



Aim Hot Topic Workshop

COMMUNITY CROSSINGS
Tuesday, October 10, 2023
AGENDA

9:00 a.m. – 9:30 a.m. **Registration**

9:30 a.m. – 10:00 a.m. **Welcome and Introduction to the Day**

Participants will receive a brief history of transportation funding in Indiana, including the genesis of the transformational Community Crossings Matching Grant Program. And before we start the day, Aim CEO Matt Greller and Columbia City Mayor Ryan Daniel will offer an overview of the latest legislative news relative to transportation funding and discussions in Funding for Stronger Safer Tomorrow (FIRSST) Task Force meetings.

Speakers:

Ryan Daniel, Mayor, Columbia City

Matt Greller, CEO, Aim

10:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m. **Utilizing the Expertise, Data and Technology of LTAP**

Anyone with responsibilities or oversight affecting Indiana's transportation network is likely familiar with the Indiana Local Technical Assistance Program, or LTAP. Housed at Purdue University, LTAP provides education, training, data collection and dissemination, and vital research relative to infrastructure efficiency and safety. Attendees will get a rundown of the services and programs LTAP provides and learn more about how to leverage LTAP resources for the betterment of their own city or town.

Speaker:

Pat Conner, Research Manager, Indiana Local Technical Assistance Program (INLTAP)

11:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. **Asset Management Planning Basics and Best Practices**

While it's best practice to regularly assess public infrastructure conditions, to take full advantage of available transportation dollars in Indiana, it's required. Ensuring your asset management plan is complete, reliable, and compliant is not a hard task, but it is an important one. This workshop will cover the mechanics of an assessment management plan and discuss best practices for keeping plans updated and relevant.

Speaker:

Paul Lincks, PE, Senior Project Manager, HWC Engineering

12:00 p.m. – 1:00 p.m. **Luncheon Discussion**

1:00 p.m. – 2:00 p.m. **CCMG Updates, Allowable Uses, Modifications and More**

Since the early days of Community Crossings, INDOT has embraced the program and helped shape it into the transformation program it is today. This all-INDOT session will cover the dos and don'ts of your matching grant applications, a refresher on allowable uses, any recent or planned CCMG program modifications, and relevant updates on other INDOT projects and programs.

Speakers:

Chris Creighton, Chief of Staff, Indiana Department of Transportation

Kathy Eaton-McKalip, Grant Administrator, Indiana Department of Transportation

Mike Smith, Commissioner, Indiana Department of Transportation

2:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.

Making the Right Match – Financing Municipal Transportation Projects

The CCMG program has allowed hundreds of Hoosier communities to offer citizens and visitors a safer and improved transportation network. While the program continues to exceed expectations, finding necessary matching funds to accomplish specific goals is not a foregone conclusion. Experts will discuss strategies your community can employ to maximize participation and plan for future projects; offering practical tips that communities have used to become regular recipients of CCMG dollars.

Speakers:

Heidi Amspaugh, Principal, Baker Tilly Municipal Advisors, LLC

Madalyn Sade-Bartl, Clerk-Treasurer, Churubusco

3:00 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.

Roundtable Discussion & Wrap-Up

Panelists from throughout the day will continue taking your questions and making final observations before participants are adjourned to begin planning their next grant application!

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