

***Workshop will
be recorded***

Central Ohio Rural Planning Organization

Dedicated Funds 2026 - 2027

Applicant Workshop

July 9, 2025



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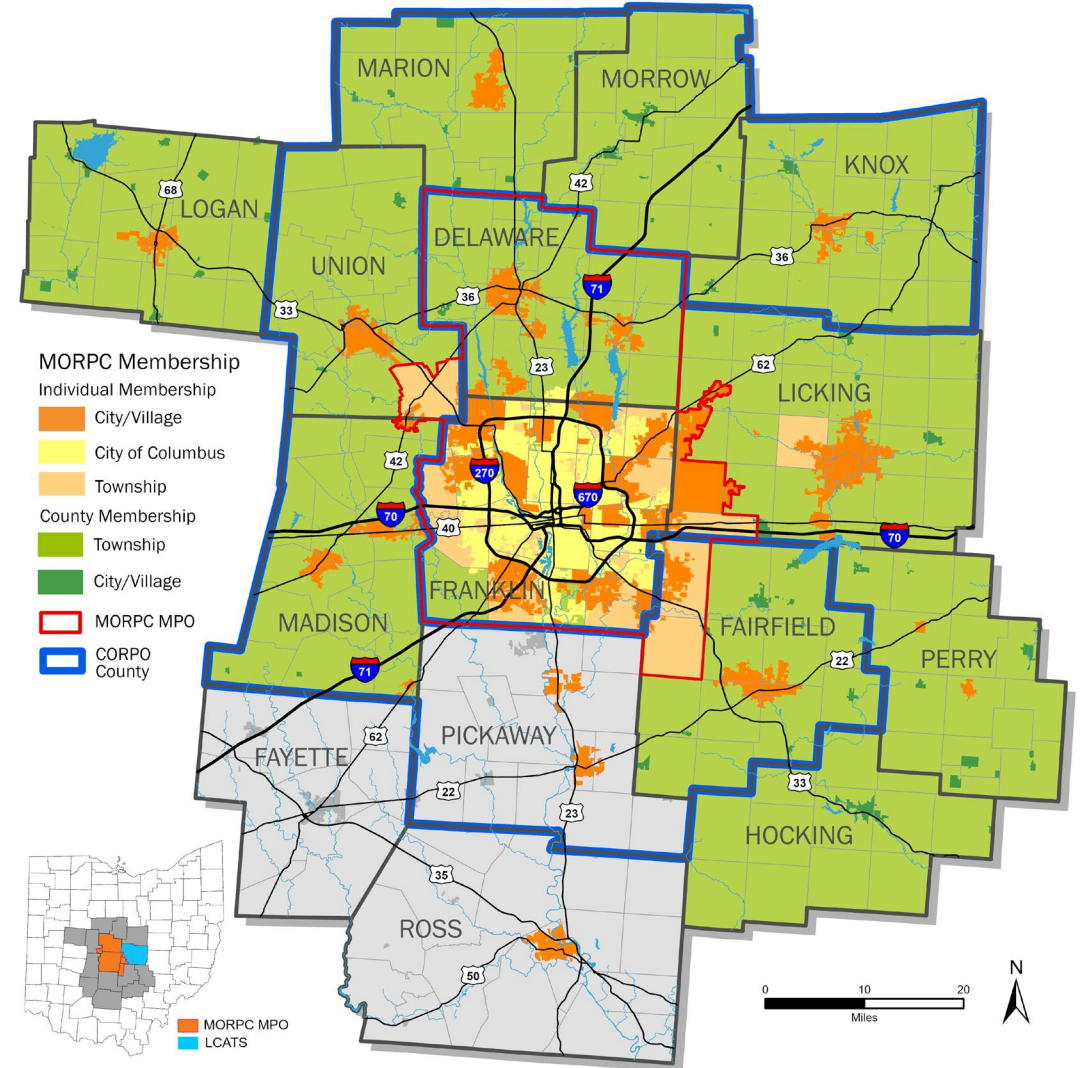
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CORPO

Who is CORPO?

