SEMCOG Intergovernmental Agreement

Send to:
SEMCOG
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(Please return within two weeks of voting to join SEMCOG)

WHEREAS, SEMCOG, the Southeast Michigan Council of Governments, has organized and has adopted Bylaws; and

WHEREAS, the _____ recognizes the benefits it may
      (Governmental body)
receive and the benefits that it may confer in voluntarily consulting with other units of local government in Southeast Michigan as to policies, problems, and plans that are of mutual interest and concern.

The _____has voted to join SEMCOG on _____.
      (Governmental body)   **(Date)**

Pursuant to this action, the following official representatives have been designated to the SEMCOG General Assembly which meets three times per year:

DELEGATE: (the delegate must be an elected official)

Name: _____Title: _____

Preferred E-mail:_____
(Please note: E-mail is our primary form of communication)

Preferred Mailing Address: _____

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Phone: (include as many as you like)

                Business/Office: _____

                Home: _____

                Mobile/Text: _____

ALTERNATE: (the alternate may be an elected official, staff, or individual selected by the member)

Name: _____Title:_____

Preferred E-mail:_____
(Please note e-mail is our primary form of communication)

Preferred Mailing Address: _____

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Phone: (include as many as you like)

Business/Office: _____

Home: _____

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Note regarding membership fees
Membership fees shall be due and payable annually. A SEMCOG member may pay its membership fees either on the first day of the month following the anniversary date of its membership or on a date corresponding to the beginning of its fiscal year. Should you choose to pay dues on a date other than the first day of the month following your date of membership, an appropriate proration shall be made of the membership fees.

Please indicate who should receive the dues invoice:

Name: _____Title: _____

Preferred E-mail:_____

Preferred Mailing Address: _____

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Phone: (include as many as you like)

Business/Office: _____

Home: _____

Mobile/Text: _____

Completed by: _____ Date: _____
                (Name and Title)

SEMCOG | Member Services

SEMCOG | SOUTHEAST MICHIGAN COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS

"*SEMCOG can help your community achieve local goals and contribute to the regional success of Southeast Michigan. This brief guide to member services illustrates the variety of ways SEMCOG supports local government and education members. More importantly, it shows a glimpse of what is possible through engagement with SEMCOG and your fellow members. We all do better when we work together!*"

- Amy O'Leary, Executive Director

Local Technical Assistance	Funding and Grants	Data and Maps	Education and Networking	Public Engagement	Policy and Advocacy

SEMCOG Vision

All people in Southeast Michigan benefit from a connected, thriving region of small towns, dynamic urban centers, active waterfronts, diverse neighborhoods, premier educational institutions, and abundant agricultural, recreational, and natural areas.

Local Technical Assistance

SEMCOG staff provide direct services to member communities, including:

- One-on-one technical assistance for local challenges and current planning opportunities;
- Guidance on integrating regional plans and policies to maximize local outcomes; and
- Assistance with funding and resource opportunities.

The direct services provided by staff evolve to align with local and regional projects and priorities. Areas of emphasis for assistance currently include:

- **Economic Development –** corridor revitalization, quality places, talent, workforce development;

- **Broadband –** infrastructure data and connection rates, digital equity and inclusion, affordability, cybersecurity;

- **Transportation –** safety, nonmotorized, complete streets, multimodal, electric vehicles, emerging technologies;

- **Environment –** green infrastructure, climate resiliency and flooding, infrastructure coordination, funding opportunities;

- **Parks and Recreation –** needs analysis, planning for local and regional trail connections;

- **Data and Mapping Services –** customized maps, data analysis for grants and plan updates;

- **Video Services –** highlight communities solving problems and implementing plans, cultural and natural assets throughout Southeast Michigan; and

- **Munetrix –** enhanced access to community fiscal data.

"We truly appreciate SEMCOG's technical assistance in helping the City of River Rouge understand data, resources, and opportunities for making broadband available to all our residents. That's what good collaboration is for!"

