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Subject: [EXTERNAL] Complete sidewalks between Aldercrest Campus and 25th Ave NE
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Mayor Scully and Councilmembers,

I'm a parent of a Cascade K-8 student who attends school at the Aldercrest Campus of the Shoreline Schiol District. I am writing to request your support funding the remaining sidewalk additions needed for a COMPLETE path from the school to 25th Ave NE.

While the existing sidewalk is excellent for the foot traffic of students walking to and from campus, it stops significantly short of 25th Ave NE as it heads west from Aldercrest campus. This sends any children who might be walking that way out onto the street.

It can be difficult for drivers to see small children who are walking home from school with adults or an older sibling. Especially since the release time for Cascade K8 is after 3:30, and it is already starting to get dark.

Further, there is chaos at drop off time and pick up time as families converge to get their students to and from school on time and back to whatever the demands of their day may be. With children getting in and out of cars, walking on the street, crossing the street to get to school, along with busses, regular street traffic, folks walking their dogs, and drivers who are not abiding by the 20 mph school zone speed limit--everyone may have a difficult time tracking everything that is happening.

Having sidewalks is a minimal safety necessity for routes to elementary schools. This has been a topic of discussion at our school for a couple years now and it would be a huge step forward in providing safe access to campus for all our students.

Sincerely,
Noell Bernard-Kingsley