



## Background

The Revitalizing Main Streets (RMS) grant program at the CDOT was created in mid-2020 and continues to grant awards to communities. The program takes pride in supporting local visions to make our economic areas more easily accessible for all people. Below is a list of awards that have been granted in 2023 to date:

## 2023 Awards

### **Town of Poncha Springs - awarded \$250,000**

The town of Poncha Springs is currently segmented into quadrants due to highway 285 and 50. A first attempt to integrate the quadrants for active transportation traffic is the construction of the first pedestrian crossing and refuge island across highway 50. Construction of this new crossing will include concrete curbs, refuge elevated island, flashing beacons, signage, an ADA compliant walkway.

### **Colorado City Metro District - awarded \$223,677**

This project will connect Colorado City's 'downtown area' with 80 acres of hiking, walking, biking and outdoor recreation area that winds through residential and open space areas. This will happen by installing asphalt walking paths, including ADA compliant ramps at trail heads, connecting Greenhorn Park to the 'downtown area', and park amenities such as a restroom, benches, and bike racks.

### **Town of Silverthorne - awarded \$250,000**

This project will enhance the multi-mobility connection in Silverthorn's downtown core by filling gaps in the pedestrian and biking infrastructure along 3rd Street, a site identified in their Master Plan for improvement. These improvements will include constructing ADA compliant ramps, intersection signage, new pedestrian crossings, street lighting and other traffic calming measures.

### **City of Fort Lupton - awarded \$250,000**

This project will rehabilitate the pedestrian connection of Harrison Ave, a historic street section, to downtown community amenities. These funds will upgrade the safety and accessibility of sidewalks between 4th and 9th Streets.

### **Jefferson County - awarded \$249,849**

This project will improve pedestrian access, mobility and safety along Buffalo Park Road between Wilmot Elementary and Evergreen High School. New sidewalks and a protected crosswalk will launch an active transportation corridor in a heavily trafficked area for local youth.

### **City of Pueblo - awarded \$222,750**

Bessemer is a historic neighborhood in the city of Pueblo. This project will rehabilitate the existing pedestrian lighting luminaires and poles along the Northern

Avenue corridor to support the cultural and economic renewal movement for the area.

**City of Rifle - awarded \$250,000**

This project will upgrade existing sidewalks to ADA compliance, improve street lighting, enhance landscaping buffers and replace dysfunctional traffic signals on 5th street. This will boost pedestrian safety by creating a more accessible pedestrian area and encourage active transportation in Rifle's downtown area.

**Creekwalk Marketplace Business Improvement District - awarded \$250,000**

This project will add pedestrian lighting, raised curb and concrete bollards in a lower income area of Colorado Springs. These improvements will enhance pedestrian safety in an active transportation and public transportation dependent area of an urban community.

**City of Black Hawk - awarded \$89,640**

Black Hawk is a city which has two separate economic hubs: the gambling area and the historic arts district. Adding two crosswalks with flashing beacons will more safely allow pedestrians to travel between the two areas, which requires crossing a road with vehicles that often travel at higher speeds than allowed.

**Town of Basalt - awarded \$250,000**

The town of Basalt applied for phase two funding of the Midland Streetscape project. This phase of the project will expand existing sidewalks, furnish bike share stations and racks, add pedestrian amenities such as pedestrian level lighting, benches, chairs and tables, add utilities for future e-vehicle charging stations, and install street buffer landscaping.

**Town of Estes Park - awarded \$241,300**

This project will reconstruct the narrow Cleave Street, which is directly behind main street and has become an extension of the main street district, into a multimodal corridor. This project will transition this road into an activated alley encouraging active transportation, add wayfinding and a heated drain pan at the street center to convey stormwater and snowmelt.

**City of Fort Collins - awarded \$15,050**

The city is planning to install new, secured bike racks.

**Town of Georgetown - awarded \$250,000**

The town of Georgetown requested funding to refresh a Stousse Park, a central community gathering space with pedestrian and socialization amenities.

**City of Lamar - awarded \$125,000**

The town of Lamar requested funding to replace and expand existing sidewalks in the downtown economic hub on the west side of highway 287.

**Town of Meeker - awarded \$150,000**

The town of Meeker is looking to install streetlight luminaires to create dark sky friendly pedestrian lighting. Replacing existing lighting will reduce energy

consumption and encourage pedestrian safety while not compromising the local value for experiencing a dark sky.

**Town of Paonia - awarded \$217,630**

This project will reconstruct the intersection of Grand Avenue and 5th Street to include replacement of sidewalks, curb and gutter and integrating new ADA compliant ramps, and replacing rectangular rapid action flashing beacon signals. This is an important project for the community due to the increasing aging population.

**City of Las Animas - awarded \$203,250**

The city is planning to upgrade the core downtown with amenities that encourage active transportation. These upgrades include adding pedestrian outdoor seating, lighting, signage, bicycle racks and a pocket park to the downtown area.

**Town of Kersey - awarded \$250,000**

This project will add pedestrian safety upgrades to a busy freight intersection in downtown Kersey at 1st Street & Campbell. Improvements include wayfinding, improved crosswalk visibility and safety through bulb outs, stripping and landscape buffers.

**Town of Akron - awarded \$92,466**

The town of Akron is proposing to transform a vacant city-owned lot into an economically magnetic pocket park and install interactive art installations at that new pocket park as well as the town library. Together these additional elements in their town will enhance walkability and foster community connections in the downtown area.

**Town of Elizabeth - awarded \$250,000**

This project will provide a safer pedestrian environment in their downtown area. Project elements include building new ADA accessible sidewalks, amenity zones, pedestrian level lighting, street trees, benches and bump outs along the seven main blocks of the downtown area.

**City of Littleton - awarded \$250,000**

The city is planning to improve the east-west multimodal connection to downtown Littleton from regional routes. By upgrading existing bike lanes and adding ADA curb ramps along Church Avenue, the project will provide a safe and accessible link between the downtown transit station and primary destinations including students and staff at Arapahoe Community College and the Colorado Center for the Blind.

**City of Steamboat - awarded \$100,000**

The city is proposing to repurpose a recently closed portion of 10th Street into a downtown plaza. The plaza will increase the vitality of this portion of downtown by demolishing the road and replacing the space with an interpretive plaza including a walking path, benches, pedestrian level lighting, native landscaping, a shade structure, interpretive signs, and public art.