



March 28, 2024

City of Goddard
118 N. Main
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Goddard KS, 67052

Subject: Letter of Support – US Highway 54 Pedestrian Bridge

Dear Mayor George W. Liebe,

On behalf of the South Central Kansas Transportation Coalition, I write in full support of the City of Goddard's application for federal discretionary grant funding for construction of a pedestrian bridge across US Highway 54.

The proposed construction of a bicycle and pedestrian bridge over US Highway 54 between 183rd Street and 199th Street is a crucial step in enhancing Goddard's active transportation network. By providing a safe crossing over this major highway, the project will not only improve connectivity within the city but also significantly reduce greenhouse gas emissions and enhance overall air quality.

This project addresses critical safety concerns, particularly for residents who currently lack a safe means to cross the 4-lane highway. With a significant portion of Goddard's population residing north of the highway and essential public services located south of it, the construction of this pedestrian bridge is essential in ensuring equitable access for all members of the community.

Moreover, the pedestrian bridge aligns with the goals of the EPA's federal grant program to address GHG pollution and mitigate climate change. By supporting this project, we are not only investing in the safety and well-being of our community members but also contributing to the broader effort to combat climate change and create a more sustainable future for generations to come.

Sincerely,

Brett Letkowski

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Chair
South Central Kansas Transportation Coalition