# Department of Rural and Municipal Aid

# Rural and Municipal Aid Round Table

### **ABOUT BOBBI JO**



Bobbi Jo gives back to the community by providing pro bono legal services to the LIGHT Center, a service provider to homeless and needy families, as well as HEROES (Helping Educate Reaching Out Ending Stigma), a non-profit support group fighting against drugs and addiction. She is a current Board Member & Vice Chairman for New Vista.

Bobbi Jo is married to her husband of 37 years, Donald Lewis, has two children and five grandchildren

- Served almost 18 years as Anderson County Attorney
- Served 12 years prior in the Anderson County Attorney's Office
- Awarded Kentucky Outstanding County Attorney of 2017
- Received awards from the Kentucky Sheriff's Association, Bluegrass Alliance for Women, and the Anderson County DARE Program.
- Served as a Board Member of the Kentucky County Attorney's Association from 2014-2016
- Taught fellow prosecutors at the Kentucky Prosecutors Institute from 2006-2010 and 2015-2016 and 2019.
- Graduated summa cum laude from Kentucky State University
- Received her law degree cum laude from the University of Kentucky College of Law (selected as a member of the Kentucky Chapter of the Order of the Coif)

### **OFFICE STAFF**

#### THE OFFICE OF THE COMMISSIONER

- Bobbi Jo Lewis Commissioner
- *Gayle Smith* Executive Advisor
- Debra Powell Executive Administrative Secretary

## THE OFFICE OF RURAL SECONDARY ROADS

- *Craig Caudill* Transportation Engineering Branch Manager
- Kelley Johnson, Special Assistant
- Sara Hall RS Project Payment Manager

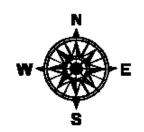
#### THE OFFICE OF LOCAL PROGRAMS

- Jackie Jones Executive Staff Advisor— CMAQ Program Administrator
- Kimberly Tompkins Federal Program Coordinator—TAP Program Administrator
- Michael Jones Historic Preservation Program Manager
- Holly Crosthwaite, Federal Program Coordinator

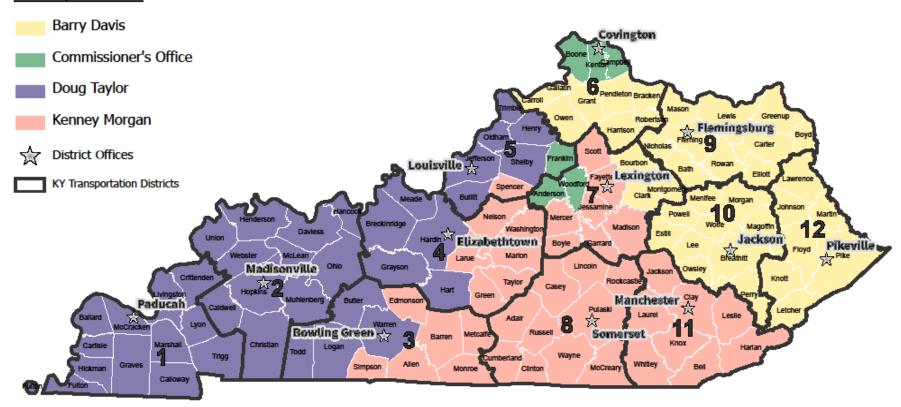
#### FIELD REPRESENTATIVES

- Doug Taylor Western Kentucky
- Kenny Morgan Southern Kentucky
- Barry Davis Eastern Kentucky

### Rural and Municipal Aid 2022 County Representatives



#### Field Representative







# What has Rural and Municipal Aid accomplished for you?

**Current Fiscal Year:** 

**COUNTY ROAD AID** - \$111,466,271.00

**MUNICIPAL ROAD AID** - \$10,616,203.00 Coop (\$63,211,050.00 – sent to DLG for non-Coop)

From 1/1/2020-3/7/2022:

