

Transportation Infrastructure Investment Fund Launches

The Delaware Department of Transportation (DelDOT) announces that the Transportation Infrastructure Investment Fund (TIIF), an initiative announced by Governor John Carney in 2019, is now live and [accepting submissions](#).

TIIF was established to provide economic assistance for renovation, construction, or any other type of improvements to roads and related transportation infrastructure in order to attract new businesses to this state, or expand existing businesses in this State, when such an economic development opportunity would create a significant number of direct, permanent, quality full-time jobs.

At [the bill signing](#) last summer, **Governor Carney stated**, “This legislation is really about creating good-paying jobs for Delaware workers and their families...TIIF will allow us to react quickly to important economic development projects that require upgrades to roads or other infrastructure. Investments in our transportation infrastructure make it easier and safer to travel across Delaware, and help us attract development from new and existing businesses...”

“Launching TIIF is an important step in our ongoing efforts to expedite our processes to ensure we are encouraging economic development projects that will help businesses in our state grow,” **said Secretary of Transportation Jennifer Cohan**.

TIIF is funded with \$5 million from the state’s general fund and \$5 million from DelDOT’s FY 2020 budget. The fund will be managed by the TIIF Council, a nine-member council established by the legislation with seven appointments made by the governor. The council will consider applications and make funding recommendations to Delaware’s Transportation Secretary

and the Secretary of State.

Governor Carney has appointed **Rob Book, Michael Casson, Cornelia Johnson, Mona Parikh, John Riley, Bill Strickland,** and **Joe Westcott** as the first members of the TIIF Council, which will [meet for the first time on January 27, 2020](#). **Representative Bill Bush** and **Senator David Sokola** were appointed by their respective chambers to represent the General Assembly on the council.

More information on TIIF can be found at <https://de.gov/TIIF>