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BRIDGE FORMULA PROGRAM

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Bridge Condition

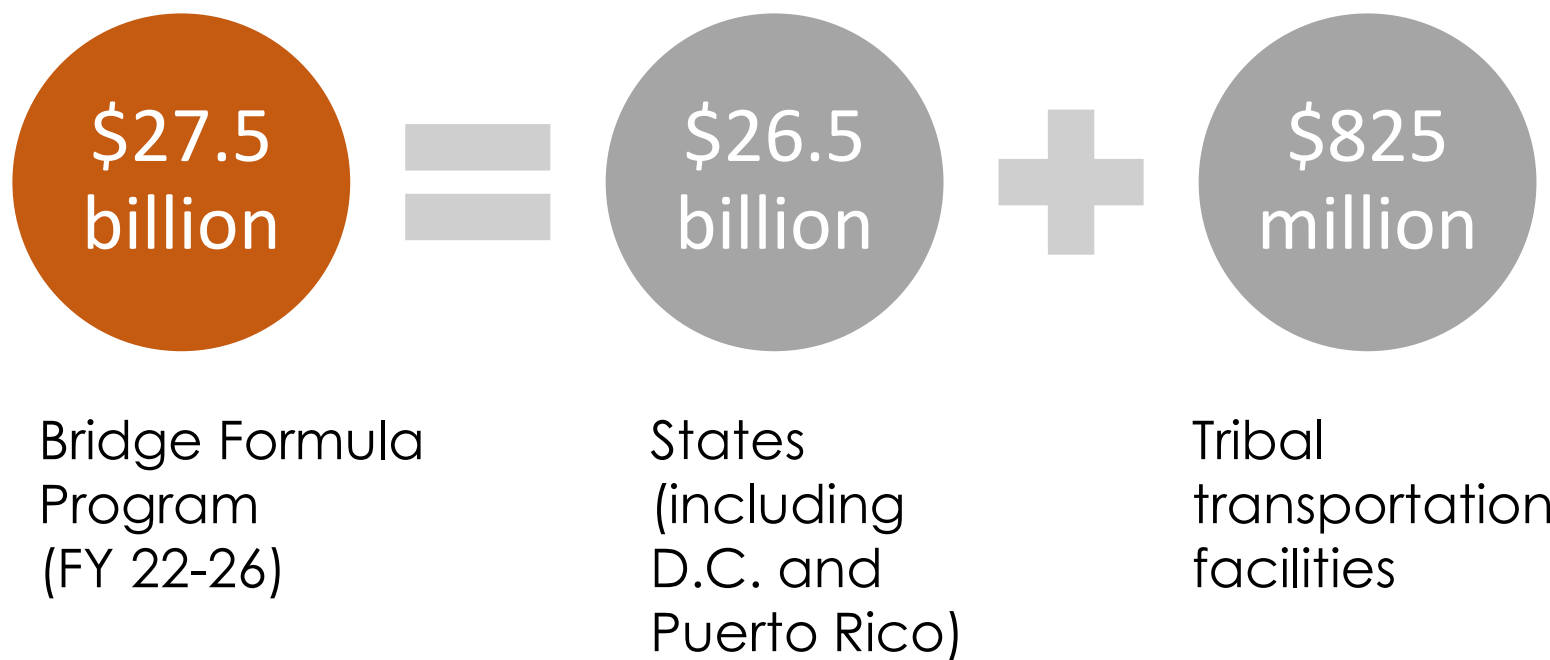
- 43,000 bridges are in poor condition
- 2/3 are off the federal-aid highway system



Bridge Formula Program

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The Bipartisan Infrastructure Law establishes the Bridge Formula Program to **replace, rehabilitate, preserve, protect, or construct highway bridges on public roads.**





Formula

The formula is based on the relative costs of:

- replacing a State's bridges classified in poor condition, and
- rehabilitating a State's bridges classified in fair condition

Each State will receive a minimum of \$45 million per year



States are required to reserve 15% of their formula funds for use on “off system” bridges.

Federal funds can be used for 100 percent of the cost of repairing or rehabilitating locally-or Tribally-owned, off-system bridges.

