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### **AOT Seeking Applications for Bicycle and Pedestrian Infrastructure Improvements**

Barre, Vt. –The Vermont Agency of Transportation (AOT) is seeking grant applications for new infrastructure projects that improve access and safety for bicyclists and pedestrians. In 2022, awards totaled more than \$3.1 million for construction and planning projects throughout the state.

“Expanding opportunities for people to walk and bike safely in Vermont communities is a priority for our Agency and the State,” said Transportation Secretary Joe Flynn. “Good bicycling and pedestrian infrastructure is a vital element of livability that can stimulate economic development in our downtowns and improve public health.”

The AOT Bicycle and Pedestrian Program improves access and safety for bicyclists and pedestrians through the planning, design, and construction of infrastructure projects. The program improves transportation options for commuters, visitors to the state, and recreational use.

To learn more about this year’s grant program and to access the Bicycle and Pedestrian Program Guides and Applications, visit <https://vtrans.vermont.gov/highway/local-projects/bike-ped>. Applications must be received by June 9, 2023. A pre-application information and training webinar is planned for May 3, 2023, and potential applicants are strongly encouraged to participate.

For more information about the 2023 Bicycle and Pedestrian Program or other AOT initiatives related to bicycling and walking, contact Peter Pochop at 802-477-3123 or [Peter.Pochop@vermont.gov](mailto:Peter.Pochop@vermont.gov).

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