

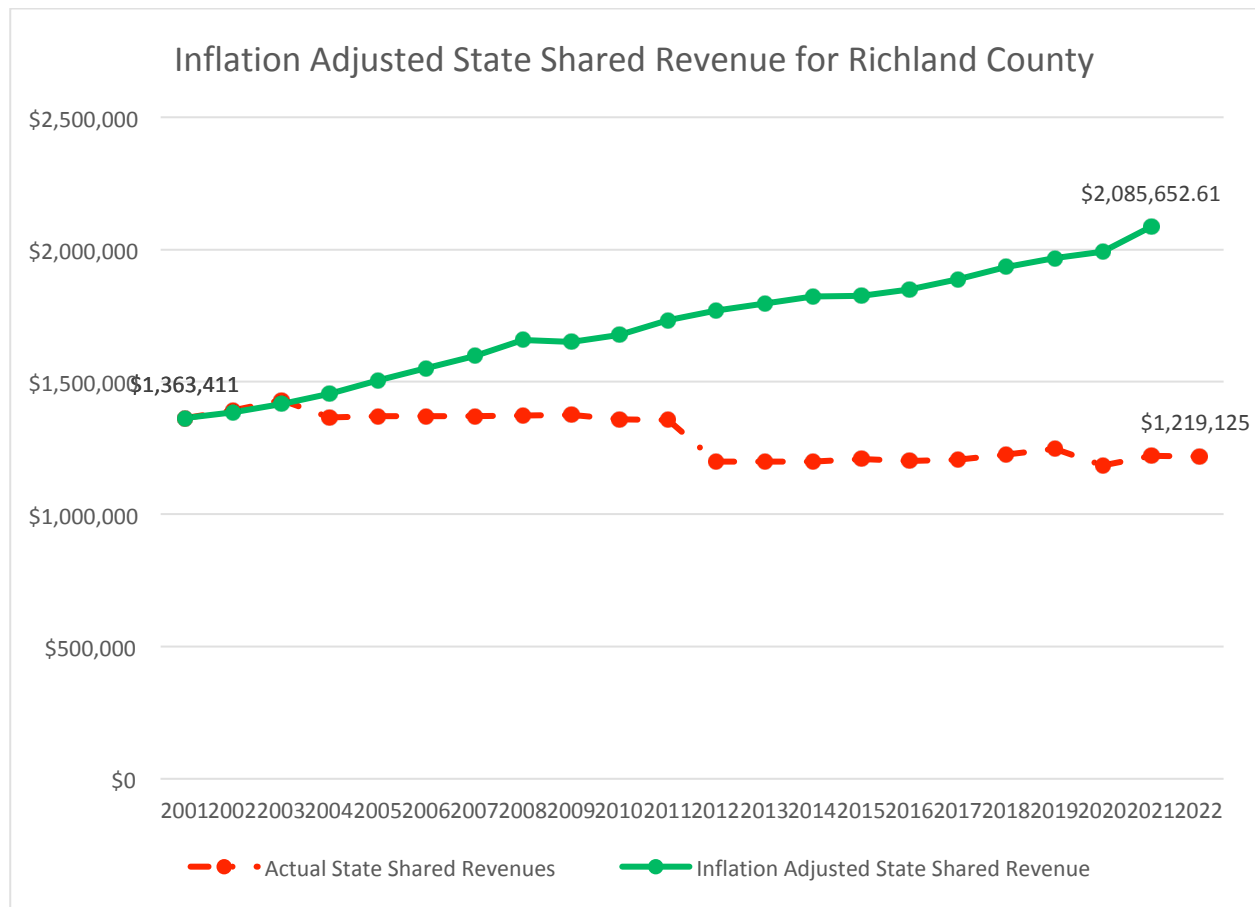
RESOLUTION NO. 22 - 71

A Resolution Imploring The State Of Wisconsin To Increase State Shared Revenues And State Highway Aids For Richland County.

WHEREAS annual state shared revenues from the State of Wisconsin to Richland County have dropped 10% between 2001 and 2021 from \$1.36 million in 2001 to \$1.22 million in 2021, and

WHEREAS, the Consumer Price Index shows that prices increased 43% between 2001 and 2021, and

WHEREAS, if Richland County's state shared revenues had kept pace with inflation, the annual amount of state shared revenue in 2021 would have been \$2.1 million, and

