



Award Recipients Announced for ARDOT Transportation Alternatives Program and Recreational Trails Program

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The Arkansas Department of Transportation (ARDOT) has announced the award recipients for the 2026 Transportation Alternatives Program (TAP) and Recreational Trails Program (RTP).

The TAP was reauthorized by the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (IIJA) and provides funding for programs and projects defined as “transportation alternatives” for pedestrians, bicyclists and other non-motorized forms of transportation. The TAP is a reimbursement-type grant program that provides for an 80% federal share and a 20% local match from eligible applicants.

Under the TAP, eligible projects can include construction of on-road and off-road trail facilities that include sidewalks, bicycle infrastructure, pedestrian and bicycle signals, lighting and other safety-related infrastructure. Conversion of abandoned railroad corridors for pedestrian and bicycle trails is also eligible.

The RTP is funded through a portion of TAP funds set aside specifically for recreational trails. These funds are eligible for maintenance and restoration of existing trails, development and rehabilitation of trailside and trailhead facilities and trail linkages, and construction of new trails.

For 2026, a total of 38 TAP projects were awarded for approximately \$14.7 million and 9 RTP projects were awarded for approximately \$1.4 million.

To be notified of future funding cycles for these programs, subscribe to ARDOT’s Local Public Agency information at <http://www.ardot.gov/LPA>.

A list of award recipients and project names is attached.

Transportation Alternatives Program (TAP)

2026 Awarded Projects

County	Sponsor	Project Name	Federal Funding Award
Baxter	Arkansas State University - Mountain Home	James & Sally Moore Recreational Trail Enhancements	\$ 98,000
Benton	City of Bella Vista	Bella Vista Trailhead Impvts.	\$ 406,000
Benton	City of Gentry	Main St. West Connectivity Impvts.	\$ 239,000
Benton	City of Pea Ridge	Hwy. 72 HAWK Signal Crossing	\$ 392,000
Calhoun	Calhoun County	Woodberry Park Walking Trail – Ph. 2	\$ 198,000
Calhoun	Southern Arkansas University Tech	SAU Tech Trails Ph. 1	\$ 327,000
Clark	City of Arkadelphia	Feaster Trail Ph. 2 Design	\$ 68,000
Clay	City of Piggott	Piggott Sidewalk Impvts.	\$ 209,000
Craighead	City of Brookland	Hwy. 49B Sidewalks Ph. VI	\$ 203,000
Craighead	City of Jonesboro	Culberhouse Multi-Use Trail Connector – Craighead Forest Park	\$ 922,000
Craighead	City of Lake City	Fourth St. Sidewalks	\$ 396,000
Cross	Studio Drift	Crowley's Ridge Gravel Trail – Cross Co.	\$ 183,000
Garland	City of Hot Springs	Hot Springs Hollywood RR Spur Trail	\$ 550,000
Grant	City of Prattsville	Walking Track Overlay	\$ 96,000
Grant	City of Sheridan	Sheridan Parks Trail System Ph. 1	\$ 714,000
Greene	City of Paragould	8-Mile Creek Trail Ph. 7	\$ 650,000
Independence	City of Batesville	Batesville Greenway – White River Blvd. Ext.	\$ 500,000
Jackson	City of Tuckerman	Tuckerman Sidewalk Impvts.	\$ 456,000
Jefferson	Jefferson Regional	Ph. 2 of Jefferson Regional Campus Transportation Alternatives	\$ 500,000
Logan	Subiaco Abbey	Subiaco Trails	\$ 584,000
Lonoke	City of Ward	Ward Wilson Loop Sidewalk	\$ 107,000
Miller	City of Texarkana	E. 9th St. Sidewalks	\$ 600,000
Mississippi	City of Manila	Unity Trail	\$ 408,000
Pike	South Pike County School District	South Pike Community Trail	\$ 243,000
Pope	City of Dover	Dover City Park Walking Trail	\$ 179,000
Pulaski	Arkansas Department of Parks, Heritage, and Tourism	Pinnacles Ph. 2 Trail Connection, Pinnacle Valley Rd. – Natural Steps	\$ 350,000
Pulaski	City of Little Rock	Hwy. 5/Stagecoach Rd. (Otter Creek Rd. – Baseline Rd.) Ped. Impvts.	\$ 1,600,000
Pulaski	University of Arkansas for Medical Sciences	UAMS Hooper Dr. & W. Markham Ped. Crossing Impvts.	\$ 431,000
Scott	City of Waldron	Waldron Sidewalk Impvts.	\$ 266,000
Sebastian	City of Barling	Fort St./Hwy. 22 Sidewalks Ph. 2	\$ 185,000
Van Buren	Clinton School District	Clinton Nature Trail & Outdoor Learning Center	\$ 438,000
Washington	City of Fayetteville	Hwy. 112 Trail Tunnel	\$ 289,000
Washington	City of Johnson	McKim Trail Construction	\$ 513,000
Washington	City of Tontitown	Tontitown Park Trail & Drainage Impvts.	\$ 303,000
White	City of Searcy	Harding-Downtown Connection	\$ 500,000
Woodruff	Augusta School District	Augusta School District Walking & Biking Trail Ph. 3	\$ 124,000
Yell	City of Belleville	Belleville Sidewalk Impvts.	\$ 147,000
Yell	City of Dardanelle	Dardanelle Front St. Streetscaping Ph. VI	\$ 320,000
38	Projects	Total	\$ 14,694,000

