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](https://ui.constantcontact.com/visualeditor/visual_editor_preview.jsp?agent.uid=1124068852539&format=html&print=true).

The Morris Canal Greenway Makes Headway

Construction continues for a key east-west greenway link

New Jersey’s Morris Canal is getting a new lease on life as a pedestrian and bicycle greenway. The [Morris Canal Greenway Working Group](https://ui.constantcontact.com/visualeditor/visual_editor_preview.jsp?agent.uid=1124068852539&format=html&print=true), founded in 2012 by the North Jersey Transportation Planning Authority, has successfully pushed to rehabilitate the 102 mile canal right of way into a new greenway - with ongoing projects in Clifton, Patterson, Jersey City, and Pompton Lakes. Read the article [here](https://ui.constantcontact.com/visualeditor/visual_editor_preview.jsp?agent.uid=1124068852539&format=html&print=true).

March Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Committee Meeting Update
First quarterly meeting of the new year

Thursday March 17th, 2016 marked the first New Jersey Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Committee (BPAC) of the year. BPAC is hosted by the Alan M. Voorhees Transportation Center at Rutgers University every four months: March, June, September, and December, with interim phone and in-person subcommittee meetings. Read the article here.

Ambassadors in Motion Update: Newark's Street Smart Campaign
Assisting Newark with improving pedestrian safety

The first Ambassadors in Motion event of the season took place on March 16th and 17th, with Ambassadors assisting Newark with their Street Smart Campaign, a program funded by the North Jersey Transportation Planning Authority to reduce pedestrian fatalities.

Participating Street Smart communities are raising awareness of pedestrian safety laws by hosting events, handing out information, and using social media and advertisements. Police are stepping up enforcement to ensure everyone obeys the traffic laws. Read the article here.

For more information on how the Ambassadors can help you educate and promote safe bicycling and walking, click here.

News Spotlight: March 5th - March 18th, 2016
The Sharrow: What is it Good For?

This new section selects provides thoughtful insights from today’s top journalists and writers about pressing topics that impact bicycle and pedestrian planning and policy. Learn the issues, get
the facts, and invest in planning for New Jersey’s tomorrow.


The ubiquitous sharrow (or "shared lane marking") has become the center of a debate in bicycle planning in the last few months. A recent paper at the Transportation Research Board Annual Conference in January 2016, "The Relative (In)Effectiveness of Bicycle Sharrows on Ridership and Safety Outcomes," provided research that questioned the effectiveness of sharrows in both improving safety and ridership numbers.

Read the Full Article

+ "A Brief History of the American Sharrow" The Bicycle Story, March 9th, 2016

And now, just last week, The Bicycle Story, a podcast from Josh Cohen, a journalist based out of Seattle, talked with the inventor of the sharrow, James McKay, P.E., a former planner in Denver. He invented the sharrow in the 1990s, he said, "to define lane position and to confirm that [...] bicyclists would be using the road there" at a time when Denver, like many places, were reluctant to provide accommodations for bicyclists.

+ READ MORE: Read up on sharrow design guidance from AASHTO, NACTO, and NJDOT.

Announcements

Events

- New Brunswick Ciclovia: Sunday, April 24th, 2016 | New Brunswick, NJ | 10:00AM - 3:00PM | Link

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

Complete Streets in New Jersey

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

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There are currently 125 municipalities and 7 counties with Complete Streets policies in New Jersey, with the Township of Westampton in Burlington 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 38.3% 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.

