MASSDOT COMPLETE STREETS FUNDING PROGRAM AWARDEES (FY17 Round One)

1. Acton Bicycle and Pedestrian Improvements

Acton’s projects consist of Town Center pedestrian safety improvements; reconfiguration of travel lanes on Main Street (Route 27) at Maple Street/High Street to improve bicycle safety; and Main Street Corridor Bike Lanes to improve bike safety between the Assabet River Rail Trail and the Bruce Freeman Rail Trails. The Town will also install a sheltered bike rack at the South Acton Commuter Rail Station to serve the large number of cyclists’ access the station on a daily basis.

2. Arlington - Safe Route to Ottoson Middle School

Gray Street in Arlington is a major route for children walking to Ottoson Middle School. The Gray Street Pedestrian Accessibility & Connectivity Improvement Project will provide a new section of sidewalk, new handicap ramps, and improve the safety and visibility of the crosswalk located at Quincy and Fountain Street with a new pedestrian activated beacon. The project will make the major street crossing and path to the school more visible, accessible and safe for children and other pedestrians.

3. Beverly Reconstruction of Broadway Street

The Reconstruction of Broadway Street project is intended to provide a network for pedestrians and bicyclists to connect Beverly’s downtown commercial district with the Beverly Depot Commuter Rail station. New ADA compliant sidewalks and curb ramps, bicycle sharrows, signage, and pedestrian scaled lighting will nicely complement MassDOT’s current Rantoul Street improvements.

4. Cambridge - Massachusetts Avenue, Lawn Street Pedestrian and Bicycle Accommodation

Complete Streets funding will leverage and enhance major City and Chapter 90 funded projects on Massachusetts Avenue and Lawn Streets. Cambridge’s two roadway segment improvement projects will improve walkability and provide bicycle network accommodations. Cambridge will improve user safety by providing pedestrian signal timing improvements, marked crosswalks and reducing corner radii to increase intersection crossing safety, and bicycle parking at transit stops. Complete Streets funding will be used for sidewalks, pedestrian ramps and bike parking.

5. Framingham - Dudley-Mt. Wayte Corridor Bicycle & Pedestrian Improvement Project – Phase One

The Project will build a section of a two-way multi-use path originating just north of the intersection of Fountain Street and Dudley Road and continuing along the east side of Dudley Road, terminating at Dr. Harvey L. Cushing Way. The multi-use path will link residents in nearby neighborhoods to downtown transit, employers, and schools, and provide access to major Town recreation amenities.

6. Lawrence Wetherbee School Pedestrian Improvements

The Project will create a safer path to the Wetherbee School and to Riverside Park. Sidewalks will be repaired along Kingston Street to Riverside Park and new crosswalks and ADA compliant ramps at the
intersections. The Kingston/Everett intersection will be to calm traffic speed and reduce crossing distance. New flashing beacons will also alert vehicles to crossing pedestrians.

7. Lowell South Common Shared Use Path

Lowell will construct a new lighted and landscaped multi-use shared path in the South Commons Park to provide vital connections between the Gallagher Multi-Modal Bus/Train Terminal, the Rogers School STEM Academy, and the Markham Village low-income apartments. Another multi use trail spur will run parallel to Thorndike Street from the Highland Street intersection to the Gallagher Terminal intersection. The improvements dovetail with the new multi-modal improvements being done as part of the Lord Overpass reconstruction project.

8. Medford Pedestrian and Bicycle Safety Projects

Medford is receiving funding to improve pedestrian safety at six strategic locations, including traffic calming and signal improvements at Brooks Elementary School and intersection and crossing improvements at West Medford Square, Tufts Pool and Park, Medford Square, and Winthrop circle. Funding also supports bicycle safety improvements along Boston Ave. with a northbound separated bicycle lane and southbound shared lane between High Street in West Medford to the Somerville line on Broadway.

9. Stoughton Central Street Sidewalks and Safe Routes to School

Stoughton is receiving funding to improve walkability and accessibility of Central Street from the intersection of Pearl Street to the intersection of Tosca Drive. New sidewalks with traffic calming landscaping buffer strips will help to better connect pedestrians to schools and low income housing and recreations facilities. The project serves Environmental Justice populations and also leverages a Safe Routes to School Project and a TIP intersection improvement project at Tosca/Central Street to increase the overall impact.

10. Winchester – Traffic Calming and Safe Pedestrian Crossings

Winchester will construct pedestrian safety improvements at twelve critical locations across town. Improvements include of traffic calming measures (or narrowing travel lanes), improved crosswalks, installation of pedestrian flashing beacons, and installation of “Your Speed” radar feedback signs. Locations include the crosswalk on Highland and Stone Avenue, a primary walking route for children attending the Muraco Elementary School.

11. Westwood – High Street Intersection Improvements and Blue Hills Bicycle-Transit Accessibility

Through a safety audit, Westwood identified and will improve the intersection geometry and crossing safety of High Street and Pond Street. Approximately 1,000’ of new sidewalk will be constructed on the westerly side of High Street from Millbrook Road to Pond Street to improve connectivity between residential neighborhoods and the William E. Sheehan School. An additional project includes constructing 5-foot bike lanes in each direction along 1-mile of Blue Hill Drive to improve local and regional bicycle connectivity from Canton Street to University Avenue and the University Station transit facility and mixed-use development.
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