

Central Midlands Council of Governments

Board Meeting

Thursday, January 25th, 2024



Call to Order

Will Brennan, Chair

Determination of Quorum

Approve Order and Contents of the Overall Agenda

Invocation

Introduction of Guests

Chairman's Introduction

Will Brennan

Good News from CMCOG - Around the Region

Will Brennan



**Good News
Around the Midlands**

Martin Luther King Jr.

Celebrations

"The time is
always right to do
what is right."

Martin Luther King Jr.
- Martin Luther King Jr.



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MARTIN LUTHER
KING JR

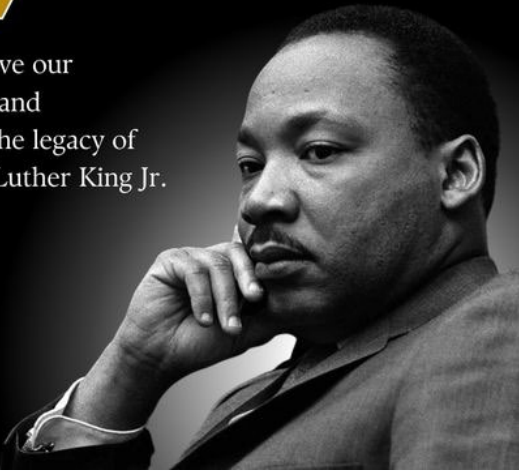
**JANUARY
15TH**

REMEMBER & HONOR



MLK Jr. Day

A day to serve our
community and
remember the legacy of
Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.



Newberry Parade

NAACP
South Carolina State Conference

2024 KING
DAY AT THE DOME



EVENT HIGHLIGHTS

Interfaith Prayer Service
Multi-faith gathering to
start the day, reflecting on
the spiritual aspects of Dr.
King's message and the
role of faith in social
justice.

Keynote Speech
Celebrate Dr. Martin Luther
King Jr.'s legacy in our
keynote address, where we'll
explore its enduring
relevance and inspire action
towards justice, equality,
and peace today.

Networking Opportunities
Meet and network with
community leaders,
activists, and others
committed to social
change.

Voter Registration Drive
The voter registration drive
will provide a chance to
register for upcoming
elections. Plus, there will
be hats and scarves for
sale, perfect for showing
your support.

Contact Us
803-754-4584
More Information
www.scnacp.org

MONDAY, JAN. 15

Theme: "Ballots for
Freedom, Ballots for Justice, Ballots for Change!"

Schedule of Events

8:30 AM - 9:30 AM

ZION BAPTIST CHURCH
801 Washington St.
Columbia, SC 29201

9:30 AM - 10:00 AM

March to State House

10:00 AM - 12:00 PM

SOUTH CAROLINA STATE HOUSE
1100 Gervais St.
Columbia, SC 29208



CONGRESSMAN.
HAKEEM JEFFRIES
Minority Leader of the U.S.
House of Representatives
Interfaith Prayer Service
Guest Speaker



KAMALA D. HARRIS
Vice President of
the United States
of America
King Day at the Dome
Keynote Speaker

Distinguished Guest:
Congressman James E. Clyburn.

Brenda Murphy, NAACP South Carolina State Conference President





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House

THE LOURIE CENTER
1650 PARK CIRCLE
COLUMBIA, SC 29201
JANUARY 25, 2024



THE
LOURIE
CENTER

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JANUARY 27TH
4:00PM - 7:00PM

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miss it!

Tickets are \$35 cash/check or
\$37 online at fairfieldcoa.org

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TICKETS ON SALE
THRU JAN. 19TH:
NO TICKETS AT THE DOOR

Porter Gas Service
LUCK STONE





Lexington County EMS
“Stuff-An-Ambulance”
was a HUGE success!
They donated 478.6
pounds of food to
Mission Lexington.





Newberry County's Jordan's Way
LIVE fundraiser, collected over
\$11,000 for Newberry County
Shelter Animals!



NEIGHBORHOOD ENRICHMENT GRANT PROGRAM TRAINING SESSIONS



Join us for free informational sessions on applying for the Neighborhood Enrichment Grant Program hosted by Richland County's Neighborhood Improvement Program! These training sessions will inform applicants about the grant program, which provides up to \$1,500 or \$2,500, depending on income area, for community enrichment projects related to beautification, engagement, health/safety, and leisure. Neighborhood associations, homeowners associations, property owners associations, and other neighborhood-based groups are eligible to apply. Registration not required.



NOV 15	10 A.M. - 11:30 A.M.
DEC 7	1 P.M. - 2:30 P.M. 6 P.M. - 7:30 P.M.
JAN 4	10 A.M. - 11:30 A.M. 6 P.M. - 7:30 P.M.
JAN 18	2 P.M. - 3:30 P.M. 6 P.M. - 7:30 P.M.



