

Southwest Washington Regional Transportation Council

Annual Report 2024



1 Projects Funded

2024 Grants and Investment Program

RTC administers the largest transportation system grant program in Clark County. Over the past ten years, RTC has awarded over \$143 million in grants. In 2024, through RTC, approximately \$22.9 million in federal grants were awarded to 30 projects (see tables on next page). Funding for the projects came through RTC's annual TIP project program and also the awarding of one-time grant opportunities to ensure RTC met its regional obligation target. These RTC grant funds will help build the region's priority transportation systems.

Four-Year Regional Investment Program

The RTC Board of Directors adopted the 2025-2028 Transportation Improvement Program in October 2024. The four-year program anticipates \$705 million in multimodal transportation system investments for 67 regionally significant projects.

Executive Director's Reflection

This past year the Regional Transportation Council (RTC) made significant headway on pivotal regional priorities, including updating transportation plans and advancing traffic safety initiatives. These efforts underscore RTC's dedication to a safer and more efficient transportation network for Clark, Skamania, and Klickitat counties.

Transportation Plans Shape Regional Vision: RTC completed comprehensive updates to Regional Transportation Plans across all three counties. These documents, which lay out strategic investment priorities, are guiding efforts to turn long-term visions into tangible improvements for communities.

Funding Regional Investments: RTC's commitment to fund regional transportation projects was underscored by the approval of \$22.9 million in funding for 30 transportation projects. These investments span a wide array of priorities, from infrastructure upgrades to innovative programs addressing emerging challenges.

Investments in Traffic Safety: RTC advanced a Safe Streets and Roads 4 All grant funded study in Clark County while preparing to launch similar projects in Skamania and Klickitat counties. The study funded updates to local road safety plans and yielded \$2.1 million for safety related projects. A three-county traffic safety summit, slated for 2025, is also in development as part of these efforts to enhance regional safety initiatives.

Improving Traffic Flow: A multiagency pilot program aimed at retiming traffic signals along major corridors is now underway. The initiative—designed to ease congestion, lower emissions, and enhance road safety—will include detailed studies to assess the effectiveness of these adjustments. The findings will inform decisions about extending the program across the region.

Looking forward to advancing regional initiatives in 2025...

\$22.9 Million Awarded

30 Projects Funded

10 Member Agencies

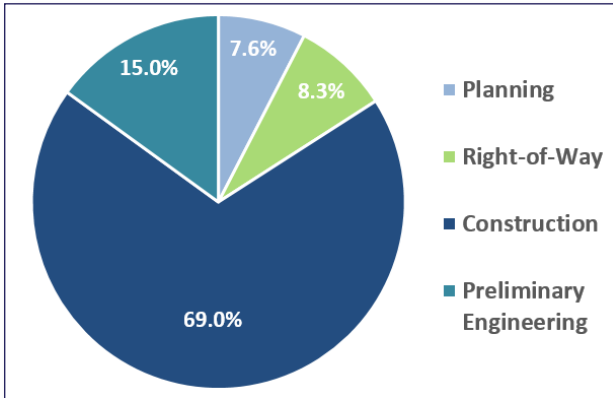
2024 Additional Obligation Authority Funds

Local agencies work together to deliver projects on time to meet the Region’s obligation target by June of each year. By doing so, construction-ready projects become eligible for additional federal funding. In 2024 the Region received an additional \$2.8 million in federal grants for the following projects:

Highway 99 Sidewalk	\$300,000
SE 34th Street Safety & Mobility Project	\$300,000
Jefferson Realignment Project	\$2,200,000

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2024 RTC Grant Awards By Project Phase