- **Seven Counties***
- CORPO Board
- CORPO Subcommittees



*Outside MPO Area

CORPO Dedicated Funds

CORPO Dedicated Funds Program

- Part of the biennial transportation budget (SFY 2026 - 2027)
- Suballocation of Surface Transportation Block Grant (STBG)
- Funds can be used for **BOTH** capital and planning projects

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CORPO Dedicated Funds Program

- CORPO is seeking funding applications
- Around \$2.4 million available in 2-year cycle
 - Suballocated amount and carry-over from SFY 24-25 funding around
- Application due on **August 8, 2025, at 5 PM**
- [Online application form is available on the CORPO webpage](#)

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Schedule

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Eligibility

- Eligible sponsors
 - Public agency
 - Non-public entities may indirectly sponsor
- Eligible roadways
 - Federal aid system
 - Bridge on any road
- Eligible costs
 - All phases
 - Require 20% local match

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Eligibility

- Eligible Activities
 - Funds may be used for construction, expansion, reconstruction, preliminary engineering, right of way or preservation of roads and bridges on any public road; capital costs for public transit and bus terminals; bicycle and pedestrian facilities; and other transportation-related activities.
- CORPO Transportation Plan
 - CTP Goals and Objectives
 - List of Projects

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Eligibility

- Eligible Project Types

- Bicycle Lanes
- Bridge Maintenance / Replacement
- Interchange Modification
- Intersection Modification
- Minor Widening
- Multi-Use Paths
- Planning Activity
- Preventive Maintenance
- Program Administration
- Reconstruction
- Resurfacing
- Sidewalks
- Street-scape Improvements
- Traffic Signals
- Transit Capital Expansion
- Transit Capital Maintenance
- Transit Service Expansion
- Travel Demand Management

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Requirements

- Guidance for Applicants
 - ODOT's PDP or Local Public Agency (LPA) Process
 - Preliminary Engineering and Consultants
 - National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA)
 - National Historic Preservation Act
 - Uniform Relocation Assistance and Real Property Acquisition Act
 - Americans With Disabilities Act

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Application Process

- Applicant workshop
- Application

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Evaluation

- CORPO Transportation Plan Goals and Objectives
 - Preserve and maintain the existing transportation system in a state of good repair
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 - An integrated, connected and coordinated transportation system
 - A transportation system that promotes a collaborative and focused approach to support economic vitality
 - Preserve and enhance environmental resources and sustainability through the transportation system

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Evaluation

- Staff performs initial scoring
- Quantitative and qualitative measures
- Scored on 10-point scale for each of the 6 goals
- Weights applied to score for each goal
- Staff submits initial scoring to the CORPO Funds Selection Committee

Goal	Weight
Preserve	25
Safety	25
Accessibility	10
Integrated	10
Collaborative	20
Environmental	10

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Evaluation

- CORPO Funds Selection Committee
 - A CORPO Funds Selection Committee, made up of CORPO Board members and any project sponsor applying for funding.
 - Review the staff evaluations
 - Make recommendations for awards.

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Application

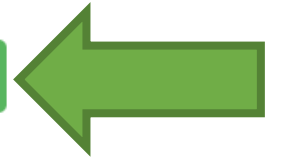
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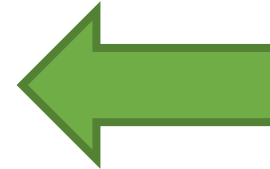
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POLICIES FOR MANAGING CORPO DEDICATED FUNDING FOR SFY 2026 - 2027



Application Link

Coming on Monday, July 7, 2025



Virtual Applicant Workshop

A virtual, public workshop on the CORPO Dedicated Funds application and selection process will be held on Wednesday, July 9 from 2:30 to 3:30 PM. At the time of the workshop, [join at this link](#).

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Application

- Online Form
- Ability to Save and Resume
- Ability to Add Attachments
- View External Links

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CORPO FY 2026 - 2027 Dedicated Funding Program

DUE: Must be submitted by 5:00 p.m., Friday, August 8, 2025.

Completing the Application

Open-Ended Questions

If you feel you must submit additional information, please do so as an attachment. An attachment upload option is provided as the last step of the application and should only be done once you are sure you are ready to submit the application.

Save and Resume

You will be able to save a partially completed application by capturing and saving a unique link or you may also choose to have this link emailed. When you are ready to revisit the application, you will simply click or paste the unique application link into a browser, and the application will reload with any fields that had already been filled in. If you make any changes to the application, make sure you re-save and resend or capture the application link.

