

JULY 2025

FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES

Ozarks Transportation Organization's Monthly Update

Kansas Expressway Extension at Farm Road 141 Greene County Project

Local Project Update

- Construction of the Chadwick Flyer overpass in Ozark continues with earthwork and tree clearing.
- The Shuyler Creek Trail in Republic is completed!
- I-44 was successfully CLOSED in both directions from 9pm Friday, July 11th to demo the existing Melville Road bridge over the interstate. I-44 has reopened, but Melville Road Bridge is scheduled to be closed for 140 days (beginning July7).



Kansas Expressway Ext Phase II, Greene County Project

Upcoming Meetings

All meetings at OTO Offices
Unless Noted Otherwise
2208 W CHESTERFIELD BLVD SUITE 101
SPRINGFIELD, MO

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

JULY 17, 2025
12:00 PM

OTO STIP Prioritization Meeting

Online Meeting Only

JULY 23, 2025
2:00 PM

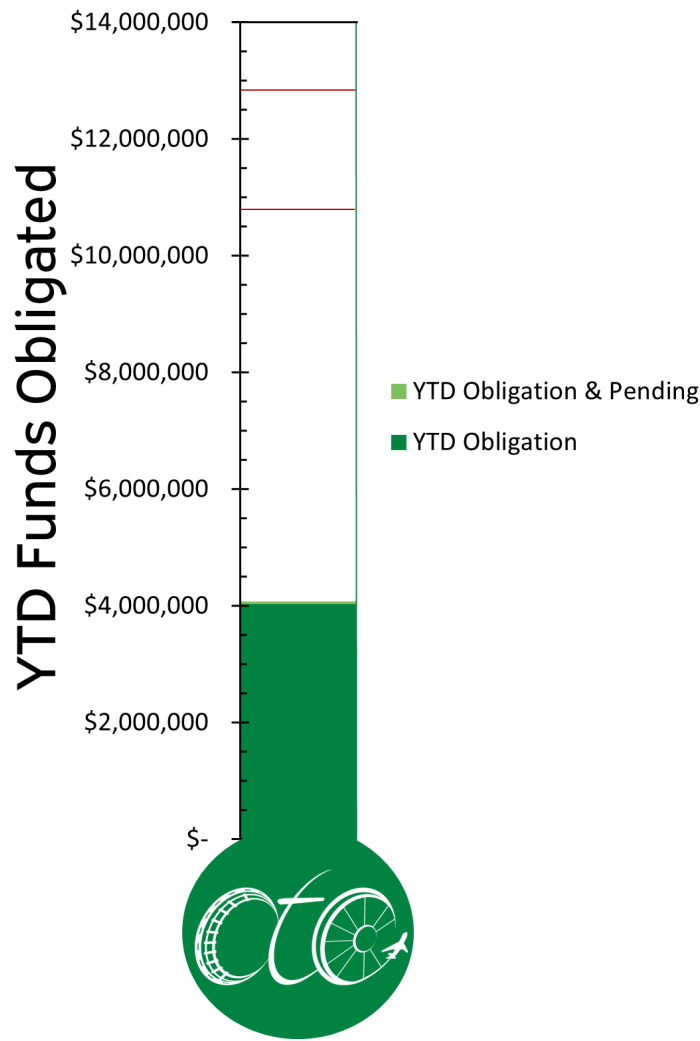
OTO STIP Prioritization Meeting #2

Online Meeting Only

JULY 31 2025
2:00 PM



OBLIGATION UPDATE



THE OTO AREA MUST OBLIGATE ANOTHER \$6.7 MILLION BY SEPTEMBER 30, 2025 OR MODOT WILL TAKE FUNDING TO USE ON MODOT ROADS. In the past, MoDOT has limited OTO to no more than three years of accumulated funding as a balance. To limit the accumulation of funds and to maximize August redistribution, MoDOT has now established a statewide goal that 120 percent of allocated funds are obligated each year, with 100 percent as the minimum amount to be obligated. As OTO received \$10.7 million for FY 2025, the minimum amount to be obligated is \$10.7 million, with a goal of \$12.8 million.

As of July 8th, 2025, OTO has obligated \$4,030,328 or about 38% of OTO’s annual allocation and has another \$68,356 pending.



Federal Lands Access Program (FLAP)

EASTERN FEDERAL LANDS HIGHWAY DIVISION
(EFLHD)

EFLHD will be conducting a Call for Projects for FLAP in Missouri for Federal Fiscal Years (FY 2027 through FY 2029). The program goal is to “Improve transportation facilities that provide access to, are adjacent to, or are located within federal lands.”

Projects include:

- Adjacent vehicular parking areas, including interpretive panels
- Acquisition of necessary scenic easements and scenic or historic sites
- Infrastructure and facilities for pedestrians and bicycles
- Environmental mitigation in or adjacent to Federal land to improve public safety
- Improvements to reduce vehicle-caused wildlife mortality while maintaining habitat connectivity
- Construction and reconstruction of roadside rest areas, including sanitary, and water facilities
- Contextual wayfinding markers, landscaping, and mitigation of visual blight

ELIGIBLE APPLICANTS INCLUDE STATE AGENCIES AND LOCAL GOVERNMENTS PROVIDING ACCESS TO FEDERAL LANDS. IN MOST CASES, THE PROJECT SHOULD BE NO FARTHER THAN 10 MILES FROM FEDERAL LANDS. TOTAL FUNDING FOR THE STATE OF MISSOURI IS \$4.4 MILLION, PROJECT SIZE AWARDS WILL VARY AND SCALABLE PROJECT SCOPES SHOULD BE INCLUDED. 100% FEDERAL AWARDS, NO MATCH REQUIREMENT.

