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Agency of Transportation Seeking Applications for Bicycle and Pedestrian Infrastructure Improvements

Barre, Vt. –The Vermont Agency of Transportation (AOT) is seeking grant applications for infrastructure projects that improve access and safety for bicyclists and pedestrians. In 2023, the Agency awarded more than \$4.4 million for bicycle and pedestrian 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,” Transportation Secretary Joe Flynn said. “Good bicycle and pedestrian infrastructure is a vital element of livability that can stimulate economic development in our downtowns, improve public health, and reduce vehicle miles traveled and greenhouse gas emissions in the transportation sector.”

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 users. The 2024 grant cycle has additional funding from the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (IIJA) Carbon Reduction Program (CRP) which serves to fund projects designed to reduce transportation emissions. These additional funds will significantly increase the total amount available for this grant cycle.

Applications must be received by June 14, 2024. A pre-application information and training webinar is planned for May 15, 2024, and potential applicants are strongly encouraged to participate.

To learn more about this year’s grant program and access the Bicycle and Pedestrian Program Guides and Applications, visit <https://vtrans.vermont.gov/highway/local-projects/bike-ped>.

For more information about the 2024 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.

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