EVENT LOCATION

2020 Hampton St.,
Columbia
4th-floor Conference Room



CONTACT US

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CALL: 803-576-2166



Town of Winnsboro to restore burned out Thespian Hall, Tavern



Christy Hall, SCDOT's Secretary of Transportation, announces retirement this Spring.



ACTION

Consent Agenda Items

1. Approval of the Minutes of the Board Meeting – 14 December 2023 (*Enclosure 1*)
2. 2045 LRTP Amendment – 2020-2024 Safety Performance Measures (*Enclosure 2*)

ACTION

Regular Agenda Items

1. Monthly Financial Status Report (November 2023) *(Enclosure 3)*
2. FY 2023-2024 CMCOC Budget Adjustment *(Enclosure 4)*
3. *FY 2023-2033 COATS MPO Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) *(Enclosure 5)*
4. FY 2023-2033 CMCOC RPO Transportation Improvement Program (RTIP) *(Enclosure 6)*
5. *2024 & 2025 UPWP Amendment – Intersection Control Evaluation Process *(Enclosure 7)*
6. 2024 & 2025 RPWP Amendment – Intersection Control Evaluation Process *(Enclosure 8)*
7. Area Agency on Aging Office Space Lease Agreement *(Enclosure 9)*

** Denotes item is a Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) Urbanized Area Request*

ACTION

Monthly Financial Status Report (November 2023)

(Enclosure 3)

*Missi Labbe,
Finance Director*

ACTION

FY 2023-2024 CMCOG Budget Adjustment

(Enclosure 4)

*Missi Labbe,
Finance Director*

ACTION

**FY 2023-2033 COATS MPO
Transportation Improvement Program (TIP)**

(Enclosure 5)

*Reginald Simmons,
Deputy Executive Director / Director - Transportation*



2023 – 2033 TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM

By

Reginald Simmons

CMCOG Board of Directors

January 25, 2024

2023 – 2033 TIP

- Staff is requesting your approval to adopt the 2023 – 2033 Transportation Improvement Program.



2023 – 2033 TIP

- The TIP is the short-range capital improvement program for funding and implementation of roadway, transit, and non-motorized transportation improvement projects.
- Updated every 4 years through coordination with SCDOT, CMRTA, and other agencies
- Ten Year Program
 - FY 2023 – FY 2033
- Obligation Plan not a Spending Plan



2023 – 2033 TIP

- Included in our Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) are several major categories:
 - Guideshare Projects
 - Planning Projects
 - Signal System Improvements
 - Intersection Improvements,
 - Project Exempt from Guideshare,
 - Transportation Alternatives Program (TAP)
 - Transit



2023 – 2033 TIP

- Categories the are most impacted by the MPO include:
 - Guideshare (Road Improvements)
 - Signal Systems Improvements
 - Intersection Improvements
 - Transportation Alternatives
 - Planning Projects
 - Transit