File Attachments

On the final page of the application, you are provided with sections to upload an attachment with any additional information and the application signature page. This is the final step of the application process.

It is important to understand that you should not attach any files until you are ready to submit your application. The Save and Resume Later option does not support file attachments.

In addition, the total size of the attachment combined cannot exceed 25mb. If you have any issues with uploading your attachment, please contact CORPO staff at corpo@morpc.org.

Required Fields

An asterisk (*) after a field label indicates a required field. Any required fields that are not populated will be highlighted in red upon submission.

Please make sure your application is finalized before submitting.

Click the Start button to begin.

Start



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Application

- Sponsoring Agency Information
 - Address
 - Contact person
 - Contact information

Agency Information

Sponsoring Agency*

Address*

Address Line 1

Address Line 2

*City**ZIP Code*

Contact Person*

*First Name**Last Name*

Contact Title*

Contact Email Address*


Contact Phone*

National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA)*

☐ The sponsor acknowledges that they are familiar with NEPA and understands that it applies to all projects that will use federal funds allocated through CORPO.

[Save and Resume Later](#)

Progress

 **Next**

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Application

- Project Information
 - Title
 - Type
 - Facility Name
 - ODOT PID
 - CORPO CTP ID
 - Termini
 - Length
 - Scope

Project Information
Project Title*
<input type="text"/>
Primary Project Type*
<input type="text"/>
Facility Name*
<input type="text"/>
ODOT PID
<input type="text"/>
CORPO CTP ID or description of how the project is included in the CORPO Transportation Plan*
<input type="text"/>
Project Limits (from-to)*
<input type="text"/>
<small>Please provide the project's beginning and end points (from / to). If this does not apply to the project please provide cross-streets, intersections or other available location information.</small>
Project Length*
<input type="text"/>
Project Scope*
<input type="text"/>

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Application

- Project Cost Information
 - ODOT's preliminary cost estimating tool
 - Ability to enter either percentages (%) or dollar amounts (\$)



Project Cost Information

Please identify cost information:

A professional engineer, architect, or other appropriate professional discipline must certify the cost estimate.

Use ODOT's preliminary cost estimating procedure or some similarly detailed procedure. Refer to ODOT's Office of Estimating website for guidance:

<http://www.dot.state.oh.us/Divisions/ConstructionMgt/Estimating/Pages/default.aspx>

Estimate costs in year of expenditure dollars.

METHODS FOR ENTERING AMOUNTS

The following sections are set up to make automatic calculations in two ways, depending on what information is known.

1. If requesting the percentage of the cost for the sub-phase, choose the *Percent* method, enter the sub-phase total and the percent for each of the funding sources. The form will calculate the amounts based on the sub-phase total and the percent entered.
2. If requesting a certain dollar amount, choose the *Dollar Amount* method, enter the dollar amounts for each funding source. The form will calculate the percentages and total sub-phase cost.
3. If cost estimate types below do not apply to the project please select "Not Applicable" and proceed to the next question.

Important: If you choose a method and enter amounts into the fields but then need to change the method type, you should first remove the information you entered as it will not be automatically removed for you.

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Application

- Ability to enter either percentages (%) or dollar amounts (\$)
 - Select dollar (\$) or percentage (%)
 - Form will do the math

The screenshot displays the 'Preliminary Engineering - Environmental' section of the application form. At the top, there is a dropdown menu labeled 'Preliminary Engineering - Environmental - Method for entering amounts*' with two options: 'Dollar (\$)' and 'Percent (%)'. A green arrow points from the 'Dollar (\$)' option to the 'Preliminary Engineering - Environmental - Dollar Amounts' section below. Another green arrow points from the 'Percent (%)' option to the corresponding percentage input fields. The 'Dollar Amounts' section includes a 'Sub-Phase Total' field and four rows of input fields for 'CORPO Federal Dollars', 'Local Match to CORPO Federal Dollars', 'Other Federal Dollars', and 'Non-Federal Dollars'. Each row has a corresponding percentage input field on the right. The form is designed to calculate the total dollar amount and the percentage for each category and the total sub-phase dollar amount.

Preliminary Engineering - Environmental

Preliminary Engineering - Environmental - Method for entering amounts*

Dollar (\$) Percent (%)

Important: If you choose a method, you should enter amounts into the fields but then need to change the method. If you should first remove the information you entered as it will be automatically removed for you.

