How to Become a Member

Membership in TFIC is open to organizations, associations, unions, regional groups and chambers of commerce from throughout Illinois. Any organization with members who realize the importance of transportation to Illinois jobs and the economy is encouraged to join.

Contact Eric Fields, TFIC Membership Chair, at the Associated General Contractors of Illinois, 217/789-2650; efields@agcil.org or any member of the TFIC steering committee.
The Transportation for Illinois Coalition focused throughout 2008 on building consensus on a specific, comprehensive transportation capital bill. This consensus proposal, which was presented to and approved by the steering committee in September, represented a compromise solution that would satisfy in a minimally acceptable manner the need for investment in our infrastructure. The nearly year-long effort to develop this proposal came about as the result of a retreat in late 2007 during which members of the coalition discussed ways to jump-start capital discussions. The TFIC staff and leadership began the proposal development with an assessment of the minimally acceptable program size for all modes of transportation in light of the larger overall need for investment.

To develop a consensus amongst the industry leaders that would be viable among political leaders who would have to approve the revenues to support it, coalition members swallowed hard and took on the task normally assumed by policymakers, effectively negotiating against ourselves and reducing our “ask” before outside negotiations even began. This unusual approach seemed necessary in order to move a proposal more quickly through the legislative process. The proposal was developed and outlined for the steering committee after the annual meeting in September, and the TFIC voted to draft the proposal into legislative language and proceed with outreach to leaders and then rank-and-file members.

In addition to our intense focus on developing a state capital investment proposal for transportation, the TFIC used its annual meeting to highlight the upcoming federal transportation authorization debate and the issues surrounding it. The group heard presentations on the federal perspective by Senator Dick Durbin and Congressman Dan Lipinski, followed by a transit update from the RTA and Rep. Kathy Ryg (D-Vernon Hills), a key transit supporter in the Illinois House.

While little was changing on the policy front, the coalition itself experienced a number of changes as both of us resigned from our co-chair positions at the end of the year. As part of the transition to new co-chairs, the coalition approved bylaws changes that offered more flexibility in choosing co-chairs while maintaining the organized labor/business community representation that has served us so well for five years.

Despite the internal changes and the external challenges, TFIC finished 2008 in a strong position and with the resources to contribute significantly to the state and federal policy debates on transportation infrastructure investment.

Sincerely,

Michael T. Carrigan  
President, Illinois AFL-CIO  
TFIC Co-Chair

Douglas L. Whitley  
President, Illinois Chamber of Commerce  
TFIC Co-Chair
2008 Federal Legislative Goals

With the federal authorization in place and the presidential election dominating the national policymaking scene, TFIC’s federal goals for 2008 were directed toward development of an organizational, grassroots structure that could be fully operational when the reauthorization debate would emerge in 2009.

Goals

- Ensure that federal revenues are augmented in order that adequate funding is available to fully meet the authorization amounts spelled out in SAFETEA-LU for FFY 2009.

- Educate policymakers, their staffs and the general public about the state of our transportation infrastructure and the need for additional investment to maintain, enhance and expand our transportation capabilities.

Objectives

Coordinate the creation of in-district grassroots teams of TFIC member organizations’ members in each of Illinois’ 19 congressional districts to carry out the following objectives.

- To develop an ongoing dialogue with each member of the Congressional delegation and their staffs, each district team coordinator will work with his team members to develop a localized, unique calendar of activities.

- Though each team will have a unique set of activities planned, all teams will be invited to participate with their Congressman/Congresswoman, staff and the team members in one or more of the TFIC coordinated community briefings.

- To communicate to local Congressman/Congresswoman that:
  - Federal highway fund revenues must be augmented by about $8 billion to ensure that Illinois receives full authorization level funding in the last year of SAFETEA-LU;
  - It is imperative to increase federal funding for transportation in the next reauthorization and retain Illinois’ percentage of that higher overall total;

- Explain local projects that teams hope can be funded by establishing a higher overall total program;

- Ask for and document responses for input from delegation members and staff about what their vision is for transportation going forward, what they are most concerned with and how TFIC organizations and their members can be helpful;

- Offer access through our electronic newsletter for the congressman/congresswoman to express his or her thoughts directly to our membership.
2008 State Legislative Goals

Goals
■ Increase state funding for transportation investment through: reduced diversions, increased revenues, and/or passage of a comprehensive capital and operating program.