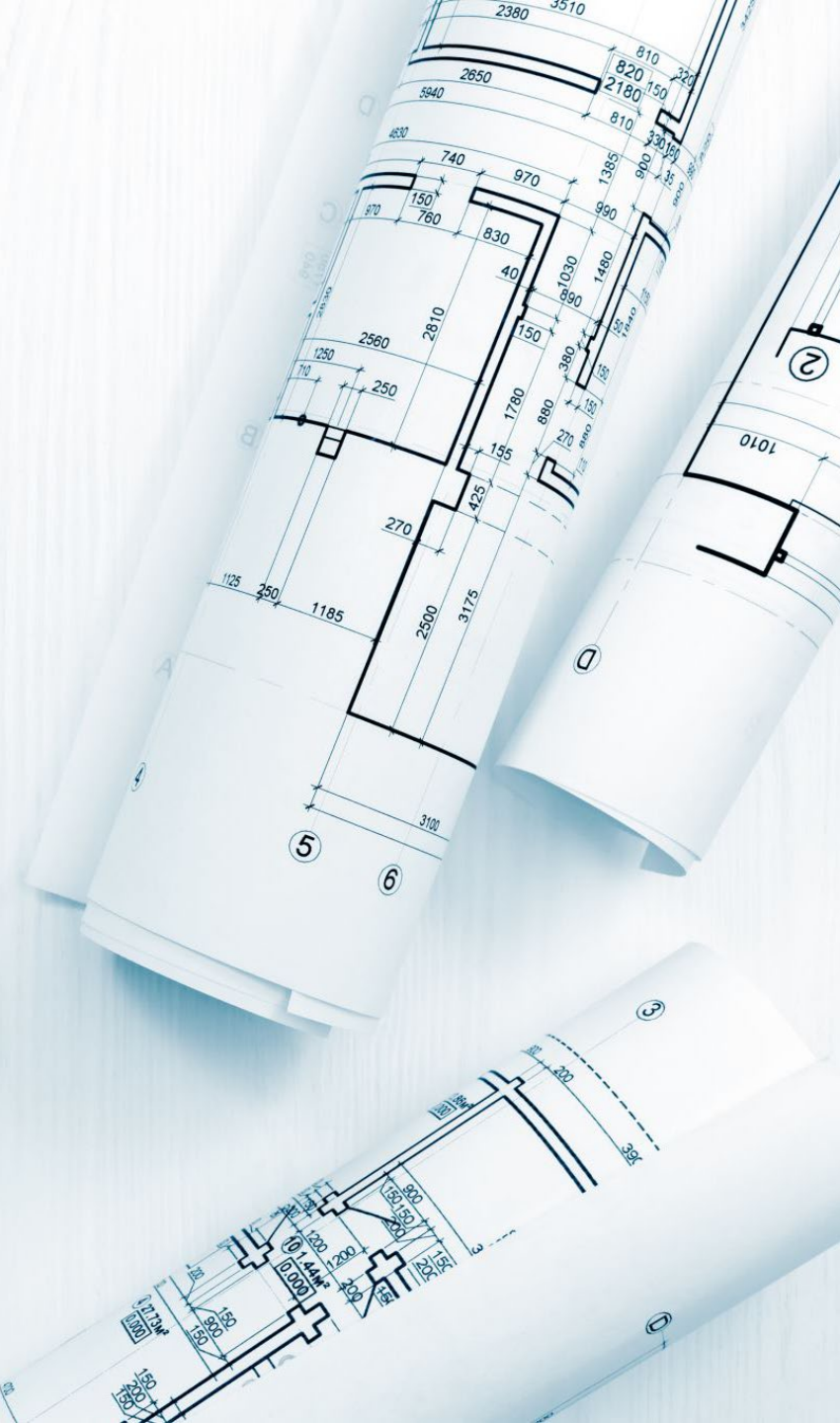
2023 – 2033 TIP

- COATS MPO receives approximately \$27.6 million per year in guideshare funds. This will increase to \$30.7 million in FFY 2025.
- Approximately \$304 million is expected to be obligated through FY 2033.
 - \$7.8 million investment in Leesburg Road @ Patricia Drive
 - \$2.2 million investment in Intersection Improvement projects
 - \$1.4 million investment in Planning Feasibility Studies
 - \$10 million investment in Lower Saluda Greenway
 - \$3 million investment in Assembly Street Phase II
 - \$93 million investment in Hardscrabble Road
 - \$45 million investment in Columbia Avenue
 - \$6 million investment in South Main Street
 - \$60 million investment in Leesburg Road
 - \$56 million investment in Exit 119



2023 – 2033 TIP

- **Transportation Alternatives Program**
- - Twelve (12) active projects have been identified.
 - Over \$4.8 million in federal dollars have been obligated.
 - New TAP projects will continue to be added on an annual basis.



2023 – 2033 TIP

- **Transit Program**

- Section 5307 – Large Urban Funds – Approximately \$13 million has been programmed in previous years
- Section 5307 – Large Urban Funds – Approximately \$14 million has been programmed in CARES Act Funding
- Section 5307 – Large Urban Funds – Approximately \$8 million has been programmed in ARP Funding
- Section 5310 – Enhanced Mobility – Approximately \$2.8 million has been programmed
- Section 5339 – Bus and Bus Facilities – Approximately \$5.2 million has been programmed in previous years
- New transit projects will continue to be added on an annual basis.



2023 – 2033 TIP

Categories not influenced by the MPO include:

- Federal Appropriations
- Recreational Trails
- Federal Aid Bridge Projects
- Federal Aid Intersections and Safety Projects
- Federal Aid Interstate and Corridor Improvement Projects

These categories reflect federal funds that are being obligated in our planning area.