– Patty Campbell, Mayor Pro-Tem
   City of River Rouge

Scan for more info on SEMCOG Local Technical Assistance

"On behalf of the Monroe community, we are both excited and grateful for the TAP funding awarded for the Monroe Loop Trail Project. And we are grateful for the technical support and strength of SEMCOG in being there every step of the way to realize the vision."

- Michael Bosanac, Monroe County Administrator and Chief Financial Officer

Funding and Grants

SEMCOG Funding Opportunities

Transportation Alternatives Program (TAP)
(*$10 million per year*)

TAP is a competitive grant program that funds projects in several transportation emphasis areas, such as:
- Bicycle and pedestrian safety;
- Streetscapes and complete streets;
- Trails and pathways; and
- Environmental mitigation and stormwater management.

Planning Assistance Program
(*$500,000 per year*)

SEMCOG's Planning Assistance Program provides direct funding for local planning projects that move regional plans and priorities forward and address priorities such as:
- Corridor safety;
- Trails and greenways;
- Broadband;
- Stormwater management;
- Transportation equity;
- Complete streets; and
- Electric vehicle (EV) infrastructure planning.

Targeted Initiatives
Available funding varies year-to-year

To support implementation of Southeast Michigan's regional plans and maximize coordination with budgeted priorities of the State of Michigan and federal partners, SEMCOG administers funding programs for:
- Asset management data collection;
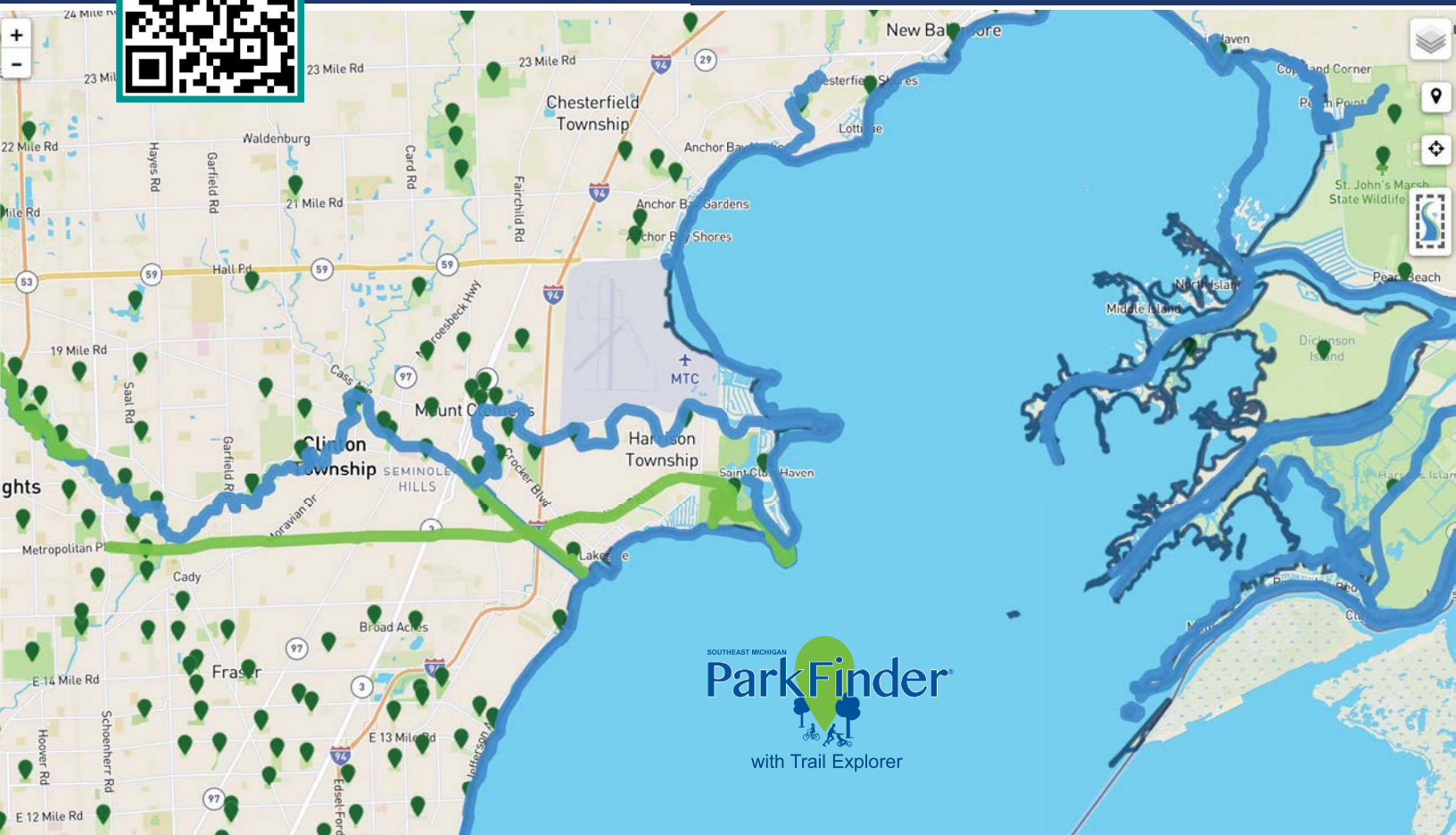- Green infrastructure; and
- Carbon reduction.