Preliminary Engineering - Environmental - Dollar Amounts

Enter the dollar amount for each sub-phase category. The percent for each category and total sub-phase dollar amount is automatically calculated.

Preliminary Engineering - Environmental - Sub-Phase Total

\$ 0

Preliminary Engineering - Environmental - CORPO Federal Dollars	Preliminary Engineering - Environmental - CORPO Federal %
\$ 0	0
Preliminary Engineering - Environmental - Local Match to CORPO Federal Dollars	Preliminary Engineering - Environmental - Local Match to CORPO Federal %
\$ 0	0
Preliminary Engineering - Environmental - Other Federal Dollars	Preliminary Engineering - Environmental - Other Federal %
\$ 0	0
Preliminary Engineering - Environmental - Non-Federal Dollars	Preliminary Engineering - Environmental - Non-Federal %
\$ 0	0

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Application

- Project Cost Information Cont.

Preliminary Engineering

CORPO expects project sponsors to undertake preliminary engineering (PE) on construction projects without the use of CORPO-dedicated funds.

PE – Environmental/Preliminary Development: Enter costs to prepare the environmental document and develop the project through Stage 1 design plans.

PE – Detailed Design: Enter costs to develop the project to right-of-way authorization or Stage 2 design plans.

Preliminary Engineering - Environmental

Preliminary Engineering - Environmental - Method for entering amounts*

Important: If you choose a method and enter amounts into the fields but then need to change the method type, you should first remove the information you entered as it will not be automatically removed for you.

Preliminary Engineering - Detailed Design

Preliminary Engineering - Detailed Design - Method for entering amounts*

Important: If you choose a method and enter amounts into the fields but then need to change the method type, you should first remove the information you entered as it will not be automatically removed for you.

Right-of-Way

Right-of-Way Acquisition. Land acquisition costs, including professional services, that are necessary to construct any project elements. Do not include utility relocation costs.

Utility Relocation: Estimate the project costs to relocate utilities as necessary to construct any project elements.

Right-of-Way - Acquisition

Right-of-Way - Acquisition - Method for entering amounts*

Important: If you choose a method and enter amounts into the fields but then need to change the method type, you should first remove the information you entered as it will not be automatically removed for you.

Right-of-Way - Utilities

Right-of-Way - Utilities - Method for entering amounts*

Important: If you choose a method and enter amounts into the fields but then need to change the method type, you should first remove the information you entered as it will not be automatically removed for you.

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Application

- Project Cost Information Cont.

Construction
Construction Engineering: Inspection services, etc. These costs are typically estimated to be 10 percent of the contract costs.
Construction - Contract
Construction - Contract - Method for entering amounts*
<input type="text"/>
<small>Important: If you choose a method and enter amounts into the fields but then need to change the method type, you should first remove the information you entered as it will not be automatically removed for you.</small>
Construction - Engineering
Construction - Engineering - Method for entering amounts*
<input type="text"/>
<small>Important: If you choose a method and enter amounts into the fields but then need to change the method type, you should first remove the information you entered as it will not be automatically removed for you.</small>
Other
Other - Method for entering amounts
<input type="text"/>
<small>Important: If you choose a method and enter amounts into the fields but then need to change the method type, you should first remove the information you entered as it will not be automatically removed for you.</small>
Totals
Preliminary Engineering Phase Total
<input type="text" value="\$ 0"/>
Right-of-Way Phase Total
<input type="text" value="\$ 0"/>
Construction Phase Total
<input type="text" value="\$ 0"/>
Other Phase Total
<input type="text" value="\$ 0"/>
Grand Total
<input type="text" value="\$ 0"/>

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Application

- Project Schedule

Milestones
Consultant authorized to begin design or date design work is started if done in-house by sponsor:
Design Start Date
<input type="text"/>
MM/DD/YY
Is the Design milestone complete?*
<input type="text" value="No"/>
<u>Stage 1 Design Plan Submittal</u> : The date when Stage 1 design plans are received for review by the District from a consultant or local public agency:
Stage 1 Design Plan Submittal Date
<input type="text"/>
MM/DD/YY
Is the Stage 1 Design Plan Submittal milestone complete?*
<input type="text" value="No"/>
<u>Stage 2 Design Plan Submittal</u> : The date when Stage 2 design plans are received for review by the District from a consultant or local public agency:
Stage 2 Design Plan Submittal Date
<input type="text"/>
MM/DD/YY
Is the Stage 2 Design Plan Submittal milestone complete?*
<input type="text" value="No"/>
<u>Final Right-of-Way Plan Submittal</u> : The date when Final RW plans are received for review by the District from a consultant or local public agency:
Final Right-of-Way Plan Submittal Date
<input type="text"/>
MM/DD/YY
Is the Final Right-of-Way Plan Submittal milestone complete?*
<input type="text" value="No"/>

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Application

- Project Schedule Cont.

