

# Urban Construction Initiative Annual Accomplishments CY2018

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### Introduction

The Urban Construction Initiative (UCI) currently has fifteen localities under agreement to administer their entire construction program. UCI localities include the cities of Virginia Beach, Hampton, Richmond, Charlottesville, Harrisonburg, Lynchburg, Colonial Heights, Chesapeake, Danville, Newport News and Suffolk, and the towns of Blacksburg, Bridgewater, Purcellville and Dumfries. In 2012, the City of Virginia Beach successfully demonstrated their ability to deliver state and federally funded projects and became the first locality to qualify under the certification process.

### Program Accomplishments

The UCI Workgroup continues to meet to develop new ways to enhance communication with our municipal counterparts and to streamline project development and delivery. This group consists of representatives from eight different localities, VDOT District and Central Office Staff, and the FHWA. In addition to preparing the agendas for the UCI Annual Meetings, the Workgroup continues to focus efforts on completing goals identified in the UCI Strategic Goals. The intent of these strategic and programmatic goals is to focus on increasing efficiency and effectiveness of the UCI.

At the March, 2018 meeting the Workgroup was given an overview of the Urban Maintenance Inventory System and Roadway Inventory Management Systems (i.e. the UMIS/RIMS Project) that included a presentation ARC GIS mapping feature for Urban RIMS. Input from the Workgroup included map enhancements such as a color coding feature for functional classification and adding NHS and STRAHNET data to the maps. The Workgroup also provided input to the Project Information Report and suggested improvements such as breaking funds out by type and including obligations to help determine which type of funds have been spent. The Workgroup also suggested Annual Meeting topics, format and location. Other items discussed at the meeting were ways to increase interest in the UCI program and updating the UCI Goals and Strategic Plan. Outside of UCI Workgroup meetings, members of the workgroup continue to be involved with VDOT initiatives to provide input throughout the year.

The updated UCI Strategic Goals is attached below.



UCI Goals and  
Strategic Plan

### **Annual Meeting**

The 2018 UCI Annual Meeting was held in August 2018 in the City of Charlottesville as a two day event. Day 1 included a welcome by the City of Charlottesville Councilwoman Kathy Galvin and VDOT's Local Assistance Division Administrator Julie Brown. Topics included an update to VDOT's Business Plan, legislative updates; an overview of local programs and performance reporting presented by Julie Brown, and Todd Halacy, Local Assistance Division Assistant Division Administrator. The Qualifications Program was presented by Michaela McCain, Local Assistance Division Outreach Program Manager. As part of VDOT's initiatives, attendees viewed Commissioner Steve Brich's video outlining the Vision for VDOT. Lamont Benjamin from the City of Richmond and a UCI Workgroup member gave an update on items the UCI Workgroup is currently reviewing. Additional topics included an update to UCI Project Closeout; UCI Quarterly Payments and Urban Maintenance Payments presented by Yolanda Newton, Local Assistance Local Systems Policy Manager and RIMS/UMIS Geo-referencing presented by John Leonard, Local Assistance Urban Finance Manager. Day 1 also included a bus tour of Charlottesville projects including 10 local and VDOT administered projects. Day 2 included a welcome by the City of Charlottesville Director of Neighborhood Development Services, Mr. Alex Ikefuna and VDOT's Deputy Chief Commissioner, Mr. Rob Cary. Day 2 was a day of training and topics included Smart Scale Application Portal, Non VDOT Administered Project Module (NVAP) and Smart Scale Funding Update presented by Kim Pryor, VDOT's Infrastructure Investment Division Director. Jay Styles, VDOT's Performance and Strategic Planning Division Director presented a Dashboard update. Yolanda Newton gave an update to the State or Good Repair Program, John Leonard demonstrated the ARC GIS Mapping features; John Simmers, Local Assistance Division Local Programs Manager presented the Project Information Report.

After discussions with the UCI Workgroup, it was decided the Annual Meetings will continue to be held once a year as a two day event. The agendas for the meetings will be established by the UCI Workgroup and will continue to have a three-pronged approach: business session (updates of program interest), information sharing (lessons learned/technical), and progress on a specific programmatic initiative/focus area led by the Workgroup. A link to the agendas, meeting minutes, presentations and handouts for all previous UCI Annual Meetings held since November 2010 can be found at the following link: <http://www.virginiadot.org/business/local-assistance-firstCities.asp>

### **Financial Table**

As a result of reductions in the urban formula allocations, the commitment of Urban Construction Funds, including reimbursable federal funds and state funds paid directly to the participating municipalities in their quarterly payment, have diminished since 2009. The total financial commitment is shown in Attachment A.