Additional guidance and support
SEMCOG provides members with:
- Access to Grant Finder, a nation-wide grants database;
- Scholarship opportunities for grant writing and grant management workshops;
- Timely information and guidance on accessing federal discretionary funding; and
- Letters of Support for State and federal funding requests that align with regional priorities.

SOUTHEAST MICHIGAN
ParkFinder®
with Trail Explorer

"SEMCOG is an essential resource for data about Southeast Michigan. Staff have the expertise to help find what you need, when you need it, in order to make data-driven decisions for your community."
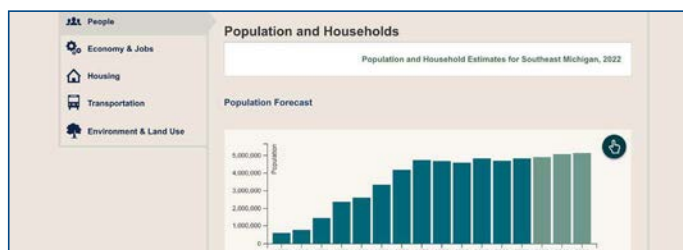
– Pauline Repp, Mayor, Port Huron

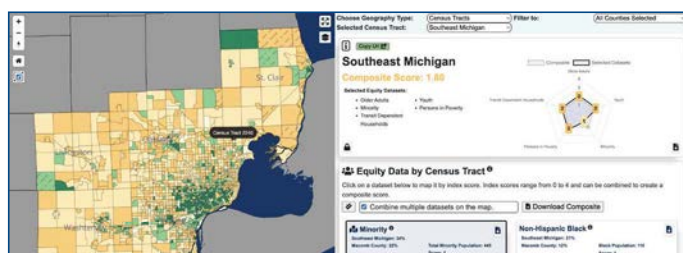# Data and Maps

SEMCOG's data services include:

- Timely, community-specific data and information;
- Cutting-edge mapping;
- Regional and local demographics; and
- Economic development analysis.

SEMCOG maintains the following data and mapping tools to support effective planning:

Community Profiles

Current and forecasted data for populations, households, jobs, transportation, and environment/land use data at the regional, county, and community levels. Customized profiles can be created by grouping communities together to view school districts or legislative districts.

Interactive mapping

Customize your viewing and downloading of equity emphasis areas, census and forecast data, traffic volumes, economic trends, broadband availability and usage, nonresidential/residential development projects, pavement and bridge conditions, tree canopy, and aerial imagery.