Environmental Document Approval: The date when the responsible agency (FHWA or ODOT) approves the document or the District confirms the project is exempt from documentation:

Environmental Document Approval Date

MM/DD/YY

Is the Environmental Document Approval milestone complete?*

No

Right-of-Way Authorization: The date when authorization is given to a local public agency to begin acquisition activities:

Right-of-Way Authorization Date

MM/DD/YY

Is the Right-of-Way Authorization milestone complete?*

No

Stage 3 Design Plan Submittal: The date when Stage 3 design plans are received for review by the District from a consultant or local public agency:

Stage 3 Design Plan Submittal Date

MM/DD/YY

Is the Stage 3 Design Plan Submittal milestone complete?*

No

Right-of-Way Acquisition Complete: Date on which the local public agency certifies the completion of RW acquisition activities. (Utilities/encroachments not included.):

Right-of-Way Acquisition Complete Date

MM/DD/YY

Is the Right-of-Way Acquisition Complete milestone complete?*

No

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Application

- Project Schedule Cont.

Final Plans and Bid Package Submittal to ODOT:

Final Plans and Bid Package Submittal to ODOT Date

MM/DD/YY

Is the Final Plans and Bid Package Submittal to ODOT milestone complete?*

No

Award Contract: The date the local public agency approves a contract with a successful bidder:

Award Contract Date

MM/DD/YY

Is the Award Contract milestone complete?*

No

For programs, purchases, studies, and other projects that do not have a construction phase, please provide a schedule for project development (including environmental approval) and funding. Provide an estimate of the date(s) that federal funds would need to be available. Also, give a summary of the schedule to be followed before the project is ready for funding and while it is being implemented. Describe other relevant aspects of the project schedule. For example, is the funding schedule contingent upon other actions? Will the project need funding from other sources to proceed?

