

QUALITY LIFE THROUGH GOOD ROADS: ROAD COMMISSION FOR OAKLAND COUNT "WE CARE"

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Ms. Patricia Somerville, Mayor City of Rochester Hills 1000 Rochester Hills Drive Rochester Hills, MI 48309-3033

Re: FY 2005 Tri-Party Program

Dear Mayor Somerville:

Your participation is requested in the FY 2005 Tri-Party Program for road improvements. The fiscal year governing this program is October 1, 2004 through September 30, 2005. The Oakland County Board of Commissioners has approved a Tri-Party budget of \$1,500,000 to create a \$4,500,000 program for FY 2005. \$2,250,000 will be designated for townships and \$2,250,000 for cities and villages.

The distribution formula and method of calculation of Tri-Party allocations have remained the same. For cities and villages, it includes RCOC Road Miles and three-year average annual accidents. For townships, the most recent census population figures are combined with RCOC Road Miles and three-year average annual accidents. The figures for these three factors (population, miles and accidents) are calculated as the individual community's percentage of the total of each factor in each type of community. For example, county road accidents in a city or village are divided by the total of all county road accidents in all cities and villages. The distribution formulas have been used for years in an attempt to most equitably distribute the Tri-Party dollars.

Separate formulas are used because population in the city/village equation would skew the results toward more densely populated cities with fewer RCOC road miles. In Townships on the other hand, population has been used as a determining factor to prevent the distribution from being skewed toward townships with high road miles but small populations.



"WE CARE"

City / Village Formula:

Community Allocation = Ad_{CV} (Ca + Rm)

Where: $Ad_{CV} = Total Amount for distribution to cities and villages$

Ca = Community % of total accidents on county roads in cities

and villages

Rm = Community % of total county road miles in cities

and villages

(Note that accidents are an annual average for a three year period)

Township Formula:

Community Allocation = $Ad_T (\underline{Ca + Pc + Rm})$

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Where: $Ad_T = Total Amount for distribution to townships$

Ca = Community % of total accidents on county roads in all

townships

Pc = Community % of total population in all townships

Rm = Community % of total county road miles in all townships

(Note that accidents are an annual average for a three-year period)

Although the method of calculation and the factors involved have remained the same, the data on which those calculations are based has changed.

Population data is changed only after a decennial census or if the Census Bureau issues revised numbers. The new data includes the most recent counts from the 2000 Census.

As in the past, RCOC road miles change only to reflect abandonments, transfers of jurisdiction, or the addition of new roads.

The most recent traffic accident data available from the Traffic Improvement Association of Oakland County is used. Currently, the average annual crash data from 2000 to 2002 is being used.

Your program allotment for this year is \$312,347 of which your share will be \$104,116. Any funds remaining from previous years or earlier projects may be added to this amount for use in 2005. You may use these funds to select a new project, continue funding a previous project, or save them to fund a future project. If you do not wish to participate in this program, please contact me as soon as possible, so your program allotment can be distributed as necessary.



The program operates as follows:

- 1. Projects intended for 2005 construction must be selected and submitted with a local board or council resolution by February, 2005.
- Project locations and concepts must be approved by the County Board and the Road Commission.
- 3. Projects that cost more than the allocation may be selected if the community provides the additional funding.
- 4. Funding agreements must be executed before bids are accepted. On larger projects, a separate agreement for preliminary engineering or right of way may be executed prior to initiation of these phases.
- 5. Projects that improve road safety take precedence over other project types, i. e. congestion or drainage.
- 6. Due to the Road Commission's current road project commitments, preliminary and construction engineering may need to be provided by community engineers at a maximum rate of 10% and 15 %, respectively, of estimated construction costs.

A schedule of events has been established as detailed below. If you are unable to meet any of the dates below, please inform me as soon as possible.

DEADLINE	ACTIVITY
January, 2005	Potential project locations submitted to Programming Division for review.
February, 2005	Local council resolutions and project commitments submitted for projects to be constructed in 2005.
M arch, 2005	Project approval by Road Commission and County Board.
April - November, 2005	Design, bidding and/or construction period.

I urge you to consider your options for projects now and involve your council members early in the process. Please contact me as soon as possible for cost estimates. The closer we follow the above schedule, the more successful our 2005 Tri-Party construction season will be.

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QUALITY LIFE THROUGH GOOD ROADS: ROAD COMMISSION FOR OAKLAND COUNTY "WE CARE" A list of suggested project locations is attached. The list indicates some project possibilities collected from local officials, citizens, police reports, accident locations, Department of Citizen Services, and Road Commission staff. The list is not in priority order and most do not yet have cost estimates. Also shown are some typical costs for comparison purposes.

In addition, a historical report of your community's Tri-Party Program participation is also attached. The report lists the projects that have been completed with their associated costs. The report also shows the allocations that have been reserved for future Tri-Party projects.

Please contact me at (248) 645-2000 extension 2266 for further discussion or assistance.

Sincerely,

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Programming Supervisor

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2005 TRI-PARTY PROGRAM

CITY: ROCHESTER HILLS

ALLOCATION FOR 2005: \$312,347

The following list contains typical safety projects with general costs for your information. Actual project costs will vary depending on location and a preliminary concept and estimate should be requested. Below is the list of potential project sites recommended over the past year or so by citizens and officials; many of these have not been field checked.

SAFETY PROJECTS	GENERAL COSTS
Additional right turn lane at intersection Approach paving - Sub Street Approach paving - Major Road Passing lane Widen for 150-200' center left turn lane per approach	\$100,000 per approach \$ 50,000 \$ 75,000 \$ 60,000 \$200,000
Shoulder paving per mile one side	\$ 45,000 per mile

POTENTIAL PROJECT LOCATIONS

Adams Road, south of M-59 interchange	Realignment
Crooks, South Blvd. to Hamlin	Widening (Local match)
Dequindre; South Blvd to Runyon	Improvements and realignment at Avon
•	and 23 Mile Road
Livernois, Hamlin to Avon	Widen
South Boulevard at Livernois	Westbound right turn lane
South Boulevard at Dequindre	Eastbound right turn lane
Tienken Road	Corridor Improvements
Washington; Tienken to Dequindre	Pave (with Rochester)

ROAD COMMISSION FOR OAKLAND COUNTY TRI-PARTY PROGRAM 1980-2005

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