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Applicant Information

Sponsoring Local Government's Name	Village of Centerburg
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Local Government's Contact Person	Teri Wise
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Local Government's Mailing Address	49-1/2 East Main Street
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City, State Zip Code	Centerburg, Ohio 43011
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Contact's Email Address	administrator@centerburgoh.org
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Contact's Phone Number	740-625-7808 Ext. 1005
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Agency Responsible for Long-Term Maintenance (If Different from Above)	Same
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Please Select ODOT District in which Project will be Built	District 5
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Municipality Population (Most Current Figures)	1690
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STEAP Tool GEOID	390830077011
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Is the project address identified as Disadvantaged in STEAP	No
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Project Information

Project Name	Downtown Improvements
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Total Project Cost (Estimate)	1979000
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State Congressional District	12
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County (or Counties) in which the Project is Located	Knox
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Why did the Municipality prioritize this project over any other the Municipality may be considering?	This project is identified as a priority project in the Village of Centerburg Strategic Plan Document (attached). The Village submitted the project for funding previously but was unsuccessful and does not have the resources to complete this project without funding assistance.
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Indicate the SINGLE category for which the application is being submitted	Bicycle and Pedestrian
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Project Description

The proposed project area is along Main Street (SR3/US36) from Preston Street to Clayton Street. The project includes signal upgrades at three intersections: Preston Street, Hartford Avenue, and Clayton Street. Other improvements include new sidewalk and curbs. During the traffic crash years 2021 through 2023, there were 16 crashes in this corridor. Attached is a summary of data supporting this crash information. In addition to the improvements along Main Street, the project will connect the Heart of Ohio Bike Trail to the Village's downtown area through a dedicated pedestrian path. The Heart of Ohio Trail is classified as a US Bike Route and there is currently no formal connection from the trail to the downtown area. The project will provide a safe route for users of the trail to access the downtown area of Centerburg.

The existing signals are on span wires connected to strain poles that do not provide optimal visibility. The signal heads also lack backplates and there are no pedestrian heads at any of the intersections. The proposed work includes the installation of mast arms and backplates that will significantly improve the visibility of the signal heads, as well as pedestrian signal heads to improve safety for pedestrians. New walks and driveway aprons will also be included with the project to replace the existing, deteriorated facilities that are not all compliant with current ADA guidelines. The purpose of the project is to provide safer access for both pedestrian and vehicular traffic as well as improve traffic flow through the Village.

The project will improve the downtown area of Centerburg for residents, visitors, and especially pedestrians along Main Street. The proposed work will improve pedestrian safety as well as enhance Main Street with new sidewalks, curbs and updated signals. New sidewalk will replace non-uniform and deteriorated walk and new curb will restore proper curb height, control drainage, and improve access to local businesses by eliminating or reducing the height of the step(s) into buildings. The project will also provide accessible areas to the downtown from handicapped parking. Pedestrian safety will further be enhanced with the addition of pedestrian signal heads at the three signalized intersections. Centerburg Elementary School is located on Preston Street, south of Main Street, benefitting school children as well. TMS indicates the ADT on Main Street in the downtown area sees between 6,800 and 9,000 vehicles per day, a large volume of traffic through a Village of only 2,000 residents. Main Street is a Federal Aid Eligible, Minor Arterial classification roadway part of the National Truck Network. The project will also connect a US Bike Route and State Bike Route to the downtown area. Providing safe passage through the Village in conjunction with mobility for the residents and access to an improved downtown area are the focal points of the proposed improvements.

(Sidewalks)Projects:

How many intersections are eliminated by this facility?	0
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How many driveways are eliminated by this facility?	0
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Is there an alternative route to the facility?	No
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Project - Check One	Completes missing link on national or statewide facility.
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Please Check One	Off Road Bike/Ped Trail
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Roadway speed Trial or Sidewalk parallels	35 MPH
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Destinations that are easily accessible from, not simply near, proposed facility (check all that apply)	Residences Employers Stores Restaurants Parks Libraries
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Indicate if the project is a part of an existing or proposed transportation or community development plan.	The Village, in conjunction with the Area Development Foundation of Knox County and the Knox County Foundation, has prepared the Village of Centerburg Strategic Plan document, dated January 6, 2020. The Plan specifically identifies priority strategies to improve the US 36/Main Street corridor to improve pedestrian and vehicular safety, increase walkability in the Village, as well as improve connectivity to the Heart of Ohio Trail. The Village recently completed improvements to North Ewing Street and South Hartford Street that included new pavement, walks and parking. These projects would be an extension of the proposed downtown improvements. Furthermore, the Heart of Ohio Trail, Inc. members are proposing to connect the trail to downtown Centerburg either by signage or physical means which would be coordinated with the proposed TAP project.
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Does the proposed project need any type of Railroad coordination?	No
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If Railroad coordination is needed, has it begun? (Please enter N/A if no Railroad coordination is needed)	N/A
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Community Improvement Projects:

