

I hope you know how very important it is to maintain the roadways and the current infrastructure as we cannot afford to reverse progress made. It not only would cost many times more to repair if neglected but could cause great harm to the people who use the transportation routes we currently have. Much, much more growth is seen among people, vehicles and movement getting to and fro so it is imperative that transportation routes be safe and maintained.

My suggestion to generate funds for maintaining transportation and infrastructure would be to incentivize employment again and reduce welfare costs by encouraging those physically able to work to be employed with minimal financial assistance instead of totally supporting them. OHA just implemented the OHP Bridge Program for those "who" do work and earn over the income level for eligibility to keep OHP so earn their way off of this medical coverage. So Bridge will utilize money from the state general fund in order to obtain federal money!! Why not have the person pay a percentage of the cost to keep OHP instead of penalizing them and losing their medical coverage. Just does not make sense.

We all use the infrastructure and should all contribute towards maintaining & improving it. There is money that is misused and not accounted for very well that could be utilized not only to provide for those who really need the assistance but free up money for other expenditures. It would seem a better way to distribute funding and budgets if the money available was better managed and spent.

Thank you