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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](#).

Join us for the next BPAC Meeting on May 17, 2023

General Meeting, 9:30 am – 11:30 am

Join early at 9:15 am for a virtual coffee chat (BYOC- Bring Your Own Coffee)

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.

[Click here for the Meeting Agenda.](#)

This week's BPAC meeting will include a presentation with information on using SS4A and PROTECT grants for Complete and Green Streets.

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 [website here](#).
You can also contact James Sinclair at james.sinclair@ejb.rutgers.edu



2023 New Jersey Complete Streets Summit

The 2023 New Jersey Complete Streets Summit, sponsored by the New Jersey Department of Transportation, will be held on November 1, 2023. The full-day event will be held in-person at the College Avenue Campus Student Center at Rutgers University in New Brunswick, and is free to attend.

Complete Streets are streets designed for all road users based on the specific context and needs of your community. This biennial Summit brings together planners, engineers, public officials, health professionals, advocates, and others involved with shaping communities throughout New Jersey. Summit sessions topics will include institutionalizing Complete and Green Streets policies, lessons learned from implementation, and what is in store for the Complete Streets movement.

Stay tuned for registration information.

Check the 2021 Complete Streets Summit Sessions [here](#).

Join us at the NJ Safe Routes Academy!

SafeRoutes Academy

Register at:
saferoutesnj.org/safe-routes-academy
Sessions are free!

THURSDAYS IN SEPTEMBER
12PM - 1:30PM
9/7, 9/14, 9/21, 9/28

SEPTEMBER

NEW JERSEY Safe Routes

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Save the Date for 2023 NJ Safe Routes Academy

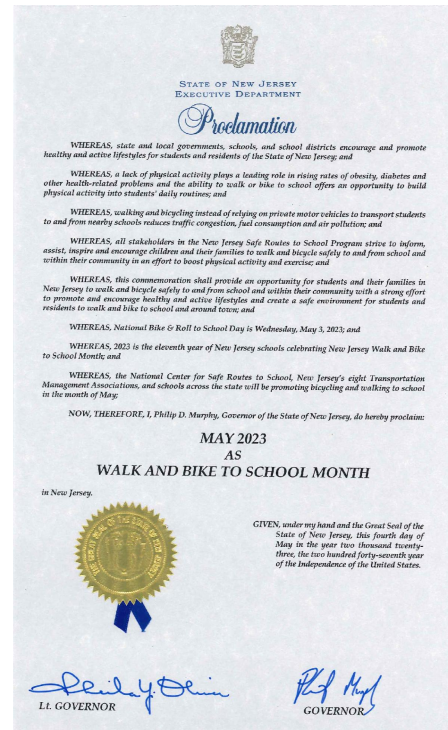
Join us for our "lunch and learn" Annual Safe Routes Academy sessions! It is free to join and will take place online on September 7, 14, 21, and 28 from 12- 1:30 pm.

The NJ Safe Routes Academy, sponsored by the NJ Department of Transportation, features free online sessions to help participants make their communities more walk- and bike-

friendly for all users of all abilities. The Safe Routes Academy is designed for parents, teachers, students, municipal leaders, local volunteers, and anyone else interested in improving conditions for walking and bicycling. Learn about the best practices and resources that you can use to increase safety and accessibility in your community.

[Register for the Safe Routes Academy here.](#)

[Check the previous Safe Routes Academy Sessions here.](#)



May 2023 is Bike Month and Walk & Bike to School Month

In honor of National Bike Month, Governor Phil Murphy signed proclamations recognizing May as **Bike Month**, as well as **Walk and Bike to School Month**. Millions of New Jerseyans will experience the joys of bicycling during the month of May through educational programs, races, commuting events, trail work days, helmet promotions, charity events, or just getting out and going for a ride.

Bike Month is a great opportunity to remind motorists of the new Safe Passing Law in New Jersey. Drivers are required to move over a full lane if available while following all current no passing and no speeding laws. If they cannot move over, they must provide at least 4 feet to safely pass a vulnerable road user or they must slow to 25 mph and be prepared to stop until they can pass safely.

National Bike & Roll to School Day is May 3, 2023, National Ride a Bike Day is May 7, 2023, and National Bike to Work Day is May 19, 2023. The year 2023 is the eleventh year of New Jersey School celebrating New Jersey Walk and Bike to School Month.

