Dear Municipal Official:

SUBJECT: Community Connectivity Program
Grant Application

On behalf of the Connecticut Department of Transportation (Department), I am pleased to inform you of the availability of the Community Connectivity Grant Program (CCGP). This program, recently announced by Governor Dannel P. Malloy, was developed to provide funding for local initiatives that will contribute to reaching the overall goal of the broader Community Connectivity Program. The primary goal of the Community Connectivity Program is to make conditions safer for people of all ages to walk, bike and take transit, thereby encouraging more people to use these healthy and environmentally sustainable modes of travel.

Projects funded through the CCGP will allow municipalities to perform smaller scale capital improvements. The Department will administer the CCGP and will solicit applications for grants from municipalities. Grants will be awarded on a competitive basis and will range between $75,000 and $400,000. Municipalities will be allowed to submit one application per community.

Guidelines for the program and an electronic application can be found at: [http://ctconnectivity.com/](http://ctconnectivity.com/)

The Guidelines provide an overview of the CCGP and all the necessary details to complete an application for grant funding. Please note that this is a competitive process, where applications will be evaluated based on the criteria outlined in the application materials.

The CCGP is the second phase of the broader Community Connectivity Program. The first phase offered Connecticut’s municipalities’ assistance to conduct Road Safety Audits (RSA’s) to examine safety issues and counter-measures to help improve safety and reduce crashes at important bike and pedestrian corridors and intersections. Eighty communities elected to participate in this program. The RSA’s were conducted over a twelve month period, with the last being completed this spring.

The Guidelines and Application will be available beginning Friday, May 26, 2017, with an Application submission deadline of **4:00 p.m. on Tuesday, August 1, 2017**. Each municipality can submit only one application. It is important to note that having a completed RSA is not a prerequisite to receive funding.

All inquiries regarding the Community Connectivity Grant Program shall be directed to Ms. Colleen Kissane, Transportation Assistant Planning Director, Bureau of Policy and Planning, at (860) 594-2132.

Sincerely,

James Redeker
Commissioner