



**West Tennessee Rural Planning Organization**  
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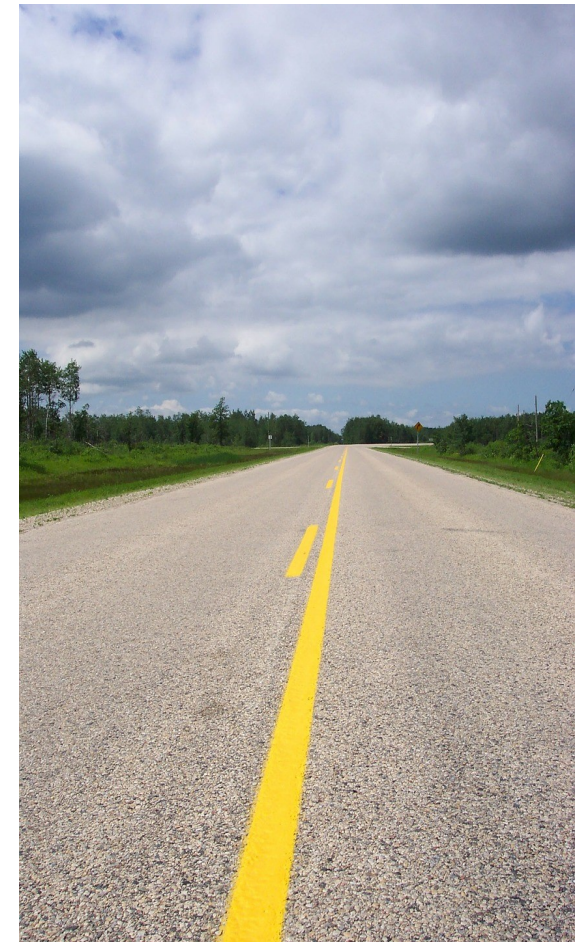
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*“The West TN RPO has responded to multimodal needs in Halls. With their help, we’re developing a bike and pedestrian plan which will improve safety and access in our community.*

*- Mayor Eugene Pugh*

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## **WEST TENNESSEE RURAL PLANNING ORGANIZATION**

### **SUMMER 2016** Overview & Services

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## What is the RPO?

The Rural Planning Organization (RPO) is a regional planning organization established to facilitate collaboration in community and regional transportation. The organization is utilized in TN Department of Transportation's (TDOT) long range planning and multimodal transportation initiatives. There are 11 rural planning organizations in the state. Our services include:

- Support Long Range Transportation Plan
- Collect and Assess Planning Data
- Assist State Aid Process
- Facilitate Road Safety Audits

## Our story

The West TN Rural Planning Organization consists of Tipton, Lauderdale, and parts of Fayette County. A Technical Committee meets to learn and share information regarding regional transportation issues. Committee members bring expertise in transportation and infrastructure to the RPO. The RPO Executive Board are elected officials who receive insight from the Technical Committee in providing final approval to activities.

## Recent Success

Over the last three years, communities in the West TN RPO have received over \$2 million in state funding for infrastructure and planning developments. Additionally, RPO membership has reviewed and ranked 15 regional projects through the state's project prioritization process. Specific developments include:

- \$937,637 awarded to Town of Munford for sidewalk improvements along SR-206.
- Road safety audit revealed and corrected hazards at US-51 & Curve-Nankipoo Rd.
- Advised Town of La Grange on multi-modal issues and aided new planning
- Connected resources to Halls Multimodal needs
- Coordinated I-269 Study

## Why it's important

RPO Communities work together to identify common transportation needs in region.

RPOs exist to serve needs and improve safety, travel, economic activity, and environment.



## Sponsors

The West TN Rural Planning Organization is provided through the following partners:



## Tennessee Department of Transportation

TDOT is the state transportation agency dedicated to providing a safe and reliable transportation system in roadways, aviation, public transit, waterways, and railroads.



## Memphis Area Association of Governments

MAAG is the regional planning and economic development agency serving local governments in the greater Memphis region.

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