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## Governor Whitmer Announces Funding to Fix Local Roads in 16 Villages and Small Cities Across Michigan

**LANSING, Mich.** – Today, Governor Gretchen Whitmer announced 16 villages and cities across the state with populations less than 10,000 will receive road funding grants.

"Fixing the damn roads is critical in local communities across our state so we can save drivers money and time and keep Michiganders safe on the roads," said **Governor**Whitmer. "These grants will help 16 communities fix their local roads faster, lowering costs for Michiganders and growing our economy while creating good-paying construction jobs. I'm proud of the progress we've made rebuilding 23,000 lane miles of road and 1,600 bridges across Michigan, but there's more to do. Let's get it done."

"Every Michigander deserves smooth, safe roads," said **Lt. Governor Garlin Gilchrist II.** "Over the past few years, we've made incredible progress fixing the damn roads and bridges across Michigan. These 16 grants are an important step forward that will help cities, towns, and villages across Michigan lower costs for drivers and help people get where they need to go. Let's keep Standing Tall and fixing the damn roads across Michigan."

Grant awards range from \$50,700 to \$250,000 for road resurfacing, culvert replacement, pavement crack sealing, and other preservative measures.

## **CSIF Category B grants for 2026**

County	Applicant	Project/Route	Grant Amount
Barry	Village of Freeport	Warren Street and Maple Street	\$50,700
Berrien	City of Benton Harbor	Superior Street	\$170,447

Clare	City of Harrison	Byfield Street	\$249,700
Clinton	Village of Westphalia	Village-wide	\$214,000
Eaton	City of Olivet	Spruce Street and Yale Street	\$130,607
Eaton	City of Eaton Rapids	Grandview Drive, Hollow Ridge Drive and Industrial Drive	\$250,000
Gratiot	City of Ithaca	Union Street	\$250,000
Gratiot	Village of Ashley	West Oak Street, North and South Park Street, West Wallace Street, Herring Street and Ash Street	\$181,029
Huron	City of Bad Axe	South Hanselman Street	\$162,500
losco	City of East Tawas	Village-wide	\$57,315
Kalamazoo	Village of Augusta	West Canal Street and East Jefferson	\$150,000
Lapeer	City of Lapeer	Pine Street	\$250,000
Oakland	City of Lathrup Village	Rainbow Circle	\$250,000
Shiawassee	Village of New Lothrop	New Lothrop Road/Saginaw Street	\$203,670
St. Clair	City of Marysville	Pennsylvania Avenue and 15th Street	\$250,000
Wayne	City of Northville	Eaton Drive	\$250,000

<sup>&</sup>quot;This grant would be very helpful," said **Jeff Heppler, Village Manager, Village of Augusta**. "We have been stringing to improve our village. Being a small village, resources are limited. Grants are extremely helpful in improving our road system."

<sup>&</sup>quot;We are so fortunate in our community to have the opportunity to apply for this grant," said **Mayor Brian Turnbull, City of Northville**. "It will assist us in connecting city parks,

township parks, county parks, and state parks with all of southeastern Michigan in our quest for better mobility and placemaking around our community. The Northvillians appreciate the assistance."

Enacted in 1987 and reauthorized in 1993, the Transportation Economic Development Fund (TEDF) helps finance highway, road and street projects that are critical to the movement of people and products, and for getting workers to their jobs, materials to growers and manufacturers, and finished goods to consumers. TEDF "Category B," or the "Community Service Infrastructure Fund," grants are allocated for road improvements in cities and villages with a population of 10,000 or fewer.

Established by the state Legislature in 2018 and administered by the Michigan Department of Transportation (MDOT), the CSIF is a stop-gap program to help fund road projects in small communities. Successful projects were selected, in part, because they are paired with planned infrastructure work, coordinated with other road agencies, focused on extending the useful life of the road, and have limited other funding sources.

More details about the individual grants and information on the upcoming Fiscal Year 2026 program, opening early April, are available online on the MDOT website.