

PART III:

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This section presents a review of the programs that provide local units of government with assistance in financing their road and street improvement programs.

Two categories of state assistance are covered: Direct State Assistance and Special State Assistance programs. Both programs provided additional funding to local governments through the passage of Illinois FIRST in FY 1999, Public Act 91-20.

The categories of assistance are briefly described with an accounting of the allocation of funds to the local units, as prescribed by the enacting legislation for each program.

Direct State Assistance

Motor fuel tax allotments to local governments increased from FY 2015 to FY 2016. In FY 2015 the allocation was \$534.4 million and in FY 2016 the allocation was \$582.5 million.

Special State Assistance Programs:

Consolidated County Assistance -- Every county, excluding Cook County, shared in \$21.8 million of additional state assistance under this program in FY 2016.

Needy Townships -- 920 township/road district units shared \$1million in additional state assistance from this program in FY 2016.

High Growth Cities -- 150 cities received a share of the \$4 million distribution of additional state assistance provided by this program in FY 2016.

Township Bridge -- \$15 million was distributed for local bridges in FY 2016.