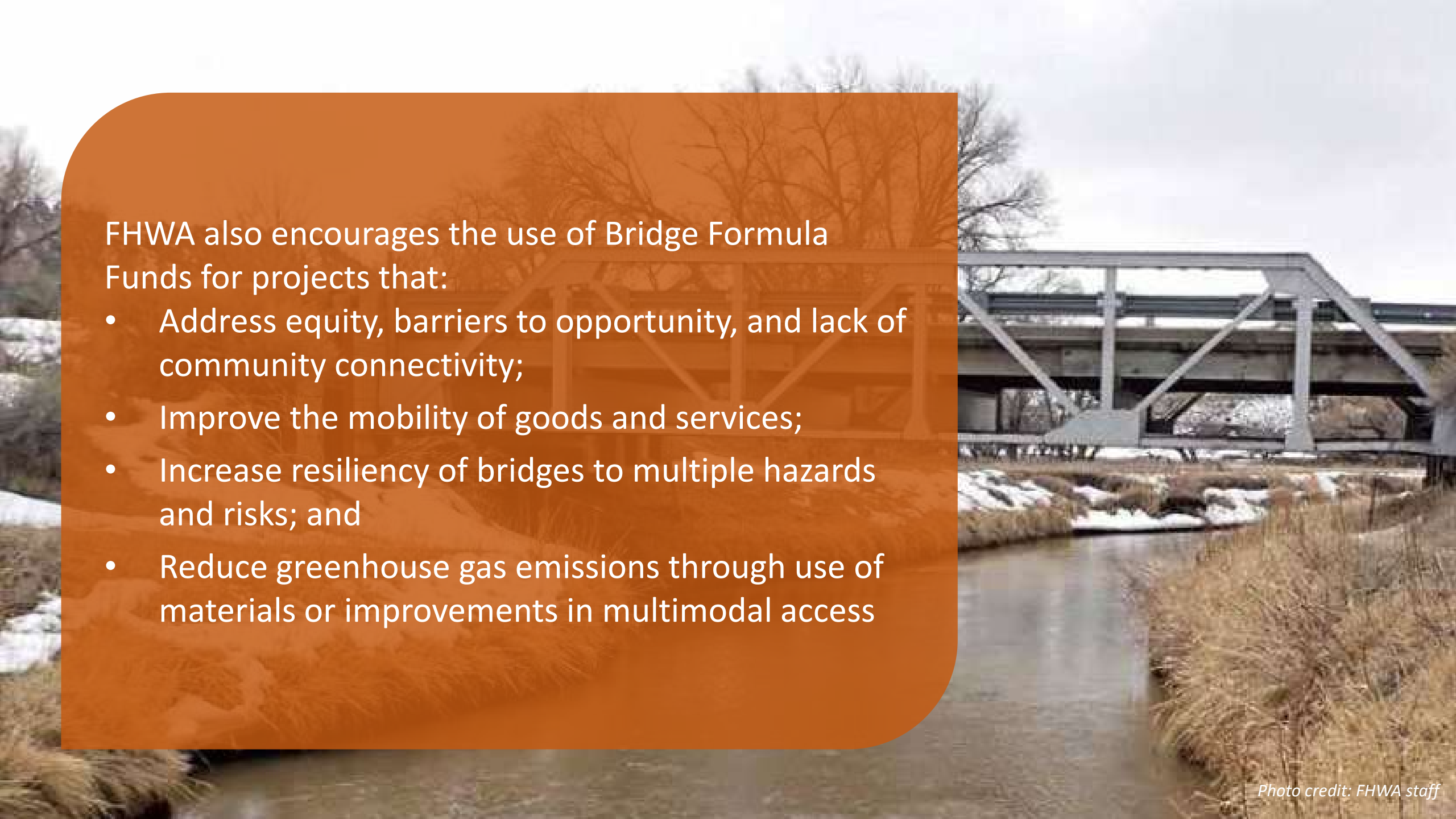
States can choose to use all the Bridge Formula Program funding on small bridges in local communities to maximize the use of the 100 percent Federal match.

FHWA encourages States to first focus their Bridge Formula Program funding on projects that improve the condition of in-service highway bridges



In-service bridge focus

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FHWA also encourages the use of Bridge Formula Funds for projects that:

- Address equity, barriers to opportunity, and lack of community connectivity;
- Improve the mobility of goods and services;
- Increase resiliency of bridges to multiple hazards and risks; and
- Reduce greenhouse gas emissions through use of materials or improvements in multimodal access