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CORPO Dedicated Funds Program Proposed Projects

State Fiscal Years 2024-2025

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1. Introduction

This document provides a draft listing of projects proposed to receive federal transportation funding dedicated to the Central Ohio Rural Planning Organization (CORPO). In accordance with the 2023 Policies for Managing CORPO Dedicated Funds, adopted in March 2023, CORPO solicited applications for CORPO dedicated federal funding and developed the draft funding recommendations included in this document. As part of the process, CORPO convened the CORPO Dedicated Funds selection Committee, comprised of the CORPO Committee and all project applicants, to review the funding requests and propose these recommendations. Additional information on the Policies and the application procedures is available on [CORPO's webpage](#) at <https://www.morpc.org/committees/central-ohio-rural-planning-organization-corpo/>.

This listing is available for public review and comment on the [CORPO webpage](#) until October 5, 2023. Questions and comments can be emailed to CORPO@morpc.org or by calling 614-233-4138. Written comments can be mailed to the attention of:

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All comments must be submitted by 5 p.m., October 5, 2023.

The CORPO Committee will review comments received and may modify its recommendations, if necessary, prior to finalizing them. The CORPO Committee is expected to adopt the final recommendations during its November 6, 2023, meeting. The funding commitments will be included in the State Transportation Improvement Program (STIP).

2. Background

As part of the state biennial transportation budget (SFY 2024-2025), funding is available each year to the six Regional Transportation Planning Organizations (RTPO) in the state to conduct a rural transportation planning grant program. The Ohio Department of Transportation (ODOT) is providing federal Surface Transportation Block Grant (STBG) for the RTPO capital program.

STBG program funds are allocated each year to CORPO by ODOT. CORPO has established a competitive evaluation process to determine which projects submitted will receive funding. CORPO solicited requests for funding in the summer of 2023 for state fiscal years 2024 and 2025.

3. Summary of Submissions

Three applications were received requesting more than \$1.1 million. Table 1 lists the three projects including the projects sponsor, project title, primary project type, CORPO funds requested and the phase of project for the requested funds. The project locations are shown in Map 1. Additional information on the project submissions, including scopes, aerial images of project locations, and funding request details, is available in the *Summary of Applications for CORPO Dedicated Funds SY 2024-2025* document on the [CORPO webpage](#).

Table 1: Project Submissions

Sponsoring Agency	Project Title	CORPO Federal Dollars Requested	Primary Project Type	Requested Phase
City of Marysville	UNI-SR31-0.77	\$ 200,000.00	Widening and Intersection Modification	Construction
City of Mt. Vernon	Edgewood Road Improvements	\$ 650,000.00	Reconstruction	Preliminary Engineering & Right-of-Way
City of Lancaster	Memorial Drive Pedestrian Crossings	\$ 252,426.00	Planning Activity	Preliminary Engineering & Right-of-Way

4. Projects Proposed for Funding

In accordance with the Policies for Managing CORPO Dedicated Funds, staff evaluated the projects and presented the results to the CORPO Dedicated Funds Selection Committee for review and discussion. Through the results of the evaluation and discussion with the funds selection committee, it was determined that the three submissions aligned with the adopted CORPO Transportation Plan goals and objectives. Ultimately, staff and the funds selection committee decided to **recommend funding the 3 submissions at their full requests.**

The projects and recommended funding commitments are listed below in Table 2.

Table 2: Recommended Funding Commitments

Project	Project Type	Commitment
City of Marysville, UNI-SR31-0.77	Widening and Intersection Modification	\$ 200,000
City of Mt. Vernon, Edgewood Road Improvements	Reconstruction	\$ 650,000
City of Lancaster, Memorial Drive Pedestrian Crossings	Planning Activity	\$ 252,426

Map 1: CORPO Dedicated Funds SY 2024-2025 Project Locations