Aerial Imagery and Land Cover

Free or discounted access to spring 2023 high-resolution aerial imagery, which is helpful for transportation projects, public works assessments, public safety, property assessment, environmental planning, and more.

Open Data Portal and GIS (Geographic Information Systems) Users Group

Easily download and share data and mapping information to support regional planning and modeling.

Resources to explore emerging and timely topics – Broadband, EV, Pedestrian and Bicycle, Flood Risk, Crash and Road Data, Capital Improvement Projects (CIP) Coordination, GREEN dashboard, Water Infrastructure and more.

"This SEMCOG University has been the most useful workshop or training that I have attended since I've become Superintendent."

– Diane Webb, Superintendent, Redford Township

Education and Networking

SEMCOG facilitates the sharing and exchange of information with and between members at a variety of in-person and remote workshops, General Assembly meetings, committee and task force meetings, and webinars. All meetings and training sessions are free to members.

Key information is shared via Regional Update (SEMCOG's free, bi-weekly e-newsletter); "SEMCOG University" workshops, webinars, and roundtable discussions; member meetups; case studies; presentations at local meetings; semcog.org; and social media.

Free training opportunities on a variety of topics of interest to elected leaders and government staff have recently included:

2050 Regional Transportation Plan (RTP) Visioning Session

Southeast Michigan GREEN (Growing our Resilience, Equity, and Economy with Nature) kickoff meeting

Educational workshops discussing relevant topics

Infrastructure Coordination Workshop

Public Engagement

SEMCOG provides resources and initiatives to increase public understanding and engagement on regional issues and planning efforts, at no additional cost to members.

Resources and Tools

"We love our Shop Local video! The professional quality of the production and care the SEMCOG team gave to the unique and diverse character of Canton township was wonderful."

— Anne Marie Graham-Hudak, Supervisor, Canton Township

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Walk. Bike. Drive. Safe (WBDS)
Transportation safety education throughout Southeast Michigan. WBDS provides resources to communicate everyone's responsibility to make safety our top priority on our streets, especially for people who walk, bike, and roll.

One Water
Focus is on the responsibility of preserving and upholding the quality of Southeast Michigan's interrelated drinking water, stormwater, and wastewater systems.

Shop Local
Promotes local opportunities to support and strengthen the regional economy. Shop Local videos feature unique local shopping, dining, and cultural experiences throughout Southeast Michigan, at no cost to members.

Tools and apps to educate and assist the public wishing to access Southeast Michigan's outdoor assets

ParkFinder
Map interface features information about park amenities throughout the region, allowing users to see local, county, regional, and state parks, along with private recreation and conservation land.

Trail Explorer
Offers interactive image mapping of more than 50 regional land and water trails. In total, Trail Explorer provides virtual access to over 1,000 miles of regional trails, including 570 miles of water and 520 miles of greenways and land trails.

Resources to explore emerging and timely topics
Broadband, EV, Pedestrian and Bicycle, Flood Risk, Crash and Road Data, and more.

Policy and Advocacy

As the voice of Southeast Michigan in Lansing and Washington, D.C., SEMCOG amplifies the voice of local government. SEMCOG regularly engages with State and federal partners, providing assistance in addressing challenges and making connections for local governments to discuss with these agencies.

- **SEMCOG Legislative Policy Platform** – recommendations are developed based on data and in balance with the needs of all people who live in Southeast Michigan. The platform, adopted on a biannual basis in sync with legislative sessions, reflects the consensus of the region's local government leaders.

- **Legislative district maps –** an up-to-date resource with easy-to-find contact information for each of Southeast Michigan's State and federal legislators.

- **Advocacy –** engagement with State and federal legislators/officials, advocating for funding and policy positions representing the region.

- **Regulatory –** representing the interests of local governments to State committees and rule-making bodies.

