

Funding Opportunities

December 2024
Monthly Update



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- Technical Planning Committee Meeting December 18, 2024
- BPAC Meeting January 14, 2025
- Board of Directors Meeting January 16, 2025

Project Updates

- Resurfacing of approximately 16 miles of various local roads in Springfield began on October 30th with High St. There are 3 roadway segments planned to be resurfaced this fall, and the remainder will be completed in the spring.
- Shuyler Creek Trail is under construction!
- Construction bids for the Chadwick Flyer overpass and adjacent segments were opened in November and construction should begin soon.
- Bids will be opened for the first phase of I-44 improvements in December.

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For more information check out
the OTO Grants Webpage

Missouri Propane School Bus Grant

The Missouri Department of Elementary and Secondary Education is providing funding assistance to local education agencies (LEAs) for the purchase of school buses powered by propane.

LEAs that can provide documentation of the purchase or commitment to purchase qualifying buses may apply to receive funding during the 2024- 25 fiscal year. Applications meeting the requirements will be prioritized on a first-come, first-served basis.

After the initial application period, should funds remain available, a second round of funding will be offered using the same criteria that will be applied to the first round.

Eligible Buses:

- Have a propane drivetrain
- Be model year 2024 or newer
- Be certified to conform with all applicable Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standards (FMVSS) and
- Missouri Minimum Standards for School Buses
- Be equipped with an EPA certified engine
- Be purchased, not leased or leased-to-own
- Be maintained, operated, insured, registered, and fueled according to manufacturer recommendations and state requirements

Project Size: Project award minimum \$24,250 per bus, maximum of four buses

NOFO can be found here: <https://dese.mo.gov/media/pdf/guidance-missouri-propane-bus-grant>

Application Deadline: December 15, 2024

For Information contact David Tramel: david.tramel@dese.mo.gov

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Rebuilding American Infrastructure Sustainability and Equity (RAISE)

The U.S. Department of Transportation (USDOT) Rebuilding American Infrastructure with Sustainability and Equity (RAISE) program provides grants for surface transportation infrastructure projects with significant local or regional impact.

Eligible Applicants for RAISE grants are: States and the District of Columbia; a unit of local government; a special purpose district or public authority with a transportation function; and a transit agency.

Capital projects including but not limited to: highway, bridge, or other road projects eligible under title 23, United States Code; public transportation projects eligible under chapter 53 of title 49, United States Code; passenger and freight rail transportation projects; the surface transportation components of an airport project eligible for assistance under part B of subtitle VII intermodal projects; and any other surface transportation infrastructure project that the Secretary considers to be necessary to advance the goals of the program.

Planning projects which include planning, preparation, or design (for example - environmental analysis, equity analysis, community engagement, feasibility studies, benefit cost analysis (BCA), and other pre- construction activities) of eligible surface transportation capital projects that will not result in construction with FY 2025 RAISE funding.

Project Size - Project award minimum \$5 million Urban Capital and \$1 million Rural Capital projects

NOFO can be found here:

<https://www.transportation.gov/RAISEgrants/raise-nofo>

Application Deadline: January 30, 2025

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Promoting Resilient Operations for Transformative, Efficient, and Cost Saving Transportation Program (PROTECT)

The U.S. Department of Transportation (USDOT) PROTECT program provides funding to plan for and strengthen surface transportation to be more resilient to natural hazards, including climate change, sea level rise, flooding, extreme weather events, and other natural disasters.

Eligible Applicants for PROTECT grants are: states (or a political subdivision of a state), metropolitan planning organizations (MPOs), local governments, and special purpose districts or public authorities with a transportation function. Different eligibilities apply for at-risk coastal infrastructure grants.

Eligible uses include: highway, transit, and certain port projects that include resilience planning, strengthening and protecting evacuation routes, enabling communities to address vulnerabilities and increasing the resilience of surface transportation infrastructure from the impacts of sea level rise, flooding, wildfires, extreme weather events, and other natural disasters.

There are four types of PROTECT grants:

- Planning
- Resilience Improvement
- Community Resilience and Evacuation Route
- At-Risk Coastal Infrastructure

NOFO can be found here:

<https://www.transportation.gov/RAISEgrants/raise-nofo>

Application Deadline: February 24, 2025

Open Positions!

Job Opportunities

City of Republic – Data Engineer:

<https://www.governmentjobs.com/careers/republicmo/jobs/4643945/data-engineer>

City of Republic – Public Works Director:

<https://www.governmentjobs.com/careers/republicmo/jobs/4699589/public-works-director>

Christian County – GIS Mapping Specialist:

<https://christiancountymo.criterionhcm.com/jobs/395/1/#337>

MoDOT – Summer Planning Intern-Springfield – Closes 2/15/2025:

<https://mocareers.mo.gov/hiretrue/ce3/job-board/5effe9b2-4b89-494b-ac76-c45e25190768/e487c8eb-dc4f-48e1-81aa-3295746b0b96?jb=1>

MoDOT – Summer Right of Way (Real Estate) Intern – Springfield –

Closes 2/12/2025: <https://mocareers.mo.gov/hiretrue/ce3/job-board/5effe9b2-4b89-494b-ac76-c45e25190768/c6752f2f-5d94-4bd1-9c77-84622f8c2bac?jb=1>

MoDOT – Summer Traffic Intern – Springfield TMC – Closes 2/12/2025:

<https://mocareers.mo.gov/hiretrue/ce3/job-board/5effe9b2-4b89-494b-ac76-c45e25190768/fcf34d68-1b01-43fe-bb7b-284ef42f3b34?jb=1>



Upcoming Events

Available Trainings!

THE PATH TO POWER: A Fleet Electrification Workshop

A Free Fleet Electrification Workshop designed for light duty fleets!

Date and Time: Thursday, January 16, 2025 9-4 pm CST

Location: Marriott St. Louis Airport

Register here: <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/the-path-to-power-a-fleet-electrification-workshop-tickets-1088292946499?utm-campaign=social&utm-content=attendeeshare&utm-medium=discovery&utm-term=listing&utm-source=cp&aff=ebdsshcopyurl>

Hosted by Eastern Missouri Alliance for Clean Transportation

The OTO Staff would like to wish you a special Holiday Season! We look forward to continued partnerships and regional growth in 2025!