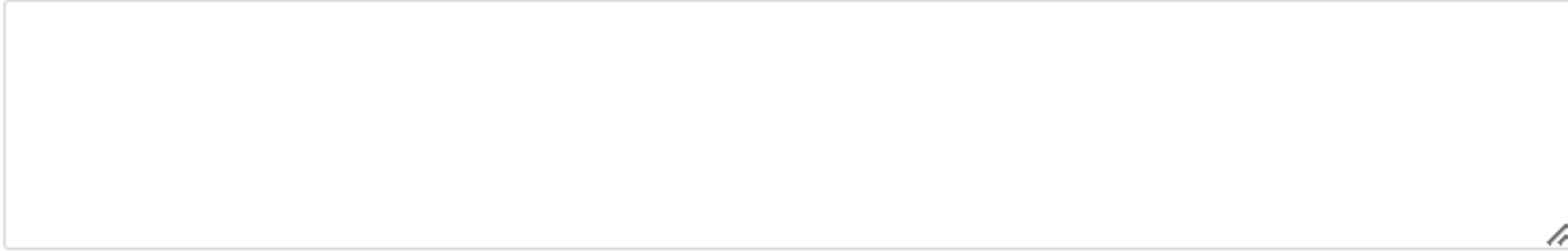
No Construction Phase Project Schedule

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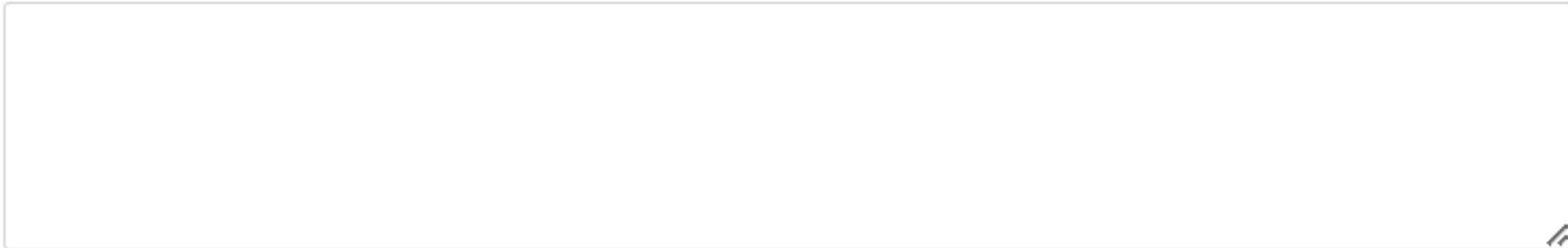
Evaluation Questions

GOAL: Preserve and maintain the existing transportation system in a state of good repair.

PM1: Please include bridge condition information and/or pavement condition information. CORPO can provide the latest data available from ODOT for this.*

A large, empty rectangular text box with a light gray border, intended for the user to provide bridge and pavement condition information. A small icon of two overlapping lines is visible in the bottom right corner of the box.

PM2: Please explain how the proposed activities in your application will improve the pavement or bridge quality (as referenced above) or otherwise preserve and/or maintain the existing transportation system.*

A large, empty rectangular text box with a light gray border, intended for the user to explain how proposed activities will improve or maintain the transportation system. A small icon of two overlapping lines is visible in the bottom right corner of the box.

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Evaluation Questions

GOAL: A safe transportation system of all users.

CORPO will use the ODOT GCAT tool to pull crash data (frequency, rate, severe injury, bike-pedestrian crashes) for the project area and calculate rates.

S1: Please provide information on how the proposed project will increase safety and any additional information concerning crashes to supplement the ODOT crash data.*

S2: Will the proposed activities in your application address the safety of the transportation system by minimizing unsafe driving behaviors such as a lack of seatbelt use, distracted driving, impaired driving, and others? If so, please explain.*

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Evaluation Questions

GOAL: Accessibility and mobility options for all users.

AM1: Will the proposed activities in your application expand or better automobile-related mobility options? If so, please explain. Please also provide average daily traffic if applicable.*

AM2: Will the proposed activities in your application expand bike/pedestrian facilities? If so, please explain.*

AM3: Will the proposed activities in your application expand other modes? If so, please explain.*

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Evaluation Questions

GOAL: An integrated, connected and coordinated transportation system.

ICC1: Will the proposed activities in your application increase outreach to local governments, area residents, businesses or other community organizations and groups? If so, please explain.*

ICC2: Will the proposed activities in your application increase modal-connectivity? If so, please explain.*

ICC3: Will the proposed activities in your application better connect CORPO communities? If so, please explain.*

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Evaluation Questions

GOAL: A transportation system that promotes a collaborative and focused approach to support economic vitality.

C1: Will the proposed activities in your application improve freight facilities? If so, please explain.*

C2: Will the proposed activities in your application aid in the development of multi-purpose corridors? If so, please explain.*

C3: Will the proposed activities in your application increase access to employment areas or sites? If so, please explain.*

