Grant will revamp city's transportation plan, boost local economy

Washington, DC - Congressman Bruce Braley (D-Iowa) announced today that Dubuque will receive a $5.6 million grant for innovative and sustainable transportation projects. The grant is part of the Recovery Act's Transportation Investment Generating Economic Recovery (TIGER) Discretionary Grant Program. Dubuque's new transportation strategy will be used as a model for other communities.

"I'm happy to announce this outstanding award for the city of Dubuque," Braley said. "This grant is an incredible opportunity to not only revamp the city's transportation plan, but for Dubuque to serve as a leader in providing safe, efficient and sustainable transportation for communities with populations fewer than 200,000. As Iowa communities continue to recover from the economic crisis, projects like this are crucial to boosting local economies."

Dubuque's TIGER grant funding will help fund the Southwest Arterial project and redesign streets in the Millwork District to provide safe and convenient transportation for motorists, cyclists and pedestrians. This grant is part of the Recovery Act's effort to spur transportation projects around the country that promise economic and environmental benefits to the region.