



# NJ BICYCLE & PEDESTRIAN RESOURCE CENTER

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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](#).

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## **Join us for the next BPAC Meeting on July 26, 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.

This month's BPAC meeting will include an overview presentation on the North Jersey Transportation Planning Authority's regional Active Transportation Plan.

BPAC is open to everyone.

To participate, please register using the following link:

**[njbikeped.org/join-the-next-meeting/](https://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](mailto:james.sinclair@ejb.rutgers.edu)

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2023 New Jersey Complete Streets Summit  
November 1, 2023

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**REGISTER TODAY!**  
*CompleteStreets2023.com*

Venue: Rutgers College Ave Student Center, New Brunswick, New Jersey  
Sponsored by The New Jersey Department of Transportation

## 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 session topics will include institutionalizing Complete and Green Streets policies, lessons learned from implementation, and what is in store for the Complete Streets movement.

[Register for the 2023 Complete Streets Summit Here.](#)

[Learn more about previous Complete Streets Summits here.](#)



**PROTECT Discretionary Grant Program: Can We Use Resilience**

## Funding to Also Make New Jersey Streets Safer?

With the passage of the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law (BIL) in 2021, the federal government has green-lit numerous new streams of funding for infrastructure projects. Among the new programs is the Promoting Resilient Operations for Transformative, Efficient, and Cost-saving Transportation (PROTECT) Grant program. PROTECT provides funding to ensure surface transportation resilience to natural hazards including climate change, sea level rise, flooding, extreme weather events, and other natural disasters.

While PROTECT is primarily a program focusing on climate resilience, perhaps there is also a way to use climate infrastructure to make streets safer.

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



U-Lock secures rear wheel and frame, with additional cable to secure front wheel.



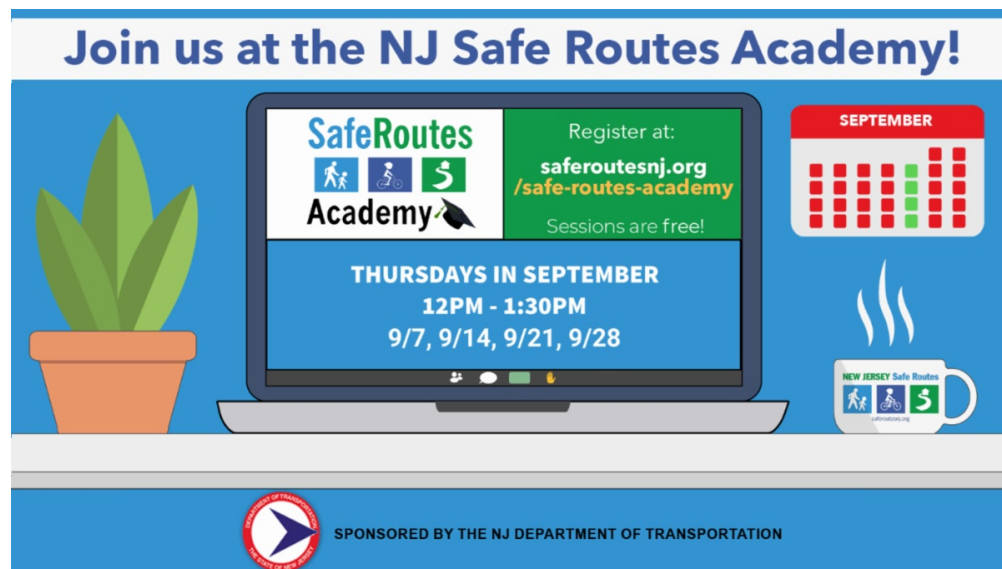
U-Lock secures front wheel only, leaving rest of bicycle vulnerable to theft.

## Secure Your Ride: A Guide to Properly Locking Your Bike


Whether you're a casual cyclist or a student who'd rather bike to school instead of sitting in the "great American school drop-off line," you'll need to properly secure your bike when parking in public. This article gives a quick overview of the different types of bike locks, how to use them, and other tips for keeping your bike safe.

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

### Join us at the NJ Safe Routes Academy!



The banner features a central laptop displaying the Safe Routes Academy logo and registration information. To the left is a potted plant, and to the right is a calendar for September and a mug with the Safe Routes logo. The laptop screen text reads: "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".

