



The *TIA* Times

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Southern Georgia Region



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TIA (2018-2028):

Original Approved Investment Budget:
\$408,763,452

TIA 2 (2027-2036)*:

Original Approved Investment Budget:
\$669,931,000

Stats and Data Available at
www.ga-tia.com

**It is currently forecast that Southern Georgia's TIA 2 term could begin as early as 2026.*

Georgia's **Transportation Investment Act (TIA) Program** provides a way for regions to fund necessary transportation infrastructure projects through a voter-approved one-cent sales tax.

Your region's [project lists](#) were selected by regional roundtables made up of local elected officials, community members & stakeholders appointed by the [Southern Georgia Regional Commission](#).

[Citizen Review Panels](#) of local residents appointed by the Lieutenant Governor or Georgia Speaker of the House meet at least three times per year to oversee the program's progress.



TIA's Discretionary Funds: Another Way the Program Benefits Your Community

Did you know that the Southern Georgia region's TIA proceeds are divided into two portions? 75% funds the region's list of transportation improvement projects and 25% is split up among its counties and cities to be used as discretionary funds for any transportation-related needs.

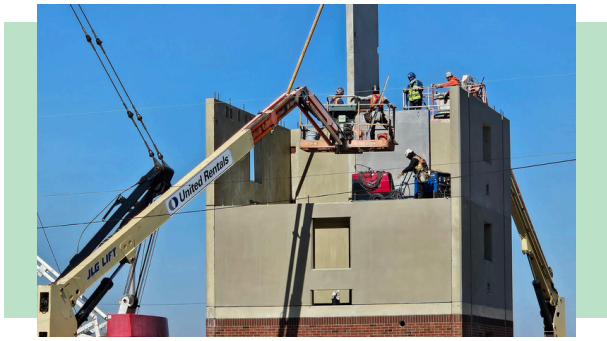
Your city or county leaders decide how the funds are spent - not the Georgia DOT. Since local officials know best what their citizens and businesses need, they get to choose. Since TIA started, counties have used discretionary funds to purchase everything from new traffic signals to maintenance vehicles, from sidewalks to road resurfacings.

To learn more about TIA's discretionary funds, [click here](#) to check out the FAQs on our website.

Pierce County: US 84 Bridges at Satilla River

Concrete crews have been active for several months, pouring sections of the bridge decks and approach slabs, and soon will start working on barrier wall. Teams also continue placing beams for the two bridges.





Lowndes County: New Air Control Tower at Valdosta Regional Airport

Now that the exterior walls of the new air control tower have been placed, crews have started work on the inside of the building. Teams are installing the electrical and plumbing systems, building stairs and putting down flooring.



City of Tifton: Culvert Bridge Replacements on 18th Street

Contractors have made good progress on the project replacing five small neighborhood bridges over a large culvert. The previous bridges were decades old and in various stages of disrepair, so this work improves safety for local residents.

Projects in Preconstruction

Tift County - Interstate 75 at Chula Brookfield Road (Exit 69) - Phase 2

- Design plans for pavement approved, bridge and wall designs underway

Lowndes County - Old Clyattville Road Widening

- Design and right-of-way plans approved

Cook County - Tillman Road Bypass Improvements - Phase 3

- Project concept and schedule in development

Public Information Open Houses Provide Valuable Opportunities for Community Opinions

Many large-scale TIA projects include a public information open house in their preconstruction activities. These events allow local residents to review all of a project's details, get answers to any questions from project engineers and designers, and give comments and opinions about them and their expected impacts.

Anyone interested in a TIA project is invited to attend. Residents and businesses in an area affected by a project receive postcard invitations and details are also posted on our social media in advance. Keep an eye out for coming open houses in your county!



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