


QUALITY INFRASTRUCTURE


GOAL 1

Facilitate the infrastructure necessary to improve access to high-speed internet throughout McHenry County

OBJECTIVE A 	
Explore public-private partnerships to maximize the fiber optic network	
Tasks	Accomplishments
1) Continue improving access to robust high-speed fiber/internet infrastructure throughout County; market fiber-optic network; explore revenue-generating models	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ iFiber developed an interactive map allowing a user to enter an address and locate the nearest broadband fiber network, including McHenry County's. The interactive map is located at http://ifiber.org/interactive-map/. ✓ McHenry County is collaborating with its lobbyist to seek Federal grant money for Broadband Expansion: Phase III. ✓ The County has developed a white paper to seek EDA funding to expand the fiber network.
2) Leverage the value of high-speed internet infrastructure and other County resources	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ McHenry Fiber Consortium has two memoranda of understanding in place, one with Northern Illinois University and one with iFiber, to broker agreements with the private sector.

GOAL 2


Improve McHenry County's access to Interstate highway system

OBJECTIVE A 	
Proactively work with the Illinois Department of Transportation (IDOT) to improve State highways with access to the interstate highway system (IL 47, IL 31, IL 23, US 20)	
Tasks	Accomplishments
1) Monitor and work with other counties on regional transportation projects	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ McHenry County participated in the first meeting of the Tri-County Access Project – Stakeholder Participation Group on 3/21/18. The next meeting is scheduled for 4/24/18.
2) Complete Phase II engineering, right-of-way acquisition and construction of the Randall road widening project	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ The County Board is now scheduled to vote at its November meeting on an intergovernmental agreement with the Village of Algonquin for the Randall Road Project from Harnish Drive to Polaris Drive/Acorn Lane and the appropriation of funds. ✓ Phase II engineering for Randall Road and right of way acquisition is complete.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Phase III engineering service agreement approved by the County Board on 4/17/18. ✓ Construction on Randall Road is expected to begin in the summer of 2018. ✓ The utility relocation and permit processing is ongoing.
<p>3) Facilitate the successful completion/installation of the long-awaited full interchange at IL 23 and I-90</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ The County Board shall vote on the Resolution Approving an Intergovernmental Agreement between the Illinois State Toll Highway Authority, Illinois department of Transportation, County of McHenry, and City of Marengo for the Construction of the Illinois Route 23 and Interstate 90 Interchange Project and Appropriating funds at its November meeting. ✓ The County is collaborating with its lobbyist to seek Federal grant money for construction. ✓ 60% of engineering plans for IL 23 and I-90 are complete. ✓ Right of way acquisition is beginning in the summer of 2018. ✓ Construction is expected to being in 2019. ✓ MCDOT attended a City of Marengo public meeting held on August 22, 2017 to answer citizens' questions regarding the interchange.

GOAL 3

Promote mobility for all County residents by providing choices in the transportation network including walking, biking and public transit

OBJECTIVE A 	
Continue to operate the MCRide dial-a-ride transit program	
Tasks	Accomplishments
<p>1) Improve efficiencies and target users for the MCRide dial-a-ride transit program</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ The County Board will vote on whether to enter into two intergovernmental agreements one between McHenry County and Pace Suburban Bus for MCRide Dial-A-Ride Transit Services and another with 24 municipalities for 2019 at its November Meeting. For 2019, MCRide has been expanded to include the Village of Fox River Grove in the intergovernmental agreement. ✓ The County Board updated its MCRide Title VI Program at its May 2018 meeting. ✓ The Village of Union was added to the MCRide program on 4/1/2018.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ 103,677 trips were provided on MCRide in 2017, up from 101,384 in 2016 (a 2.3% increase). ✓ Total bus cost per trip has decreased from \$20.00 per trip in September of 2016 to \$17.47 as of September of 2017.
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OBJECTIVE B

Explore emerging opportunities to provide low-cost transportation solution to McHenry County residents

Tasks	Accomplishments
1) Promote volunteer driver transportation programs	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Senior Care Volunteer Network provided 8196 trips in 2017 at an average cost per trip of \$7.42.
2) Expand public/private partnerships with technology companies and transportation providers (i.e., Uber, Lyft, taxis etc.)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Visit McHenry County is spearheading the exploration of a bike-share program with its Department of Transportation, Planning & Development and municipal partners. ✓ The ongoing McHenry County Transit Plan update will examine public/private partnerships with transportation network companies like Uber and Lyft. The recommendations from the transit plan will be implemented in future fiscal years.

