



September 7, 2017

Mr. Ralph Pfremmer
Chief Executive Officer
Trailnet
411 N. 10th Street, Suite 202
St. Louis, MO 63101

Dear Ralph,

On behalf of St. Louis Children's Hospital (SLCH), I am pleased to express support for Trailnet's vision to connect the St. Louis region with a network of on-street protected bikeways and high-quality sidewalks. Trailnet has been an important partner in advocating for improved infrastructure of our streets and walkways, with the goal of providing pathways to schools that are safe from vehicle traffic. SLCH applauds Trailnet's efforts to advance walking and bicycling for active transportation in St. Louis for 29 years.

As a Level I trauma center, we know the devastation that comes with pedestrian and bicycle accidents involving children. Trailnet and SLCH share a long, successful history of working to promote the health and safety of St. Louis youth. We applaud their use of a data-driven approach towards improving both the built environment and to inspire healthy behaviors. We know that success will require public engagement. Trailnet is uniquely qualified to dig deep into the community to gather public input on these issues and make this vision of creating a plan designed by and for the people a reality.

Our community deserves a city that has a transportation system that accommodates their needs. Many of the families served by SLCH use multimodal transportation out of necessity to receive healthcare and other essential services. As a community, it is our obligation to design infrastructure that keeps them out of harms way, that is inviting and encourages daily use, and that provides a truly viable transportation option.

Trailnet has the support of SLCH as they work towards their vision to connect St. Louis.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Greta Todd". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Greta Todd
Executive Director
Diversity, Inclusion and Community Affairs
St. Louis Children's Hospital