

# WisDOT: Governor Evers announces more than \$145 million in payments to local governments

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Governor Tony Evers announced that local governments received quarterly payments last week totaling \$145,978,567 for General Transportation Aids, Connecting Highway Aids and Expressway Policing Aids from the Wisconsin Department of Transportation (WisDOT).

The budget the Governor signed last week, provides an historic 10 percent funding increase (\$66 million over the biennium) for general transportation aids, paid to counties, towns, villages, and cities. The increase will be paid to local governments beginning January 2020.

General Transportation Aids help defray the costs of constructing, maintaining, and operating roads and streets under local jurisdiction. Connecting Highway Aids reimburse municipalities for maintenance and traffic control of local roads that connect segments of the state highway system.

July payments to Wisconsin's 1922 local units of government include: \$142,706,717 in General Transportation Aids; \$3,015,874 to 117 municipalities entitled to receive Connecting Highway Aids; and \$255,975 to Milwaukee County for Expressway Policing Aids.

For calendar year 2019, local governments will receive an estimated \$473 million from the state transportation fund to build and maintain local roads and bridges, which includes Expressway Policing Aids to the Milwaukee County Sheriff Department for patrol of Milwaukee expressways.

Quarterly payments for cities, towns and villages are sent the first Monday in January, April, July and October. County payments are made in three installments, with 25 percent of the total annual payment on the first Monday in January; 50 percent on the first Monday in July; and 25 percent on the first Monday in October.

Communities also receive state transportation fund revenues for public transit, elderly and disabled transportation, and airport and harbor development. Local communities may also receive state and federal funds for specific highway and bridge construction projects.

List of local payments:

<https://wisconsindot.gov/Pages/doing-bus/local-gov/astnce-pgms/highway/gta.aspx>