



2026 MCCG Legislative Priorities

Uphold Principles of Self Determination

- Reinstatement local authority for siting solar energy systems (SB 25)
- Eliminate local restrictions on parking near transit facilities (SB 2111)
- Restrict cumbersome FOIA requests

Preserve Local Government Dollars

- Return Local Government Distributive Fund (LGDF) to 10%
- Limit Unfunded Mandates on local governments
- Maintain Tier 2 public employee pension system

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2026 MCCG Transportation Platform

The MCCG will advocate for federal and state infrastructure funding in 2026. Programmed funding should be maintained for important projects currently underway and planning for future projects should continue.

Priority Projects

- 1. Full Improvement of IL 31 from IL 120 in McHenry to IL 176 in Crystal Lake** – This corridor will help move commuters and commerce between McHenry and Crystal Lake with connections to points north into Wisconsin and south to I-90 and beyond.
- 2. Full Improvement of IL 47 from Reed Road in Huntley to US 14 in Woodstock** – This project includes the IL 176 and IL 47 intersection improvement project and is vital to the flow of commerce between I-90, the Village of Huntley, the City of Woodstock and points north.
- 3. Metra Woodstock Yard Site** - This regionally supported project will increase service levels and ridership on the second busiest commuter rail line in the Chicago region. This project has received support at the local, county, state and federal level and will enable higher weekend ridership to a possible Chicago Bears stadium in Arlington Heights.

- 4. Safety Improvement of State Intersections** – The MCCG advocates for state intersection improvement safety projects in McHenry County, including, but not limited to the following. These projects will reduce crashes and increase safety.
- IL 31 at Three Oaks Road in Crystal Lake
 - IL 31 at Ringwood Road in Ringwood
 - US 14 at Three Oaks Road in Cary
 - US 14 at West Main Street in Cary
 - IL 47 at Ware Road in Woodstock
 - IL 47 at Charles Road in Woodstock
 - IL 120 at Charles Road/Greenwood Road in Woodstock
 - IL 120 at Chapel Hill Road in McHenry
 - IL 173 at US 12 in Richmond
- 5. Passenger Rail Service from Chicago to Rockford** – The MCCG supports the State’s efforts to bring passenger rail service to McHenry, Boone and Winnebago Counties. As the project advances, the MCCG strongly advocates for the inclusion of stop(s) in southwest McHenry County.

MCCG Supports and Seeks Funding for Local Intersection Improvement

- Spring Grove Road at Miller Road
- Spring Grove Road at Ringwood Road
- Charles Road at Queen Anne Road
- Alden Road at O’Brien Road
- Maple Road at Coral Road

- Tryon Grove Road at Keystone Road
- Ackman Road Corridor Improvements
- Ringwood Road at McCullom Lake Road
- Ringwood Road at Barnard Mill Road
- Wilmot Road at Sunset Road