2023 – 2033 TIP

- **Federal Appropriations**

- Approximately \$15.1 million is expected to be obligated through FY 2033.
 - \$2.4 million investment in I-26 Saluda River Crossing
 - \$2.1 million investment in Harden Street Phase II
 - \$500,000 investment in Harden Street Reconfiguration
 - \$10 million investment in the Seamless City Revitalization Project



2023 – 2033 TIP

- **Recreational Trails**

- Approximately \$2 million is expected to be obligated through FY 2033.
 - \$100,000 investment in the Saluda River Pedestrian Bridge Project
 - \$100,000 investment in the Saluda River & Riverwalk Access Improvement
 - \$1.5 million investment in the Lower Saluda Greenway
 - \$95,900 investment in the Owens Field Park Pump Track
 - \$77,000 investment in Riverwalk Phase IV
 - \$77,000 investment in the Lower Saluda River Blue Trail
 - \$99,000 investment in the Taylor Street Trail

2023 – 2033 TIP

- **Exempt from Guideshare Federal Aid Bridge Projects**
 - Twenty-Three (23) active projects have been identified.
 - Over \$370 million in federal dollars have been obligated.
 - New bridge projects will continue to be added on an annual basis.
- **Exempt from Guideshare Federal Aid Intersection & Safety Projects**
 - Nineteen (19) active projects have been identified.
 - Over \$48 million in federal dollars have been obligated.
 - New intersection and safety projects will continue to be added on an annual basis.
- **Exempt from Guideshare Federal Aid Interstate & Corridor Improvement Projects**
 - Nineteen (19) active projects have been identified.
 - Over \$3.7 billion in federal dollars have been obligated.
 - New interstate & corridor improvement projects will continue to be added on an annual basis.

- Questions



ACTION

**FY 2023-2033 CMCOG RPO
Transportation Improvement Program (RTIP)**

(Enclosure 6)

*Reginald Simmons,
Deputy Executive Director / Director - Transportation*



2023 – 2033 RURAL TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM

- By
- Reginald Simmons
- CMCOG Board of Directors
- January 25, 2024

2023 – 2033 RTIP

- Staff is requesting your approval to adopt the 2023 – 2033 Rural Transportation Improvement Program.

2023 – 2033 RTIP

- The RTIP is the short-range capital improvement program for funding and implementation of roadway, transit, and non-motorized transportation improvement projects.
- Updated every 4 years through coordination with SCDOT, CMRTA, and other agencies
- Ten Year Program
 - FY 2023 – FY 2033
- Obligation Plan not a Spending Plan

2023 – 2033 RTIP

- Included in our Rural Transportation Improvement Program (RTIP) are several major categories:
 - Guideshare Projects
 - Planning Projects
 - Signal System Improvements
 - Intersection Improvements,
 - Project Exempt from Guideshare,
 - Transit

2023 – 2033 RTIP

- Categories the are most impacted by the RPO include:
 - Guideshare (Road Improvements)
 - Signal Systems Improvements
 - Intersection Improvements
 - Planning Projects

2023 – 2033 RTIP

- CMCOG RPO receives approximately \$5 million per year in guideshare funds.
- Approximately \$55 million is expected to be obligated through FY 2033.
 - \$18.2 million investment in previous obligations to the US 1 Phases I Widening Project in Lexington County
 - \$6.8 million investment in the Macedonia Church Road Resurfacing Project in Newberry County
 - \$1.7 million investment in Exit 119 Interchange Improvement Project in Lexington County
 - \$13.8 million investment in US 1 Phases II & III Widening Project in Lexington County
 - \$8.3 million investment in the Longtown Road Resurfacing Project in Fairfield County
 - \$1.2 million investment in Signal System Improvement Projects
 - \$350,000 investment in Planning Corridor & Feasibility Studies
 - \$150,000 investment in Intersection Improvement



2023 – 2033 RTIP

Categories not influenced by the RPO include:

- Federal Aid Bridge Projects
- Federal Aid Interstate and Corridor Improvement Projects
- Transit

These categories reflect federal funds that are being obligated in our planning area.

2023 – 2033 RTIP

- **Transit Program**

- Section 5310 – Enhance Mobility for Seniors & Disabled – Approximately \$801,000 investment in thirteen (13) projects.
- Section 5311 – Rural Transportation Formula Funds – Approximately \$4.2 million investment in four (4) projects.
- Section 5339 – Bus and Bus Facilities – Approximately \$341,000 investment in two (2) projects.
- New transit projects will continue to be added on an annual basis.



2023 – 2033 RTIP

- **Exempt from Guideshare Federal Aid Bridge Projects**

- Twenty (20) active projects have been identified.
- Over \$139 million in federal dollars have been obligated.
- New bridge projects will continue to be added on an annual basis.

- **Exempt from Guideshare Federal Aid Interstate & Corridor Improvement Projects**

- Ten (10) active projects have been identified.
- Over \$1.2 billion in federal dollars have been obligated.
- New interstate & corridor improvement projects will continue to be added on an annual basis.

