



Congress of the United States
House of Representatives
Washington, DC 20515

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Dear Chairwoman Granger and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting funding for Wisconsin Street (15th St. to Cody Rd.) Road Reconstruction Project in Fiscal Year 2024. The entity to receive funding for this project is the City of LeClaire located at 325 Wisconsin St., LeClaire, IA 52753.

The funding would be used to reconstruct Wisconsin Street from 15th St. to Cody Rd. (or the downtown riverfront area). This includes the construction of a new sidewalk on the south side and a trail along the north side, which will create new pathways that run the entire length of town, enhancing the community's interconnectivity of shopping areas, recreational parks, residential neighborhoods, and Pleasant Valley Jr. High School. The Wisconsin Street Trail is the last piece to connecting the heart of LeClaire to the Mississippi Riverfront and Mississippi River trails. Storm sewer is also included in this project. Currently, there is no storm sewer in this section of the City. The addition of storm sewer will allow for the construction of the sidewalk and trail in public right-of-way.

The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because it will create a safe corridor for pedestrians, bicycles, cars, and trucks. This corridor will provide access for cars and trucks on Wisconsin Street through LeClaire and will include the Wisconsin Street Trail for bicyclists and runners. This project will help spur commercial development by providing safe, multi-modal access to the downtown corridor, public library, and City Hall. The project will help development of a trail network that creates more outdoor recreational opportunities local taxpayers will directly benefit from, in turn enhancing their quality of life. It will also connect one end of town to the other, creating a safer route to the Jr. High for students who walk to school while increasing recreational opportunities, such as bicycling and walking, for all members of the community.

The project has a Federal nexus because the funding provided is for purposes authorized by 23 USC 133(b).

I certify that I have no financial interest in this project, and neither does anyone in my immediate family.

Sincerely,

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Member of Congress