OBJECTIVE C

Ensure that all County roadways are planned and constructed with the needs of pedestrians and bicyclists in mind

Tasks	Accomplishments
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ No specific tasks identified in the Strategic Plan 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ The 2019-2023 Transportation Program before the County Board at its November meeting accounts for the Bicycle, Pedestrian and Transit Program over the next four years. ✓ The County Board will vote on an engineering services agreement and the appropriation of funds to implement the ADA/PROWAG Transition Plan, which will improve the accessibility of its roadways at its November Board meeting. ✓ The McHenry County Board approved a proclamation declaring June 21 to June 29, 2018 as McHenry County Bicycle Week to promote bicycling as a form of transportation and recreation. ✓ The County Board approved an “Active Transportation Policy” for McHenry County on 3/19/2018. The Policy mandates that the Division of Transportation design and build County highways with the needs of non-motorized users in mind.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Phase I engineering started on a shared use path along Bull Valley Road in the City of McHenry, connecting the Prairie Trail with IL 31.
OBJECTIVE D Continue to collaborate with regional transportation providers (i.e., PACE, METRA, Uber)	
Tasks	Accomplishments
1) Explore opportunities for enhancing the transportation system in the County	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ McHenry County advocated for the Union Pacific Northwest line Upgrades Project to be included in CMAP's ON TO 2050 Plan.
2) Assess requirements and possible approaches to address the 'last mile' connection from station to home for many commuters in the County	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ MCDOT continues in planning efforts by the City of McHenry to implement a city or county-wide bike share program.

GOAL 4

Address short-term and long-term capital and facility needs

OBJECTIVE A Evaluate facility and capital needs and future uses, maintenance and utilization	
Tasks	Accomplishments
1) Address facility space needs across the County campus and explore ways to use current space and assets most efficiently	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ The County Board is scheduled to vote on the funding of the Administration/Annex A reconfiguration project at its October meeting. This project will leverage existing space to accommodate the services currently provided out of Annex B which is slated for demolition in FY 2020. ✓ Facilities Management has kept the Government Center parking lot renovation on schedule and on budget. The parking lot renovation will add 137 more spaces for public use. ✓ The County Board authorized a lease for space at 400 Russel Court for the Court Administration Office of Special Projects, which administers the specialty court programs. Their current offices are repurposed attorney/client conference rooms on the first floor of the Government Center that are not well-suited for this purpose. ✓ The Sheriff Dispatch space has been expanded to accommodate additional service demand due to the consolidation of PSAPS.
2) Develop a comprehensive capital improvement plan, including projected	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ The 2019-2023 Transportation Program before the County Board at its November meeting has planned for the funding of

needs, timing and long-term funding sources and financing strategies	<p>various transportation projects across the County over the next four years.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ The FY 2019 Budget as proposed meets the funding needs for the capital projects underway or programmed in that fiscal year. ✓ In June 2018, the County Board adopted a resolution to dedicate funds to the five year Capital Plan. ✓ The 2018-2022 Summary of Capital Projects was adopted by the County Board on August 15, 2017.
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OBJECTIVE B

Evaluate future roadway, maintenance and utilization strategies



<p>1) Develop a process for prioritization, pace and funding for improvements of non-dedicated roadways incorporated into the County jurisdiction, followed by transfer to township control</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ The IGA approved on February 20, 2018 transfers all of the County's non-dedicated roads within Algonquin Township's boundaries to the Township. ✓ Of the original 23 miles of non-dedicated roadways taken into County jurisdiction, only 11.98 miles remain. ✓ The County is working with McHenry Township to improve and transfer 4+ miles of non-dedicated subdivision roads ✓ Negotiations have been initiated with townships and municipalities where question of jurisdiction exists.
<p>2) Explore MCDOT website utilization to communicate infrastructure planning and progress</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ During the month of June 2018, the MCDOT Homepage had 1,673 page views, 1,318 of which were unique. MCDOT's Facebook page reached 4,003 people, was viewed 462 times and liked 28 times.