

Your Local Road Professionals

The Van Buren County Road Commission employs 33 full-time union staff members. These Local Road Professionals operate a variety of equipment to maintain a county road system of 1,328 miles (2,780 lane miles).

Road Commission Duties and Responsibilities

The Van Buren County Road Commission provides maintenance operations on all Act 51 certified roads, including Primary Roads (all roads with the "CR" designation, Red Arrow Highway, and Blue Star Highway), Township Local Roads, including streets, avenues and roadways within certified subdivisions. Maintenance, within limitations, includes a variety of work such as:

- Snow plowing and ice control
- Surface drainage - ditching
- Gravel road grading/blading
- Asphalt patching
- Shoulder maintenance
- Signage, including pavement marking
- Guardrail
- Roadside mowing and brush control
- Structure maintenance

The Van Buren County Road Commission is also responsible for funding special and heavy maintenance projects on all Primary Roads (all roads with the "CR" designation, Red Arrow Highway, and Blue Star Highway).

Township Responsibilities in Van Buren County

As partners in transportation, the Van Buren County Road Commission and its Local Township Officials are in close contact throughout the year to improve the quality and safety of our roads, determine maintenance priorities, and discuss various road related issues.

In Van Buren County, Townships are responsible for funding road construction projects and upgrades on all Township Local Roads (certified streets, avenues and roadways within certified subdivisions). The Road Commission assists its Township Partners in the surveying, engineering, bidding and construction process of these construction projects.

In Van Buren County, Townships are also responsible for dust control on their Local Roads (funding and schedule of applications).