**New Jersey Complete Streets Policies as of February 17, 2016**

**MUNICIPAL POLICIES:**
1. City of Atlantic City
2. Borough of Bay Head
3. Township of Bedminster
4. Borough of Bernards
5. Township of Bloomingdale
6. Township of Boonton
7. Borough of Bound Brook
8. Borough of Branchburg
9. Borough of Callicoon
10. Borough of Captree
11. City of Camden
12. City of Cape May
13. Borough of Chatham
14. Township of Cherry Hill
15. Township of Clifton
16. Township of City of Orange
17. Town of Cranford
18. Township of Delaware
19. Town of Dover
20. Township of Divine
21. Township of East Amwell
22. City of East Orange
23. Township of East Windsor
24. City of Egg Harbor
25. City of Elizabeth
26. Borough of Emerson
27. Township of Elsinor
28. Borough of Far Hills
29. Borough of Far Hills
30. Borough of Fair Lawn
31. Borough of Far Hills
32. Borough of Fort Lee
33. Borough of Franklin Lakes
34. Borough of Fremont
35. Borough of Freehold
36. City of Garfield
37. Borough of Grassland
38. Borough of Glen Ridge
39. Township of Gloucester
40. City of Hackensack
41. Town of Hackensack
42. Borough of Haddon Heights
43. Township of Hamlet
44. Town of Hanover
45. Borough of Hanover
46. Borough of Harvey Cedars
47. Borough of Highlands
48. Township of Hillsborough
49. City of Hoboken
50. Borough of Holmdel
51. Borough of Holmdel
52. Township of Hopewell
53. Township of Hopewell
54. City of Jersey City
55. Township of Jersey City
56. Township of Lakewood
57. City of Lambertville
58. Borough of Lawrence
59. City of Lawrence
60. City of Littlewood
61. Township of Lincroft
62. Township of Long Hill
63. Borough of Madison
64. Township of Mantua
65. Borough of Manville
66. Township of Maplewood
67. City of Marlboro
68. Borough of Maywood
69. Township of Medford
70. Borough of Melrose
71. Township of Michael
72. Township of Milburn
73. Township of Morristown
74. Township of Moretown
75. Township of Morris
76. Township of Montclair
77. Borough of Montclair
78. City of Montclair
79. Borough of Mount Arlington
80. Borough of New Milford
81. Borough of Newton
82. City of New Brunswick
83. Borough of New Providence
84. City of Newark
85. City of Newark
86. City of Newark
87. Borough of Northvale
88. City of Newark
89. Borough of Pennington
90. City of Perth Amboy
91. Township of Pinebrook
92. City of Pleasantville
93. Borough of Point Pleasant Beach
94. Borough of Point Pleasant
95. Borough of Princeton
96. Township of Princeton
97. Township of Randolph
98. Borough of Hanover
99. Borough of Hanover
100. Township of Hopatcong
101. Village of Roddige
102. Borough of New Edge
103. Township of Oldbridge
104. Borough of Roosevelt
105. Borough of Rutherford
106. Borough of Sea Bright
107. Town of Seabright
108. City of Somers Point
109. Borough of Somers Point
110. Township of South Orange Village
111. City of Summit
112. Borough of Teaneck
113. Township of Toms River
114. City of Trenton
115. City of Union
116. City of Vineland
117. Borough of West Orange
118. Township of West Windsor
119. Township of Westampton
120. Town of Westfield
121. City of Willowwood
122. Borough of Woodside
123. Township of Woodbridge
124. City of Woodbury
125. Township of Winslow

**COUNTY POLICIES:**
1. Camden County
2. Essex County
3. Hunterdon County
4. Mercer County
5. Middlesex County
6. Morris County
7. Passaic County

**NJDOT Complete Streets Policy**
**County Complete Streets Policies**
**Municipal Complete Streets Policies**

**Bike/Ped Newsfeed**
March 5th - March 18th, 2016

**2016 New Brunswick Ciclovia Family Cycling Event Debuts April 24**
NJ.com - March 15th

**Pittsburgh Remains One of the Country’s Most Walked Cities, Says Report**
Pittsburgh City Paper - March 11th
New York to Install a Record Number of Bike Lanes This Year
WNYC - March 9th

Silver Linings
People for Bikes - March 11th

Pedestrian, bicyclist struck by cars in separate accidents, Jersey City cops say
NJ.com - March 16th

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

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