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City Receives Safe Routes to School Grant

(Oshkosh, WI.) The city of Oshkosh has been awarded a grant of \$102,635 through the Safe Routes to School program. This Federal transportation program, created in 2005, is focused on increasing the number of children who walk or bicycle to school.

Communities and/or school districts apply to their respective state for grants for planning or projects related to education, engineering, encouragement, enforcement and evaluation. The city submitted an application on behalf of the Oshkosh Safe Routes to School Task Force, which includes representatives from the city, several Oshkosh schools and other interested citizens.

The grant focuses on the student populations attending Jefferson Elementary School, Smith Elementary School, South Park Middle School, and Elizabeth Seton Catholic Elementary School. The grant funding will go toward improved warning signage, speed boards, higher visibility crosswalk markings, bike racks, additional law enforcement and a part-time coordinator position. This particular program requires no local matching funds.

This successful grant reflects the results of an ongoing partnership between the Police Department, Transportation Department and area schools over the last several years.

If you have any questions about this grant, please contact Transportation Director Chris Strong at (920) 232-5340.

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