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Woodrow Deloria, Senior Transportation Planner  
El Dorado County Transportation Commission (EDCTC)  
2828 Easy Street, Suite 1  
Placerville CA 95667

### **RE: Support Letter for the El Dorado County and City of Placerville Active Transportation Plan**

Dear Mr. Deloria:

The El Dorado County Health & Human Services Agency (EDC HHS) Public Health Division fully supports the EDCTC grant application to obtain Caltrans Sustainable Transportation Planning Grant funds for development of the "El Dorado County and City of Placerville Active Transportation Plan". Our agency recently completed a formal Community Health Assessment and selected four important issues to address as we develop a Community Health Improvement Plan (CHIP) in collaboration with community partners, including the EDCTC. One issue is the need to increase active living, a prime example of which is active transportation because it is an ideal way for our residents to incorporate physical activity into their normal routines.

We are already hearing that citizens desire more opportunities to use active transportation in our county and that the demand for active transportation extends from the urban Sacramento and Folsom City cores into El Dorado County. Residents and businesses in the suburban and rural foothill communities desire access to active transportation modes to improve mobility, health and wellness. As a bonus, active transportation contributes to the regional and state air quality improvement goals.

EDC HHS Public Health supports the concept of developing active transportation opportunities that serve the needs of both rural and urban residents of El Dorado County and the City of Placerville as well as our region's many visitors. Improving active transportation options for residents of and visitors to our region would enhance their mobility, health, well-being, and quality-of-life. EDC HHS Public Health supports and encourages EDCTC's efforts to secure this grant funding to further active transportation opportunities.

We look forward to partnering with EDCTC, Caltrans, the City of Placerville and others to develop a formal Active Transportation Plan for the implementation of an effective and sustainable active-transportation system in El Dorado County.

Sincerely,

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