**RURAL SECONDARY FUNDS** - \$163,760,708.00

**FLEX** - \$64,232,984.00

**80/20 BRIDGE & STATE EMERGENCIES -** \$27,394,889.00

**COUNTY ROAD AID EMERGENCY FUNDS** - \$10,269,688.00

**MUNICIPAL ROAD AID EMERGENCY FUNDS** - \$906,222.00

**DISCRETIONARY FUNDING** - \$40,866,981.00

**TOTAL PROCESSED ROAD AID - \$492,724,996.00** 

# The Office of Rural and Secondary Roads

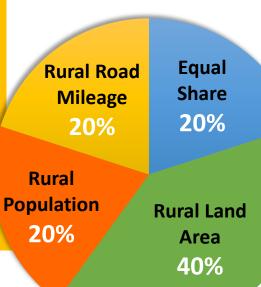


#### REVENUE SHARE BREAKDOWN

#### **RURAL SECONDARY ALLOTMENT**

- KRS 177.320
- 22.2% of motor fuel tax
- Allocations established by Fifths Formula
- 3% allocated for administrative costs
- Up to 6% allocated for RS emergency account





#### **COUNTY ROAD AID ALLOTMENT**

- KRS 177.320
- 18.3% of the motor fuel tax for county roads
- Allocations to counties established by Fifths Formula
- Used for construction, reconstruction and the maintenance of county roads
- 3% allocated to the county emergency account



#### MUNICIPAL ROAD AID ALLOTMENT

KRS 177.36 & 177.366

7.7% of the motor fuel tax for urban roads and streets

Allotment per city determined by population

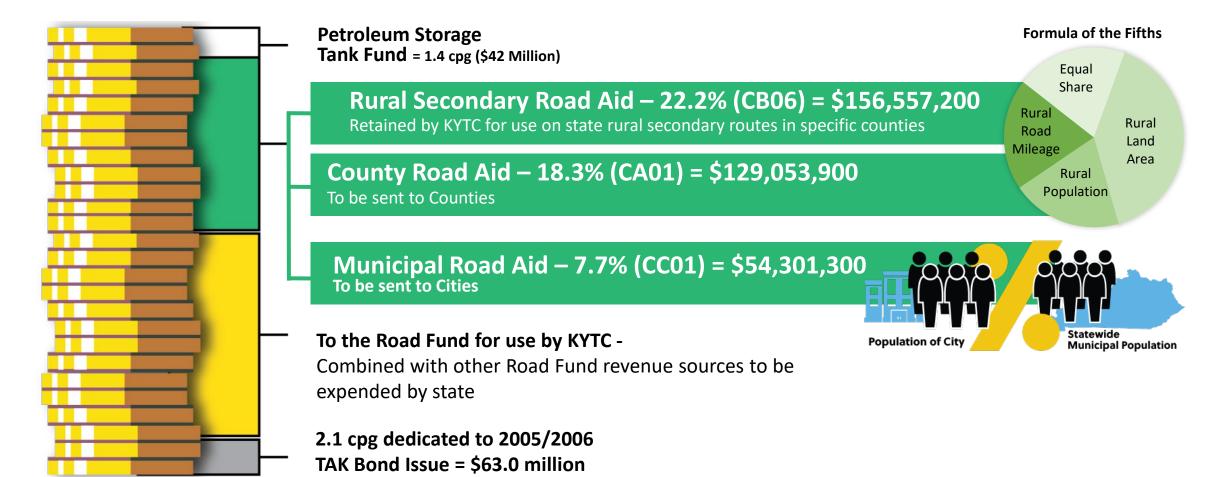
Used for construction, reconstruction and maintenance of city streets

3% allocated to the municipal emergency account



# MOTOR FUELS TAX RECEIPTS STATUTORY REVENUE SHARING

(FY22 TENTATIVE ALLOCATIONS UPDATED – CFG ROAD FUND ESTIMATE)



### **FUNDING BREAKDOWN - EMERGENCY FUNDING**

#### **RURAL SECONDARY**

(KRS 177.320) 22.2% (CB06) = \$156,557,200

#### **RS EMERGENCY FUND**

(CB01) Up to 6% Funding allotment (90%) (10% set aside)

80/20 **BRIDGE PROGRAM Secondary Roads** (½ of 6%)

#### INITIAL DISTRIBUTION

(breakdown on next page)

#### **District Offices**

**State** 

**Emergencies** 

on Rural

(½ of 6%)

Emergency requests are submitted to the Office of Rural and Secondary Roads (ORSR). Currently processing on an as needed basis.

