

Date: May 12, 2026

To: Anja Aulenbacher
California Transportation Commission
1120 N Street, MS 52
Sacramento, CA 95815

From: The City of South San Francisco Traffic Safety Commission

Subject: Letter of Support for City of South San Francisco Active Transportation Program Grant (Cycle 8) Application

Dear Ms. Aulenbacher,

On behalf of the City of South San Francisco's Traffic Safety Commission, I am pleased to offer our strong support for the proposed street improvement projects in South San Francisco focused on enhancing safety and connectivity for people walking, biking, and using transit near the Caltrain Station, along Poletti Way, and on Grand Avenue.

As a City Commission serving residents and families across South San Francisco and the region, we see firsthand the critical need for safer, more accessible transportation options -- particularly in the East of 101 area. This part of the city is home to a diverse and growing economic hub, and serves people who rely on walking, biking, and transit to access jobs, schools, services, and recreation. However, the current street network presents significant barriers, including limited pedestrian infrastructure, gaps in bike connectivity, and challenging crossings that can discourage active transportation and create safety risks.

Improving conditions near the Caltrain Station, on Poletti Way, and along Grand Avenue is especially important. These corridors serve as vital connections between neighborhoods, employment centers, and regional transit. Enhancements such as safer crossings, protected bikeways, traffic calming measures, and improved sidewalks will not only reduce the risk of collisions but also create a more welcoming and accessible environment for all users. Connectivity is equally important. East of 101 has a fragmented transportation network that makes it difficult to reach key destinations without a car. By strengthening connections between neighborhoods and the Caltrain Station, this project will help bridge those gaps—supporting more equitable access to transit, reducing transportation costs for families, and advancing broader environmental and public health goals.

The City of South San Francisco's Traffic Safety Commission is offering support for South San Francisco's ATP application to invest in safer, more connected streets in this area. These improvements will not only enhance mobility but also contribute to a stronger, healthier, and more inclusive South San Francisco.

Sincerely,

Justin Yuen, Chair
City of South San Francisco
Traffic Safety Commission