Department of Rural and Municipal Aid

Governor's Local Issues Conference - 2021

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 for New Vista and the Family Resource Council in Anderson County.

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
- Wayne Simpson Transportation Engineering Specialist
- Shelby Peel RS Project Manager
- 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

FIELD REPRESENTATIVES

- Doug Taylor Western Kentucky
- *Kenny Morgan* Southern Kentucky
- Barry Davis Eastern Kentucky
- Fred Siegelman Central Kentucky



What has Rural and Municipal Aid accomplished for you?

Current Fiscal Year:

COUNTY ROAD AID - \$123,851,422

MUNICIPAL ROAD AID - \$11,830,697 Coop (\$42,104,710 – sent to DLG for non-Coop)

From 1/1/2020 - 8/19/2021:

RURAL SECONDARY FUNDS - \$89,776,511

FLEX FUNDS - \$36,913,713

80/20 BRIDGE & STATE EMERGENCIES - \$18,578,129

COUNTY ROAD AID EMERGENCY FUNDS - \$7,344,050

MUNICIPAL ROAD AID EMERGENCY FUNDS - \$792,180

DISCRETIONARY FUNDING - \$33,329,425

TOTAL PROCESSED ROAD AID - \$364,520,837



What has Rural and Municipal Aid accomplished for you?

TOTAL PROJECTS	411
80/20 Bridge Projects	143
Municipal Road Emergency Projects	13
County Road Emergency Projects	158
Rural Secondary Emergency Projects	97



OFFICES WITHIN THE DEPARTMENT

The Department of Rural and Municipal Aid acts as the liaison to all local governments for transportation needs.

The Department oversees two offices:

- 1) Office of Rural and Secondary Roads (ORSR)
- 2) Office of Local Programs (OLP)

The Office of Rural and Secondary Roads

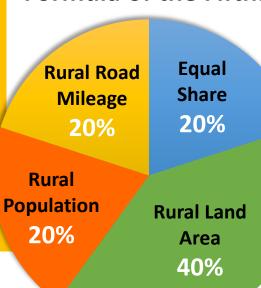


REVENUE SHARE BREAKDOWN

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

Formula of the Fifths



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

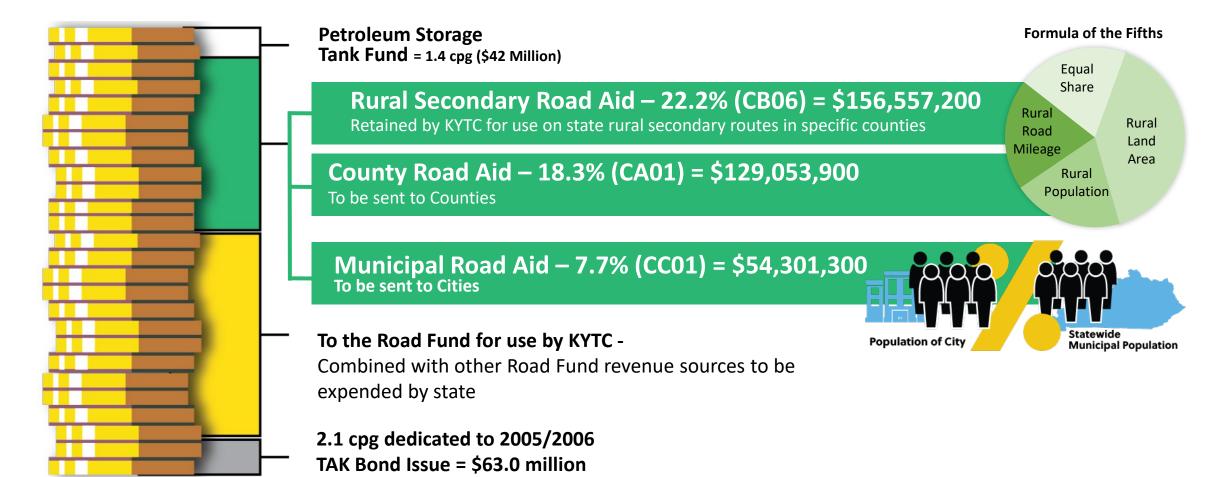
Used for construction, reconstruction and maintenance of city streets