#### **COUNTIES**

80/20 Bridge recommendations sent to the ORSR. Request is reviewed for available funding, and eligibility. A need assessment concurrence from the District is obtained.

#### **COUNTY ROAD AID**

KRS 177.320 18.3% in Cooperative Program (CA02) = \$129,053,900

#### COUNTY **EMERGENCY FUND** (CA03)

Funding is allotted based on need and

a first come, first serve basis.

= \$3,830,449

#### **COUNTIES**

Submit a County Emergency Request Form. The ORSR reviews for eligibility and determines available funding. Submits for approval.

#### **MUNICIPAL ROAD AID**

KRS 177.36 & 177.366 7.7% - Cities in Cooperative Program (CC02) = \$54,301,300

#### **MUNICIPAL EMERGENCY FUND (CC03)**

Funding is allotted based on need and a first come, first serve basis. **= \$**364,813

#### **CITIES**

Submit a Municipal Emergency Request Form. The ORSR reviews for eligibility and determines available funding. Submits for approval.

\* All programs are subject to receive additional funding due to carry forward amounts from year to year.

#### **RURAL SECONDARY FUNDING BREAKDOWN**

**FUNDING DERIVED FROM THE RS INITIAL DISTRIBUTION (CB06)** 

# MAINTENANCE & TRAFFIC

On Rural Secondary Roads \$57,699,700

#### **District Offices**

Responsible for addressing maintenance needs in each county on the Rural Secondary Roads.

Maintenance derived from schedules and work as needed.

Percentage of funding derived from yearly data in the Operating Management System (OMS) and District input.

COUNTY
JUDGE
EXECUTIVE

Stipend = \$307,496

\$2,584 Yearly stipend to each judge. (Excludes Jefferson CJE)

#### RURAL SECONDARY LETTINGS

RS Road Projects – County = \$73,375,500

#### **District Offices**

Meet with each County Judge Executive to propose the RS roads in their county the State would like to resurface that year.

Roads are based on data, RS road schedule for resurfacing and need assessment.

Roads are presented before the Fiscal Court and approved or denied.

Once approved, projects are submitted to the ORSR.

Projects then go through the KYTC RS Letting at the beginning of each fiscal year.

Funding derived from the Initial Dist. Plus any carryforward, less the M&T allotment, CJ/E stipend and Flex Funds.

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#### **FLEX FUNDS**

Resurfacing on county roads = \$26,525,631

#### **KYTC DIVISION OF MAINTENANCE**

Operations and Pavement Management conducts a level of service (LOS) ranking on Rural Secondary roads.

#### LOS RANKING CRITERIA INCLUDES:

- Rideability
- Appearance
- Visual Obstructions
- Fencing
- Guardrail
- Vertical Clearance
- Potholes
- Striping
- Signs
- Drop Offs
- Curb /Gutter
- Rutting, etc.

#### **RS LOS RANKING TIERS**

- GRADE A = 25%
- GRADE C = 15%
- GRADE B = 20%
- GRADE D = 10%

The better the condition of the RS roads, the higher the % of funds the county will receive.

Grade / Percentage equal amount taken from the initial distribution set aside for county 'Flex Fund' allocation.

Each County applies for use of their Flex Funds on a yearly basis. County discretion on which county roads they submit.

\*includes carry forward amount

# RS COOPERATIVE PROGRAM



# COUNTY AND MUNICIPAL ROAD AID PROGRAM

Road Aid funds are allocated annually for construction and maintenance of your roads.

