



## **Commonwealth of Kentucky Transportation Cabinet**

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### **Transportation Cabinet awards \$501,284 in federal funding to Logan, Barren and Butler counties for multimodal improvements**

**FRANKFORT, Ky. (April 2, 2019)** – Governor Matt Bevin and the Kentucky Transportation Cabinet (KYTC) announce \$501,284 in Transportation Alternatives Program (TAP) funds have been awarded to three Department of Highways District 3 counties – Logan, Barren and Butler – to improve infrastructure for non-drivers in the community.

“We are grateful for this significant federal TAP investment to benefit Logan, Barren and Butler counties,” said Gov. Bevin. “Funds from this program enable local communities to implement important transportation projects that increase connectivity for diverse populations, such as non-driving and disabled Kentuckians.”

The award will fund the following projects:

- Barren County, City of Park City: \$121,555 – This project allows residents and visitors to walk to a neighboring store, gas station, restaurant, city park, homes, Park City Elementary and the new Senior Citizens Center.
- Butler County, City of Morgantown: \$85,809 – This project will construct a new sidewalk with lighting, spanning east to west from Tyler Street to U.S. 231. Crossing signage and a crosswalk will be added to allow pedestrians to safely cross the existing sidewalk on Tyler Street. A community driven project, nearly half of respondents indicated it would provide needed access to commercial businesses and provide greater access to essential services, including medical offices, government offices, etc.
- Logan County, City of Auburn: \$293,920 – The project provides connectivity to the existing sidewalk network, Auburn Elementary School, and new retail facilities/restaurants located on Sugar Maple Drive.

“These funds support many Cabinet priorities such as improved safety, increased access and more efficient modes of transportation,” said KYTC Secretary Greg Thomas. “We’re pleased this community will be able to make needed improvements to enhance the quality of life for Kentuckians.”

TAP is a federally funded reimbursement program administered through the Office of Local Programs in the KYTC’s Department of Rural and Municipal Aid. Funding assists communities in funding transportation

improvements, such as safe bicycle and pedestrian pathways and/or facilities, safe routes to schools, scenic routes and overlooks and other investments. Projects may be a mix of elements and accessible to the general public or targeted to a broad segment of the general public. This year, 14 projects were awarded funding statewide.

Funding for TAP is authorized as a dedicated portion of the Surface Transportation Block Grant (STBG) funding program under the Fixing America's Surface Transportation (FAST) Act, which authorizes federal transportation funding from Fiscal Year 2016-2020.

For more information, please visit <https://transportation.ky.gov/LocalPrograms/Pages/TAP.aspx>

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