funds to each MPO and large cities. MPO's also receive Transportation Alternatives Program (TAP). There are seventeen MPO's and five large cities outside MPO's that receive funding. PDG Contact: yoderj@poggemeyer.com
Ohio Public Works Commission (OPWC)	August through November	Grants & Loans – Applications due to Counties. Dates vary by District. PDG Contact: histerm@poggemeyer.com

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Transportation Alternative Program (TAP)	February 1	Funding for multi-use paths (non-motorized) that connect destinations. *Priority is given to projects that connection activity centers. LOI is due on February 1. If eligible, ODOT will invite applicant to submit full application by May 15. Categories to apply under are Bicycle & Pedestrian Facilities*; Community Improvement Activities; Environmental Mitigation Activity; and Recreation Trails (projects offering transportation component will take priority over those only serving a recreational purpose. Contact: bieszczadg@poggemeyer.com
ODOT Small Cities Program	March 1	The Small Cities program provides federal funds to small cities with populations from 5,000 to 24,999 that are not located within Metropolitan Planning Organizations' (MPO) boundaries. This program may be used by the incorporated localities for any road, safety or signal project on the Federal-aid system. PDG Contact: yodert@poggemeyer.com or bieszczadg@poggemeyer.com
ODOT Municipal Bridge Program	March 1	The Municipal Bridge Program provides federal funds to municipal corporations and Regional Transit Authorities for bridge replacement or bridge rehabilitation. PDG Contact: yoderj@poggemeyer.com
Safe Routes to Schools	March 3	\$4 million annually to enable and encourage children in grades K-8 to walk or bicycle to school. Infrastructure with 2 miles of schools or non-infrastructure activities to improve safety or encourage walking or bicycling. Must have School Travel Plan (STP) and demonstrate need for funding to implement STP. Contact: bieszczadg@poggemeyer.com
Safety (Funding to upgrade safety signage on Ohio's Township Roads)	April 30 and September 30	Highway safety treatments or correction activity designed to alleviate a safety problem or a potentially hazardous situation on township roads. \$100 million annually. Up to 90% of eligible costs for engineering, and/or construction. Funding awarded based on variety of criteria. PDG Contact: bieszczadg@poggemeyer.com
State Infrastructure Bank (SIB)	On-Going	Loans for all levels or modes of transportation projects within the state. Project must be eligible under Federal Title 23. Current terms up to 30 years @3% interest. Interest deferred first 12 months.
Transportation Improvement Districts	On-Going	\$3.5 million each fiscal year for TID projects. Limited to 25% of project total not to exceed \$250,000 per fiscal year. May be used for construction, R/W acquisition and design. Considered based on ability to address ED, job creation and retention impact.
Appalachian Regional Commission (ARC)	Pre-Applications Due in March-April	Funding for projects in the Appalachian Region in program areas: Community Infrastructure, Education and Training, Health; Transportation and Highways; Distressed Counties Asset-based Development; Tourism Development; Export and Trade Development, Entrepreneurship and Business Development, Energy, and Leadership Development and Capacity Building Eligible applicants include political subdivisions, education, public institutions (port authorities, libraries) and non-profit organizations. Funds are administered by four local development districts. Application process starts in January-February with County Caucus Meetings. PDG Contact: histerm@poggemeyer.com



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ODNR NatureWorks	May 1	Recreation/park projects. 75/25 grant to match within county's allocation. PDG Contact: histerm@poggemeyer.com
ODNR Division of Watercraft – Boating Infrastructure Grant (BIG)	July 1	For transient marina development through USF&W (national competition) for large boats (minimum 26 feet long). Two tier grants: Tier 1 – maximum \$200,000; Tier 2 \$1.5 million. Local 25% match required. PDG Contact: histerm@poggemeyer.com
ODNR Land & Water Conservation	Nov. 1	Max. \$300K or 50% of \$600,000 project cost and min. \$50,000 or 50% of a \$100,000 project cost. PDG Contact: histerm@poggemeyer.com
ODNR – Clean Ohio Trails Fund (COTF) and Recreational Trails Program (RTP)	February 1	Grant programs that provides up to 75% of project cost for COTF and 80% for the RTP. PDG Contact: histerm@poggemeyer.com
ODNR- Division of Watercraft- Recreation Harbor Evaluation Program (RHEP)	February 1	For Lake Erie and Ohio River “non-maintenance” dredging program. Merit based program for public sector watercraft access. Reimbursable grants- no match required. No applications being accepted in 2017.
ODOT and Ohio Department of Health Active Transportation Action Plan	March	Eligible projects include education, infrastructure demonstration (low cost improvements like signs, signals and pavement markings), non-infrastructure demonstration, policy/planning (develop Active Transportation plans or policy), and data collection. The applications will be scored on: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> •Team collaboration: 0-10 points; •County health factors: 0-20 points; •County median income: 0-20 points; •Participation in community event promoting active transportation: 0-15 points; •How project supports active transportation: 0-30 points; •How project targets health equity issues within transportation: 0-15 points; •Readiness to implement project: 0-10 points

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Ohio Coastal Management Assistance Grant Program (CMAG)	December	Grants for water related planning projects. 50/50 grant and local match. PDG Contact: histerm@poggemeyer.com
Other Funding Sources		
Lowes Charitable and Education Foundation		Grant funds for playground equipment (\$5,000 to \$25,000)
Miracle's Grants for American Children		To schools and parks for new playground equipment (\$5 million available)
KaBOOM		\$15,000 grants for playground equipment in communities using KaBOOM community-build model.
Shade Structure Grant Program		American Academy of Dermatology grants to public schools and not-profit organizations to install permanent shade structures for outdoor locations. Each grant is valued at up to \$8,000
Lego Children Fund		Typical awards between \$500-\$5,000 to local and national non-profit organizations to help children develop their creativity and learning skills through constructive play
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