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Signage placed, dedication planned for new bike path

The “Trail of Two Cities” project was funded by a partnership of Newton, North Newton, Bethel College, Harvey County, and the state and federal government. The project has two parts: extending Newton’s existing bike path around the BNSF fueling station and along West First Street and connecting Newton’s path to the trails around Bethel College.

Because this project included state and federal funding, and because it is a bike path rather than just a sidewalk, signage was required along the pathway. This signage is especially visible along West First Street. The signs, which are smaller and shorter than regular vehicular signs, are designed to improve safety by guiding walkers and bicyclists on the path. The path is not intended for motorized vehicles.



The vegetation portion of the project is not yet complete, and amenities such as benches and trash receptacles still need to be placed. This work will occur later this fall.

A dedication ceremony for the project is planned during the Taste of Newton, at 7:20 p.m. Thursday at the main stage at Broadway and Main.

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