



Ms. Paula Vandehey  
City of Appleton  
100 N Appleton Street  
Appleton, WI 54911

May 15, 2018

Dear Ms. Vandehey:

Thank you for completing an application with the Wisconsin Active Together initiative in February, 2018. **It is my pleasure to announce that the Appleton Municipal Services Committee has received a Wisconsin Active Together recognition award** as a result of your partnership-based work to make the City of Appleton a better place to walk, bike and be active!

Your recognition award celebrates a commitment to making continual progress and integrating policy and equity approaches into your local work. Your dedication and persistence is critical, because we know it takes years to transform policies, systems and environments so that healthy choices are the default in communities. Wisconsin Active Together was created and is supported by healthTIDE's multidisciplinary Active Communities Team, to lift up communities whose persistence and creativity inspires other communities and state-wide partners. By celebrating examples of local success like yours, and bringing our collective energy together in a broader state-local network, we believe we can build a stronger movement to advance active communities across Wisconsin. We are honored to have your community as a part of this effort and look forward to continuing to work with you on this shared journey!

As a Wisconsin Active Together recognition award recipient, you will gain the following benefits:

- An individual profile page on the Wisconsin Active Together website that highlights the great work that you are already doing to create a local culture where more people can walk, bike and be active (<https://www.wiactivetogether.org/appleton>);
- Use of the Wisconsin Active Together logo for your organization and collaborative partners;

- Connections to resources, training, peer and other experts working on similar issues. To do so, we will add you and any other partners you request to the healthTIDE and Wisconsin Active Communities Alliance email list;
- Inspiration for local residents and leaders to better understand and support coalition efforts, through connections to the broader movement;

Wisconsin Active Together is proudly endorsed by the following statewide organizations, with a growing list of supporters:

Wisconsin Department of Health Services  
Wisconsin Economic Development Corporation  
Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources  
Wisconsin Active Communities Alliance  
Wisconsin Bicycle Federation  
Main Street Wisconsin  
American Planning Association - Wisconsin Chapter  
1000 Friends of Wisconsin  
Wisconsin Alliance of YMCAs  
Rural Wisconsin Health Cooperative  
League of Wisconsin Municipalities

Your Wisconsin Active Together recognition award will be valid through May 15, 2021, provided you participate in a brief annual check-in in 2019 and 2020. You will need to check in annually and re-apply in 2021 to maintain your status as a recognized community.

Thank you for all that you do to make your community a better place to walk, bike and be active. Again, sincere congratulations on earning this recognition award! Please let me know if you have any questions.

Sincerely,



Jennifer G. Walker  
healthTIDE Active Communities Coordinator