



STATE OF MINNESOTA

Office of Governor Tim Walz
Lt. Governor Peggy Flanagan

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February 27, 2023

Via email

The Honorable Pete Buttigieg
Secretary, US Department of Transportation
1200 New Jersey Ave, SE
Washington, DC 20590

Re: Minnesota Department of Transportation Highway 19 RAISE Grant Letter of Support

Dear Secretary Buttigieg,

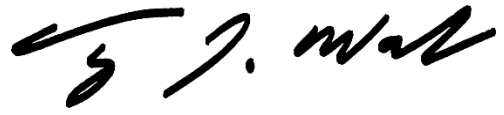
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Please give this proposal your full consideration.

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Tim Walz
Governor

United States Senate

March 17, 2023

The Honorable Pete Buttigieg
Office of the Secretary of Transportation
1200 New Jersey Ave, SE
Washington, D.C. 20590

RE: 2023 Rebuilding American Infrastructure with Sustainability and Equity (RAISE) Discretionary Grant Application/#DTOS59-23-RA-RAISE

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The completion of the Highway 19/College Drive Marshall reconstruction project will strengthen the transportation system and contribute to economic vitality in southwest Minnesota. I support MnDOT's application for the funding of the Highway 19/College Drive Marshall reconstruction project and look forward to the infrastructure investment in the region through the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law.

For the reasons above, I encourage your strong consideration of this proposal. If you any questions, please contact Myles Artis by email at myles_artis@smith.senate.gov.

Sincerely,



Tina Smith

US Senator

Congress of the United States
House of Representatives
Washington, DC 20515-2307

February 24, 2023

The Honorable Pete Buttigieg
Secretary, US Department of Transportation
1200 New Jersey Ave, SE
Washington, DC 20590

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Please give this 2023 RAISE Discretionary Grant proposal your full and fair consideration, consistent with applicable statutes and regulations. If I can answer any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me. I may be reached at 202-225-2165.

Sincerely,



Michelle Fischbach
Member of Congress

SENATOR GARY H. DAHMS

Senator District 15

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St. Paul, MN 55155

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Senate

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Respectfully,

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Gary Dahms
Minnesota State Senator
District 15



January 31, 2023

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Sincerely,

Representative Chris Swedzinski
Minnesota 15A

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Eric D. Wallen, Sheriff

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01/09/2023

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Sincerely,

Sheriff Eric Wallen
Lyon County Sheriff's Office
611 W. Main St.
PO Box 28
Marshall, MN 56258



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CITY OF MARSHALL
344 WEST MAIN STREET
MARSHALL, MN 56258-1313
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January 30, 2023

Attn: Honorable Pete Buttigieg Secretary of Transportation
US Department of Transportation
1200 New Jersey Avenue SE
Washington, DC 20590

RE: Highway 19/College Drive Project Rebuilding American Infrastructure with Sustainability and Equity (RAISE) Application

Secretary Buttigieg:

On behalf of the City of Marshall, we urge you to fund the RAISE application from the Minnesota Department of Transportation (MNDOT) for the reconstruction Highway 19/College Drive. The cooperation between the MNDOT and the City for this project will replace badly deteriorated pavement and allow the City of Marshall to replace aging utilities at the same time, thereby enhancing this vital transportation route which incurs 8,500-9,500 daily traffic counts. In addition, sidewalk improvements will be made along the project area improving and ensuring compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA).

Marshall is a regional center in southwest Minnesota, and is the hub for medical care, retail, trade, education, employment, and business. The diverse economic base and strong foundation in agriculture has provided stability to the local economy. Recent studies illustrate a common labor and retail draw of approximately sixty (60) miles. Marshall's current population of 13,680 doubles its daytime population to 25,000+ according to employment estimates. This in turn has made this application for funding through the RAISE grant vital to our community.

Highway 19/College Drive not only provides a link to our Downtown Business District, but also serves as the major route to the Avera Marshall Regional Center which provides medical and health services including a 25-bed hospital, a 76-bed long-term care facility, Avera Cancer Institute, emergency center, specialty physician clinics, imaging center and outpatient services center. Also, Southwest Minnesota State University (SMSU), a four-year public university with total enrollment of over 7,000 students and whose campus adjoins Highway 19/College Drive, thus providing important transportation access.

