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The Honorable Garnett Johnson Augusta-Richmond County 535 Telfair Street, Suite 220 Augusta, Georgia 30911

RE: Fiscal Year 2026 Local Maintenance & Improvement Grant (LMIG) Program

Dear Mayor Johnson:

We are pleased to announce that the Department will begin accepting applications for the Fiscal Year 2026 LMIG Program in July 2025. Grants will be processed electronically through our GRANTS (LMIG) Application System. To begin your FY 2026 LMIG Application, please visit the Department's website at https://www.dot.ga.gov/GDOT/Pages/LMIG.aspx . This site provides a link to the LMIG Application, the LMIG Application Tutorial (Manual), and to the General Guidelines and Rules and other pertinent reports. The project list will be entered directly into the LMIG Application System. Please contact your District State Aid Coordinator, Matt Sammons, at 478-553-3383 for assistance with the online application process.

For an application to be processed, the following requirements must be met:

- A local government must be in Department of Audits and Accounts (DOAA) and Department of Community Affairs (DCA) audit compliance.
- A signed cover letter must be attached and include a completion status of the last three fiscal years' LMIG Grants.
- A signature page must include both the local government seal and the notary seal. The application website provides a blank signature page for you to download, complete and upload as an attachment.
- A local government must provide their District State Aid Coordinator with a Statement of Financial Expenditures form and invoices for Fiscal Year 2023 projects and all other prior years unless previously approved to combine funding for Fiscal Years 2023, 2024, and 2025. The forms can be attached in the LMIG Application System if they have not already been provided to your District State Aid Coordinator.

All electronic LMIG applications must be received no later than February 1, 2026. Failure to submit applications by the deadline might result in a forfeiture of funds.

Your formula amount for the Fiscal Year 2026 Program is \$2,914,027.96 and your local match is 10%. Each local government is required to match this formula amount in accordance with Code Section 48-8-244(d).

If you have any questions regarding the LMIG Program, please contact the Local Grants Office in Atlanta at (404) 347-0240 or email questions to LocalGrantsProgram@dot.ga.gov.

Sincerely, -Bill with

Bill Wright

Local Grants Administrator

The Honorable Harold Jones II, Georgia State Senate; The Honorable Max Burns, Georgia State Senate The Honorable Mark Newton, Georgia House of Representatives; The Honorable Karlton Howard, Georgia CC: House of Representatives; The Honorable Lynn Heffner, Georgia House of Representatives; The Honorable L.C. Myles, Georgia House of Representatives; The Honorable Brian Prince, Georgia House of Representatives The Honorable Daniel Snipes, State Transportation Board Corbett Reynolds, Director of Field Districts/District Engineer



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