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TO: Winchester Select Board

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RE: Mount Vernon Street Crosswalk at Tri-Community Bikeway

The Town of Winchester was recently awarded approximately \$126,000 as part of MassDOT's Shared Streets and Spaces Program. This was new program initiated by the state in response to the COVID19 pandemic. The program is intended to support projects that promote public health, safe mobility, and renewed commerce by quickly providing new or repurposed space for socially-distanced walking, bicycling, dining, retail, and bus travel.

One of the projects submitted by the Town as part of the grant application was the installation of a crosswalk on Mount Vernon Street at the terminus of the Tri-Community Bikeway (see attached plan). As the Board is aware, the "official" bikeway ends at Mount Vernon Street and picks back up on Waterfield Road. The crosswalk would allow for a direct crossing where the bikeway ends next to the Hope Christian Church, and would result in the loss of at least two parking spaces.