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# **Our Mission**

The Michigan Municipal League is dedicated to making Michigan's communities better by thoughtfully innovating programs, energetically connecting ideas and people, actively serving members with resources and services, and passionately inspiring positive change for Michigan's greatest centers of potential: its communities.



# **Placemaking**

Placemaking means creating places and focuses on transforming public spaces to strengthen the connections between people and these places.





# The League's 2025-26 Legislative Priorities to Foster Thriving Communities

## 2025-26 Legislative Priorities

- **O1** Creation of a Revenue Sharing Trust Fund
- O2 Addressing the Interaction Between Headlee and Proposal A
- 03 Creating a Neighborhood Roads Fund
- 04 Continue Funding for the Revitalization and Placemaking (RAP) Program

- 05 Implementing an Employer Housing Tax Credit
- 06 Protecting Locals' Ability to Regulate Short-Term Rentals
  - 7 Enacting the Michigan Mobility Trust Fund
- 08 Codify the Process for Implementing a Stormwater Utility

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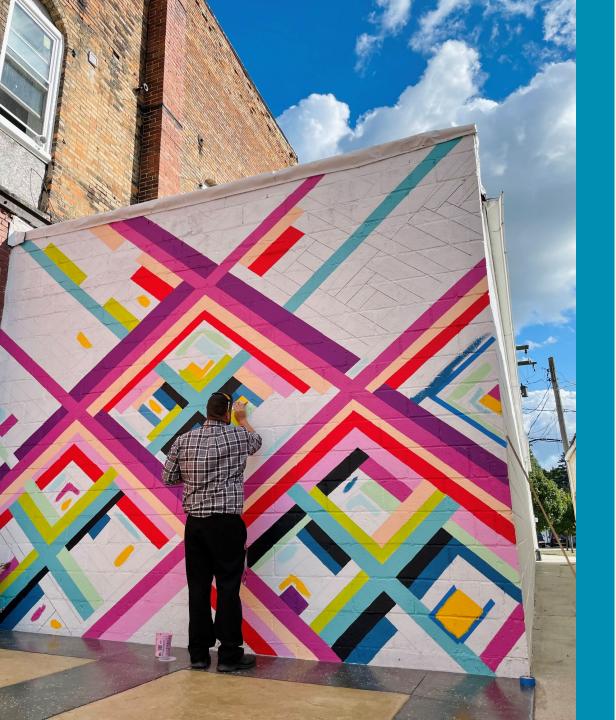




#### **Our Local Road Network**

- There are 112,376 miles of local roads in Michigan
  - 92% of all roads
- Cities and villages maintain 21,248 miles of road
  - Major Roads (6,311 miles)
  - Local Roads (14,937 miles)





## Local Transportation Funding

- Act 51: 21.8% of the net Michigan Transportation Fund (MTF) revenue
  - \$734,069,200
- Federal Funds, Local Bridge Resources, Wetlands, Rail Grade Crossing
- Local Resources
  - General Fund Dollars
  - Local Millages
    - 91 cities (\$128M), 123 villages (\$12M)
    - Not reflective of true total
    - Not feasible for everyone

#### Maximizing Our Transportation Network

## The Big Picture

- Our transportation network is more than just curb to curb
- We live in an increasing mobile environment
  - Increased demand for alternative modes of transit
  - Desire for walkable communities
- Infrastructure as an economic development tool
  - What are employers looking for?
  - What do employees need?
  - Where is talent locating?



## A System Designed For All Users

# Goals to Consider

- A system not solely based on how fast we move people and goods
- Should offer minimal conflicts between modes and has clear expectations for its users
- Should not create barriers to destinations or endanger a particular user group



# **Preparing for What's Next**

Addressing Issues and Embracing Emerging Technologies

- Sustainable Funding Models
- Resilient and Adaptable Systems
- What do we do about....
  - Artificial Intelligence (AI)
  - Autonomous and Electric Vehicles
  - Regulation vs Deregulation
  - Growth vs Development





### The Time to Increase Funding for Transportation is Now!

## Reasons to be optimistic

- 1. Amount of revenue
  - \$3 billion
- 2. Major policy issue
  - Sales tax at the pump
- 3. Local Resources
  - More for local roads

## **Neighborhood Roads Fund**

A targeted approach to fix residential and neighborhood streets

- Funded by a 50-cent retail delivery fee
- Generates \$275M annually
- Distributed to local road agencies through a targeted formula
  - Directed at approximately 26,000 of the 112,000 miles of local roads
  - Targeted towards nonfederal aid eligible roads
  - Formula works with new or existing revenue





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