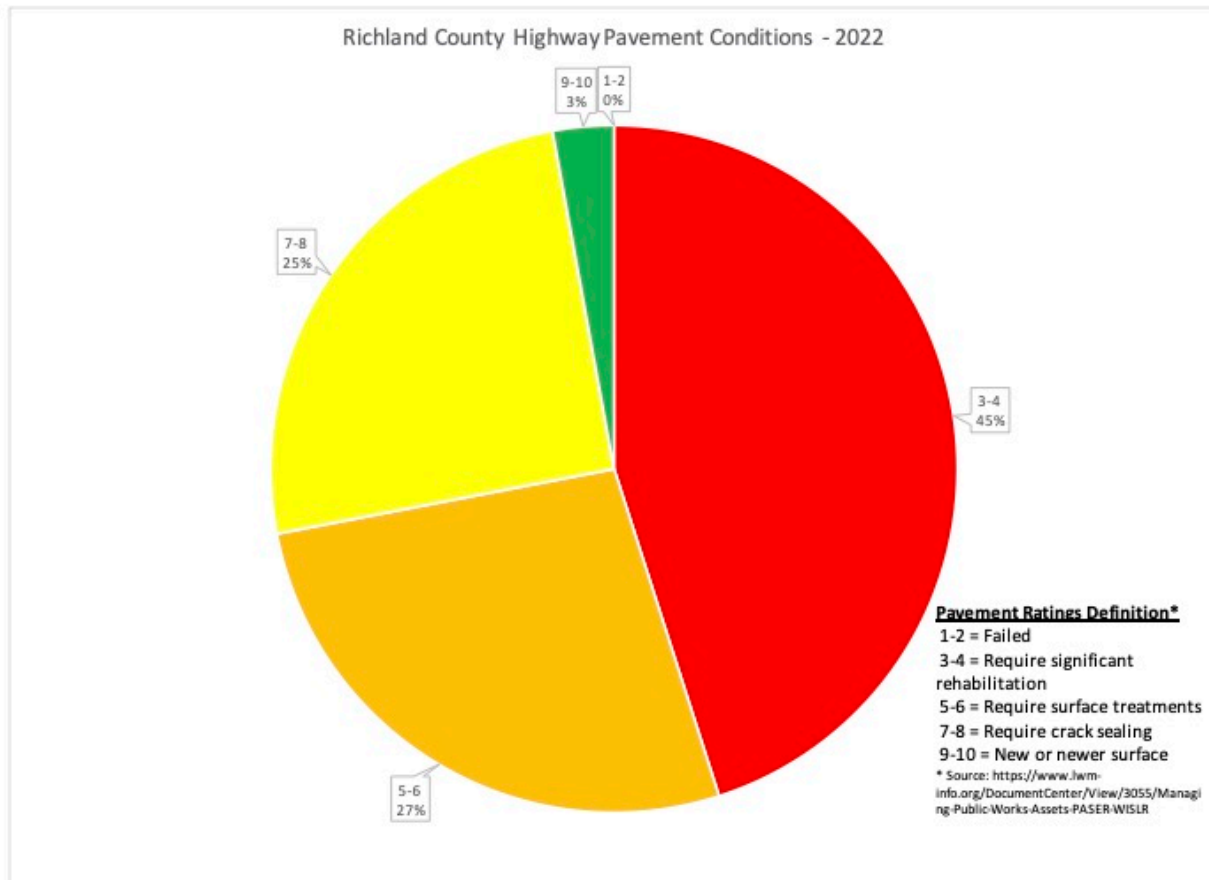


WHEREAS, this decrease in state shared revenues has negatively impacted the budgets of the following three Richland County departments in order of most to least impact: 1) Sheriff, 2) Highway, 3) Health & Human Services, and

WHEREAS, property tax levy limits imposed by the State of Wisconsin on Richland County have restricted our ability to raise property taxes to offset losses in state shared revenues, except for borrowing, and

WHEREAS, in a similar fashion, annual state highway aids to Richland County have dropped 22% between 2001 and 2019 from \$757,000 in 2001 to \$592,000 in 2019, and

WHEREAS, 45% (or 137 out of 304 miles) of all County highways in Richland County are in need of significant rehabilitation because of a lack of maintenance funding, and



WHEREAS, due in part to the State’s decrease in state shared revenues and state highway aids, Richland County property owners have seen recent increases in property taxes for borrowing to pay for Sheriff’s patrol vehicles, Highway maintenance projects, and Health & Human Services building repairs.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, Richland County implores the State of Wisconsin to increase its state shared revenues and state highway aids to Richland County, to ensure funding for the Sheriff’s, Highway, and Health & Human Services Departments, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a copy of this resolution be sent to Governor Tony Evers, State Senator Howard Marklein, State Assembly Representative Travis Tranel, State Assembly Representative Todd Novak, State Assembly Representative Tony Kurtz, and the Wisconsin Counties Association.

VOTE ON FOREGOING RESOLUTION

RESOLUTION OFFERED BY THE FINANCE
& PERSONNEL STANDING COMMITTEE
(07 JUNE 2022)

AYES _____ NOES _____

RESOLUTION ADOPTED

DEREK S. KALISH
COUNTY CLERK

DATED JUNE 21st, 2022

	FOR	AGAINST
MARTY BREWER	X	
SHAUN MURPHY-LOPEZ	X	
STEVE CARROW	X	
MELISSA LUCK	X	
TIMOTHY GOTSCHALL	X	
DAVID TURK		
STEVE WILLIAMSON	X	
MARC COUEY	X	
GARY MANNING	X	