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Governor Cuomo Announces \$70 Million for 68 Bicycle and Pedestrian Projects,

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Governor Andrew M. Cuomo today announced approximately \$70 million in awards to fund 68 bicycle, pedestrian and multi-use path transportation projects in New York. The projects, funded by the Federal Highway Administration and which leverage a total investment of \$103.7 million, will promote walking and biking, and boost tourism and economic development opportunities in dozens of communities across the state.

The projects include the addition of accessible sidewalks, improved pedestrian access to public transportation services, construction of new bicycle and pedestrian facilities and the preservation and conversion of abandoned railroad corridors for trail use.

The funds are made available to the State through the Federal Highway Administration and are administered by the State Department of Transportation. The program provides up to 80 percent of the cost of each project, with the remaining share coming from the project sponsor. The funds are dedicated for strategic investments in transportation alternatives and with a local sponsor match of more than \$33.6 million, support a total investment of nearly \$103.7 million.

The projects announced today were chosen through a competitive solicitation process and rated on established criteria that included public benefit and community support for the project; connectivity to an existing transportation system; how well the proposed improvements benefit walking and bicycling; impact on local or regional economies; availability of matching funds; and ability to deliver the project within federally required timeframes. 135 applications were received.

Selected projects relate to one or more of the following categories: on-road and off-road trail facilities for pedestrians, bicyclists and other non-motorized forms of transportation; infrastructure-related projects and systems that provide safe routes for non-drivers to access daily needs; use of abandoned railroad corridors for surface-transportation related trails; scenic byway turnouts and viewing areas; safe routes to school; construction of boulevards and complete streets thoroughfares; and storm water management related to highway runoff.

The projects that are funded, sorted by region, include:

New York City

- NYC Department of Parks and Recreation: Bronx River Greenway Shoelace Link: \$2,500,000
- NYC Department of Transportation: South Bronx Greenway: \$2,500,000
- NYC Department of Transportation: Brooklyn Waterfront Greenway - Kent Avenue South: \$2,500,000
- NYC Department of Transportation: Atlantic Avenue Safety Improvements: \$2,500,000
- NYC Department of Transportation: 4th Avenue Capital Project: \$2,500,000

- NYC Department of Transportation: Safe Routes to School: \$2,388,634

- NYC Department of Transportation: Morrison Avenue Plaza Bicycle-Pedestrian enhancements: \$2,499,228

NYC Department of Transportation: Sunset Park Improvements: \$956,000

Capital Region

- Capital District Transportation Authority (CDTA): Pedestrian Improvements for Public Transit in Albany, Troy and Cohoes: \$1,600,000

- City of Schenectady: Central Park – Downtown Schenectady Trail Connection: \$1,101,206

- City of Glens Falls: Fire Road, Crandall Park and Kensington Road Elementary School Bicycle and Pedestrian Improvements: \$480,000

- City of Saratoga Springs: Geyser Road-Spa State Park Bicycle-Pedestrian Trail: \$1,600,000

Mohawk Valley

- City of Oneida: Oneida Rail Trail and City Center: \$716,000

- NYS Canal Corporation: Fort Herkimer Church to Lock 18 Erie Canalway Trail: \$985,600

- Village of Canastota: Phase II, South Peterboro Street Enhancement Project: \$250,513

Central New York

- Village of Trumansburg: Pedestrian Commuting: \$811,395

- City of Auburn: South Street Corridor Enhancement Project: \$899,000

- Village of Fayetteville: Canal Landing Park Phase IV: \$314,076
- City of Syracuse: Park Street Neighborhood Greenway: \$585,451
- Village of Dryden: Dryden Elementary Safe Routes to School project: \$398,694
- City of Ithaca: Cascadilla Creekway Project: \$600,000
- Town of Seneca Falls: Cady Stanton Elementary Safe Routes to School project: \$889,175

