

2025 TDOT Statewide Partnership Program Submittal

Page 1: Program Introduction

Following the passage of the 2023 Transportation Modernization Act, the Tennessee Department of Transportation (TDOT) released its first fiscally constrained 10-Year Project Plan. This new process represents an evolution in philosophy at TDOT regarding how we fund and deliver transportation projects. We have taken a critical eye to our projects statewide with the mindset of **"what gets started, gets finished"** to better serve Tennessee with greater accountability and communication.

As part of TDOT's 10-Year Project Planning process, the Statewide Partnership Program (SPP) is a critical avenue for local stakeholders to provide input on their priorities to better inform the annual reassessment of TDOT's 10-Year Project Plan. The program supports local authorities in maximizing funding dollars for critical local mobility and economic development needs.

TDOT is committed to working with Tennessee's local jurisdictions, municipalities, and counties, through their respective MPOs and RPOs to identify priorities and accelerate projects with identified local funding and support, whenever possible. Accordingly, all submissions gathered through this process will be evaluated for inclusion in TDOT's updated 10-Year Project Plan, which will be released in Spring 2026. All project proposals will be evaluated based on performance, deliverability, and cost. TDOT intends to continue prioritizing projects that are MPO and RPO priorities that leverage financial investment by locals to improve deliverability and costs of projects. The SPP is primarily meant as a first step in the planning process to gather data on local needs, priorities, and interest in partnering with TDOT. Think of this process as "open enrollment" for TDOT projects; rather than communities advocating for their priorities at disparate and ad-hoc times throughout the year, this structure allows for standardized information to be provided during a specific period. While submissions gathered are not guaranteed to receive funding, all information provided is essential in the development of future 10-Year Plans and for TDOT to better understand, and further communicate, the outstanding critical transportation funding needs in Tennessee.

With the passage of the FY2026 budget, TDOT received a \$50 million one-time appropriation to revitalize the State Infrastructure Fund (SIF). As TDOT works to implement this program in conjunction with the Tennessee Local Development Authority (TLDA), it is important to note that the TDOT Statewide Partnership Program (SPP) and the SIF serve complementary but distinct roles in supporting transportation infrastructure across Tennessee. The SPP is a competitive, limited-window opportunity aimed at locally prioritized traditional highway and bridge projects, offering communities a chance to leverage local funds with state investment to advance key initiatives. In contrast, the Statewide Infrastructure Fund provides a longer application period and offers low-interest loans that can finance a broader range of transportation infrastructure needs. Notably, one key element of the collaborative nature of these two programs is that communities without the ability to offer financial partnership through the SPP with traditional local funds could consider utilizing an SIF loan, subject to the approval of the TLDA, to enable flexible, layered financing strategies to support local efforts to partner with the state on transportation improvements.

Page 2: Basic Information

1. Which of the following best describes your role?
Local elected official or staff
MPO or RPO staff
2. Project Contact Name
Text box
3. Project Contact Title
Text box
4. Project Contact Phone Number
Text box
5. Project Contact Email
Text box
6. Is this request to initiate a project to be considered in TDOT's updated 10-Year Plan or to accelerate a project in the existing 10-Year Plan?
Accelerate a project
Initiate a project
7. How do you intend to partner with TDOT for this project? Utilizing: (Select all that apply)
Local dollars
Federal dollars
State Infrastructure Fund (SIF) loan*

**If selected, you are indicating interest in this program and as your submission is evaluated, TDOT will contact you about the SIF application process and relevant deadlines for SPP concurrence will be communicated.*

Page 3: Project Information

8. Project Type

Highway Capacity (e.g., lane addition, roadway extension)

Highway ITS/system operations (e.g., technology upgrades, operation)

Highway safety (e.g., roadway geometric, design, or operation improvements targeted to a safety need)

Major bridge project (e.g., replacement or reconstruction)

Major pavement project (e.g., rehab or reconstruction)

9. Please provide the intended termini for this project. (i.e. From the Blue House Rd (LM 10.2) to the end of Yellow Shed Ave (LM 15.3))

Text box

10. TDOT region

Drop down box (Region 1, Region 2, Region 3, Region 4)

11. Project County(s)

Select county from list, multiple select possible.

