



LACK OF ADEQUATE FUNDING FOR TRANSPORTATION JEOPARDIZES FUTURE OF ILLINOIS

An efficient, safe transportation network brings in and retains businesses and jobs. It is the strongest economic asset available to state policymakers and we are neglecting that asset.

The condition of our transportation network continues to decline and the cost of repairing is growing every day. Any hope for Illinois to come out of the current malaise and build sustainable economic growth is dependent on safe and efficient transportation networks.

Today, our infrastructure demands immediate attention. Because of delays in state investment, costs are growing, and we must enact significant new funding just to keep our road, bridge, transit, rail and airport systems from deteriorating further.

The Path Forward

To stop the decline, we need new revenues over the next six years:

\$20 BILLION

- Add 2,455 miles of highway to the multi-year program
- Add 516 bridges to the multi-year program
- Provide \$4 billion more to local governments for their road and bridge systems
- Provide an additional \$6.3 billion to avoid further decline in transit systems
- Provide \$1.3 billion for already identified improvements through CREATE for faster moving freight into and through the Chicago region
- Provide \$2.9 billion to begin the 3-5 year engineering and planning process for needed improvements

Who loses when we fail to invest in our infrastructure?

WE ALL DO

- More than 8 million Illinois drivers who use the roads every day
- The 2 million transit riders in Chicagoland each day
- Downstaters who take 41.5 million rides each year
- Illinois businesses who can compete and succeed with an efficient and safe transportation system
- The many Illinois school children on buses every day
- Citizens who rely on trains and trucks to get goods to their groceries and restaurants

Too Much at Risk