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I would like to see a transportation package that fully funds Great Streets, Safe Routes to School, and Oregon Community Paths. I would also like to see a bill that fully funds public transit and passenger rail service throughout the state.

Fully funding the pedestrian improvements will improve safety and quality of life for all Oregonians.

30% of Oregonians can't or don't drive. The lack of safe streets and paths disproportionately harms people who are forced to walk, bike, or roll, or ride transit for their only transportation, leaving them without access to jobs, education, healthcare, and groceries.

Investing in sidewalks, bike lanes and trails improves health, reducing chronic disease and lowering asthma rates.

Our transportation systems has big gaps that limit some people more than others. Especially affect area people with disabilities, rural families, people of color, and working folks, who have the greatest need for affordable transportation.

If we don't put these communities first in our solutions, they'll fall even further behind. Thank you.