

Durbin Meets With Illinois Municipal League, Illinois Mayors To Talk Infrastructure, COVID-19 Recovery

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WASHINGTON – U.S. Senate Majority Whip Dick Durbin (D-IL) met with the Illinois Municipal League and Illinois mayors to discuss federal funding for Illinois infrastructure projects allocated through the *Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act* (IIJA). During their meeting, Durbin broke down the \$17 billion in direct and guaranteed funding for Illinois from the IIJA. Durbin also spoke about COVID-19 recovery funding for local governments through the American Rescue Plan and received updates from the mayors about concerns they have in guiding their communities through COVID-19 recovery.

"Our local leaders have been diligently putting in the work over the last two years to get their neighbors through a difficult, unprecedented public health crisis. It was great to host them in Washington again," Durbin said. "Today, we focused on how best to rebuild our communities and make historic, much-needed investments in our infrastructure. I'll continue to be a strong federal partner for the Illinois Municipal League and Illinois mayors as we look to a brighter future."

Illinois will receive the following guaranteed funding from the IIJA:

- \$9.8 billion in highway formula funding;
- \$1.4 billion in bridge replace/repair formula funding;
- \$4 billion in transit formula funding;
- \$1.7 billion in water infrastructure formula funding;
- \$616 million to fund improvements to Illinois airports;
- \$149 million for expansion of EV charging; and
- \$100 million for expansion of broadband.