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Sidewalk Repair Grant Program Approved

The Alameda County Board of Supervisors today unanimously approved a resolution that will allow the County to participate in the cost of sidewalk repairs for single-family residential properties in Measure B Planning Area 2. The Sidewalk Repair Program will be funded by \$100,000 of Measure B Bicycle and Pedestrian Safety Funds set aside annually and divided equally among Ashland, Castro Valley, Cherryland, Fairview and San Lorenzo portions of unincorporated Alameda County.

The County will reimburse 50% of the sidewalk repair cost per property, or \$750, whichever is less. Prior to the approval of this resolution, residents were responsible for 100% of the costs of sidewalk repairs. Property owners remain responsible for the condition of the sidewalk.

Residents of the affected unincorporated areas should contact the Public Works Agency at 510-670-5500 to request a sidewalk inspection. The funding for this grant program will be on a "first come, first served" basis.