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Your City at Work for You

SPRINGFIELD, OH—(August 26, 2016)—The City of Springfield is constantly working on projects that improve the quality of life for our community. This week, the City is pleased to announce that it has purchased 50 new bike racks and installed them in various locations throughout downtown.

Springfield received \$9,260.50, 80 percent of the overall cost, in Federal Transportation Alternatives (TA) funding through the Clark County-Springfield Transportation Coordinating Committee (TCC) to install the bike racks. TA funding is not considered grant funding; it is discretionary funding that can be applied for through the TCC's transportation improvement program.

TA funds may be used for bike and pedestrian projects such as on and off-road trails for non-motorized forms of transportation, conversion of abandoned railroad corridors to multi-use trails, vegetation control or the creation of safe routes to schools.

The bike racks were purchased from Dero, a company based out of Minneapolis, Minnesota that only uses materials made in the United States. Three types of racks were installed: triple rolling racks, which hold seven bikes; double rolling racks, which hold five bikes; and inverted U racks, which hold two bikes.

Historical Bronze Statues

The next time you are in downtown Springfield enjoying everything it has to offer, take the time to visit the various historical sculptures located throughout the heart of our community. The sculptures depict historical figures like Oliver S. Kelly, Harry Toulmin Sr., George Rogers Clark and Davey Moore. They were created by Mike Major of Urbana, Ohio and made possible by hours of hard work and generous donations from members of the community.

All of the sculptures are located on public property owned by the City of Springfield and are maintained annually by Springfield Service Department staff. Although these large bronze statues are fairly resistant, you will see city crews applying a special wax to the statues to help preserve their appearance.

The initial investment of time and money from the community and continued upkeep from dedicated staff will allow future generations to stay connected with these iconic figures in our local history.

For more information on these projects, please visit www.springfieldohio.gov.