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)

State
Emergencies
on Rural
Secondary Roads
(½ of 6%)

80/20
BRIDGE
PROGRAM
(½ of 6%)

INITIAL DISTRIBUTION

(breakdown on next page)

District Offices COUNTIES

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

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)

3%

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)

3%

Funding is allotted based on need and a first come, first serve basis. = \$349,605

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 = \$307,448

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

RURAL SECONDARY LETTINGS

RS Road Projects – County = \$75,470,115

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 = \$27,308,611*

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

***Agreements have been sent out and must be returned before September 1, 2021.

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



The Flex Fund

Funds allocated to counties for resurfacing



The Flex Fund FY21 Projection: \$27,308,611*

What are Flex Funds?

- These are funds set aside from the Rural Secondary (22.2%) apportionment to help counties in their resurfacing needs.
- These funds are to be solely used for repairs and resurfacing the existing asphalt surface.
- With over 40,000 county road miles we recognize the need for assistance!
- This program is not governed by a KRS and therefore, is at the state's discretion. You are encouraged to apply annually!



At the beginning of the year, District personnel will communicate with each county as to the amount of Flex Funds the county will be allocated for the upcoming fiscal year

Flex Fund Process

Application Guidelines:

- County must complete and submit their Flex Fund recommendation list to ORSR in Frankfort
 - Completed Flex Recommendation form (TC 20-34). Available on our website in our Forms Library: https://transportation.ky.gov/Organizational-Resources/Pages/Forms-Library-(TC-20).aspx
 - Mile point locator map: http://maps.kytc.ky.gov/photolog/?config=RASR
- ORSR will conduct a quick review of the Flex recommendation list and an approved list is forwarded to the District Office (D.O.) for further evaluation
- D.O. personnel performs field review of recommendations to gather information to verify need:
 - Condition of Pavement
 - Length
 - Width
 - Number of homes and businesses served

Adopting County Roads

How to get credit for the road miles

 Contact and work with your local Area Development District (ADD)

 They in turn work with our Division of Planning to register the roads

• If you are using our mapping system and cannot find your road please contact us!

PURCHASE

GREEN RIVER

PENNYRILE



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

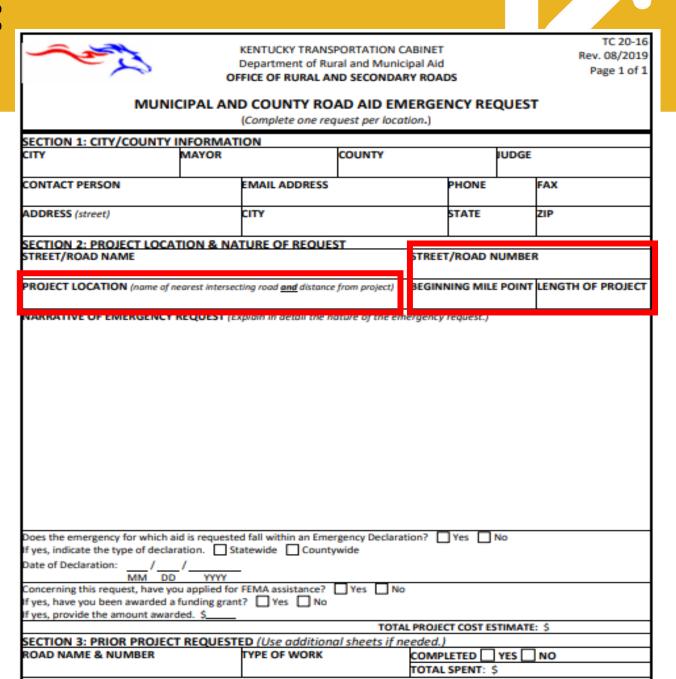
80% of act. cost:	\$65,000
-50% previously	
Issued:	\$40,000

Reimbursement: \$20,000

EMERGENCY REQUEST: TC 20-16

Submit along with:

- Pictures
- Detailed cost estimate
- You can submit drainage structures under this program if your project meets the following:
 - Closed structure
 - Posting load lowered and no longer allows school buses or first responders to cross
 - One way in or out



