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FRAMINGHAM PASSES COMPLETE STREETS POLICY, PROVIDING MODEL FOR OTHER METROWEST COMMUNITIES

Framingham, MA – [MetroWest Moves](#) is pleased to announce that on January 6, 2015, the Town of Framingham passed a Complete Streets Policy after a vote by the Board of Selectmen. According to the Town's website, the adoption of this Policy "solidifies the Town's commitment to create a safe transportation network for all users, of all ages and abilities". Planning Board, Health Department, Community & Economic Development, and Department of Public Works staff worked together to develop the Policy. With the adoption of this Policy, the Town will be eligible for additional state Complete Streets-related funding. To read the Policy visit: <http://bit.ly/1BK0Qnl>.

Framingham, along with Hudson, Marlborough and Northborough, formed MetroWest Moves, a [Mass in Motion](#) initiative to facilitate opportunities for people who live, work, and play in these communities to engage in healthy eating and active, smoke-free living. As part of its public health approach, MetroWest Moves is working to develop community design standards and "Complete Streets" guidelines to ensure that transportation planning and development takes into account the needs of all road users: pedestrians, cyclists, and drivers. In 2015, using Framingham's experience as a model, MetroWest Moves is working towards the development of Complete Streets guidelines in the other three communities. Read about recent Complete Streets activities in these communities in [MetroWest Moves' "Active Living Newsletters"](#).

Benefits of community design standards such as Complete Streets include increased transportation choices, economic revitalization, creation of vibrant and livable communities, improved safety, and increased opportunities for daily physical activity. These communities will be better served by increased availability of bicycle and pedestrian facilities that connect them to desired destinations: jobs, stores, schools, and parks and will be able to be more physically active in their daily lives.

MetroWest Moves is funded by the [Mass in Motion Municipal Wellness and Leadership Grant Program](#). For more information and to get involved in this exciting quad-community initiative, visit www.metrowestmoves.org or the MetroWest Moves [Facebook](#) and [Twitter](#) pages.