

# Creating permanent jobs while improving transportation

**Minnesota's Transportation Economic Development program leverages private and public funds to close existing gaps in transportation construction projects—creating and preserving jobs across the state.**

*"The TED program is proving to be successful by demonstrating the spirit of collaboration, innovation and creativity within state government and our private/public sector partners. We can achieve great things by working together to address the state's economic challenges."*

**Bernie Arseneau**  
MnDOT deputy commissioner and chief engineer

**\$56 + \$100** for **24**  
million program funds    million private & other public funds    projects

These projects—solicited in 2010 and 2012—will directly contribute to creating or preserving more than 7,000 permanent, head-of-household jobs statewide. This is in addition to the construction jobs created to build the projects.

Projects range from improving major metro area interchanges to rural county roads.

## Transportation and Economic Development in Minnesota

[www.mndot.gov/funding/ted.html](http://www.mndot.gov/funding/ted.html)



**International Falls**

- Build infrastructure for a multimodal facility near a warehouse/distribution center
- Support expansion of warehouse/distribution center facility by 100,000 square feet (valued at \$5-8 million)
- 50 new jobs

**Perham**

- Construct interchange at Hwy 10 and County Road 34
- Improved access to Barrel O'Fun, Tuffy's Pet Foods, Kenny's Candies and a new hospital
- 240 new jobs

**Mille Lacs County**

- Reconstruct County Road 132 to support 9-ton load capacity
- Ensure Hawkins Sawmill remains a viable contributor to the local economy—mill can now ship full loads
- 10 new jobs

**Eden Prairie**

- Improve interchange at Hwy 212 and County Road 61
- Increase access to Golden Triangle and City West business parks, whose 600 businesses employ 20,000 people
- 3,500 new jobs

**Mankato**

- Construct Energy Drive, with direct access to Eastwood Energy Industrial Park
- Prepare for new industrial park—plans include a major distribution center and data center
- 400 new jobs

**Rochester**

- Improve 4-lane intersection and install appropriate signals at Hwy 14 and 40th Avenue.
- Enable Reichel Foods to consolidate and expand its food processing and distribution operations
- 50 new jobs

### Purpose

- Create and preserve jobs
- Improve the state's economic competitiveness
- Increase statewide tax base
- Leverage greater private and local public investment in critical infrastructure
- Accelerate transportation improvements

### Eligible Projects

- Projects must support one or more of the following industries:
- Manufacturing
  - Technology
  - Warehousing and distribution
  - Research and development
  - Agricultural processing
  - Bioscience
  - Tourism and recreation
  - Industrial park or multimodal developments

### Measuring Success

- All projects will undergo a project performance review to measure success in meeting its economic development goals. Evaluation criteria include:
- Number of jobs created/retained
  - Level of local and private sector financial participation (at least 30% required)