Finger Lakes

- City of Rochester: Main Street Streetscape and Pedestrian Wayfinding Enhancement Project: \$1,551,000
- Monroe County: Accessible Pedestrian Signal Device Installation: \$256,500
- City of Batavia: Healthy Schools Corridor: \$720,657
- Village of Webster: North Avenue Connector Project: \$811,580
- Town of Victor: Community Connectivity Project: \$247,493
- Town of Farmington: Auburn Trail Connector: \$1,463,161
- Ontario County: Lakeshore Drive & Moran Road Sidewalk Improvement Project: \$1,128,000

Western New York

- Erie County: Tonawanda Rails to Trails Extension: \$760,000
- Erie County: Elmwood Avenue Bicycle-Pedestrian Improvements: \$700,000

- Erie County: Shoreline Trail: \$980,160
- City of Buffalo: Shoreline Trail Improvements: \$1,580,000
- Village of Lancaster: Lancaster Transportation Alternatives Project: \$328,382
- Village of Hamburg: Healthy Neighborhood Corridor: \$701,340
- City of Niagara Falls: Buffalo Avenue Streetscaping: \$404,000
- City of Jamestown: Jamestown Intermodal Transportation Project: \$1,600,000
- Town of Cheektowaga: Cheektowaga Safe Crossing Project: \$207,083
- New York State Parks: West Niagara River Trail: \$1,600,000

Southern Tier

- City of Corning: Bridge Street Pedestrian and Bicycle Enhancement Project: \$362,880
- City of Hornell: Shawmut Park Trail Development: \$323,908
- Chemung County: Lackawanna Rail Trail Phase II: \$450,003
- Village of Penn Yan: Outlet Trail Improvements: \$502,800
- Town of Mamakating: Wurtsboro D & H Towpath: \$1,057,190
- City of Binghamton: State Street Phase I: \$480,000
- Village of Newark Valley: Whig Street Pedestrian Improvements: \$212,468

North Country

- Clinton County: Northern Tier Recreational Trail: \$1,319,340
- Village of Clayton: Clayton River Walk 3: \$1,311,315
- Village of Potsdam: Village of Potsdam Riverwalk: \$400,000
- Town of Fine: Fine Wanakena Footbridge: \$200,000

Hudson Valley

- Village of Nyack: New Connectivities for Nyack: \$1,484,650
- Village of Kaser: Saddle River Road Pedestrian Sidewalk: \$258,572
- Town of Mamaroneck: Weaver Street (Route 125) Sidewalk Extension: \$315,728
- Village of Wesley Hills: East Willow Street Sidewalk Improvements: \$1,028,175
- Town of Ramapo: Route 306 Pedestrian Sidewalk: \$1,265,000
- Putnam County: Kent Revitalization: \$1,600,000
- Town of Hyde Park: Route 9 Redesign: \$676,000
- Town of Red Hook: Sidewalk Project: \$733,824
- City of Beacon: Main Street Accessibility Improvements: \$958,064
- Village of New Paltz: Village Sidewalks: Huguenot Street, Church Street, Prospect Street, and Henry DuBois Drive: \$201,628
- Ulster County: Hudson Valley Rail Trail West: Phase 4 - New Paltz Road to South Street: \$1,595,123

· Village of Wappingers Falls: Wappingers Falls Village Center Pedestrian Safety Project:
\$699,400

Long Island

· Nassau County: Long Island Motor Parkway Multi-Use Trail – Salisbury Park Drive
Segment: \$1,820,000

· City of Long Beach: Downtown to the Boardwalk Resilient Connectivity: \$1,063,851

· NYS Parks: Jones Beach State Park: \$2,500,000

· Town of Brookhaven: North Country Road Complete Streets Project: \$750,800

· Village of Island Park: School Safety Zone Improvements: \$382,520

· Suffolk County: Pedestrians and Bicyclists Along the Nicolls Road Bus Rapid Transit
Corridor: \$1,452,000