■ Continue to promote with policymakers and the general public the importance of and need for investment in the transportation infrastructure through grassroots outreach, community presentations, organized events, correspondence, media outreach, and direct contact with legislators.

■ Monitor the possibility of a constitutional convention reform being approved by voters in the November election. Prepare background papers on issues that could emerge as a result of a convention.

Objectives
■ Coordinate with federal affairs grassroots teams in the scheduling of community briefings on transportation in at least six communities throughout the state in partnership with local chambers of commerce, mayors and others.

■ Establish a new method for organizing and communicating with lobbyists of TFIC member organizations to incorporate their perspectives in any planning for and implementation of legislative outreach.

■ Communicate with policymakers a minimum of four times via email and regular mail on key topics such as: update on status of transportation network and investment, release of TFIC annual report, invitation to TFIC annual meeting, etc.

■ Schedule and hold in-district meetings including TFIC steering committee members and local district members of TFIC organizations with key leaders of the following groups: Local Government Caucus, Transportation Committees in the House and Senate, Downstate Caucus, House Mass Transit Committee, House Railroad Safety Committee.

■ Organize a legislative staff briefing in February or in December of 2008 to provide an in-depth analysis of the status of Illinois’ transportation network and the need for investment.
2008 Accomplishments

Despite the continuing, paralyzing lack of leadership in the policymaking arena in Illinois, the TFIC worked with all interested parties outside of state government to develop a consensus transportation capital investment proposal in 2008. The proposal provided for an increase in state spending for all modes of transportation of $13.5 billion over a five-year period, and represented the minimally acceptable level of investment for state and local roads and bridges, transit and rail systems, and small airports. In an attempt to increase the credibility of the TFIC proposal in the eyes of policymakers, coalition members also voted to include legislative language that raised $1 billion in new revenues to pay for the new spending. The revenue proposal included a previously discussed and introduced gaming expansion, increased highway user fees, and the return of about $200 million in Road Fund diversions.

Through active engagement in the state policymaking process, TFIC drafted and won House approval of a measure (House Bill 5152) designed to distribute 2/3 of all highway funds according to a formula based upon transportation factors such as miles of road, square miles of bridge and miles traveled in each of the 5 IDOT regions of the state. This measure was designed to limit political interference in the distribution of transportation funding. Though the Senate failed to take up the measure, its consideration and approval in the House brought the issue to the attention of policymakers statewide.

Early in 2008, the General Assembly approved and the Governor signed the transit operating reform and funding legislation (House Bill 656) that had been negotiated throughout 2007. TFIC was pleased to be supportive of that measure.
2008 Highlights

Testimony at legislative hearings. TFIC representatives offered testimony at each of a series of House budget hearings held in communities throughout the state to address the key needs for capital investment in the transportation infrastructure. For this series of hearings, Speaker Michael Madigan asked his members to host capital and budget discussions with the public in their individual districts. In all, House members held 19 hearings in the following communities during the month of March: Decatur, Marion, Schaumburg, East Peoria, Champaign, Aurora, Crystal Lake, Cicero, Joliet, Rock Island, Northbrook, Kankakee, South Holland, south Chicago, Rockford, west Chicago, Belleville, north Chicago, and southwest Chicago.

Illinois Works Coalition. Several TFIC organizations were represented on the Illinois Works Coalition, which was appointed by Governor Blagojevich to encourage passage of a capital program in 2008. Former U.S. Speaker of the House Dennis Hastert and Southern Illinois University President Glenn Poshard served as the Coalition’s co-chairs. Representatives from the following TFIC organizations also served on the Illinois Works panel: TFIC co-chair Michael Carrigan of the Illinois AFL-CIO, Tod Faerber of the Illinois Road and Transportation Builders Association, Kim Robinson of the Illinois Construction Industry Committee, Allan Reyhan of the Associated General Contractors of Illinois and Karen McConnaughay, Kane County Board President. In addition to the involvement of these individuals and groups, TFIC members participated in the Illinois Works “listening” tour throughout the state, during which the Illinois Works panel held community meetings to hear from business and community leaders of different regions about their capital needs. These listening tours took place in Decatur, the Hispanic community in Chicago, Carbondale, the metro-east area, downtown Chicago and the Quad Cities. In addition, TFIC co-hosted with Illinois Works and DuPage County business groups a listening event in Naperville.

