

VIENNA SAFE ROUTES TO SCHOOL

Dear Wolftrap Parents,

For those of you who are Vienna residents, please read on.

The Town of Vienna Comprehensive Plan has included a proposed pedestrian network since at least 1995 that includes plans for many of the missing sidewalks in town. Large portions of that network remain unbuilt including some sidewalks in the Wolftrap walking area and approximately 30 sidewalks in the walking areas of our neighboring schools of Cunningham Park and Vienna Elementary. An estimate based on figures from the Department of Public Works suggests that at current spending levels it will take over 67 years for the town to build a sidewalk on one side of most streets even if every Town dollar used is matched by federal or state grants.

Please take a minute to Town Council to make sidewalk construction a funded priority so that all of the town's elementary school students can have a safe route to school. We would appreciate ALL PARENTS WHO ARE VIENNA RESIDENTS sending an email of support. Feel free to forward this email to parents who may not be on our email list and to other town residents that you know.

The Town Manager is currently working with Council on the 2012-2013 budget and long term capital improvement funding priorities. If you support sidewalk construction in Vienna and especially near the elementary schools, please email the Town Manager, Mercury Payton, with a copy to the Town Council, at the following email addresses:

manager@viennava.gov
council@viennava.gov

As an alternate you may elect to drop off a written letter (hard copy) at the Town Manager and Mayor's offices in Town Hall.

Please include the following information:

1. A brief statement of your support for making sidewalk construction a priority.
2. Your full name and address.

A sample email follows which you are welcome to cut and paste, but it would make more of an impact if you compose your own version.

Thank you,

Jeff Anderson
Safe Routes to School Coordinator