- Questions

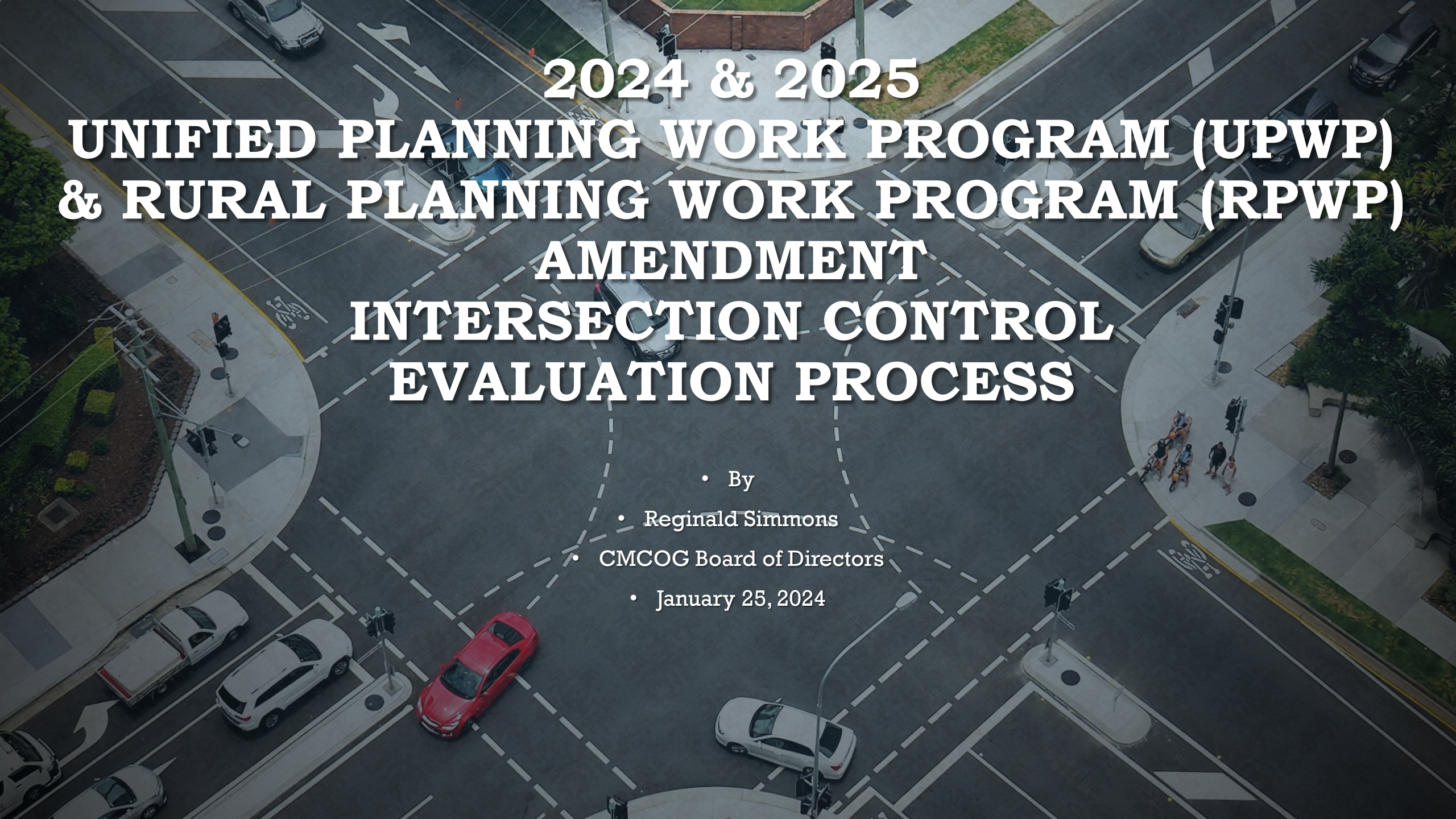


ACTION

**2024 & 2025 UPWP Amendment –
Intersection Control Evaluation Process**
(Enclosure 7)


**2024 & 2025 RPWP Amendment –
Intersection Control Evaluation Process**
(Enclosure 8)

*Reginald Simmons,
Deputy Executive Director / Director - Transportation*

An aerial photograph of a city intersection, likely in a tropical or subtropical region, given the presence of palm trees. The intersection has multiple lanes with white dashed and solid line markings. Several vehicles are visible: a white pickup truck, a white SUV, a red sedan, and a white sedan. Pedestrians are walking on the sidewalks. The text is overlaid in a large, bold, white font with a slight shadow effect.

2024 & 2025 UNIFIED PLANNING WORK PROGRAM (UPWP) & RURAL PLANNING WORK PROGRAM (RPWP) AMENDMENT INTERSECTION CONTROL EVALUATION PROCESS

- By
- Reginald Simmons
- CMCOG Board of Directors
- January 25, 2024



2024 & 2025 UPWP & RPWP AMENDMENT

- Staff requests your approval to amend the 2024 & 2025 UPWP to add \$250K to the Intersection Control Evaluation Process.
- Staff requests your approval to amend the 2024 & 2025 RPWP to add \$10K to the Intersection Control Evaluation Process.



