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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](#).

Ciclovía Returns to New Brunswick for its 4th Year

First of four scheduled Ciclovías in 2016 is on April 24th

On Sunday, April 24, 2016, New Brunswick will hold the first of four Ciclovía events this year. The New Brunswick Ciclovía opens the city's streets to pedestrian traffic to encourage active modes of transportation, community engagement, and healthy living.

Pedestrians will be free to run, bike, walk, skate, dance, or amble the Ciclovía route between 11:00 AM and 4:00 PM. Read more about the New Brunswick Ciclovía [here](#).



Participants enjoying New Brunswick's Ciclovía // Alan M. Voorhees Transportation Center

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Safe Routes to School



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Camden Circuit Trails Plan Completed

Coopers Ferry Partnership releases new map showing Camden's trails, open space, and bicycle and pedestrian networks

Camden City recently completed the Camden Circuit Trails Plan, thanks to the New Jersey Department of Transportation (NJDOT) Office of Bicycle and Pedestrian Programs [Local Technical Assistance Program \(LTA\)](#). This plan, managed by [Coopers Ferry Partnership](#), was used to update the Camden portion of the 2010 [GreenWay Trail Location Study](#) showing all new construction and restoration of "trails." This refers to designated bicycle and pedestrian facilities, both on and off road.



Circuit Trails Plan of Camden, NJ //
Coopers Ferry Partnership

This planning effort also supports the ultimate desired outcome of the construction of a network of active transportation infrastructure to promote and support bicycle and pedestrian transportation throughout the City of Camden, with regional connectivity. Lastly, the study is intended to identify trail routing solutions between the [Camden GreenWay](#) and the [Circuit](#), a multi-use trail network connecting Pennsylvania, New Jersey and beyond.

Newark Completes BikeIronbound: Bicycle Plan for the City of Newark

Bicycle plan for Newark is city's first

Last week the City of Newark released its first bicycle plan, BikeIronbound: Bicycle Plan for the City of Newark. The plan presents a vision and a framework to provide a safe, convenient bicycle network for Newark residents of all ages and abilities. It was funded by the New Jersey Department of Transportation through a Local Bicycle/Pedestrian Planning Assistance Program Grant for the City of Newark. Read the plan [here \(PDF\)](#).



News Spotlight: March 19th - April 1st, 2016

Is bike sharing the safest way to ride?

+ "[Bikesharing and Bicycle Safety](#)," Mineta Transportation Institute, March 2016

The Mineta Transportation Institute released a fascinating new study in March, "[Bikesharing and Bicycle Safety](#)," that shows that using bike share is safer than riding a personal bike. Most striking, there have been zero fatalities in the United States among the [over 90 bicycle share systems](#), compared to the national general bicycling fatality rate of 21 per 100,000,000 trips. The authors also analyzed the crash and ridership statistics from three bicycle share systems: Washington, D.C. (Capital Bike Share), Minneapolis-St. Paul (Nice Ride Minnesota), and San Francisco (Bay Area Bike Share). Capital Bike Share had the highest rate of crashes of the three bike shares, yet it was still just 65% of the national bicycle crash rate. Read the full article to find out why:



New York City bike share (Citi Bike) user // Alan M. Voorhees Transportation Center

[Read the Full Article](#)

Announcements

Events

- Opening Weekend for the Circuit Trails: Friday, April 15th, 2016 | Race Street Pier, Camden, NJ | 11:00 AM | [Link](#)

The Circuit Trails, one of America's largest trail networks, will celebrate the beginning of trail season. This event will also mark a major step forward for the Circuit Trails with the launch of a new look and a new, user-friendly website at www.CircuitTrails.org. The celebration will continue throughout the weekend with events across the region. To learn more about the region's trail network and find out what is happening on the Circuit during Opening Weekend (April 15-17), visit the [website](#). Get out #onthecircuit this season!

- New Brunswick Ciclovía: Sunday, April 24th, 2016 | New Brunswick, NJ | 10:00AM - 3:00PM | [Link](#)

The New Brunswick Ciclovía is in its fourth year! The first of four Ciclovías this year takes place April 24th. Read more about the event in this week's newsletter article.

