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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

01 Creation of a Revenue Sharing Trust Fund

02 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

07 Enacting the Michigan Mobility Trust Fund

08 Codify the Process for Implementing a Stormwater Utility



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**Foster Thriving
Communities**

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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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Thank You!