Dear Readers,
Welcome to this issue of the NJ Walks and Bikes Newsletter, a bi-weekly 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 Jersey Pedestrian Crash Causation Report Released!

Analyzes Contributing Factors to Pedestrian Fatalities in New Jersey

The New Jersey Bicycle and Pedestrian Resource Center is excited to announce the results of a study investigating the factors contributing to fatal pedestrian crashes in New Jersey during 2012. The final report, "Road Infrastructure as a Contributing Factor to Pedestrian Fatalities in New Jersey" was part of a yearlong study into pedestrian fatalities in New Jersey. The study included an analysis of police reports and a review of the infrastructure present at the crash sites.

The major findings of the report include:

- There are concerns about the accuracy of the number of deaths reported
- There are concerns over incomplete or inconsistent police report
- Roadway infrastructure can be improved to help prevent deaths.

For an extended summary, along with links to download a full copy of the report and appendices, please [click here](#).
Rural Complete Streets
New Jersey is Working on its Rural Networks

Although the phrase Complete Streets often evokes images of a dense metropolis, it is important that this term is embraced by municipalities of all sizes and in all locations. It may be in urban neighborhoods that Complete Streets receive the most publicity, but it is not a singularly urban phenomenon. Complete Streets are about making our transportation network safe and accessible to all users, and rural towns can and should design streets which accomplish that goal.

West Windsor, NJ has adopted a Complete Streets Policy

To read the full article, click here!

Bicycle Commuter Networks
Communities find Alternative Bike Routes
Commuting to and from work only comprises 20% of all trips taken in the United States. However, it is these trips that create the most congestion as large groups of people flock to the roads within the same 2-3 hour time period during the workweek. Engineers and planners are constantly struggling to mitigate this problem, and one approach is through improved bicycling infrastructure.

To read the full article, click here!

It's almost time for the First Ciclovia of the Season!!

**April 19, 2015**

To read a list of all 2015 dates, click here.

COMPLETE STREETS IN NEW JERSEY

An up-to-date list of Complete Street policies in New Jersey

There are currently 113 municipalities and 7 counties with Complete Streets policies in NJ, with Egg Harbor City in Atlantic County being the most recent addition. This brings the total NJ population living in municipalities with Complete Streets policies to over 3 million people or 36.67% of the population. Essex County leads the way with 14 municipalities having adopted policies, followed by Bergen County (13) and Mercer County (12). 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.

![New Jersey Complete Streets Policies as of April 10, 2015](https://www.njbpaped.org)

**NEWS FEED HIGHLIGHTS**

**Officials Urged to Take Public Health into Account when Mapping Out Future Health Impact Assessments are gaining popularity on the East Coast which is good news for active transportation enthusiasts. These assessments look at the social and environmental determinants of health which include bicycle and walking infrastructure. A partnership between health organizations, planning agencies, and government officials could make a large impact in the progression of Complete Street policy adoptions and infrastructure implementation across the state.**

Source: njspotlight.com

**NJ Bike & Walk Coalition Holds the First Regional Connect Networking Session April 16 in Morristown**

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The New Jersey Bike & Walk Coalition (NJBWC) is hosting a series of networking events in an effort to connect bicycling and pedestrian advocates and organizations across the state. The first meeting will be at the Morristown Hyatt on April 16 from 7:00-9:00 PM. In order to attend, please RSVP.

To read the full news feed, click here.

BIKE/PED NEWS FEED
March 28, 2015 - April 10, 2015

Rutherford awarded $20,000 Sustainable Jersey grant for bike and pedestrian paths
NorthJersey.com - April 2nd

'Bikes vs. Cars' wages the wrong war
Citylab.org - April 2nd

Bikes break down barriers
Bicycle Colorado - April 6th

New sidewalks planned at 2 Hunterdon libraries, jail, old Courthouse and Gauntt Place
NJ.com - April 7th

Let's get this project on the road
NorthJersey.com - April 9th

For more local NJ bike/ped headlines, national news, opinion pieces, and the crash report, click here!