### **UCI Goals and Major Initiatives for Fiscal Year 2018**

- Provide training and development opportunities to enhance local and VDOT competencies, reduce risk, and improve oversight
- Continue to find ways to streamline project development, delivery and oversight
- Facilitate developing and implementing the UCI Strategic Goals
- Reconciliation of urban formula funding on completed projects

### **Long Term Vision / Goals**

- Continue the VDOT shift to a stewardship and oversight role – much like FHWA

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**URBAN CONSTRUCTION INITIATIVE**  
**Fiscal Year 2018 Financial Summary**

	CITY / TOWN	URBAN CONSTRUCTION ALLOCATIONS		PREVIOUS FUNDING on ACTIVE PROJECTS		PAST PROJECT RECONCILIATION		ANNUAL TOTALS	
		FEDERAL FUNDS	STATE FUNDS	FEDERAL FUNDS	STATE FUNDS	FEDERAL FUNDS	STATE FUNDS	FEDERAL FUNDS	STATE FUNDS
		(for Reimbursement)	(Quarterly Payment)	(for Reimbursement)	(Quarterly Payment)	(for Reimbursement)	(Quarterly Payment)	(for Reimbursement)	(Quarterly Payment)
	FISCAL YEAR 2005	\$2,781	\$2,268	\$54,277	\$29,612	\$6,353	\$26,563	\$63,411	\$58,443
	FISCAL YEAR 2006	\$4,484	\$10,846	\$3,391	\$2,948	\$908	\$1,352	\$8,783	\$15,146
	FISCAL YEAR 2007	\$19,881	\$12,178	\$1,553	\$2,108	\$596	\$760	\$22,030	\$15,046
	FISCAL YEAR 2008	\$17,579	\$19,872	\$3,941	\$19,169	\$155	\$666	\$21,675	\$39,707
	FISCAL YEAR 2009	\$12,234	\$10,096	\$6,513	\$8,852	\$0	\$965	\$18,747	\$19,913
	FISCAL YEAR 2010	\$2,597	\$2,733	\$1,523	\$1,715	\$0	\$0	\$4,120	\$4,448
	FISCAL YEAR 2011	\$4,835	\$1,396	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$4,835	\$1,396
	FISCAL YEAR 2012	\$0	\$19	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$19
	FISCAL YEAR 2013	\$0	\$75	\$800	\$2,427	\$0	\$1,689	\$800	\$4,191
	FISCAL YEAR 2014	\$0	\$41	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$41
	FISCAL YEAR 2015	\$0	\$117	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$117
	FISCAL YEAR 2016	\$0	\$1,359	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$1,359
	FISCAL YEAR 2017	\$0	\$3,800	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$3,800
	HAMPTON	\$0	\$289					\$0	\$289
	RICHMOND	\$0	\$0					\$0	\$0
F	VIRGINIA BEACH	\$0	\$0					\$0	\$0
Y	CHARLOTTESVILLE	\$0	\$244					\$0	\$244
2	BRIDGEWATER	\$0	\$0					\$0	\$0
0	HARRISONBURG	\$0	\$0					\$0	\$0
1	LYNCHBURG	\$0	\$0					\$0	\$0
8	DUMFRIES	\$0	\$43					\$0	\$43
	PURCELLVILLE	\$0	\$0					\$0	\$0
	BLACKSBURG	\$0	\$0					\$0	\$0
	COLONIAL HEIGHTS	\$0	\$0					\$0	\$0
	CHESAPEAKE	\$0	\$1,671					\$0	\$1,671
	NEWPORT NEWS	\$0	\$661					\$0	\$661
	DANVILLE	\$0	\$952					\$0	\$952
	SUFFOLK	\$0	\$248					\$0	\$248
	<b>FY 2018 TOTALS</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$4,108</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$4,108</b>
	<b>TOTALS TO DATE</b>	<b>\$64,391</b>	<b>\$73,017</b>	<b>\$71,998</b>	<b>\$66,831</b>	<b>\$8,012</b>	<b>\$31,995</b>	<b>\$144,401</b>	<b>\$171,843</b>
								<b>TOTAL FEDERAL &amp; STATE FUNDS</b>	<b>\$316,244</b>

**NOTES:**

- Figures in thousands (1,000).
- Figures shown for FY18 and Previous Funding on Active Projects are based on allocations made in FY18 Program.
- Federal Funds are paid to localities on a reimbursable basis.
- State Funds provided to localities as Quarterly Payments and are to be used for state funded projects and/or for local match on Federally Funded Projects.
- Includes SAFETEA-LU and Local Partnership Funds
- No new federal funds