Champion Report

Theme Area: **Transportation**

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**REPORTING PERIOD:** September 13-December 13, 2016

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<th>Goals/Strategies or Action Steps</th>
<th>What NEW success have you had in moving your theme goals forward over the reporting period?</th>
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<td>Efficiency &amp; Effectiveness – collaboration between counties/cities for use of shared equipment</td>
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<td>T8B Bike trails/lanes and support bike services</td>
<td>Assisted MnDOT in recommending that 5 communities that submitted Letters of Intent (LOI) to the Transportation Alternatives program receive the full application.</td>
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**How are you working with any of the other RR Theme areas?**

- Connectivity, Education & Workforce - as we explore opportunities around wifi on local transit
- Changing Populations, Efficiency & Effectiveness, Healthcare – Local Transportation Services Coordination Plan
- Education & Workforce – Safe Routes to School

**List any Goals or Recommendations within the plan that your team of theme Champions are struggling to address?**

While cities and counties acknowledge the importance of transit, trails and other active transportation programs they tend to think of serving more users via maintaining the existing transportation infrastructure as the best use of limited budgets that are available. Creating the awareness of other opportunities including funding applications and grant opportunities that can be shared when meeting with others in the community could assist in addressing in the desires of such forms of active transportation while still maintaining the main mode of transportation infrastructure.