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**Gov. Beshear announces funding for ‘Safe Routes to School’**

*\$1.53 million for projects to enable children to safely walk, ride bikes to school*

**FRANKFORT, Ky. (Jan. 4, 2012)** – Governor Steve Beshear today announced funding for eight projects that encourage and enable children to walk or bicycle safely to school.

The program, Safe Routes to School (SRTS), is federally funded but administered by the Office of Local Programs in the Kentucky Transportation Cabinet’s Department of Rural and Municipal Aid.

“Once completed, these projects will provide an opportunity for more of our children to safely practice a healthy lifestyle by walking and riding their bikes to school,” Gov. Beshear said.

Under the SRTS program, cities, counties and school boards can apply for funding for a broad range of projects and activities in close proximity to elementary and middle schools. Eligible projects and activities include new or improved sidewalks, crosswalks and bike lanes; public awareness campaigns, and traffic enforcement near schools. As much as \$250,000 can be awarded to a project.

The eight award recipients are:

City of Ashland – \$231,990 for a new sidewalk along Blackburn Avenue

City of Berea – \$146,500 for construction of bicycle paths to encircle Berea Community School

City of Dayton – \$161,200 for new sidewalk along Dayton Pike

City of Henderson – \$212,972 for a new pedestrian and bicycle path along Sand Lane  
City of Liberty – \$148,865 for new sidewalk along Montgomery Street  
City of New Castle – \$250,000 for new sidewalk along South Property Street  
City of Stanton – \$250,000 for new sidewalk along Railroad Street  
City of Waynesburg – \$130,000 for new sidewalk along KY 328

Information about the Safe Routes program in Kentucky is available at  
<http://transportation.ky.gov/Local-Programs/Pages/Safe-Routes-to-School.aspx>

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