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Welcome to this issue of the NJ Walks and Bikes Newsletter, a bi-monthly service prepared by the New Jersey Bicycle and Pedestrian Resource Center (NJBPRC). If you would like to learn more about NJBPRC, please visit us [here](#).

New Brunswick Ciclovia Evaluation Report Released!
Local Government Capacity Grant Project

Today marks the release of the NJ Bicycle and Pedestrian Resource Center final report for the "New Brunswick Ciclovia Evaluation," a project funded under the Together North Jersey Local Government Capacity Grant Program.

The report documents and evaluates the overall success and effectiveness of New Brunswick's first Ciclovia, held on October 6, 2013. A Ciclovia is an event where roads are closed to motorized vehicle to create a free-form event that welcomes participants of all ages and abilities to enjoy physical activity and recreation in a safe and inclusive environment. Participants are invited to walk, run, bike, dance, and plan on public streets.

The central objectives of the report are two-fold: to understand changes in perception before and after the Ciclovia, and to document lessons learned to make future Ciclovias in New Brunswick and elsewhere in New Jersey more effective.

Find out more about some of the key findings and recommendations in the report by reading the rest of this article. Also, check out the image slider at the end of the article for pictures from the Ciclovia held last weekend!
Plainfield New Jersey Contemplates a Complete Streets Policy

**NJ Ambassadors in Motion Outreach**

Thursday, September 18, 2014, Jerry Fried, Lead Ambassador in Motion for the Bicycle and Pedestrian Resource Center, promoted Complete Streets design to the Plainfield Planning Board. He discussed the health and safety improvements that municipalities across the state have seen since adopting Complete Streets policies, and also recommended to the board that they review the Complete Streets Guidebook, published by NJDOT, as they revise their master plan.

To read the full article, please click [here](#).

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Montclair's First Bicycle "Pop Up" Lane

**National Bike and Walk to School Day**

You can also download the report directly through [this link (PDF)](#).
While many schools encouraged bicycling and walking to school, the Montclair Police Department and Bike & Walk Montclair went beyond the norm by setting up a temporary bicycle lane. Through a joint effort, they set up Montclair's first "pop-up" bike lane running eastbound on Walnut Street from Park Street to North Fullerton Avenue and northbound on North Fullerton from Walnuts St to Rand Place, across from Renaissance School. A "pop-up" bicycle lane is a temporary bicycle lane separated from traffic that provides a safe area for bicyclists to ride away from traffic and pedestrians.

To read the full article [click here](https://ui.constantcontact.com/visualeditor/visual_editor_preview.jsp?agent.uid=1118670659571&format=html&print=true).

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**First Pedestrian Safety Committee Public Meeting**

*Montclair, New Jersey*

On October 12, 2014 Montclair hosted their first public meeting with the newly established Pedestrian Safety Committee (PSC). The Committee formed in a response to the need for reduced pedestrian and cyclist crashes in the community. Since its formation in 2013, the committee has launched a "Drive with Care in Montclair" campaign, created banners and flyers, participated in a televised forum, and has built partnerships with town stakeholders such as Bike and Walk Montclair, Montclair Engineers, Partners for Health Foundation, and the Senior Citizens Advisory Council.

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**Parking Day Celebrated in New Brunswick**
Parking Spaces or Public Entertainment Places

Friday, September 19th was National Parking Day and several communities across New Jersey celebrated by installing several parklets, reclaimed parking spaces, where pedestrians could eat lunch, rest, or simply enjoy the outdoors within their urban downtown. New Brunswick’s parklet included pleasant landscaping, chairs and tables, board games, and performances throughout the day. Together North Jersey is working to make some of the parklets across the state into permanent structures for residents and visitors to enjoy year round.

To read the full Together North Jersey article click here.

The City of Hoboken's Complete Streets Redesign Plan

The City of Hoboken recently presented the final stages of a Complete Streets Redesign plan to modernize Washington Street and improve bicycle and pedestrian safety. The plan includes new pedestrian traffic signals, redesigned bus shelters, and a plethora of cycling infrastructure improvements. Other notable improvements include new sidewalks and crosswalks in conjunction with curb extensions to upgrade pedestrian safety on street corners.

For more information on their latest activities, please click here.
COMPLETE STREETS IN NEW JERSEY
An up-to-date list of Complete Street policies in New Jersey

There are currently 108 municipalities and 7 counties with Complete Streets policies in NJ, with Township of Milburn in Essex County (NJ) being the most recent addition. This brings the total NJ population living in municipalities with Complete Streets policies to over 3 million people or 35.06% of the population. Bergen and Essex County lead the way with 13 municipalities having adopted policies, followed by Morris County and Mercer County (10 municipalities each). Salem and Passaic Counties remain the only counties without any municipal Complete Streets policies.

To access the most up-to-date list of Complete Streets policies adopted in the state, please click here.
BIKE/PED NEWS FEED

Initiative aims to make township "Street Smart"
Edison-Metuchen Sentinel - October 15th

East Windsors: Council pursuing grant to extend bikeway
Windsor-Hights Herald - October 8th

Tenafly looking forward to 'Walk to School Day'
NorthJersey.com - October 2nd

Not just a phase: young Americans won't start motoring like their parents
StreetsblogUSA.org - October 14th

New report: Bike Equity Today
Bikeleague.org - October 13th
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