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Mr. Ralph Pfremmer
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Dear Mr. Pfremmer,

On behalf of the St. Louis Association of Community Organizations (SLACO), I am pleased to express support for Trailnet's vision to connect the region with a network of on-street protected bikeways and high-quality sidewalks. SLACO praises Trailnet's vision to create safer and healthier modes of transportation that connect the communities of St. Louis. Trailnet's determination to prioritize the people this project is designed for aligns perfectly with our focus on the people's voice to improve their neighborhoods.

As you know Trailnet has a history of facilitating programs which address the concerns of the people first and foremost. Your advocacy programs are founded on strengthening communities, a quality SLACO shares. Our work tackles the needs and problems of individual neighborhoods to improve the quality of life for residents. We recognize the importance of prioritizing public input to make visions focused on the wellbeing of communities a success and Trailnet is undoubtedly prepared to ensure their project is one designed by and for the people.

This is a project uniquely tailored to the city of St. Louis, so it's essential that it reflects the desires and needs of the people who will be using it. The city is now faced with the opportunity to redefine itself in a positive way that will last for years to come. Trailnet's vision functions as a catalyst for progress that will impact everybody and SLACO appreciates your efforts.

A network of protected bikeways will do more than physically connect places across St. Louis together. They will serve to strengthen a sense of community throughout the region. Underserved neighborhoods will benefit from the social and economic upheaval, and residents will be able to feel a sense of pride for their revitalized city they contributed to.

The St. Louis Association of Community Organizations is committed to supporting Trailnet's vision to connect St. Louis.

Sincerely,

Kevin McKinney
St. Louis Association of Community Organizations