APPLICATION DEADLINE:
APPLICATIONS OPEN JULY 1, 2025
AND RUN THROUGH OCTOBER 1,
2025.

[HTTPS://HIGHWAYS.DOT.GOV/FEDERAL-LANDS/PROGRAMS-ACCESS](https://highways.dot.gov/federal-lands/programs-access)





FY26 FHWA Bridge Investment Program

US DOT - FHWA

The Bridge Investment Program is a competitive, discretionary program that focuses on existing bridges to reduce the overall number of bridges in poor condition, or in fair condition at risk of falling into poor condition. It also expands applicant eligibilities to create opportunity for all levels of government to be direct recipients of program funds. Alongside states and federal lands management agencies, metropolitan planning organizations and local and tribal governments can also apply directly to FHWA, making it easier to advance projects at the local level that meet community needs.

The FHWA has opened a Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO) for up to \$9.62 billion in FYs 2023 through 2026 Bridge Project grant applications and \$80 million in FYs 2023 through FY 2026 Planning Project grant applications under the Bridge Investment Program. Bridge Project Grants under the Bridge Investment Program are available for bridges with total eligible project costs up to \$100 million.

Minimum grant awards of \$2.5 million

Maximum grant awards of 80 percent of the total eligible project costs (\$100 million cap).

Planning Project grant applications are available for bridges with maximum grant awards of 80 percent of the total eligible project costs.

Application Deadline:

Planning Application Deadlines - October 1, 2025

Bridge Project Application Deadline - November 1, 2025

NOFO can be found here:

<https://www.transportation.gov/rural/grant-toolkit/bridge-investment-program>

Grant Awards
for USDOT
Grant
Applications
are currently
on hold.



US 65 Bridge, Ozark, MO



Outdoor Recreation Legacy Partnership Program (ORLP)

MISSOURI DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES (MODNR)

MoDNR is now accepting applications under the ORLP program for projects that create new outdoor recreation spaces, reinvigorate existing parks and form connections between people and outdoors.



Frisco Highline Trail, Willard, MO

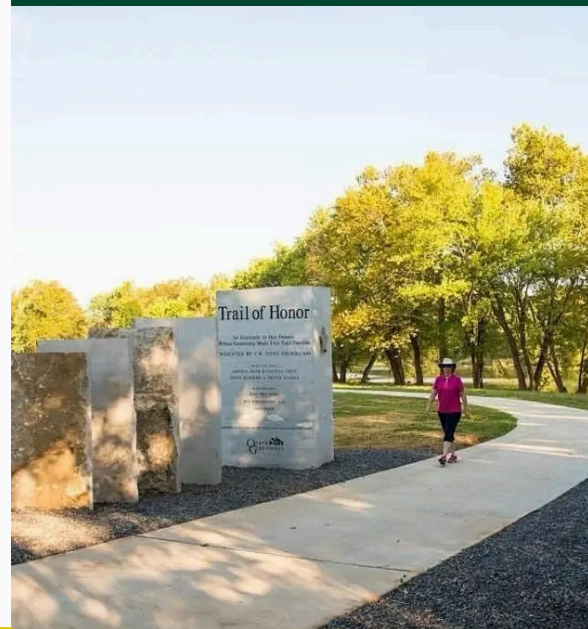
Eligible applicants include state agencies and local governments, including special purpose districts. The state agency or local government must be located within a community that is determined to be underserved and that had a population of 25,000 or more in the 2020 census. **Awards will range from \$300,000 to \$15 million.** 50% non-Federal cost share required.

Application Deadline: Bi-Annual, next deadline is August 19, 2025

<https://mostateparks.com/page/55065/outdoor-recreation-grants>
The Missouri Department of Natural Resources, Division of State Parks has been designated the lead funding agency in Missouri. The federal NOFO can be found here: <https://grants.gov/search-results-detail/357672>

OTO Enhancing Mobility of Seniors and Individuals with Disabilities Program (FTA Section 5310) Call for Projects

THE OTO 5310 CALL FOR PROJECTS IS CURRENTLY OPEN. INFORMATION CAN BE FOUND ON THE OTO WEBSITE. APPLICATIONS ARE DUE JULY 31.





Job Openings

SMCOG - Senior Planner <https://www.smcog.org/jobs>

SMCOG - Associate Planner <https://www.smcog.org/jobs>

City of Springfield - Assistant Director of Parks & Recreation
<https://www.governmentjobs.com/careers/springfieldmo/jobs/4897541/assistant-director-of-parks-recreation-recreation?page=1&pagetype=jobOpportunitiesJobs>

City of Springfield - Professional Engineer (Traffic/Transportation)
<https://www.governmentjobs.com/careers/springfieldmo/jobs/5002237/professional-engineer-public-works-traffic-transportation?page=2&pagetype=jobOpportunitiesJobs>

Greene County - Planner
<https://greenecountymo.criterionhcm.com/jobs/429/1/#1123>

MoDOT Transportation Project Designer - Springfield or Joplin
<https://mocareers.mo.gov/hiretrue/ce3/job-board/5effe9b2-4b89-494b-ac76-c45e25190768/b37bec3f-7379-49c1-ba01-0a49a31a06cf?jb=1>

