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On Behalf Of:

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My name is Elisa Cheng and I am a Bend resident. As a Bend resident, I urge you to increase funding for the Oregon Community Paths program in HB 2025. With our city growing rapidly, we need safe, connected walking and biking routes so people of all ages and abilities can get where they need to go—especially since many in our community don't drive. Investing in multi-modal infrastructure isn't just smart planning, it's essential for a livable, sustainable Bend.

I applaud your efforts in the getting this bill introduced and am supportive of the funding for programs that support walking and biking like Safe Routes to School and Great Streets. I also like the increased investment in transit options for people that cannot drive.

I know there are a few projects in Bend that could greatly benefit from the funding from Oregon Community Paths, paths to local schools and projects in those areas. I would love to see this happen. Thank you!