People who work critical jobs, students, and a notable proportion of other commuters from the surrounding area, rely on transportation networks that function well to get them to Marshall

safely and on time. Please accept this letter as our support for the Highway 19/College Drive
RAISE Grant Application and thank you for your thoughtful consideration.

Sincerely,

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Robert J. Byrnes

Mayor

City of Marshall



**317 West Main Street
Marshall, MN 56258**

January 9, 2023

The Honorable Pete Buttigieg
Secretary, US Department of Transportation
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Sincerely,

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Brad Gruhot
President
Marshall Area Chamber of Commerce



Marshall Downtown Business Association

January 18th 2023

Marshall Downtown Business Association

Desiree Petrich

317 W. Main St.

Suite 2

Marshall, MN 56258

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Marshall Downtown Business Association

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Desiree Petrich
Marshall Downtown Business Association



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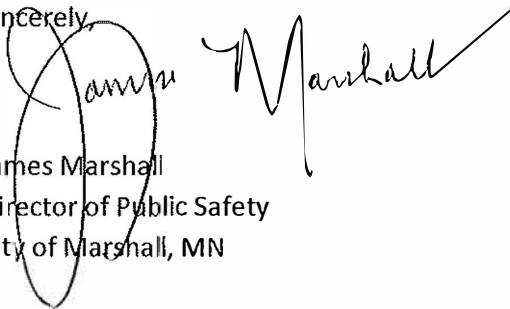
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James Marshall
Director of Public Safety
City of Marshall, MN



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Tawny Schotzko
Marshall EDA Board President

344 West Main Street
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February 1, 2023

The Honorable Pete Buttigieg
Secretary, US Department of Transportation
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Washington, DC 20590

Dear Secretary Buttigieg,

The City of Marshall's Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion (DEI) Commission are writing in support of MNDOT's application for funding through the United States Department of Transportation's Rebuilding American Infrastructure with Sustainability and Equity (RAISE) grant for the reconstruction of Highway 19/College Drive in Marshall, MN. This reconstruction project will provide several improvements for the Marshall community and the region. The existing infrastructure is in poor condition causing many problems for the roadway users, freight haulers, and businesses along the corridor, including damage to vehicles and cargo because of the rough pavement, water and sewer back-ups due to underground utility failures, and accessibility issues for pedestrians due to badly deteriorating sidewalks and lack of accessible walkways. This project will address all these issues and results in a cohesive network of multimodal alternatives that support diverse and accessible community needs.

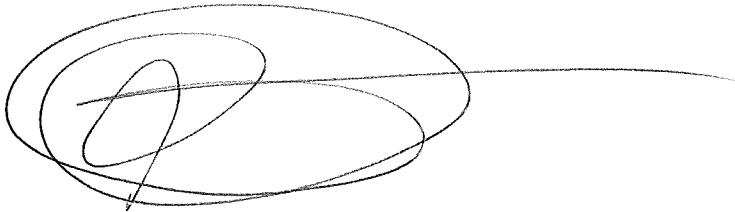
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Co-Chair
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City of Marshall Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Commission

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Sincerely,

Cassi Weiss
Director
Visit Marshall

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January 31st, 2023

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Sincerely,


Captain Casey Meagher #2300

Minnesota State Patrol – Marshall District

January 11, 2023

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Kumara Jayasuriya
President



**SWWC Service Cooperative
1420 East College Drive
Marshall, MN 56258**

January 23, 2023

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Washington, DC 20590

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Sincerely,

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Cliff Carmody, Executive Director
SWWC Service Cooperative



Southwest Adult Basic Education-Marshall
1501 State Street
SMSU SS Bldg, Suite 118
Marshall, MN 56258

February 1, 2023

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Sincerely,

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See Moua-Leske

Program Manager; Southwest ABE-Marshall



Southwestern Center for Independent Living (SWCIL)

Serving People with Disabilities in Southwestern Minnesota

Ted Stamp
109 S. 5th St. Suite 700
Marshall, MN 56258

January 9, 2023

Transportation Secretary Pete Buttigieg
US Department of Transportation
1200 New Jersey Ave, SE
Washington, DC 20590

