

United States Senate

June 18, 2021

Secretary Pete Buttigieg
U.S. Department of Transportation
1200 New Jersey Avenue SE
Washington, D.C. 20590

Dear Secretary Buttigieg,

I write today in strong support of the City of Manchester, New Hampshire's application for a FY 2021 Rebuilding American Infrastructure with Sustainability and Equity (RAISE) grant for the South Millyard area.

Manchester is New Hampshire's largest city, with a population of more than 100,000. The South Millyard serves as the city's downtown area and major economic hub where various businesses, restaurants, and entertainment venues operate. Over the past 10 years, the South Millyard area has continued to evolve into a vibrant area of mixed uses and economic growth. However, this ongoing growth is now constrained by an outdated and disconnected transportation network.

The RAISE grant will provide the City of Manchester with the opportunity to modernize the intermodal connectivity in the heart of the community. This project will increase the flow of workers, residents, goods, and services while also mitigating the extreme congestion that exists today, and provide increased transportation choices and safety. The funds will also be used to build a completely new multi-modal transportation corridor with the opportunity for a Multi-Modal Transportation Hub, create opportunities for infill development of multi-use buildings, and improve a major gateway intersection.

This grant would be a significant investment for the City of Manchester and would be critical to the quality of life and economic vitality of the region as a whole. I urge you to look favorably upon their application. Please do not hesitate to contact my office at (603) 622-2204 if we can be of further assistance. Thank you for your consideration.

With every good wish,



Margaret Wood Hassan
United States Senator