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## VILLAGE, PARK DISTRICT AND SCHOOL DISTRICT PARTNER FOR A BIKING AND WALKING PLAN

(Glencoe, Illinois) — The Village of Glencoe, the Sustainability Task Force, School District 35 and the Glencoe Park District are working in partnership with the Active Transportation Alliance, to develop the Village’s first community-wide Active Transportation Plan (ATP). Once complete, the plan will propose a network of safe and accessible streets that connect cyclists and pedestrians to popular community destinations in a way that accommodates the needs of all ages and ability levels.

“As a community, we are looking forward to discussing our active transportation needs, including accessibility for bikes, pedestrians and access to transit options. This unique partnership between the Village, Park District and District #35 pools our resources to approach a common problem together, and enables us to develop a plan to better connect our neighborhoods to our schools, parks and trail systems,” said Village Manager Phil Kiraly. He added that “this plan will give our community a competitive advantage when applying for State and Federal transportation grants and will cement Glencoe’s status as a great place to live, work and be active.”

Beginning with the launch of an online map and survey in November, the 18-month planning process includes a robust program of activities aimed at gaining resident input on barriers to bicycling and walking, and identifying key destinations that residents want to reach by bicycle or on foot. The Active Transportation Alliance will solicit input from residents at community events and is planning to host a community meeting in January to collect feedback on barriers to active travel and preferred routes. A follow-up meeting will occur in May to present recommendations and get input on community priorities. Ultimately, the Active Transportation Plan will identify locations for improved public infrastructure and policies and programs that will facilitate increased biking and walking trips throughout the Village.

For additional information, or to learn how to get involved, visit the Village’s website at [www.villageofglencoe.org/ATP](http://www.villageofglencoe.org/ATP).

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