Fixing Our Streets

Your Dime at Work

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The Mission

Repave streets, fill potholes, improve street lighting, build sidewalks, improve safety for Portlanders walking, biking, and rolling to school, and more.



Improving the transportation system and making Portland more livable



Accomplishments, 2016-2024

Over 8 years, the **10-cent gas tax** and **Heavy Vehicle Use Tax** has raised roughly **\$150 million**. With these funds PBOT has repaved 80 lane miles of city streets, repaired over 40,000 potholes, and completed hundreds of safety improvements across Portland.





Leveraging grants worth over \$30 million

\$5 million from the 10-cent gas tax leveraged another **\$20 million** through a Safe Streets for All grant on 122nd Avenue

\$3.8 million from the Heavy Vehicle Use Tax leveraged another **\$13.9 million** through a Federal Bridge Investment Program grant to replace the Burgard Bridge.

> Without Fixing Our Streets funding, PBOT may not have applied for these grants





Today's actions

Resolution referring a 4-year renewal of Portland's **10-cent gas tax** on light vehicles to the May 21, 2024 election.

2 First reading of ordinance to extend the **Heavy Vehicle Use Tax** for four years.





Revenue

| Source | Share of Revenue (cost responsibility) | 2020-24 | 2024-28 |
|--|--|----------------|----------------|
| 10-cent gas tax on light vehicles | 87% | \$74.5 million | \$70.5 million |
| Heavy Vehicle Use Tax | 13% | \$11 million | \$10.5 million |
| | Total | \$85.5 million | \$80.5 million |
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Fixing Our Streets 2024-28 10-Cent Gas Tax

Proposed 10-cent gas tax allocation, 2024-2028

Community Street Services \$23.5 million

Smoother Streets Projects \$23.5 million Safer Streets Projects \$23.5 million



Smoother Street Projects



| Subtotal | \$23.5 million |
|--|----------------|
| Paving on Local Streets | \$4.5 million |
| Paving on Busy Streets and Neighborhood Greenways | \$19 million |



Community Street Services



Potholes Signals & Lighting Maintenance **Gravel Street Service Base Repair** Safer Intersections Pedestrian, Bicycle, and **Public Space Retrofits Traffic Calming**

\$5.5 million

\$3.5 million \$4 million \$4 million \$2 million

\$2.5 million\$2 million

Subtotal \$23.5 million



Safer Street Projects



| Safety on Busy Streets | \$9 million |
|------------------------|---------------|
| Safety on Neighborhood | |
| Streets | \$6 million |
| Safe Routes to School | \$6 million |
| Additional Safety | |
| Enhancements | \$2.5 million |

Subtotal \$23.5 million



Heavy Vehicle Use Tax

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Heavy Vehicle Use Tax (HVUT)

The HVUT ensures heavy vehicles pay their fair share of the cost of the transportation system:







Who pays and how much?

- Any company that delivers goods in Portland is required to pay the HVUT over 700 companies pay
- Companies pay a small percentage of their total weight mile tax when they pay their Portland Business License Tax
- Over the first years of the program, 86% of companies paid less than \$64 per month
- There is an appeals process for companies that can document extreme low use of city streets
- Today's ordinance reduces the 3% rate from 2020-24 to 2.6% for 2024-28. The rate was reduced to 1.25% the last two years due to revenue being above the forecast



Proposed HVUT allocation, 2024-2028

- Same as the 2020-2024 cycle, roughly equal allocations would go to:
 - Bridge needs
 - Roadway maintenance needs
 - Operations and safety improvements
- Projects consistent with 2040 Freight Plan and on the Priority Freight Network.
- Proposals reviewed by the Portland Freight Committee and the Fixing Our Streets Oversight Committee





Public support for past measures

| Measure | Support |
|---------------------------------|-----------------|
| Fixing Our Streets 2016-2020 | 52% in May 2016 |
| Fixing Our Streets 2020-2024 | 77% in May 2020 |
| Fixing Our Streets 2024-2028 | ? in May 2024 |



Support for Referral

- The Street Trust
- Getting There Together Coalition
- PROTEC17
- Amalgamated Transit Union
- Oregon Environmental Council
- Latino Network
- Portland Bicycle Advisory Committee
- PBOT Bureau & Budget Advisory Committee
- BikeLoud
- Columbia Corridor Association
- Oregon Walks
- Northwest Oregon Labor Council





Fixing Our Streets 2024-2028

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