2024 & 2025 UPWP & RPWP AMENDMENT

- There are currently 97 intersection improvement projects (53 urban, 44 rural) that have been identified in our 2045 LRTP.
- These intersections have been collected through various project requests and planning studies.
- As we begin the implementation of these projects, the first step is to determine the purpose and need and potential impact to the road network.
- Intersection Control Evaluation Process This will be a data-driven, performance-based framework and approach used to objectively screen alternatives and identify an optimal geometric and control solution for each intersection.



2024 & 2025 UPWP & RPWP AMENDMENT

- The process will include:
 - Scoping Analysis
 - Development of alternatives to address the purpose and need of the project.
 - Safety Analysis
 - Determine the safety performance of each propose alternative
 - Operational Analysis
 - Traffic control warrant analysis to determine the acceptable quality of service
 - Multimodal Analysis
 - Determine how each alternative will impact transit, freight, and large vehicles.



2024 & 2025 UPWP & RPWP AMENDMENT

- Each intersection evaluation is expected to take 6 months.
- Each intersection will be evaluated in the order it was prioritized.
- Staff will discuss the results with the committees to decide the next steps for implementation.



- Questions

ACTION

**Area Agency on Aging
Office Space Lease Agreement**

(Enclosure 9)

*Britt Poole,
Executive Director*

INFORMATION

EPA Climate Pollution Reduction Grant

(Enclosure 10)

*Jory Fleming,
Climate Pollution Reduction Grant Manager*

CPRG Program Overview

CMCOG Board

January 25th, 2024

Jory Fleming

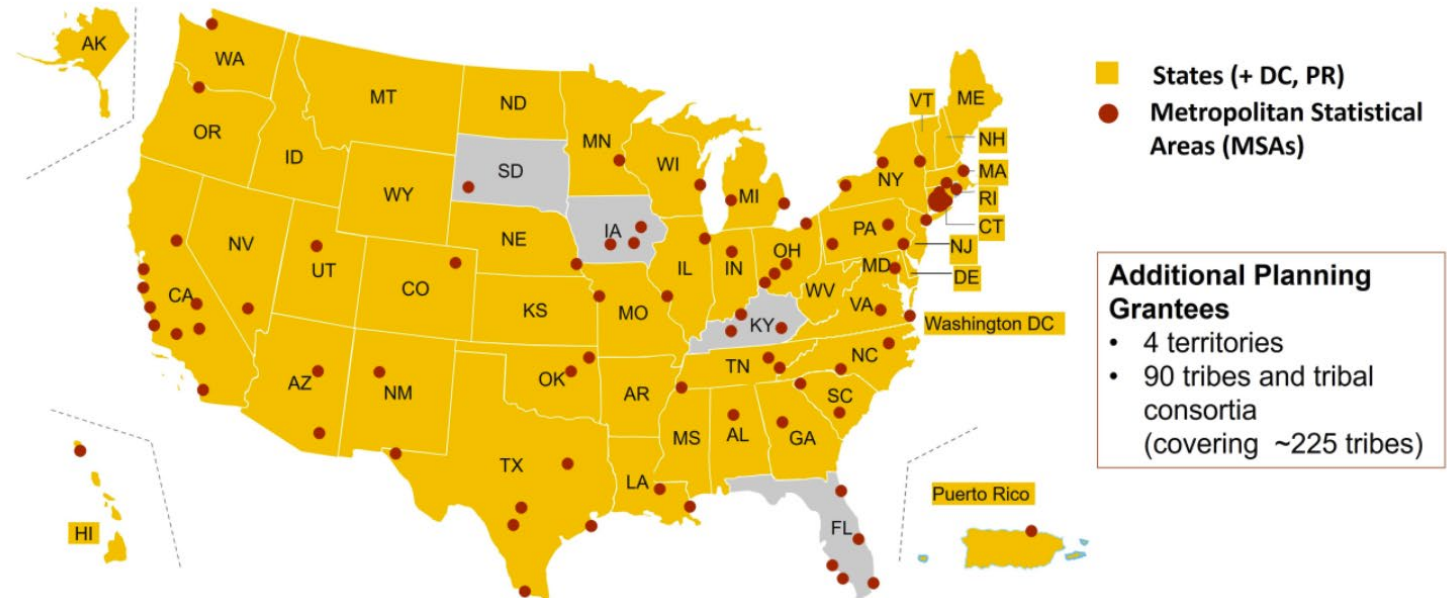
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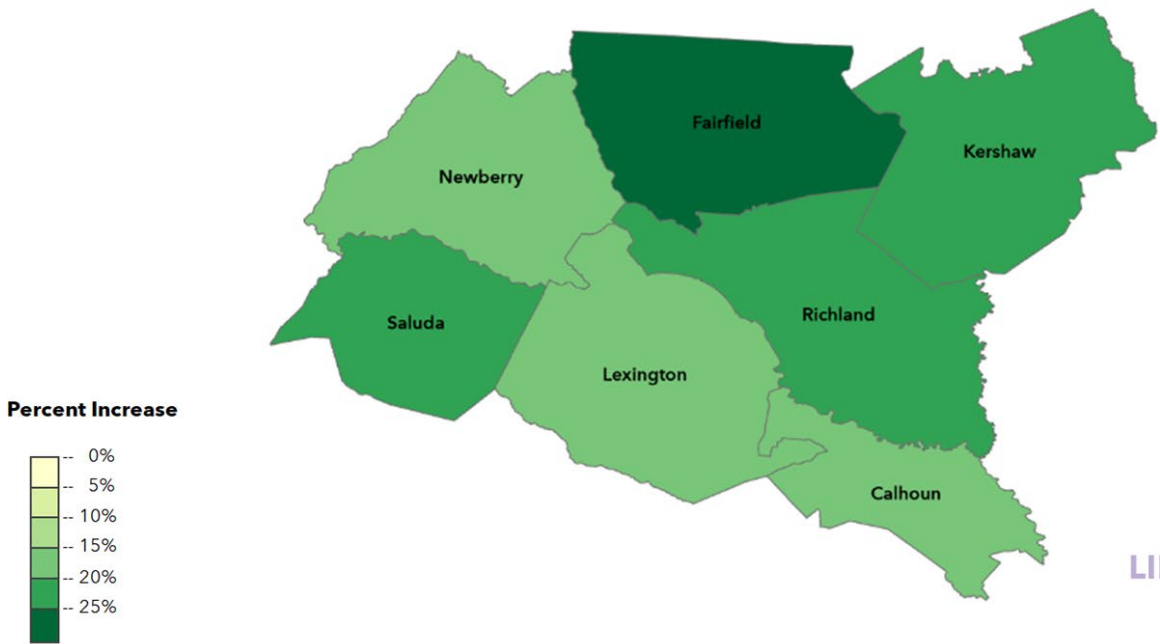


