

# Metropolitan Transportation Improvement Programs



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## METROPOLITAN TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAMS

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Under Title 23 of the United States Code pertaining to transportation, communities with population greater than 50,000 are required to have a Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO). The MPOs are responsible for coordinating transportation planning efforts in their region. Results from the 2010 census confirmed that the state of Kansas needed to establish a new MPO area in the Manhattan and Junction City metropolitan area. As a result, on February 20, 2013, the State of Kansas designated the Flint Hills Metropolitan Planning Organization (FHMPO) as the newest MPO in Kansas. The addition of the FHMPO brings the total number of MPOs in the state to six. The six Kansas MPOs are: the Mid-America Regional Council (covers the bi-state Kansas City metropolitan area), the Lawrence-Douglas County Metropolitan Planning Organization, the Wichita Area Metropolitan Planning Organization, the Metropolitan Topeka Planning Organization, the Flint Hills Metropolitan Planning Organization (covers Manhattan, Ogden and Junction City), and the St. Joseph Area Transportation Study Organization (covers the bi-state area of the St. Joseph, Missouri metropolitan area).

The planning process by the MPOs encompasses all modes of transportation and covers both short-range

and long-range transportation planning. MPO plans and programs are reviewed and approved by the Federal Highway Administration and the Federal Transit Administration. The role of the MPO is to coordinate the transportation planning activities within their region. This includes serving as a liaison between local communities, their citizens, and the state departments of transportation. MPOs help determine how and where available state and federal dollars for transportation improvements will be spent. As defined by federal and state transportation regulations, the primary functions of the MPO are to:

- Establish the goals, objectives and policies governing transportation planning in the region.
- Approve an annual Unified Planning Work Program and budget.
- Direct the preparation and adoption of the Metropolitan Transportation Plan (MTP) goals, objectives, and priorities.
- Program projects for implementation through the adoption of the Transportation Improvement Program (TIP).
- Dependent on attainment status: perform the air quality conformity determination for the TIP and MTP.

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Projects within each MPO are incorporated in the Kansas STIP by reference of the TIP each MPO has in place. To view specific MPO project information and cost, follow the links provided below to each MPO TIP. In addition to TIP information, contact information and currently adopted MTP information, formerly referred to as the Long Range Transportation Plan (LRTP), is provided. As new TIPs or MTPs are adopted by MPOs, the new documents will be amended into this STIP using the amendment process.

**Mid-America Regional Council  
(MARC)  
Kansas City Metropolitan Area**

*FFY 2012-2016  
Transportation Improvement Program*

- Approval by MARC on October 25, 2011
- Approval by KDOT on November 02, 2011
- Approval by FHWA/ FTA on November 09, 2011

Link to current TIP:

[www.marc.org/transportation/tip/TIP12-16.htm](http://www.marc.org/transportation/tip/TIP12-16.htm)

Metropolitan Transportation Plan (MTP):  
*“Transportation Outlook 2040 Update”*

- Approval Date: June 29, 2010
- Expiration Date: June 29, 2015

Link to current MTP:

[www.marc.org/2040/](http://www.marc.org/2040/)

Contact Information:

Mid America Regional Council  
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Kansas City, MO 64105  
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**Wichita Area Metropolitan Planning  
Organization (WAMPO)  
Wichita Metropolitan Area**

*FFY 2013 - 2016  
Transportation Improvement Program*

- Approval by WAMPO on September 11, 2012
- Approval by KDOT on October 19, 2012
- Approval by FHWA/FTA on October 24, 2012

Link to current TIP:

<http://www.wampoks.org/NR/rdonlyres/B7A91A9F-7796-44CE-A934-BBAA7B40D0B9/77627/2013TIP.pdf>

Metropolitan Transportation Plan (MTP):  
*“Metropolitan Transportation Plan  
2035”*

- Approval Date: July 13, 2010
- Expiration Date: July 13, 2015

Link to current MTP:

[www.wampoks.org/Publications/Metropolitan+Transportation+Plan+2035.htm](http://www.wampoks.org/Publications/Metropolitan+Transportation+Plan+2035.htm)

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Contact Information:

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Wichita, KS 67202

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[www.wampoks.org/Home.htm](http://www.wampoks.org/Home.htm)

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**Metropolitan Topeka Planning  
Organization (MTPO)  
Topeka Metropolitan Area**

*FFY 2013-2016*

*Transportation Improvement Program*

- Approval by MTPO on October 25, 2012
- Approval by KDOT on November 12, 2012
- Approval by FHWA/FTA on November 15, 2012.

Link to current TIP:

[www.topeka.org/pdfs/DRAFT2013-2016TIP.pdf](http://www.topeka.org/pdfs/DRAFT2013-2016TIP.pdf)

Metropolitan Transportation Plan (MTP):

*“2040 Long Transportation Range  
Plan”*

- Approval Date: April 23, 2012
- Expiration Date: April 23, 2017

Link to current MTP:

<http://www.topeka.org/pdfs/2040LRTP.pdf>

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Topeka, KS 66607

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[www.topeka.org/planning/transportation\\_planning.shtml](http://www.topeka.org/planning/transportation_planning.shtml)

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**Lawrence-Douglas County  
Metropolitan Planning Organization  
(L-DC MPO)**

**Lawrence & Douglas County Area**

*FY 2012 – 2015*

*Transportation Improvement Program*

*For the Lawrence Urbanized Area*

- Approval by the L-DC MPO on October 20, 2011
- Approval by KDOT on November 03, 2011
- Approval by FHWA/FTA on November 09, 2011

Link to current TIP:

[www.lawrenceks.org/pds/tr-tip](http://www.lawrenceks.org/pds/tr-tip)

Metropolitan Transportation Plan (MTP):

*“Transportation 2040-Moving Forward  
Together”*

- Approval Date: March 21, 2013
- Expiration Date: March 21, 2018

Link to current MTP:

<http://www.lawrenceks.org/mpo/t2040>

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**Flint Hills Metropolitan Planning  
Organization (FHMPO)  
Manhattan Metropolitan Area**

*Transportation Improvement Program:*

- Approval by FHMPO on August 21, 2013
- Approval by KDOT on September 5, 2013
- Approval by FHWA/FTA on September 6, 2013

Link to current TIP:  
<http://flinthillsmpo.wix.com/fhmipo#!tip/c15wg>

Metropolitan Transportation Plan (MTP):  
*The FHMPO is anticipated to have an adopted MTP no later than March 27, 2016.*

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**St. Joseph Area Transportation  
Study Organization (SJATSO)  
St. Joseph Metropolitan Area**

*FY 2012-2015  
Transportation Improvement Program  
For the St. Joseph Area*

- Approval by SJATSO on June 29, 2011
- Approval by KDOT on July 8, 2011
- Approval by FHWA/FTA on July 12, 2011

Link to current TIP: [www.ci-st-joe-mo.us/mpo/TIP%20Document%20FY12-15.pdf](http://www.ci-st-joe-mo.us/mpo/TIP%20Document%20FY12-15.pdf)

Metropolitan Transportation Plan (MTP):  
*“2035 St. Joseph Area Long-Range  
Transportation Plan”*

- Approval Date: February 11, 2010
- Expiration Date: February 11, 2015

Link to current MTP:  
[http://stjoempo.org/?page\\_id=104](http://stjoempo.org/?page_id=104)

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