# 2023 LEGISLATIVE PRIORITIES

# INFRASTRUCTURE FUNDING FOR TOWNSHIP ROADS AND BRIDGES

- Move Motor Vehicle Excise Tax revenues from General Fund to NDDOT—with a portion designated for township infrastructure projects
- Move "Municipal/Township/County Infrastructure Prairie Dog bucket" above SIIF bucket
- Ensure grant program funding (HB 1015,
  2021) is expanded & extended beyond 2023
- Raise township special road fund maximum allowed to \$500,000

## **OUR VISION**

To be the resource of choice and voice for North Dakota townships and township issues

#### **OUR MISSION**

To lead, unify, advance, and protect the interests of North Dakota's townships, and to empower our township officers to lead in their respective communities

### **OTHER TOWNSHIP PRIORITIES**

- Modify Century Code to allow annual township meeting to occur any day in March (BILL DRAFT)
- Increase allowance for township officer meeting attendance to \$100 per day, up to \$4,000 per year. (BILL DRAFT)
- Ensure NDDOT has administrative capacity to apply for and manage federal funds from the Infrastructure Investment & Jobs Act (IIJA)

The NDTOA was established in 1966 and represents the 1,365 organized townships, and 6,000 township officers in North Dakota. Collectively with the 53 counties, more than 50,000 miles of paved and unpaved road network is maintained. This vital infrastructure supports farm and ranch access, emergency services, rural school districts, energy production and recreational access across the entire state.

NORTH DAKOTA'S ECONOMY RUNS ON RURAL ROADS!