**Summary of Turnback Program Process:**

Municipalities interested in gaining ownership of state-owned local roads can follow this process:

**Step 1:** Contact your District Turnback Coordinator

**Step 2:** Meet with District Turnback Coordinator to review candidate projects

**Step 3:** Work with District Turnback Coordinator to develop a scope of work and cost estimates for road improvements

**Step 4:** Execute a municipal resolution authorizing the transfer

**Step 5:** Execute and record the Highway Transfer Agreement. Receive road rehabilitation funds, if part of the agreement, listed in Step 3

**Step 6:** Complete any agreed upon rehabilitation work

**Step 7:** Close-out project

**Step 8:** Receive $4,000 per mile annual maintenance payments

For more information, Turnback Coordinators are available in every PennDOT district office to provide assistance and information on the transfer of state-owned roads and bridges to local governments. Contact your district at the number provided below.
How Does the Turnback Program Work?

• This is a cooperative, voluntary venture in which a municipality agrees to take over ownership of state-owned roads and bridges serving local traffic.

• The Turnback Program provides funding for rehabilitation to maintain a satisfactory condition of the roadway.

• The municipality receives $4,000 per mile in annual maintenance payments in perpetuity; two years after the year of transfer.

How does the Turnback Program Benefit Municipalities?

• The program funds rehabilitation and maintenance of functionally local, state-owned roads and bridges.

• Supplies $4,000 per mile in annual maintenance payments in perpetuity.

• Allows the municipality to control traffic flow, parking, and winter maintenance on the turnback.

• Allows municipal control of local road network.

• Enables efficient land use and property development.

• The program allows municipalities to be more responsive to the need of local residents and businesses.

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Characteristics of Eligible Roads:

PennDOT is seeking opportunities to work with local governments to transfer functionally-local roads and bridges that:

• Have low average daily traffic volumes.

• Provide social and economic benefits to local government.

• Reduce the number of state-owned dirt and gravel road surfaces.

• Improve Pennsylvania’s road network and integrate state, regional, and local road responsibilities and resources.