#### There are two ways to receive Road Aid funds:

- 1) Monthly through the Kentucky Department for Local Government (DLG), OR
- 2) Join the ORSR Cooperative Program *Distribution will* be on 60-30-10 schedule

IF YOU JOIN THE ORSR COOPERATIVE PROGRAM YOU WILL BE ELIGIBLE FOR EMERGENCY FUNDING

# COUNTY AND MUNICIPAL ROAD AID PROGRAM

#### **NOTE:**

This year is a budget year and a census year. We cannot finalize cooperative calculations without the budget and census numbers. The numbers you have received are based on last year's figures and will be updated as soon as we get final numbers.

# The Emergency Fund



# THE COUNTY/MUNICIPAL EMERGENCY FUND

### 3%

The 3% withheld from each cooperative participating county or city's road aid allocation is placed into the County or Municipal Emergency Road Aid Fund. Counties and Cities can apply for funding assistance on emergency projects throughout the year.

## 80/20 Match

The funding process for CRA & MRA Emergency projects is an 80/20 match program meaning the state pays up to 80% of approved total project cost and the local government entity is responsible for 20%.



### **EMERGENCY PROCESS: TC 20-16**

### **Application Guidelines:**

- Requires application form (TC 20-16)
- Because this is an emergency, <u>you may begin work</u>
   <u>at anytime</u>. However, it is possible that a project
   may not be approved for funding.
- When a request is approved, notification is sent to the local government and 50% of the approved funding is released immediately. The remaining amount is released after the final project cost has been tabulated (invoices, etc.)
- Project examples: bridge replacement, slide repair, flood damage, etc.

Initial Project Cost:	\$100,000
Approved 80%:	\$80,000
50% of Approved amount issued immediately:	\$40,000
Receipt's Submitted New Project Cost	\$75,000

80% of act. cost:	\$65,000
-50% previously	
Issued:	\$40,000

Reimbursement: \$20,000

### **EMERGENCY PROCESS: TC 20-16**

#### **REMAINING EMERGENCY FUNDS (AS OF 3/7/2022)**

1) RURAL SECONDARY EMERGENCY FUND	\$2,084,829.68
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- 2) COUNTY ROAD AID EMERGENCY FUND \$1,012,541.66
- 3) MUNICIPAL ROAD AID EMERGENCY FUND \$ 455,991.27

# DISCRETIONARY FUNDING



# **DISCRETIONARY FUNDING (FD39)**

The Discretionary Fund, also known as the Highway Contingency Account (FD39), is administered by the Department of Rural and Municipal Aid.

- This fund receives an annual allocation of funds from the budget adopted by the legislature. For FY 2021 the initial amount allocated was \$16.6 million \$1.6 of which goes to Short-Line Railroad assistance and \$5 million of which goes to the Kentucky Pride Fund leaving the DRMA \$10 million to assist with your needs. Note: An additional 10 million was added in HB193 only for FY 2021.
- Comparatively, the amount allocated in the previous 4 years (FY 17-20) was \$31,000,000 (net of \$24,400,000) a decrease of \$14,400,000.

## **DISCRETIONARY FUNDING (FD39)**

 Discretionary Funding projects require a higher threshold of need outside what is met through other Cabinet/Department programs.

#### IMPORTANT NOTE:

You should exhaust other ORSR funding options first.

UPDATE: There are currently \$32,379,057.00 in qualified FD-39 requests pending and approximately \$4,000,000 remaining to fund those requests.

# **DISCRETIONARY FUNDING (FD39)**

When does a project qualify for Discretionary Funding under statutory requirements?

- 1) Project presents a hazardous condition as assessed by the Chief District Engineer's Offices of your district;
- 2) Project promotes economic or industrial development, and/or;
- 3) Project is related to Safety/Emergency issues.

# CONTACT INFORMATION

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# **Big Wheels Keep on Turnin'**



