

January 8, 2019

Mr. John Mitchell, Henderson County Business and Community Director 100 King Street Hendersonville, NC 28792

Re: Henderson County Greenway Master Plan

Dear Mr. Mitchell,

The Henderson County Partnership for Health was updated about the draft Greenway Master Plan at its December 4, 2018 meeting. During that meeting, Mr. Graham Fields and Mr. Milton Butterworth, who currently serve on the Plan Committee updated our members about the process and the resulting draft report. In particular, we noted the vision to "create a safe, accessible, comprehensive and connected system of constructed greenway trails that enhances quality of life throughout Henderson County by providing opportunities for transportation, recreation, public health, economic development, and environmental stewardship."

As you know, the Partnership is responsible for oversight of multiple community health initiatives. One of the current priorities for our community addresses obesity and the inherent need to expand physical activity options for all. We find greenways to be a particularly attractive option since the resource is available to a wide variety of neighborhoods and promotes physical activity for every age and fitness level.

We commend the work of the Greenway Master Plan Committee and fully support the identified goals and objectives to advance the health of the community.

Sincerely,

Trina Stokes, Vice Chairperson

On behalf of the Partnership for Health

cc: Partnership for Health Members