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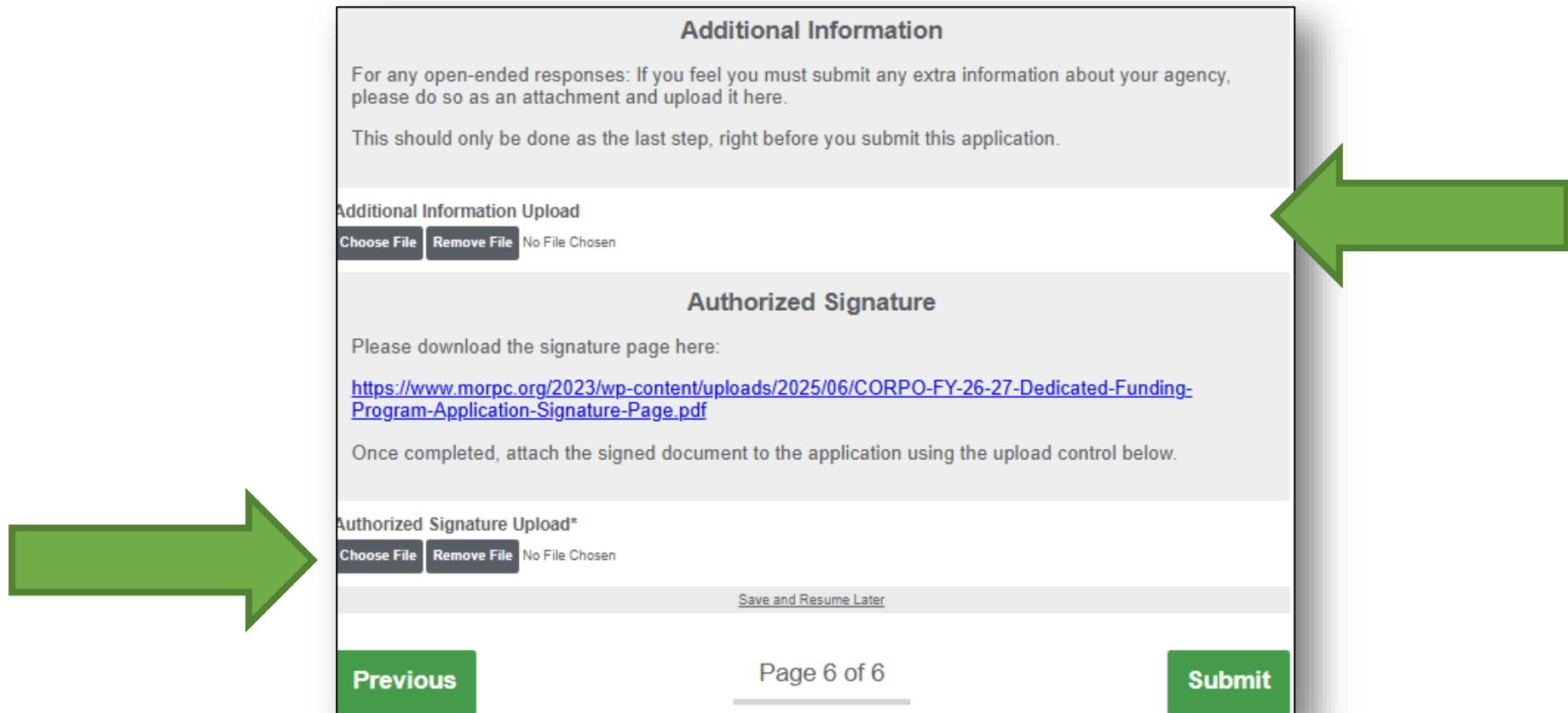
GOAL: Preserve and enhance environmental resources and sustainability through the transportation system.

E1: Will the proposed activities in your application increase the use of non-single occupant vehicles? If so, please explain.*

E2: Will the proposed activities enhance environmental resources and sustainability and is consistent with local land use and environmental related plans? If so, please explain.*

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Application Submittal



Additional Information

For any open-ended responses: If you feel you must submit any extra information about your agency, please do so as an attachment and upload it here.

This should only be done as the last step, right before you submit this application.

Additional Information Upload

[Choose File](#) [Remove File](#) No File Chosen

Authorized Signature

Please download the signature page here:

<https://www.morpc.org/2023/wp-content/uploads/2025/06/CORPO-FY-26-27-Dedicated-Funding-Program-Application-Signature-Page.pdf>

Once completed, attach the signed document to the application using the upload control below.

Authorized Signature Upload*

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Application Submittal

**Application Form for
CORPO-Dedicated Funding**
State Fiscal Years 2026-2027

1. **Authorized Signature:** The undersigned certifies: (1) they are authorized on behalf of the sponsoring agency to request and accept financial assistance from the Central Ohio Rural Planning Organization (CORPO); (2) all representations that are part of this application are true and correct.

Name

Date

Title

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Evaluation

The following generally describes the project evaluation and selection process

- a) Staff shall apply the scoring criteria to applications for new funding commitments.
- b) Staff shall submit the collected information about each application and the scores for each application to the CORPO Funds Selection Committee for review and comment.
- c) The CORPO Funds Selection Committee shall select applications to recommend for new funding commitments.

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Evaluation Cont.

The following generally describes the project evaluation and selection process

- d) The recommended program of funding commitments shall be provided to CORPO's members, and the public for review and comment.
- e) At the conclusion of public involvement, the applications, schedules, and costs will be endorsed through the CORPO Committee process and incorporated into the STIP.

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Application Link

[Click here to access the application](#)