12. Route Name

Text box

13. Project Scope of Work (Example: Add Multi-Use Path (6' wide))

Text box

14. Lead Agency of Project

Text box

15. Who do you contemplate managing this project? (i.e., city, county, TDOT)

TDOT

Local Agency

16. Please indicate the local jurisdiction or jurisdictions in which the proposed project falls.

Text box

17. What MPO or RPO does the proposed project fall in?

Find information about MPOs and RPOs [here](#).

Select from list of MPOs and RPOs, multiple select possible.

18. Have you consulted with your MPO or RPO on this submission?

Yes

No

19. Project Location - Map

Please identify the project location as a line on the map below

Map with ability to draw line geometry

20. Describe any planning or study work completed for the proposed project.

Text box

21. Attach any concept plans or feasibility studies that have been completed for the proposed project.

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22. Additional Project Attachments (i.e. project schedule, latest estimates, etc.)

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Project Information: Preliminary Engineering

23. What Phases are you requesting assistance?

(3 Check Boxes)

PE, ROW, CON

24. Has preliminary engineering (PE) work for this project been completed?

Yes

No

25. What is the estimated cost to complete preliminary engineering (PE) work for this project?

(Question only displayed if "No" is selected for question 24)

Text box

26. What year is the Preliminary Engineering (PE) estimate from?

(Question only displayed if "No" is selected for question 24)

Text box

27. Upload documentation to support the estimated cost to complete preliminary engineering (PE) work for this project.

(Question only displayed if "No" is selected for question 24)

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28. Has this cost estimate been validated by TDOT in the last 12-months?

(Question only displayed if "No" is selected for question 24)

Yes

No

TDOT highly encourages you to initiate a cost estimate for this project; please contact Brian Hurst at Brian.Hurst@tn.gov to initiate this request

(Advisory only displayed if "No" is selected for question 28)

Only an advisory, no input required by applicant, allow applicant to continue survey after viewing question.

Project Information: Right-of-Way

29. Has right-of-way (ROW) work for this project been completed?

Yes

No

30. What is the estimated cost to complete right-of-way (ROW) work for this project?

(Question only displayed if "No" is selected for question 31)

Text box

31. What year is the above estimate from?

(Question only displayed if "No" is selected for question 31)

Text box

32. Upload documentation to support the estimated cost to complete right-of-way (ROW) work for this project.

(Question only displayed if "No" is selected for question 31)

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33. Has this cost estimate been validated by TDOT in the last 12-months?

(Question only displayed if "No" is selected for question 31)

Yes

No

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(Advisory only displayed if "No" is selected for question 33)

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Project Information: Construction

34. What is the estimated cost to complete Construction (CON) work for this project?

Text box

35. What year is the above estimate from?

Text box

36. Upload documentation to support the estimated cost to complete construction work for this project.

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37. Has this cost estimate been validated by TDOT within the last 12-months?

Yes

No

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(Advisory only displayed if "No" is selected for question 37)

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Project Information: Prior Funding

38. How much funding has already been expended on this project?
Please ensure the phase that this funding has been attributed to is disclosed in the uploaded documentation.
Number box
39. How much non-TDOT funding has already been expended on this project?
Please ensure that the phase that this funding has been attributed to is disclosed in the uploaded documentation.
Number box
40. Please provide the sources of all previously expended funding for this project.
Examples of funding sources: TDOT, STBG-L, State Aid, local funding, federal grant.
Text box
41. Upload documentation of previously expended funding here.
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Project Information: Future Funding

42. Please provide a total for committed future funding for this project.
*Please include funding from all sources. Please **DO NOT** include funds that have already been expended.*
Number box
43. What phases will the committed future funding be utilized for?
Please note here if committed funding is only for a specific project phase or phases (PE, ROW, Construction).
(3 Check Boxes, multiple select possible)
PE, ROW, CON
44. What year will total committed future funding become available?*
- *This question will appear for each phase selected in question 43.*
Number box
45. Please provide the sources of all committed future funding for this project.
Text box
46. Please provide documentation of committed future funding here.
Include TIP page, a letter from a county or city mayor, or a local government resolution.
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Requested TDOT Funding

47. How much funding is being requested from TDOT to complete this project, not including the local contribution?

If phase of project is complete or party is not requesting funding assisting for specific phase, label value as 0.

(3 Number boxes)

Requested TDOT Funding – Preliminary Engineering (PE)

Requested TDOT Funding – Right-of-Way (ROW)

Requested TDOT Funding – Construction (CON)

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48. Provide any other information here.

Text box

49. Upload any other relevant documentation here.

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