CLIMATE POLLUTION REDUCTION GRANTS

U.S. Environmental Protection Agency



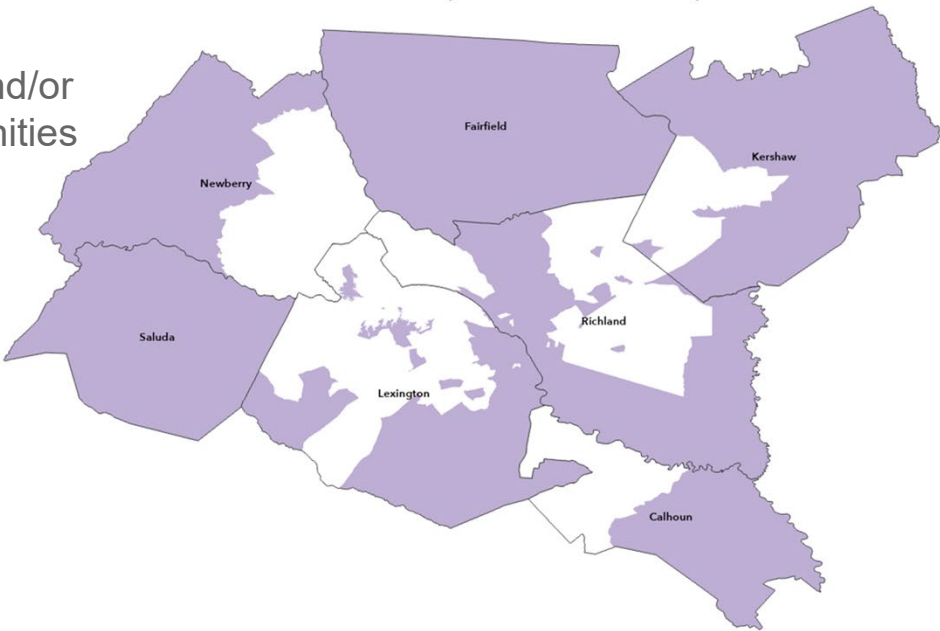
Projected Increase in Average Annual Loss from Flooding (2020 - 2050)



Climate
impacts...