Obtaining Reimbursement

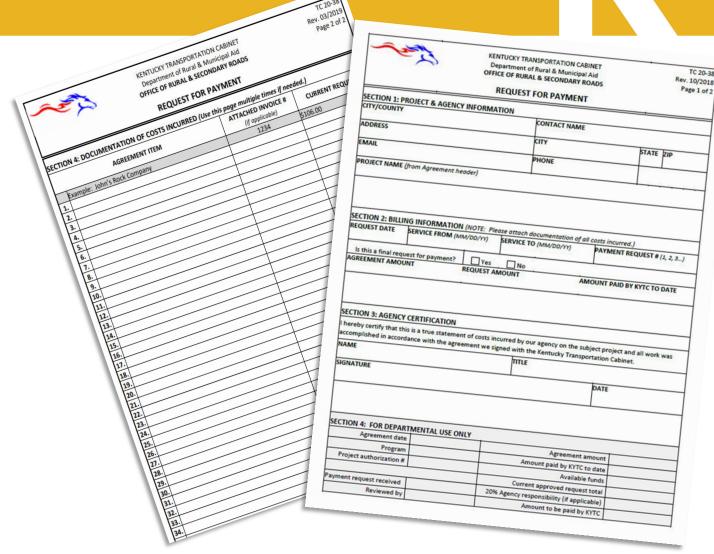


REIMBURSEMENT FORM: TC 20-38

Emergency Program:

When a request is submitted and approved, 50% of the approved funding (80% of total project) is released to the local government immediately.

The remaining amount is released after final project cost has been tabulated.

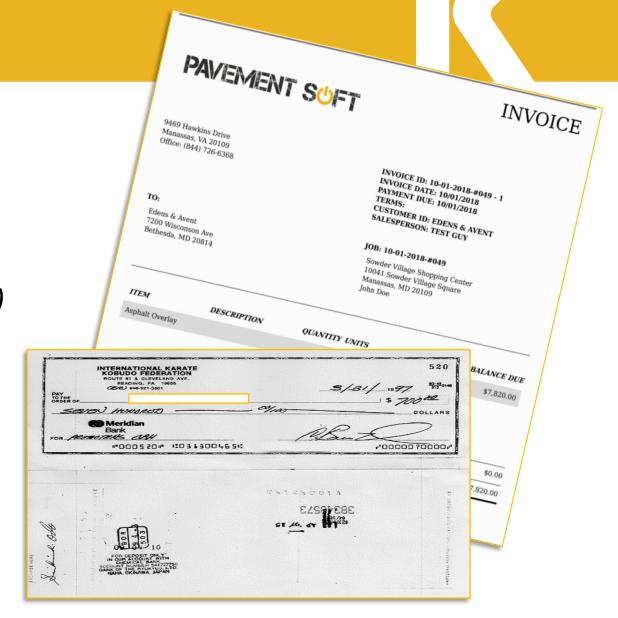


How to apply: Complete the TC 20-38, attach supporting documentation and submit to ORSR.

REIMBURSEMENT

What to include in your request for reimbursement:

- TC 20-38 Reimbursement Request
- TC 20-40 Non-Cash Match Forms (if needed)
- Invoices for work completed on the specific roads outlined in initial request. Invoices should specify the project location on the document.
- Checks showing funds were spent and what they were.



OFFICE OF LOCAL PROGRAMS



FEDERAL FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES

State and Local governments can apply to the Office of Local Programs to receive funding through federal programs authorized by the FAST Act:

- 1) Transportation Alternatives (TAP)
- 2) Congestion Mitigation & Air Quality (CMAQ)

These are reimbursement programs **NOT** grants and are funded through 80% Federal Funds and 20% Local Match.