The Illinois Works Coalition developed a $33 billion capital funding program, which included $4.25 billion in new highway spending; $500 million in bonds for local roads; $425 million in new transit capital; and $160 million for passenger rail. Because these funding levels were far less than the actual need for investment, particularly with regard to the transit amount, and because the proposal included no state funding for the CREATE initiative, TFIC did not support the proposal. However, several TFIC member groups did support it, and the proposal passed the Illinois Senate. The House of Representatives did not consider the package. The Illinois Works proposal was embodied in five separate bills: House Bills 1496, 2651, 4723, 5618, and 6339.

Direct communication with policymakers. With a growing need for state government to increase its investment in the transportation infrastructure, direct communication to state policymakers intensified in 2008. TFIC members worked with legislators to explain the need for transportation-based formula distribution of highway funding (provisions contained in House Bill 5152), with at least one TFIC member taking responsibility to educate each of the state’s 118 House members. In addition to specific communication regarding House Bill 5152, TFIC members met directly with several legislators to discuss the broader need for more capital investment by the State in our transportation network. TFIC staff also distributed letters and fact sheets on pertinent topics throughout the year. These communications included: letters to the General Assembly urging passage of a comprehensive capital funding bill, thanking supporters of the transit operating reform measure, presenting the TFIC white paper on leasing the Illinois tollway, responding to the House Speaker’s gaming proposal to fund capital, opposing Illinois Department of Transportation construction project shutdowns, and supporting the lease of the lottery.

On the federal side, more than 40 TFIC members traveled to Washington D.C. to visit with the members of the Illinois Congressional delegation in preparation for the 2009 authorization debate at the national level. In addition, six of the 19 federal grassroots teams met with their congressman or congresswoman in the home district for a general discussion about transportation investment issues. Meetings were held and con-
versations begun with Congresswomen Bean and Biggert, and Congressmen Costello, Hare, Manzullo and Shimkus.

TFIC also prepared a fact sheet outlining reasons to oppose the federal gas tax holiday that was being discussed in national policy circles, and distributed that fact sheet with a cover letter to the congressional delegation. TFIC co-chair Whitley asked that TFIC weigh in with a position on the pending Canadian National Railway acquisition of the EJ&E West railway company. The coalition did address a thoughtful analysis of the proposed acquisition to the National Surface Transportation Board.

**Background Research and Publication of White Papers.** One of the coalition’s core purposes is to provide the substantive background information that enables policymakers to make informed decisions about transportation investment. In 2008, the bulk of the substantive work was embodied in the legislation that represented TFIC’s transportation capital funding proposal. However, in addition to the development and drafting of that bill, TFIC consultant Linda Wheeler updated the information detailing the diversions from the state’s Road Fund.

**Transportation News Clipping Service.** TFIC staff regularly provide electronic links to news stories about the nation’s and state’s transportation infrastructure, the need for investment and the challenges faced by the policymakers who are responsible for its maintenance and expansion.

**TFIC website.** The TFIC website offers a wide range of information about the coalition and about transportation issues. Studies and publications are available on the site, as are calendars of events and activities, fact sheets, communications,
Grassroots outreach. Again, as part of its core mission, the coalition organized grassroots outreach to state policymakers in 2008 in an effort to educate them about the need for investment in the transportation infrastructure and the best way to go about the funding of the needed investment. Through personal visits, phone calls, community meetings, letters to the editor and other contacts, TFIC members and their colleagues told the story about the importance of transportation investment to the state’s economic health, safety and productivity.

Presentations to Community Groups. As part of the TFIC’s ongoing community outreach, Linda Wheeler and other TFIC leaders made several presentations about the state of Illinois’ transportation network and the need for investment in its maintenance and improvement. On April 23, Linda and other TFIC leaders provided substantive background information to more than 300 community leaders in Naperville at one of the largest community meetings ever held on transportation capital. Linda also presented relevant and important background information in similar community meetings in Decatur (May 5), Peoria (May 12) and Rockford (August 8).

Regular meetings. The TFIC steering committee, which governs the work of the coalition, held regular meetings throughout 2008. In addition, the nine committees that work under the auspices of the coalition met regularly as well.

