



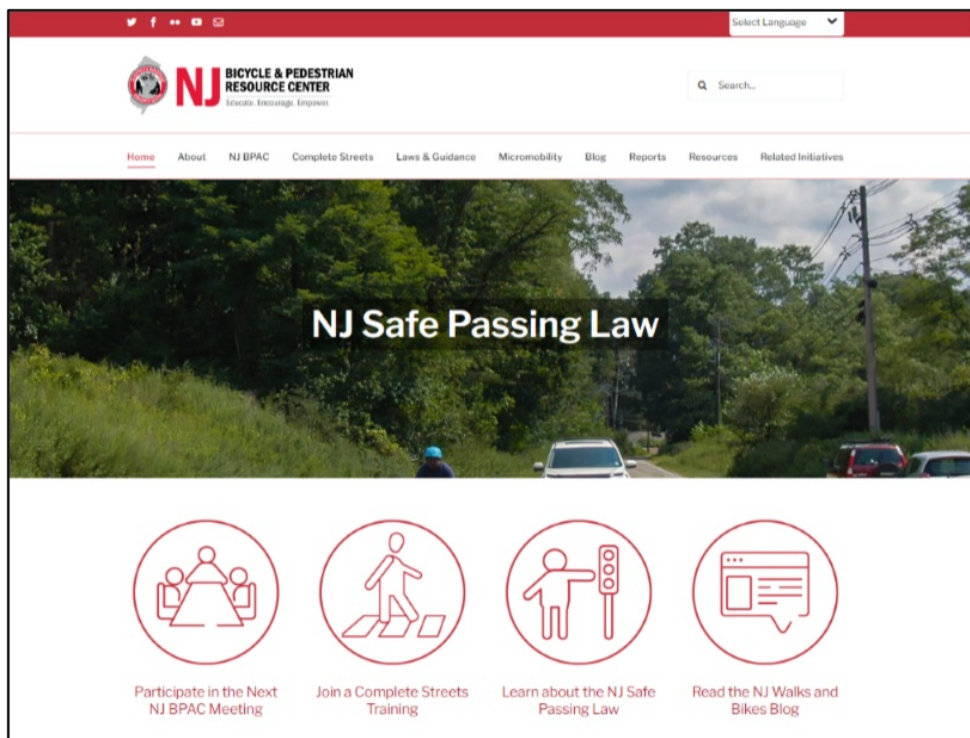
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Dear Readers,

Welcome to this issue of the NJ Walks and Bikes Newsletter, prepared by the New Jersey Bicycle and Pedestrian Resource Center (NJ BPRC) with support from the NJ Department of Transportation. If you would like to learn more about the NJ BPRC, please visit us [here](#).



New NJ Bicycle & Pedestrian Resource Center Website is Live Now

The NJ Bicycle and Pedestrian Resource Center launched a new and improved website at njbikeped.org. The website, funded by NJ Department of Transportation, provides visitors with an easier to navigate platform for finding bicycle, pedestrian, and micromobility

resources. Check out the new website today.

[Visit the new BPRC Website](#)

Join us for the BPAC Meeting on December 7, 2022 **General Meeting 9:30am – 11:30am**

The New Jersey Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Council (BPAC) is coordinated by the Voorhees Transportation Center on behalf of the New Jersey Department of Transportation.

BPAC is open to everyone.
To participate, please register using the following link:

njbikeped.org/join-the-next-meeting/

After registering, you will receive a confirmation email containing information about joining the meeting.

To learn more about BPAC, please visit the [webpage here](#).
You can also contact James Sinclair at james.sinclair@ejb.rutgers.edu

Six New Jersey Communities Adopt New Complete Streets Policies

Congratulations to the six municipalities that have recently passed Complete Streets or Complete and Green Streets policies/ordinances for their communities.

[Belleville Township](#) | [Lawrence Township](#) | [Ewing Township](#) | [Trenton City](#) | [City of Atlantic City](#) | [City of Bordentown](#)

The policies for Belleville Township, Lawrence Township, Atlantic City, and the City of Bordentown use the model NJDOT Complete & Green Streets policy language.

Congratulations to the City of Trenton for adopting the Complete Streets ordinance. All policies codify the safety of all road users including pedestrians, bicyclists, children, older adults, non-drivers, and mobility challenged individuals.

[View the resolutions and policies for all municipalities here.](#)

