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City of Munford awarded over \$900,000 from TDOT Multimodal Access Grant

Memphis, TN – On June 9, 2015, Tennessee Gov. Bill Haslam and Tennessee Department of Transportation (TDOT) Commissioner John Schroer announced an award for the City of Munford through the Multimodal Access Fund Grant. Munford will receive \$937,637 to improve pedestrian access and connectivity along SR-206. The City of Munford was one of 14 communities awarded a total of \$10.2 million to improve transportation conditions for transit users, pedestrians, and bicyclists.

“We are very happy that the City of Munford has been awarded a Tennessee Department of Transportation Multimodal Grant. This is a great opportunity to extend our sidewalk system and make Munford an ever more “walkable town,” said Peter Colin, City Administrator for Munford. “This project is intended to achieve a continuous walkway linking Munford’s original downtown and neighborhood area, to its emerging business district along Highway 51, providing safe passage for all our citizens.”

The funds from the Multimodal Access Fund Grant will allow Munford to become a more economically vital city by enhancing accessibility, sustainability, safety, and the “quality of life” for community members. The project will be along SR-206/Munford Avenue connecting the growing business/medical district along Highway 51, the historic downtown. The current conditions are unsafe and dangerous for pedestrians walking along the street. Creating ADA compliant sidewalks, curb ramps, crosswalks, and drainage improvements will allow a safer way to access these two growing areas in Munford.

The project is expected to be completed in 2016. The grant was submitted to TDOT in coordination with the West Tennessee Rural Planning Organization.

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