Media Outreach
Each year, as the coalition becomes more familiar to reporters and editors and as the group’s credibility increases, outreach to the media becomes more effective. Traditionally, TFIC has used press releases and press conferences, letters to the editor, and community meetings as the basis for outreach to the media. In 2008, TFIC hired Eric Robinson of Frontline Communications to assist in gaining media coverage of the compelling need to invest in highways, bridges, and our transit and rail systems.

After the 2007 collapse of the Interstate Bridge in Minneapolis, MN, and the increasingly drawn-out gap between capital programs to adequately fund transportation at the state level, the media welcomed the substantive information regarding the need for investment and stories about the need were run frequently.

In addition, TFIC distributed press releases in February following the Governor’s budget address, in April in conjunction with the Naperville community meeting, and in August to encourage policymakers to end the gridlock regarding the capital funding debate.

Diversions
An ongoing goal of the TFIC is the reduction of diversions from the state’s road fund. In Fiscal Year 2004, the diversion of highway user fees out of the road fund to general government purposes reached an all-time high, with nearly $800 million being diverted. Since that year, the diversions have hovered at about $700 million, as efforts to reduce the road fund loss have failed. In 2008, diversions totaled $694 million. The TFIC legislative proposal developed in 2008 called for a reduction of diversions in the amount of $162 million to help finance new road construction.

Events
TFIC sponsored and participated in a number of events throughout 2008, all of which were designed to highlight the need for investment in the transportation infrastructure and the manner in which this investment should be directed. Throughout the month of March, the Illinois House of Representatives held a series of budget hearings in legislative districts throughout the state to highlight the state’s capital needs and the challenges facing the state on the operating budget. At each of these 19 hearings, a TFIC representative testified about the capital needs as they related to transportation. TFIC

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staff drafted talking points for use by our members at the hear-
ings, and focused on identifying the need for investment.

On April 23, TFIC staff and members joined with the Naperville Chamber of Commerce, several DuPage County organizations, and the Governor’s Illinois Works Coalition to present a program outlining the importance of capital invest-
ment in Illinois. An audience of more than 300 community
and business leaders attended the meeting, as did several local
legislators. Many in the audience, including several TFIC
members, offered comments and recommendations to the Ill-
inois Works Coalition members.

TFIC also hosted community meetings in Decatur (May 5),
Peoria (May 12) and Rockford (August 8) to present infor-
mation about the needs of the state’s transportation network.
At each community meeting, local community and business
leaders attended and state and federal policymakers from these
areas offered their insights and perspectives on capital invest-
ment.

As part of the coalition’s annual outreach to national
policymakers, more than 40 TFIC members attended the fly-
in to Washington D.C. on May 19-21 as part of the national
Transportation Construction Coalition lobby effort.

Regional Transportation Summit, Naperville
Annual meeting highlights. The TFIC annual meeting, which focused on federal authorization debate issues, was held at Bolingbrook Golf Club on Monday, September 22. The outstanding program for the day included presentations by U.S. Senator Dick Durbin and Congressman Dan Lipinski. In addition, Janet Kavinocky, the U.S. Chamber’s director of Transportation Infrastructure in the Congressional and Public Affairs Division, was the luncheon speaker. About 120 individuals attended the day-long meeting. Steering Committee members then gathered for a dinner and next-day steering committee meeting to discuss the TFIC legislative proposal for capital investment at the state level.

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TFIC Structure
The coalition is governed by its steering committee, which acts as a board of directors. The steering committee has two co-chairs – one representing the business community and one representing organized labor. As 2008 began, TFIC co-chairs were Michael Carrigan, president of the Illinois AFL-CIO, and Doug Whitley, president of the Illinois Chamber of Commerce. By the end of 2008, neither of these individuals were acting as co-chairs. Whitley appointed Jim Reilly, a Chicago area businessman and chair of the Regional Transportation Authority, to fill the business co-chair role while Whitley pursued a potential gubernatorial bid. On the labor side, the coalition temporarily lacked a co-chair as the year ended. By early 2009, a new labor co-chair, Michael Kleinik, Director of the Chicago Laborers – LMCC, was appointed.

Other officers for the coalition in 2008 were: Vice-Chair: Eric Dean; Secretary: Jim Reilly; Treasurer: Mike Skarr.