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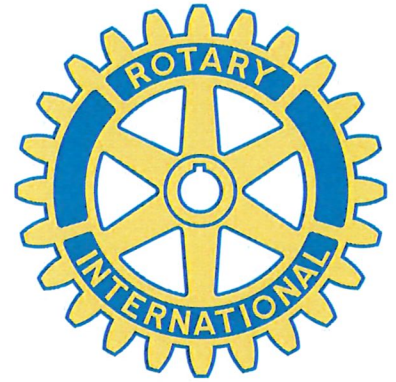
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Southwestern Center for Independent Living

MARSHALL SUNRISE ROTARY

200 South A Street
Marshall, MN 56258



January 30, 2023

Attn: Honorable Pete Buttigieg Secretary of Transportation
US Department of Transportation
1200 New Jersey Avenue SE
Washington, DC 20590

RE: Highway 19/College Drive Project Rebuilding American Infrastructure with Sustainability and Equity (RAISE) Application

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The City of Marshall has diligently been working on the community's infrastructure in recent years and the RAISE Transportation Grant, paired with the city's previous and current endeavors, will provide the crucial next step forward for the community and the region.

Please accept this letter as our support for the Highway 19/College Drive RAISE Grant Application and thank you for your thoughtful consideration.

Sincerely,

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Jim Muchlinski
President
Marshall Sunrise Rotary



January 23, 2023

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Sincerely,

Alan Poff
Vice President of Government and Community Affairs
Schwan's Shared Services, LLC



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Jeremy Williams
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January 20, 2023

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Debbie Streier
Regional President/CEO
Avera Marshall



1400 S Saratoga St. Marshall, MN 56258
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Transportation Director
United Community Action Partnership



901 North Hwy 59, Marshall, MN 56258

February 1, 2023

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Washington, DC 20590

Dear Secretary Buttigieg,

I am writing in support of MnDOT's application for funding through the United States Department of Transportation's Rebuilding American Infrastructure with Sustainability and Equity (RAISE) grant application for the reconstruction of Highway 19/College Drive in Marshall, MN. This reconstruction project will provide many improvements for the Marshall community and the region. The existing infrastructure is in poor condition causing many problems for the roadway users, freight haulers, and businesses along the corridor, including damage to vehicles and cargo because of the rough pavement, water and sewer back-ups due to underground utility failures, and accessibility issues for pedestrians due to badly deteriorating sidewalks and lack of accessible walkways. This project will address all these issues and results in a cohesive network of multimodal alternatives that support diverse community needs. In addition to bringing the corridor back to a state of good repair, it aligns with USDOT's strategic goals with the following specific benefits:

- **Improvements for freight:** Many intersections will be redesigned to better accommodate freight turning movements and make it easier for the many trucks that travel the corridor (and the many trucks that avoid the corridor due to current conditions) to navigate the turns.
- **Improvements for people who walk and bike:** The corridor will get new sidewalks, traffic calming treatments, and treatments to make it easier to cross the street. This project would complete the pedestrian network along Highway 19/College Drive and meet accessibility standards.
- **Improvements for stormwater management and flooding:** Several areas of the corridor have poor drainage and flooding concerns causing issues for motorists and adjacent businesses.
- **Safety Improvements:** In addition to improvements for walkers and bikers, the project will improve corridor and intersection safety with the addition of a roundabout, removal of unneeded signals and other safety treatments.
- **Collaboration and Partnerships:** While this project is led by the Minnesota Department of Transportation, the City and other project stakeholders have been involved with the early planning and development of this project from the beginning, as there are many benefits to the City's infrastructure included in this project and many benefits for Marshall residents and businesses.



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The completion of the Highway 19/College Drive Marshall reconstruction project will strengthen our system of transportation and contribute to growth in our region. I support MnDOT's application for the funding of the Highway 19/College Drive Marshall reconstruction project and look forward to the infrastructure investment in our region through the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law. Please give this 2023 RAISE Discretionary Grant proposal your full consideration and if I can answer any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me. I may be reached at 507-532-5748.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Chad Jensen".

Chad Jensen
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