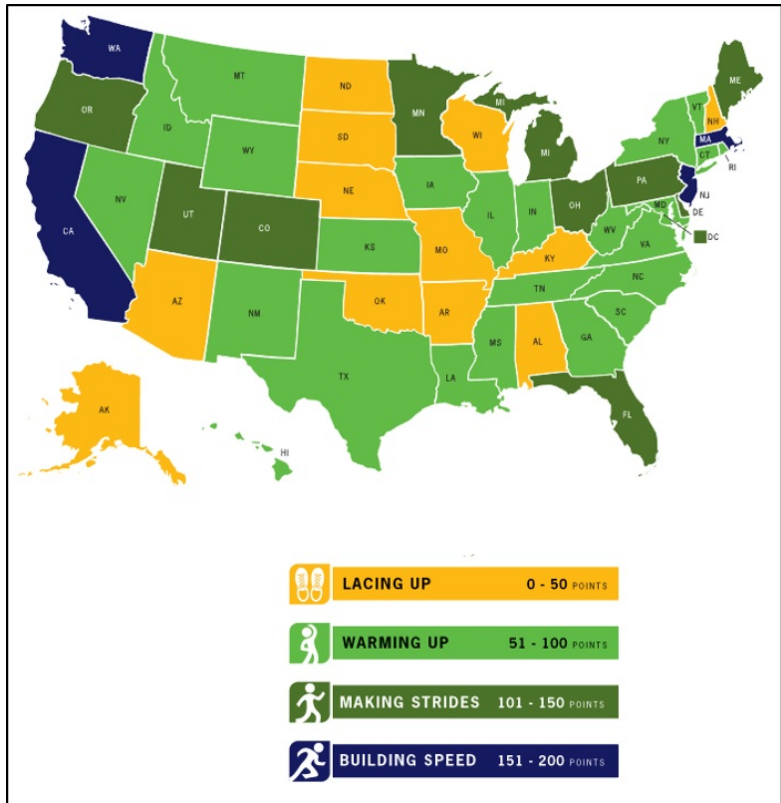


Applying Proven Safety Countermeasures to NJ Safe Routes to School Projects

This is the first out of a series of three articles, cross-posted from NJ Safe Routes Resource Centre's Newsletter, that will be published monthly until the end of the year, so stay tuned for the next two!

Pedestrians and bicyclists now account for 34 percent of all severe and fatal traffic injuries in New Jersey (New Jersey State Police, 2020). The New Jersey State Police reports a 9-percent increase in serious injuries in 2020 compared to 2019. Providing safer streets does not depend on just one action but on implementing several strategies that respond to road conditions and the needs of different road users. Through the State's Complete Streets efforts, the Strategic Highway Safety Plan, and the Driving Towards Zero Deaths initiative, authorities in New Jersey have continued to demonstrate that ensuring safety for all road users and reducing pedestrian, bicycle, and vehicle fatalities is a top priority.

[Read the full article here.](#)



New Jersey Ranked as #4 in the Nation

The Safe Routes Partnership, a national advocacy organization, released the 2022 **state report cards** which provide a snapshot of Safe Routes to School programs across the country and support for walking, bicycling, and physical activity for children and adults.

The report cards primarily look at state policy, focusing on four key areas: Complete Streets and Active Transportation Policy and Planning, Federal and State Active Transportation Funding, Safe Routes to School Funding and Supportive Practices, and Active Neighborhoods and Schools.

[Click here to read the full article](#)



Study Seeks to Change Traffic Safety Culture by Improving News Coverage of Crashes

An innovative pilot study was conducted by Associate Professor Kelcie Ralph, Tara Goddard, Calvin Thigpen, and Raymond Davis to change the way traffic crashes are covered in the media. They started by reshaping the language of the police press releases that journalists rely on for their coverage. More and more individuals are getting their crash information straight from the police. Therefore, enhancing police press releases may have the twofold benefits of improving both direct public communications from the police and news coverage.

The researchers created a brief training program specifically for police officers and provided recommendations to improve police press.

[Read the full article here.](#)



E-Scooters and Emerging Transportation Modes Implication for Policy

E-scooters are a low-emission and affordable mode of transportation that contributes to environmental and mobility equity goals. The use of e-scooters, however, has resulted in an estimated 70,000 emergency department visits and at least 41 fatalities between 2014 and 2019.

Over the last decade, a variety of transportation solutions facilitated by new technologies have emerged. Of these, self-driving vehicles seem to have generated the most excitement among policy makers and such vehicles were promised to be commercially available by 2020. Achieving fully autonomous self-driving vehicles has proved to be a more difficult challenge than originally anticipated.

Emerging Transportation Modes

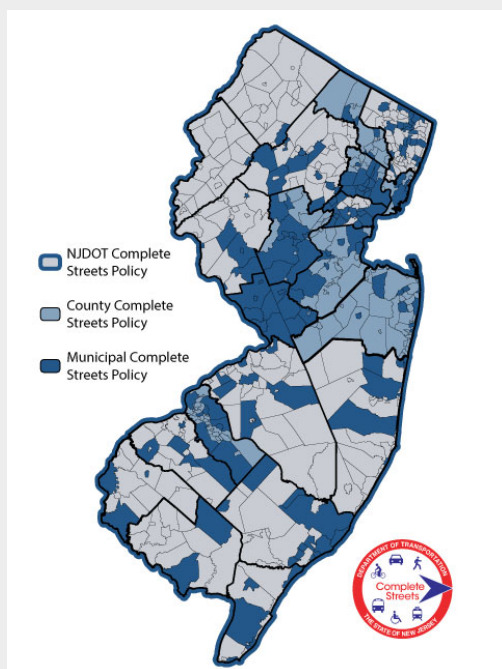
BIKE/PED NEWS FEED

Video: Zero Traffic Deaths in Hoboken, New Jersey

Roads in the U.S. are more dangerous than they've been in decades, but one city's skirting the trend.

Lawmakers Want to Study Goal of Zero Traffic Deaths by 2035

New Jersey state lawmakers are proposing the state create a Vision Zero task force, with an ambitious goal to eliminate traffic fatalities by 2035.



[Click here for the complete list of policies](#)

Complete Streets in New Jersey

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

There are currently **174** municipalities and **8** counties with Complete Streets policies in New Jersey.

This brings the total New Jersey population living in municipalities with Complete Streets policies to over 4 million people, or 46% of the population.

To access the most up-to-date list of Complete Streets policies adopted in the state, click the button!

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