TFIC Committees
Nine committees handle the bulk of the coalition work under the direction of the steering committee. The 2008 chairs for those committees were:

Annual Meeting Committee – John Henriksen
Bylaws Committee – John Henriksen, acting chair
Constitutional Amendment Committee – David Kennedy
Federal Affairs Committee – Bill Grams
Mass Transit Committee – Mike Hoffmann
Membership Committee – Eric Fields
Nominating Committee – Jim Schwarz
Policy Committee – Marvin Traylor
State House Affairs Committee – Mike Zahn

Committee Reports 2008

Annual Meeting Committee
The Annual Meeting Committee met early in 2008 to get a jumpstart on the planning process. The group determined that the usual Wednesday time slot for the annual meeting should be changed to Monday to allow for participation of members of the Illinois congressional delegation. Given, the upcoming debate at the federal level on the multi-year transportation authorization measure, the Annual Meeting Committee decided to focus the morning of our September 2008 meeting on the federal authorization.

The group invited and received commitments from U.S. Senator Dick Durbin and Congressman Dan Lipinski who offered their perspectives on the authorization debate. The group also invited a dynamic speaker from the U.S. Chamber of Commerce Congressional and Public Affairs Division to offer an overview from the business perspective of the issues surrounding the upcoming authorization debate. In addition, the committee developed a panel discussion on transit issues and asked Linda Wheeler to provide an overview of current funding for transportation at the state and federal levels.

The Annual Meeting Committee made the commitment to seek sponsors for the meeting that would enable TFIC to make money on the event. A special thanks to the sponsors who helped underwrite the event:

$2,500 level:
Illinois Chapter, Inc. – American Concrete Pavement Association

$1,000 level:
American Council of Engineering Companies of Illinois
Associated General Contractors of Illinois
Illinois Asphalt Pavement Association
Illinois Association of Aggregate Producers
Precast/Prestressed Producers of Illinois and Wisconsin
ByLaws Committee
The ByLaws Committee was called into action in 2008 to consider a change to the coalition’s bylaws governing the naming of co-chairs. The original bylaws specified that the co-chairs would be the president of the Illinois AFL-CIO and the president of the Illinois Chamber of Commerce or their designees. Following the resignation of both co-chairs, the bylaws committee considered ways in which the coalition could retain the business and labor joint leadership while offering some flexibility for circumstances such as the group found itself in after the two resignations. The committee ultimately recommended that the bylaws provide that “a representative from the business community and a representative from organized labor shall serve as co-chairs.” The committee also recommended a few clean-ups to clarify that the annual meeting would happen in September each year, and that membership payments are due on January 1 of each calendar year.

Constitutional Amendment Committee
The Constitutional Amendment Committee monitored the November 2008 election results regarding whether the voters would call for a constitutional convention to be held. If voters had called for a convention, the committee would have quickly engaged to discuss whether or not to organize a group to push for inclusion of a constitutional provision that would protect the sanctity of highway user fees for use as originally intended. After the election results, which showed a resounding lack of support for a new constitutional convention, the committee decided to monitor the state capital funding debate to determine if there would be an opportunity to win approval for a constitutional amendment protecting Illinois’ road fund monies.

— John Henriksen, chair

Federal Affairs Committee
The Federal Affairs Committee began district-based grassroots organizing in 2008 in preparation for the 2009 federal authorization debate. The committee established the goal of creating in-district grassroots teams for each of the state’s 19 congressional districts. The objective for these teams was to organize a local group of constituents for whom transportation investment is important in order to supplement the statewide efforts of the coalition to educate congressmen and congresswomen about the need for transportation investment. The committee asked for grassroots group leaders to convene their groups for organizational purposes and then to schedule at least one in-district meeting with the congressional delegate.