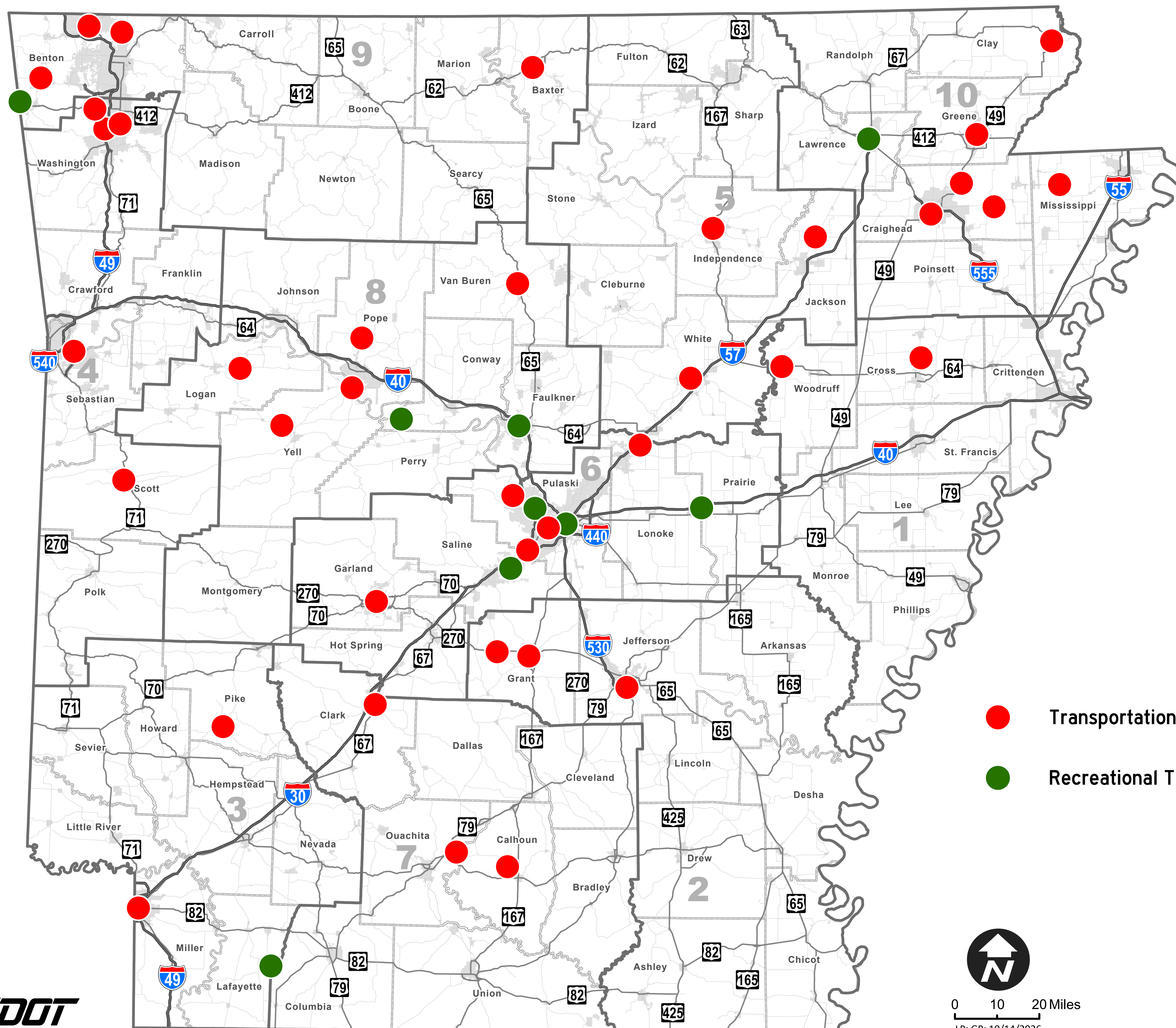
Recreational Trails Program (RTP)

2026 Awarded Projects

Non-Motorized			
County	Sponsor	Project Name	Federal Funding Award
Benton	John Brown University	Rehabilitation of Sager Creek Mountain Bike Trails	\$ 80,000
Conway	Arkansas Department of Parks, Heritage, and Tourism	Petit Jean State Park: Bear Cave – Palisades CCC Trail Ext.	\$ 332,000
Faulkner	City of Conway	Laurel Park Trail Impvts.	\$ 100,000
Lawrence	City of Hoxie	Rails to Trails Safety Resurfacing Project	\$ 85,000
Lonoke & Prairie	Arkansas Natural Heritage Commission	Grand Prairie Rail Trail Ph. 1: Lonoke – DeValls Bluff Trail, Planning Study	\$ 40,000
Pulaski	City of North Little Rock	North Little Rock Downtown River Trail	\$ 200,000
Saline	City of Bryant	Mills Park Trail Overlay	\$ 157,000
7	Projects	Total	\$ 994,000

Motorized			
County	Sponsor	Project Name	Federal Funding Award
Columbia & Lafayette	Melonvine Striders Running Club	L&A Tri-County Trail: Stamps – Taylor Rehab	\$ 80,000
Pulaski	City of Little Rock	River Mountain Park: Motorized Boat Access Impvts.	\$ 345,000
2	Projects	Total	\$ 425,000

TAP & RTP Awards – 2026



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