



South End  
Neighborhood  
Revitalization Zone  
Inc.

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The Honorable Ray LaHood - Secretary  
U.S. Department of Transportation  
1200 New Jersey Avenue, SE  
9th Floor  
Washington, DC 20590

**Re: Support for the Stamford Complete Streets & Transit Access Project – Tiger Grant**

Dear Secretary LaHood:

On behalf of the Stamford South End Neighborhood Revitalization Zone Inc (NRZ), I wish to extend my support for the **Stamford Complete Streets & Transit Access Project**, which is the subject of a TIGER grant submission by the Connecticut Department of Transportation.

The NRZ consists of residents, businesses and city officials working with developers and the local government to revitalize the Stamford South End. The NRZ and its members have been collaborating with the Harbor Point developer focusing on extending the interest of the South End community by integrating with downtown Stamford and improving the waterfront sections making it accessible to the community residents and the general public.

The Stamford South End drastically suffered from an economic disadvantage due to the loss of manufacturing jobs, which hurt the economy and created streetscapes lined with vacant industrial buildings and Brownfields. **The Stamford Complete Streets & Transit Access Project** will foster the redevelopment of Brownfields and vacant factories, create jobs and provide a livable, sustainable community for many families.

We look forward to continued collaboration with the Harbor Point developer on this project and strongly urge you to consider a federal investment in this initiative.

Sincerely,

Sheila Barney  
Pres. South End NRZ