At the meetings, the groups were to gather information about the perspectives of the individual members of the delegation and then make this information available to the broader coalition membership. Six of the groups (those for Bean, Biggert, Costello, Hare, Manzullo, and Shimkus) were successful with their organizing efforts and engaged in conversation with their federal policymakers. Though this effort wasn’t completely successful it serves as a model for ongoing outreach activity of the Federal Affairs Committee. A complete list of grassroots team coordinators follows:

District 1 — Bobby Rush
District Team Coordinator ......................... Dave DeYoung
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District 2 — Jesse Jackson
District Team Coordinator ................. Dave DeYoung
IRTBA

District 3 — Daniel Lipinski
District Team Coordinator ................. Dave DeYoung
IRTBA

District 4 — Luis Gutierrez
District Team Coordinator ................. Dave DeYoung
IRTBA

District 5 — Rahm Emanuel
District Team Coordinator ................. Dave DeYoung
IRTBA

District 6 — Peter Roskam
District Team Coordinator ................. Dave DeYoung
IRTBA

District 7 — Danny Davis
District Team Coordinator ................. Dave DeYoung
IRTBA

District 8 — Melissa Bean
District Team Coordinator: ............... Scott Dworschak
Underground Contractors Association

District 9 — Jan Schakowsky
District Team Coordinator ................. Scott Dworschak
Underground Contractors Association

District 10 — Mark Kirk
District Team Coordinator ................. Scott Dworschak
Underground Contractors Association

District 11 — Jerry Weller / Debbie Halvorson
District Team Coordinator ................. Scott Dworschak
Underground Contractors Association

District 12 — Jerry Costello
District Team Coordinator ................. John Henriksen
Illinois Association of Aggregate Producers

District 13 — Judy Biggert
District Team Coordinator ................. Scott Dworschak
Underground Contractors Association

District 14 — Bill Foster
District Team Coordinator ................. Scott Dworschak
Underground Contractors Association

District 15 — Tim Johnson
District Team Coordinator ................. Andrew Flach
Champaign County Chamber of Commerce

District 16 — Don Manzullo
District Team Coordinator .................. Steve Nailor
Rockford-Winnebago Better Roads Association

District 17 — Phil Hare
District Team Coordinators ............... Michael Carrigan
Illinois AFL-CIO
Eric Dean
Chgo Vicinity Ironworkers

District 18 — Ray LaHood / Aaron Schock
District Team Coordinator ................. Todd Maisch
Illinois Chamber

District 19 — John Shimkus
District Team Coordinator ................ John Henriksen
Illinois Association of Aggregate Producers

In addition to the creation of the grassroots teams, the Federal Affairs Committee organized a fly-in to Washington in May, 2008. More than 40 TFIC member representatives made the trip to engage in conversations with delegation members and staff about the next federal Transportation and Infrastructure anticipated for 2009.

Toward the end of 2008, Federal Affairs Committee chair Bill Grams recommended that TFIC create a series of 9 policy subcommittees to discuss and make recommendations on discreet aspects of the authorization debate. Grams also proposed that TFIC consider hiring a full-service lobbyist to help the coalition navigate the authorization process.

— Bill Grams, chair

Mass Transit Committee
The Mass Transit Committee worked in conjunction with the State House Affairs Committee and the Federal Affairs Committee to ensure that transit funding at the state and federal levels continued to receive important and necessary attention.

— Mike Hoffmann, chair
Membership Committee

The Membership Committee is responsible for the recruitment and maintenance of coalition members. The committee frequently reaches out to prospective members, groups that have a strong interest in transportation funding, to try to recruit them to join in the coalition’s work. In 2008, the coalition had a strong year, maintaining 40 members at the steering committee level, 14 members at the participating level and 22 supporting members.

In 2008, the TFIC welcomed 3 new organizations: the Chicago and Vicinity Council of Ironworkers and Kane County at the steering committee level and the Route 336 Coalition at the participating member level.

— Eric Fields, chair

Nominating Committee

After a series of changes in the existing officers for TFIC in 2008, the Nominating Committee met to develop a new slate for 2009. This new slate was approved by the steering committee in November of 2008.

Co-chair — Jim Reilly (nominated by Doug Whitley)
Vice-chair — Eric Dean
Secretary — Jim Schwarz
Treasurer — Marvin Traylor

— Jim Schwarz, chair

Policy Committee

The Policy Committee met once in 2008 to consider issues related to the upcoming federal authorization debate and to provide a recommendation as to how the TFIC ought to proceed with development of positions on authorization issues. The committee reviewed the recommendations already developed by several national organizations and asked the TFIC staff to search for additional recommendations made by other organizations. The committee asked that the existing research be catalogued by the staff and used as the basis for TFIC’s work going forward.