Other

- NJDOT Bicycle Safety Action Plan Update Webinar: Tuesday, April 19th, 2016 | Online and live at the Bloustein School, Rutgers University | 33 Livingston Avenue, New Brunswick, NJ | Room TBD

Join the webinar to provide input into New Jersey's new Bicycle Safety Action Plan and the New Jersey Bicycle and Pedestrian Plan Update. More

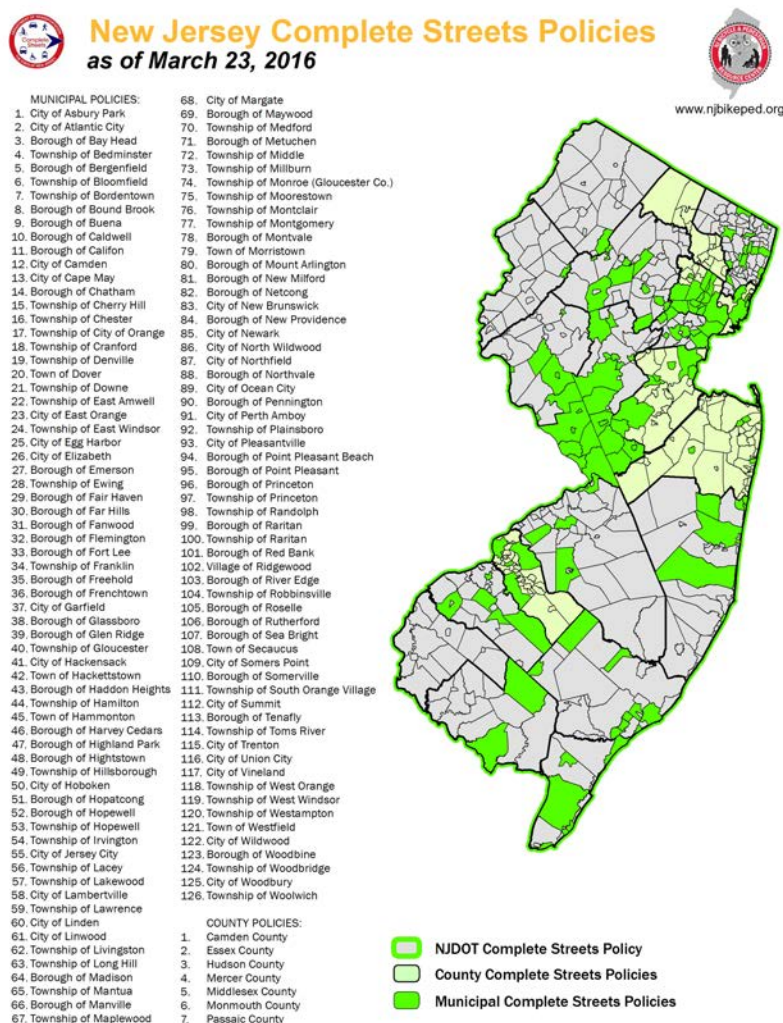
details about how to join the webinar to follow as the event gets closer.

Complete Streets in New Jersey

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

There are currently 125 municipalities and 7 counties with Complete Streets policies in New Jersey, with the City of Asbury Park in Monmouth County being the most recent addition. This brings the total New Jersey population living in municipalities with Complete Streets policies to over 3.3 million people, or 39% of the population. Essex and Bergen Counties lead the way with 13 municipalities having adopted policies each, followed by Mercer County with 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](#).



Bike/Ped Newsfeed

March 19th - April 1st, 2016

[Princeton University Expands Popular Zagster Bike Share](#)

Market Wired - March 22nd, 2016

[Residents Hear Op ons for Improving Pedestrian and Bicycle Safety in Two Shore Towns](#)

Shore News Today - March 31st

[Millburn Complete Streets Project Gets \\$8.2M Financial Backing](#)

Millburn-Short Hills Patch - March 24th, 2016

[The Free Rider Myth - Who Really Pays for the Roads?](#)

Momentum Magazine - March 24th, 2016

[Morristown Launches Street Smart Pedestrian Safety Campaign](#)

TapInto.Net - March 29th, 2016



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