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Murphy Administration announces \$161.25 million in FY24 County Aid

Funds will help make infrastructure improvements on the local level

(Trenton) – New Jersey Department of Transportation (NJDOT) Commissioner Diane Gutierrez-Scaccetti today announced the release of \$161.25 million in Fiscal Year 2024 County Aid to help make infrastructure improvements on the local level. The program is funded through the New Jersey Transportation Trust Fund (TTF).

"The New Jersey Department of Transportation is committed to a safe, efficient, and equitable transportation system throughout the State, which means making investments in local infrastructure," NJDOT Commissioner Diane Gutierrez-Scaccetti said. "County Aid provides millions of dollars to help improve county roads and bridges without burdening local property taxpayers."

The State's 21 counties will share a total of \$161.25 million through the County Aid program that helps maintain roads and bridges under county jurisdiction in a state of good repair for the thousands of motorists that count on them each day.

In addition, each County will also be receiving an allotment from approximately \$981,000 in unexpended funds from the Statewide Transportation and Local Bridge Bond Act of 1999 that are being reappropriated based on the recently passed Senate Bill S3953. These funds must be used to rehabilitate and improve structurally deficient bridges consistent with our Local Bridge Fund program and be awarded by June 30, 2025.

County Aid funds are apportioned based on population and road mileage in each county, and each county selects the projects that receive funding. Counties are required to submit eligible projects, identified in the County's annual Transportation Program to NJDOT for approval prior to December 1, 2023. Projects may be improvements to public roads and bridges under county jurisdiction, or other transportation related work. Governor Murphy signed into law a new schedule for County Aid in which NJDOT must inform counties of their allotments for the current fiscal year by July 31 to help counties better plan future projects. For a list of each county's allotment, <u>click here</u>.

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