TRANSPORTATION ALTERNATIVE PROGRAM (TAP)

Minimum Requirements:

- 1) Project must have a surface transportation relationship
- 2) Promote accessibility/connectivity
- 3) Project must meet the requirements of at least one of the eligible categories

TRANSPORTATION ALTERNATIVE PROGRAM (TAP)

Eligible Activities:

- Bicycle, pedestrian or other non-motorized forms of transportation facilities
- Safe routes for non-drivers
- Construction of turnouts, overlooks and viewing areas
- Vegetation management
- Historic Preservation of historic transportation buildings, structures or facilities only
- Conversion of abandoned railway corridors
- Inventory, control and removal of outdoor advertising
- Archeology activities related to transportation projects
- Environmental mitigation
- Safe routes to school

TRANSPORTATION ALTERNATIVE PROGRAM (TAP)

Ineligible Activities:

- 1) Administrative costs
- 2) Promotional Activities
- 3) Routine Maintenance and Operations
- 4) General recreation and park facilities
 - Playground equipment
 - Playground
 - Sports Fields
 - Campgrounds
 - Picnic Areas and Pavilions



CONGESTION MITIGATION AND AIR QUALITY (CMAQ)

This focus of this program is reducing emissions in designed areas of the United States. Federal funding is available to government agencies for projects that will contribute greatly to air quality improvements and decreases in traffic congestion in non-attainment or maintenance areas as determined by the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

Eligible Areas: Boone, Boyd, Bullitt, Campbell, Christian, Daviess, Edmonson Fayette, Jefferson, Kenton, Marshall, Oldham, Scott and portions of Greenup, Hancock, Lawrence and Livingston Counties

We do not have an application cycle pending at this time for CMAQ.

TAP APPLICATIONS

TAP APPLICATION CYCLE IS OPEN UNTIL SEPTEMBER 30, 2021

If you are interested in this funding option, please contact us:

Department Of Rural And Municipal Aid - Office of Local Programs
Kentucky Transportation Cabinet
200 Mero Street, 6th Floor—East
Frankfort, KY 40622

(502) 564-2060

EMAIL: RuralandMunicipalAid@ky.gov

Kim Tompkins for TAP (Kim.Tompkins@ky.gov)

DISCRETIONARY FUNDING



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.
- Comparatively, the amount allocated in the previous 4 years was \$31,000,000 (net of \$24,400,000) a decrease of \$14,400,000.

- Discretionary Funding may be used for transportation projects across the Commonwealth, such as:
 - Resurfacing,
 - Bridge replacement,
 - Intersection reconstruction
 - Economic and Industrial Development Projects
 - Safety/Emergency Issues, etc.

 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.

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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.

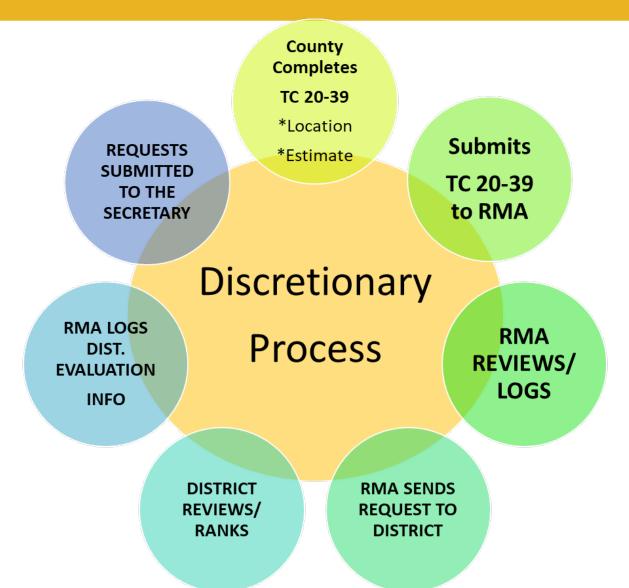
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If you need assistance, you may always ask us....but don't forget about our Field Representatives. They are ready and willing to help you.

Discretionary Process



- Who can apply? County Judge Executive, Mayor, State Representative or State Senator, and select state road personnel
- Please Use the mile point assistance map to provide accurate road names, numbers and location.
- MUST include a cost estimate
- May be submitted via email, snail mail or hand carried
- Once DRMA receives the application (TC 20-39), logs and determines adequate info is provided, the District applies the need assessment

DISCRETIONARY REQUEST TC 20-39



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Reimbursements are submitted to your <u>Highway</u> <u>District Office.</u>

- Complete TC 20-38,
- Attach invoices & cancelled checks

WHERE TO FIND YOUR FORMS

TC 20-39

https://transportation.ky.gov/RuralandMunicipalAid



QUESTIONS?

CONTACT INFORMATION

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