LIDAC Communities in the Midlands (EPA Definition)

LIDAC = low-income and/or disadvantaged communities



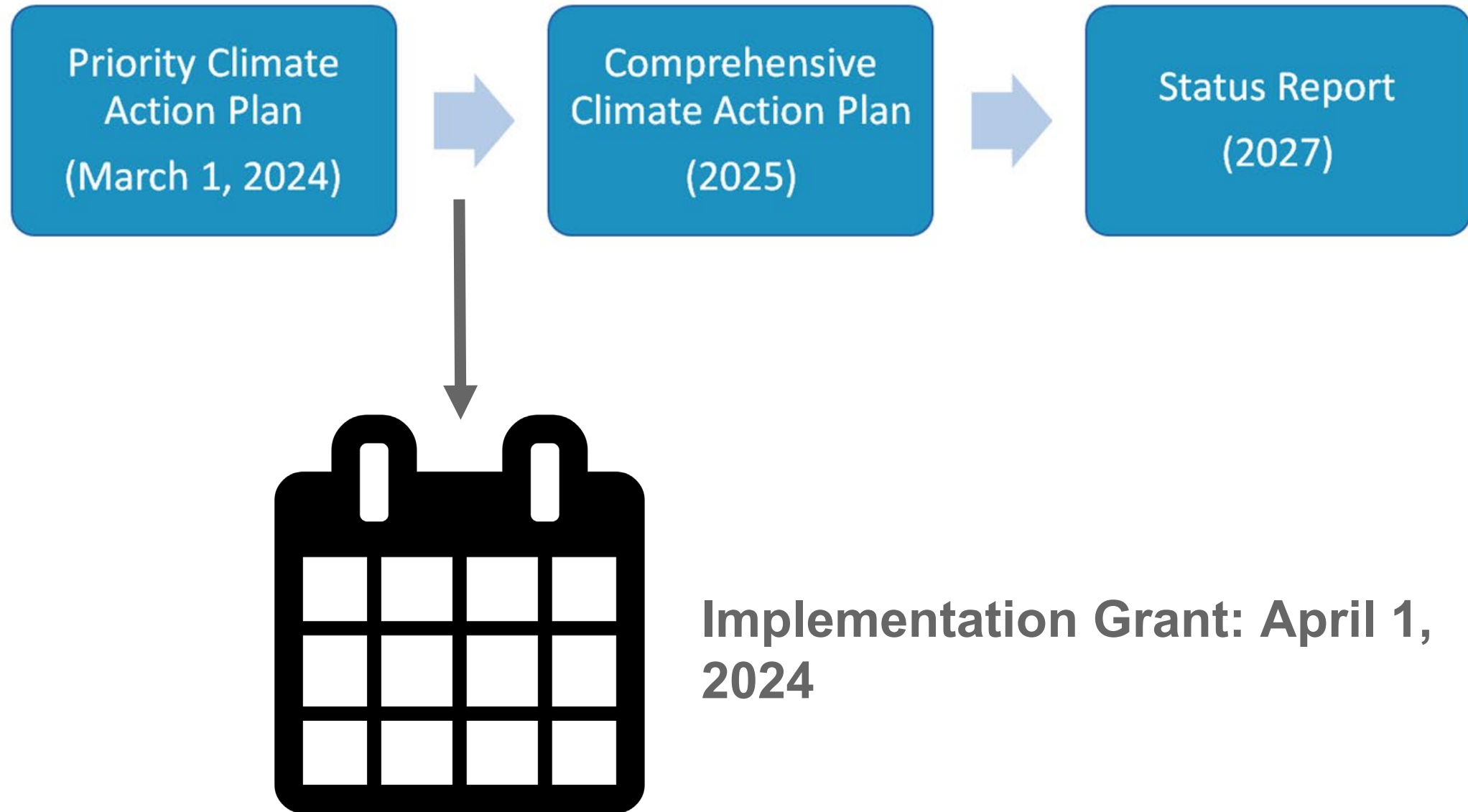
...affect
Midlands
communities

Measures to reduce greenhouse gas pollutants



Illustrative Examples

- Transport: EVs, EV charging, reducing vehicle miles traveled, etc.
- Buildings: solar, increasing energy efficiency, lowering energy demand etc.
- Waste: increasing recycling & composting, lowering water utilities' grid electricity consumption



INFORMATION

CMCOG Committee Reports

*Britt Poole,
Executive Director*

INFORMATION

Executive Director's Report

*Britt Poole,
Executive Director*



**Thank you,
Midlands Technical College!!**

- Special Thanks to Midlands Technical College for hosting the CMCOG Board Meetings!

Old/New Business

Other Business

Next Meeting – 22 February 2024

Adjourn