Safe Streets and Roads for All is Back for Round Two

The Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) announced in the first week of April that the next round of grant applications has opened for the **Safe Streets and Roads for All (SS4A)** competitive grant program. The SS4A program funds local initiatives that support the **National Roadway Safety Strategy (NRSS)**, which is centered around the Safe

System Approach. SS4A grants fund projects and programs to prevent roadway fatalities and serious injuries (FSIs), including local Vision Zero initiatives. **Applications are due at 5:00pm on July 10, 2023.**

This week's BPAC meeting will include a presentation with more information on using SS4A and PROTECT grants for Complete and Green Streets. [Register for the BPAC meeting here.](#)

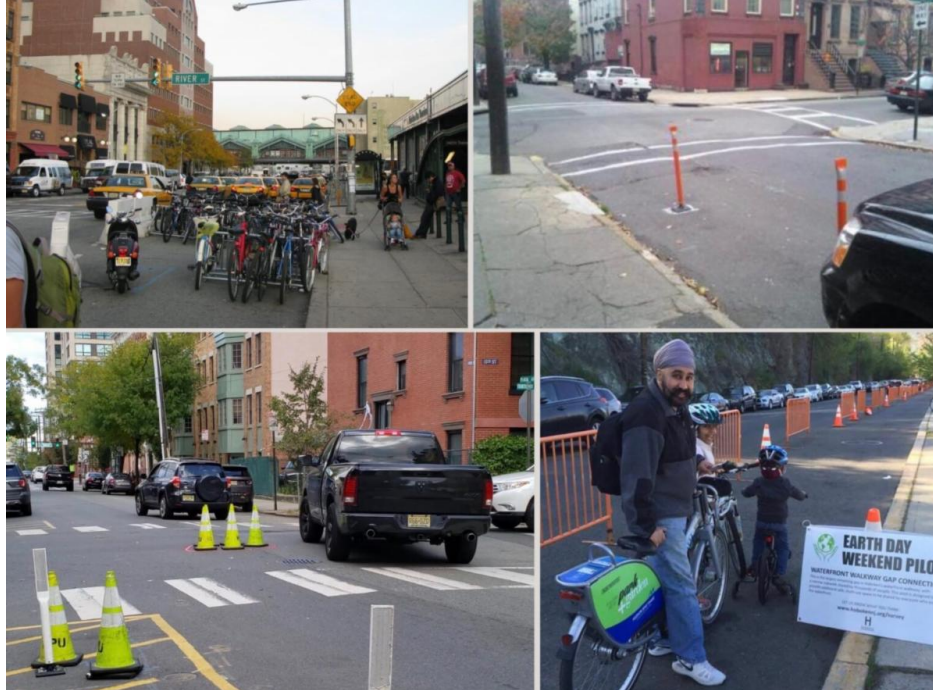
[Click here to read the full article on our website.](#)



Tell Us What You Think About Bike Safety Improvements in Trenton

Do you bike, walk, roll, or drive around Trenton? If so, the City of Trenton and the Delaware Valley Regional Planning Commission (DVRPC) want to hear from you. They have created a draft bicycle plan to help make roads safer for all users. View the safety and infrastructure recommendations and share your feedback at www.dvrpc.org/ourstreets. Online feedback period ends June 11.

[Click here to learn more.](#)



Hoboken leader shares secret sauce for vision zero success

Ryan Sharp, Hoboken's director of transportation and parking, gave a keynote speech at the Oregon Active Transportation Summit. He is in demand as a speaker because of one startling statistic: this small city in New Jersey across the Hudson River from Manhattan has not had a fatal traffic crash for six years. At a time when vision zero has become the top transportation goal in hundreds of cities across the country, Hoboken is the only one to actually achieve it.

Sharp's goal with a speech at a conference 2,891 miles away from home was to pay back some of that inspirational momentum to advocates and leaders from Portland and across Oregon who've been battered by humbling headlines of record traffic deaths and declining use of transit and bicycles.

[Click here to read more.](#)

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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- NJDOT Complete Streets Policy
 - County Complete Streets Policy
 - Municipal Complete Streets Policy



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

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