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.

Walk to School Event Celebrates Father’s Day!

Happy Father’s Day!

To help bring families together while encouraging active transportation, New Brunswick recently held a "Dads and Kids Walk" where families walked together to the Paul Robeson Community School. Nearly 140 kids and parents participated, celebrating the role that fathers play in their family and the community. The event was planned to coincide with Father's Day weekend.

Walking your kids to school is an excellent way to maximize active time while being together with family, and Robeson School Principal Kelly Mooring collaborated with Keep Middlesex Moving to promote the event.

Please click here to view pictures of the event.
FHWA publishes design guidelines for separated bicycle lanes

After much research, the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) has introduced design guidelines for implementing separated bicycle lanes. The FHWA defines this as an "exclusive facility for bicyclists that is located within or directly adjacent to the roadway and that is physically separated from motor vehicle traffic with a vertical element."

You can read the full article here.

Protected Bicycle Lane Returns to Newark!

Mt Prospect bicycle lanes reborn

The New Jersey Bike and Walk Coalition (NJBWC) proudly announced last week the return of New Jersey's first parking-protected bicycle lane. Last December, just three months after the protected bicycle lane opened in Newark, the Mayor suspended parking rules, thus allowing vehicles to park inside the bicycle lane. This was due to complaints from local merchants.

This spring, NJBWC worked with the city to address local concerns and activate the lane again as a safe place for bicyclists.

You can find their full article here.

How to Keep Young Bicyclists Safe

Safety tips for riding with kids

Bicycling at a young age is a great beginning to a healthy and active lifestyle. Bicycles are a fun way for kids to play and get around, and they are proven to stimulate physical and psychological development. New Jersey has a Safe Routes to School initiative, which encourages children to walk and bicycle to school. Before you begin, it is important to know how to ride safely and responsibly.

Read this article to brush up on New Jersey laws regarding bicycling with kids!
Complete Streets in New Jersey
An up-to-date list of Complete Street Policies in New Jersey

There are currently 116 municipalities and 7 counties with Complete Streets policies in NJ, with Moorestown in Burlington 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 36.99% 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](https://ui.constantcontact.com/visualeditor/visual_editor_preview.jsp?agent.uid=1121447279687&format=html&print=true).

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Bike/Ped Newsfeed

June 9th - June 26th
Montvale PBA deploys summer safety program
NorthJersey.com - June 25th

Hoboken's bicycle share program is getting closer
Hoboken Patch - June 22nd

Where you're most likely to have your bike stolen in N.J.
NJ.com - June 18th

Pro-sidewalk residents urge Chatham Township Committee to act
New Jersey Hills - June 17th

Jersey City pedestrian plaza to return, mayor says
NJ.com - June 12th

Changes in New Jersey's helmet laws for teens could be coming soon
NBC 7 New York - June 11th

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