Provide number of esimated users and advise how this number was identified.	267 users per day. This was defined by a MORPC user count study performed at the intersection of the Heart of Ohio Trail and Clayton Street. The study is attached to this application.
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Provide a description of the site/view shed. Is the site/view shed of a National, State or Regional significance?	The project does not include a site/view shed of National, State or Regional significance
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Environmental Mitigation Projects:

Please provide detailed account of the current /potential environmental issues.	The project does not anticipate any current/potential environmental issues. The project will replace/upgrade existing infrastructure within the existing road right-of-way and is not adjacent to any streams or wetlands. The project does not intend to alter any stormwater management facilities, just improve the existing infrastructure (i.e. curbs, inlets, etc). No environmental-related items have been discovered upon review of the TIMS website.
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Recreational Trail Projects (These projects would allow Motorized users on the project)

Please provide a detailed description of the recreational purpose of the proposed trail.	The project will improve existing sidewalks along the project corridor that have deteriorated or have panels that have heaved due to tree roots, providing dangerous travel conditions. The project will replace the sidewalks and provide ADA compliant ramps where none are present. The project will also provide a dedicated pedestrian path from the Heart of Ohio Trail to the downtown area where not sidewalk or path is currently present. In order for recreational users of the trail to access the downtown area, users need to utilize the existing roadway or grass area to traverse to downtown. The Heart of Ohio Trail currently sees an average of around 150 bicycles per day along with 120 pedestrians per day using the trail.
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Please describe any direct transportation benefit in addition to the recreational benefits.	<p>The project will address the visibility of the signal heads and improve pedestrian safety with the addition of pedestrian signal heads and new accessible walks and ramps. The new signals will not only be safer for pedestrians, but also for vehicular traffic and the large volume of trucks that utilize the highway.</p> <p>Mast arms would replace the existing span wire at all three intersections which will improve visibility and properly align the signal heads with travel lanes. Pedestrian heads will incorporate pedestrian safety into the intersection improvements, which do not currently exist. The enhanced downtown will provide improved aesthetics as well as improved safety with new curb and walk. This will not only benefit the traveling public, but also residents, visitors and business owners plus cyclist coming to the downtown from the Heart of Ohio Trail. As stated earlier, during the traffic crash years 2021 through 2023, there were 16 crashes in this corridor.</p>
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Has this project been previously submitted to the Ohio Department of Natural Resources for funding?

No

Safety

Please describe any and all Safety benefits this project will bring to the community

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Miscellaneous:

Will Right of Way be needed to complete this project (MUST be on existgng publicly-owned property).

No, the project will be located within existing public right-of-way.

Please list all public involvement efforts.

During preparation of the Village Strategic Plan, the planning team set up plan information and activities at the Heart of Ohio USA Days Festivals on June 21, 2019. Stakeholder interviews were conducted with business owners, employers, and other prominent community members. A community survey was used to gauge perceptions on growth, development, and measures of livability in Centerburg. A project website - KnoxCoPlans.com - provided updates, meeting materials, and activities conducted at community workshops. As the Plan was created, draft ideas were also available online for viewing and comment. A complete draft of the Plan was presented to the public at a Village Council meeting before formal adoption of the Plan.

A resolution authorizing the submission of the ODOT TAP grant was also discussed and approved at a public meeting of Village Council.

How would you develop this project if you only received partial funding.

If only partial funding is received, the Village would postpone signal upgrades and would complete only the walk upgrades. However, the Village would install the necessary conduits and connections for future signal work to avoid disturbing new walks when the signals are eventually replaced.

Project Cost Information:

Design Costs:

Fiscal Year	2025
Design Cost Federal	0
Design Cost Local	155000
Total Cost (Federal + Local)	155000

Right of Way Costs:

Construction Costs:

Fiscal Year	2026
TAP Request	1709000.00
Local Contribution	0.00
Total Costs	1709000.00

Construction Engineering:

Fiscal Year	2026
TAP Request	72100.00
Local Contribution	42900.00
Total Costs	115000.00

Total Project Costs:

TOTAL Local Contribution	197900.00
TOTAL TAP Funds Requested	1781100.00
TOTAL PROJECT COSTS	1979000.00

Checklist/Attachments

Additional Attachments (Please do not include attachments twice)

Detailed Map of project location (8 1/2" x 11")
Digital Photographs
Detailed estimate of construction cost certified by professional engineer or architect
Certified copy of Ordinance/Resolution
Anything other attachments you would like the Committee to see

Signature



Attachment Estimate	https://www.formstack.com/admin/download/file/17268232313
Attachment Employment Data	https://www.formstack.com/admin/download/file/17268232314
Attachment Detailed Map	https://www.formstack.com/admin/download/file/17268232315
Attachment Ordinance/Resolution	https://www.formstack.com/admin/download/file/17268232316
Additional Attachments	https://www.formstack.com/admin/download/file/17268232318
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Additional Attachments	https://www.formstack.com/admin/download/file/17268232369
Conflict of Interest	I have reviewed and will comply with the Ethics and Conflict of Interest laws including 23 CFR § 1.33, 23 CFR 636.116.and Ohio Revised Code sections 102.03, 2921.42 and 2921.43.