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"SEMCOG's education policies and programs help future- proof our students by promoting career awareness; postsecondary career, education and training options; identifying opportunities in high-demand occupations; and supporting wraparound services that meet students where they are."

- Don Hubler, Vice President, Macomb ISD Board of Trustees, Former SEMCOG Chairperson

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Learn more about how we can help by visiting the Member Services section of our website at semcog.org/member-services.

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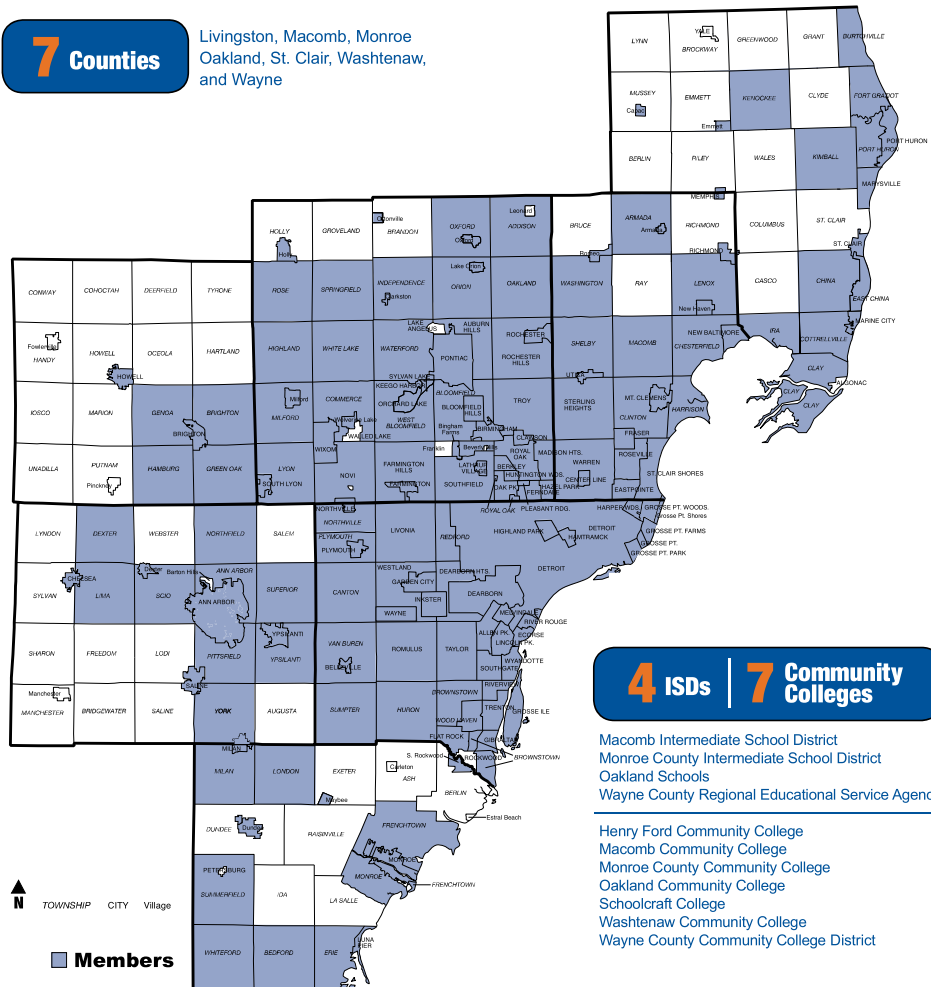Manager
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SEMCOG Members

87 Cities | **16** Villages | **63** Townships

7 Counties — Livingston, Macomb, Monroe Oakland, St. Clair, Washtenaw, and Wayne

4 ISDs | **7** Community Colleges

Macomb Intermediate School District
Monroe County Intermediate School District
Oakland Schools
Wayne County Regional Educational Service Agency

Henry Ford Community College
Macomb Community College
Monroe County Community College
Oakland Community College
Schoolcraft College
Washtenaw Community College
Wayne County Community College District

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