2024 RTC Annual TIP Grant Awards Projects

Agency	Project	Amount
Camas	SR 500/Everett Street, NE 35th Ave. to 43rd Ave.	\$625,000
Clark County	NE Delfel Road, NE 179th St. to NE 184th St.	2,500,000
Clark County	NE 15th Avenue, NE 179th St. to NE 10th Ave.	2,000,000
Clark County	NE 179th Street, NE 15th Ave. to NE 26th Ave.	2,000,000
C-TRAN	Fourth Plain BRT Extension	2,500,000
Region	Strategic Regional Partnership Planning	200,000
Region	Travel Time and O/D Data	150,000
Region	Traffic Signal Timing Plans	150,000
RTC	RTC Program Support	975,000
Ridgefield	Carty Road Multi-Purpose Trail	240,000
Ridgefield	S. 10th/11th Street I-5 Overpass	391,000
Ridgefield	I-5 South Connector Project-Phase 2	268,758
Vancouver	NE 18th Street, NE 97th Ave. to NE 107th Ave.	377,500
Vancouver	NE 28th Street, NE 138th Ave. to NE 162nd Ave.	750,000
Vancouver	NE 192nd Avenue, NE 18th St. to SE 1st St.	1,250,000
WSDOT	I-5, SR 502 to Cowlitz Way Ramp Meter	300,000
Total		\$ 14,677,258

2024 RTC One-Time Grant Awards Projects

Agency	Project	Amount
Battle Ground	SR-503/NW Onsdorff Blvd. Intersection	\$225,000
Camas	NW 38th Avenue, NW Parker St. to Grass Valley Pk.	715,000
Camas	NE Everett Street, NE 35th Ave. to NE 43rd Ave.	100,000
Clark County	Hwy 99 Sidewalk, NE 110th St. to NE 117th St.	225,000
Clark County	NE 179th Street, NE 15th Ave. to NE 26th Ave.	300,000
C-TRAN	(7) 40' Hydrogen Fuel Cell Buses	2,100,000
Stevenson	1st Street Pedestrian Amenities	113,000
Vancouver	Jefferson Street Realignment	1,000,000
Vancouver	NE 137th Avenue, NE 49th St. to Fourth Plain Blvd.	1,500,000
Washougal	32nd Street, Webster Ln. to W St.	660,000
WSDOT	I-205 NB/SB, Bridge to Fourth Plain Blvd. ATM	450,000
WSDOT	I-205 SB, NE 134th St. to MP Ramp Meters	650,000
WSDOT	I-205 Widening, SR 500 to Padden Pkwy	250,000
Total		\$8,288,000



Roundabout at 99th St and 112th Av, Vancouver

2 Safety Planning

Safe Streets and Roads 4 All Planning

Working in partnership with numerous partners—including cities, the County, Law Enforcement, Clark County Public Health, and the Washington State Traffic Safety Commission—RTC continued the development of a comprehensive Safety Action Plan for Clark County through the Safe Streets and Roads For All (SS4A) grant that was received in 2023.

A large focus of the work effort in 2024 was updating the Local Road Safety Plans for all city agencies to prepare them for the 2024 Highway Safety Improvement Program (HSIP) call for projects. Grant applications were also developed for the agencies to submit for the HSIP funding opportunity, and our area was successful in receiving over \$2.1 million in funding for safety improvements.

Along with this work effort, progress was made in the development of the action plan, with the identification of safety goals and performance measures, several community outreach events, and a robust collision analysis, which resulted in the identification of regional high injury networks.

City	Project	Grant Award
Battle Ground	Systemic Signalized Intersections	\$370,000
Camas	NW Lake Road Safety Improvements	\$1,209,000
Washougal	Systemic Stop Controlled Intersection Improvements	\$522,000
Total		\$2,101,000



Fourth Plain Blvd at Grand Blvd, Vancouver

3 Special Project

Regional Signal Timing Plans

The federal Carbon Reduction Program, designed to reduce vehicle greenhouse gas emissions impacts and improve congestion and safety of the traveling public, is a new, regionally competitive grant program managed by RTC.

RTC received an award to develop and implement a pilot project—designed to improve air quality, traffic flow, and safety—along congested corridors for Retiming Traffic Signal Plans within the Clark County urban area. Project details may be found on [RTC’s website](#).

RTC, working with local agencies, is developing signal timing plans for five to six corridors, to be implemented by spring of 2025. Priority corridors include:

- Mill Plain East, from 105th Av. to 192nd Av.
- SR 503 South, from Fourth Plain to 119th St.
- SR 503 North, from 119th St. to Onsdorff Blvd.
- 162nd/164th Av. South, from SR 14 to Mill Plain
- Fourth Plain East, from SR 503 to 162nd Av.
- 18th St., from 112th Av. to 162nd Av.



Timed traffic signals along Mill Plain, downtown Vancouver

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