The committee then voted to give the Federal Affairs Committee the primary responsibility for sorting through the existing research and developing TFIC’s recommendations.

— Marvin Traylor, chair

State House Affairs Committee

The State House Affairs Committee was very active in 2008 with a number of activities designed to win support for a state transportation capital investment program. Early in the year, the committee decided to focus on small get-togethers with key legislators and members of the coalition to stress the importance of investment and to answer any questions legislators might have. A number of small dinners were held with different groups of legislators (Downstate Senate Democrats, Senate Republicans, Rep. Hamos’ working group on capital, and others) during the spring legislative session.

The committee also drafted, introduced and won House approval of House Bill 5152, a measure designed to distribute 2/3 of all highway funds according to a formula based upon transportation factors such as miles of road, square miles of bridge and miles traveled in each region of the state. This measure was designed to limit political discretion or retribution in the distribution of transportation funding and to ensure that the quality of our highway and bridge network remains consistent throughout the state. Though the Senate failed to take up the measure, its consideration and approval in the House brought the issue of applying an objective distribution formula to the attention of policymakers statewide. This formula, while dedicating two-thirds of funds for formula allocation, allowed the Department of Transportation discretion over one-third of the funds and maintained the department’s flexibility to respond to emergency or high-priority needs.

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State House Affairs members also lobbied in support of Speaker Madigan’s gaming expansion proposal (House Bill 4194) that was designed to raise funds for a capital program, and worked in support of House Bill 5945, a bill to reduce road fund diversions. In addition, committee members attended and testified at the multiple budget hearings held by Illinois House members throughout the state. The committee also coordinated a letters-to-the-editor campaign that yielded individual letters in at least 10 major Illinois daily newspapers.

— Mike Zahn, chair
Illinois Works Legislative Package

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The Transportation for Illinois Coalition is a diverse group of statewide and regional business, organized labor, industry, governmental and not-for-profit organizations that has joined together in a united and focused effort to support a strong transportation alliance for Illinois. The coalition takes a comprehensive approach and seeks to speak with one voice for all of Illinois regarding transportation funding needs at both the state and federal levels. The coalition believes that transportation is critical to the economy of Illinois. This comprehensive approach involves all modes of transportation, including rail, air, water, highways and mass transit.

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Statewide Organizations
- American Concrete Pavement Assn. – IL Chapter, Inc.
- American Council of Engineering Cos. of Illinois
- Associated General Contractors of Illinois
- Illinois AFL-CIO
- Illinois Asphalt Pavement Association
- Illinois Association of Aggregate Producers
- Illinois Association of County Engineers
- Illinois Chamber of Commerce
- Illinois Municipal League
- Illinois Road & Transportation Builders Association
- Illinois State Branch of Operating Engineers
- Precast/Prestressed Producers of IL & WI
- Underground Contractors Association

Local/Regional Organizations
- Carpenters’ District Council of Greater St. Louis & Vicinity
- Champaign County Chamber of Commerce/Champaign Alliance
- Champaign-Urbana Mass Transit District
- Chicago Area LECET
- Chicago Metropolis 2020
- Chicago Southland Economic Development Corp.
- Chicago Transit Authority
- Chicago & District Vicinity Council of Iron Workers
- DuPage Regional Development Alliance
- Egyptian Contractors Association
- Elgin Area Chamber of Commerce
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- Heartland Partnership
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- Kankakee Regional Chamber of Commerce
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- Illinois Valley Contractors Association
- Mid-West Truckers Association
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- Chicago Southland Chamber of Commerce
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- Mid-Central Illinois Regional Council of Carpenters
- Northwestern Illinois Contractors Association
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Mission Statement

The mission of the Transportation for Illinois Coalition is to identify issues, aggressively advocate policy and work diligently to secure maximum federal and state funding for the transportation infrastructure needs of Illinois by:

- Preparing and distributing White Paper Reports on major transportation issues and needs,
- Educating, influencing and recruiting public opinion leaders,
- Meeting with local, state and federal leaders (elected and appointed) to promote and advance transportation/infrastructure priorities and needs, and
- Assisting public sector leaders in identifying funding sources.

Vision

The Transportation for Illinois Coalition will continue as the recognized authority on and unifying voice for transportation needs in Illinois.