



Street Paving & Rehab

The Madisonville Engineering Department oversees the paving and rehabilitation of City maintained streets. When reviewing a street to determine if it should be selected for rehabilitation, the entire right-of-way infrastructure is evaluated. The evaluation considers the conditions of the pavement, curbs and gutters, and sidewalks. The streets chosen each year for rehabilitation are not chosen solely based upon a low street ranking. Other factors taken into consideration include:

- Traffic Impact – if a street has a high traffic flow, it is considered to be a higher priority.
- Utility Work – If utility work is scheduled for a particular road, the street rehabilitation will be postponed until the utility projects are completed first.
- New Economic Development or Construction Projects – The timing of completion of the construction of new buildings affects the rehabilitation of streets. Repairing a street will be done after the construction work is completed.
- Budget – The available funds and the estimated rehabilitation costs determine the amount of work that can be done each year. The cost of materials also is a determining factor. As the cost of asphalt per ton goes up, the amount of paving work that can be done using a set budget amount is reduced.

Madisonville receives an allocation of funds from the Municipal Aid Program (MAP). MAP funds are collected from the State gas tax and are allocated for maintenance, reconstruction or construction of City streets. Madisonville's allocation of State gas tax funds averages between \$250,000 and \$400,000 a year.

If you would like to recommend a street for paving or rehabilitation you may do so by filling out a Road Maintenance Request Form. This will prompt an evaluation of the street by the Engineering Department.

The Kentucky Department of Transportation maintains the State roads found within the Madisonville City limits. These routes, though inside the City of Madisonville are actually maintained by the State of Kentucky's Transportation Cabinet. If you have any questions or concerns about these routes, you can contact the Kentucky Transportation Cabinet's District 2 office in Madisonville at 270-824-7080.

There is a misconception that if a road is within the city limits, then it is the responsibility of the City of Madisonville government. However, Madisonville has several State routes which means the Kentucky Transportation Cabinet is responsible for their condition. The most highly traveled roads within the city that are the local government's responsibility are McCoy Avenue, East McLaughlin Avenue, Kentucky Avenue, Scott Street, Madison Avenue, & Park Avenue. In general, the roads that have higher traffic volumes than these roads are State routes. Some of the main State routes are North and South Main Street, Anton Road, Nebo Road, Island Ford Road, West Noel Avenue, Pride Avenue, Princeton Road, West and East Center Street, East Arch Street, Hanson Road, College Drive, Brown Road, Tucker Schoolhouse Road, Stagecoach Road, and Grapevine Road.

The City of Madisonville does not perform maintenance on State routes but we keep in close contact with the State regarding any issue our Department sees within the city limits. It is imperative that citizens do not sweep or deposit litter or yard debris in any curb and gutter, ditch, or sidewalk. Sweeping litter into gutters is in direct violation of City of Madisonville Ordinance 94.04. So that we can concentrate on the quality of the roadways, we need the help of our citizens to keep edges of roadways clean. The Engineering Department encourages getting trash, leaves, and debris out of gutters and keeping weeds from growing up along the edge of the roadway and into curbs and gutters. Weeds can end up breaking the pavement, reducing the lifespan of the road.