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Gov. Beshear Announces \$6 Million In Awards To Improve Local Bridges

Funding supports 12 bridge projects in nine counties, one city

FRANKFORT, Ky. (Dec. 4, 2025) – Today, Gov. Beshear announced over \$6 million for 12 critical bridge projects across nine Kentucky counties and one city. The funding will help Kentuckians get where they need to go quicker and more safely through repairs, replacements and reopenings of locally owned bridges.

This was the latest round of funding from Team Kentucky's County and City Bridge Improvement Program, which has awarded \$38.7 million to local governments since the first round in 2025. A list of the newly awarded projects can be [viewed here](#).

"These bridges connect Kentuckians to their jobs, doctors, school, and more and it's important that we ensure they are safe and modern for folks to travel on," said Gov. Beshear. "Once these projects are completed, Kentuckians will have safer travel, fewer delays and quicker commutes."

This fifth round of awards funds 10 bridge replacements and two bridges that will be repaired or preserved to extend the life of existing structures. All 12 bridges are closed or currently posted with weight restrictions.

Each project was reviewed and validated by Kentucky Transportation Cabinet (KYTC) engineers to ensure the most effective solutions.

"Our focus is simple: Repair what's failing and restore access where it's been lost," said KYTC Secretary Jim Gray. "These projects eliminate long detours, reopen safe routes for heavy vehicles, and strengthen the transportation network our communities rely on every day."

Among the latest awards are projects in Ballard, Hickman and Crittenden counties and in the city of Flemingsburg that address long-standing needs.

The city of Flemingsburg received \$510,000 to replace the Cemetery Lane bridge over Town Branch Creek. The funds will cover the demolition and construction of the new 56-foot structure, as well as the installation of 100 tons of channel lining to protect from erosion and improve the creek's water flow.

"I just want to say thank you to Gov. Beshear and his team, Commissioner Bobbi Jo Lewis, and the legislature for putting this City-County Bridge Improvement Program together and providing much-needed help to counties and cities in our state," said Flemingsburg Mayor Van Alexander. "This is an important project for those that we serve – our citizens. This improvement makes sure there is safe and reliable access to the Fleming County Cemetery just beyond this bridge."

Crittenden County Fiscal Court received \$780,000 for a total replacement and 30-foot extension of the Copperas Spring Road bridge and \$590,000 for replacement of the Nunn Switch #2 bridge. The projects will restore a dependable connection for residents and daily travelers.

"I am deeply grateful to our state legislators for implementing the funding necessary to support the City-County Bridge Improvement Program through which we can ensure pieces of our critically failing infrastructure can be replaced, providing the utmost safety to those traveling our roads and bridges," said Crittenden County Judge/Executive Perry Newcom. "I thank Gov. Beshear and his staff for their implementation of this program that is providing solutions to serious challenges at the city and county levels. This funding will replace two bridges on our critical condition list. On behalf of all cities and counties, I stress the importance of legislators' approval to continue funding this highly successful and needed program."

Hickman County received \$570,000 to replace and nearly double the length of the Springhill Road bridge. The new 64-foot connection will improve safety for school buses and farm equipment that rely on the route.

"We're very appreciative here in Hickman County to be awarded a new bridge that will go right here on Spring Hill Road. Thank you to Gov. Beshear, to Rural and Municipal Aid Commissioner Bobbi Jo Lewis, and to our District One chief district engineer, Kyle Poat," said Hickman County Judge/Executive Kenny Wilson. "The old wooden piles had deteriorated, and the funds for this new bridge will be our third from the program to improve the safety for residents, and we look forward to applying again."

Ballard County received \$372,000 for a new Morning Meadows bridge that will replace the old structure and restore traffic.

"I just want to thank the State of Kentucky and KYTC for their hard work, and the state legislature for taking this pot of money and carving it out and making it available for counties," said Ballard County Judge/Executive Todd Cooper. "We also want to thank the governor for his partnership and his care for the people of Kentucky. It is the season of Thanksgiving, so we are thankful and grateful."

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