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**Save the dates 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 out previous Safe Routes Academy sessions here.](#)

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## Safe Routes to School Applications Now Being Accepted for Federally-Funded 2024 Grants

The New Jersey Department of Transportation (NJDOT) announced the grant solicitation period for the 2024 Safe Routes to School (SRTS) program is open, with applications being accepted through November 17, 2023. The program is administered by the NJDOT Division of Local Aid and Economic Development, in partnership with the North Jersey Transportation Planning Authority (NJTPA), the Delaware Valley Regional Planning Commission (DVRPC), and the South Jersey Transportation Planning Organization (SJTPO).

SRTS grants are available for infrastructure projects that encourage and enable students to walk and bike safely to school. Through the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (IIJA), the program has been [expanded to include high schools](#) for the first time. Proposed infrastructure improvements must be within a two-mile radius of a K-12 school. SRTS facilitates the planning, development and implementation of projects that improve safety and air quality, as well as reduce traffic and fuel consumption around schools.

[Read the full NJDOT press release here.](#)

[Register for SRTS Grant Training Webinars here.](#)

[See Safe Routes to School Grant resources here.](#)

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**Bordentown City Gets**

## Highway Traffic Safety Announce Campaign Targeting Excessive Speeding

Attorney General Matthew J. Platkin, the New Jersey Division of Highway Traffic Safety (HTS), and the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration are joining forces with law enforcement agencies across the state and the nation to raise awareness about the dangers of speeding and take immediate action to prioritize responsible driving habits and obey speed limits.

[Click here to learn more.](#)

## \$475K Grant to Improve Connectivity From Park Street to Downtown

The City of Bordentown has been awarded a \$475,000 grant from the New Jersey Department of Transportation to fund improvements for walkability on Park Street, State Senator Troy Singleton and Mayor Jennifer Sciortino announced.

"This grant is a crucial step in our continued investment into the City of Bordentown," said Singleton.

[Click here to learn more.](#)



## What's Incomplete About Complete Streets?

Although hundreds of states and local governments have adopted Complete Streets policies, American streets keep getting more dangerous for walkers and cyclists. What's missing from Complete Streets policies?

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



## Rising Fatalities a Sign to Modernize Federal Design Framework

Despite a binding requirement, the Federal Highway Administration missed the deadline to release a new edition of America's street design guidelines by more than a month. Advocates fear the delay will result in yet another green light for increasing traffic fatalities.

[Click here to read the full article on Transportation 4 America.](#)

# Safety Summit 2023

*Practical Collaboration: Uniting Efforts for Tangible Results*

## Save the Date: Safety Summit 2023

The New Jersey Strategic Highway Safety Plan Safety Summit #5 will be hosted on Tuesday, October 24th from 9:00 am to 1:00 pm (registration begins at 8:30 am).

To successfully reach our goal of zero deaths on New Jersey's roadways, we must work together to brainstorm and implement effective strategies and policies. This year's theme is **Practical Collaboration: Uniting Efforts for Tangible Results**. The Safety Summit will highlight efforts across the 5E's of safety: Enforcement, Education, Emergency Response, Engineering, and Equity.

**When:** Tuesday, October 24th

**Where:** The College of New Jersey, Brower Student Center, 2000 Pennington Rd, Ewing Township, NJ 08618

**Time:** 9:00 am to 1:00 pm (registration begins at 8:30 am)

[Click here to add this event to your calendar.](#)

# The Greenway Public Workshop: Thursday, July 27th

The Greenway is a nine-mile corridor that connects eight municipalities. The New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection (NJDEP) acquired this property from Norfolk Southern on August 19th, 2022. The NJDEP is conducting a planning process to understand how the Greenway can effectively support the diverse communities that surround it.

Come to the first public listening session workshops on Thursday, July 27th in two locations - at the Newark North Library at 10:00 am and at the Branch Brook Park Roller Rink at 6:00 pm.

For translation services or ADA accommodations, contact [josie@agencylp.com](mailto:josie@agencylp.com)

**The Greenway**

Learn more about the New Jersey Greenway recreation and transportation corridor.

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Podrás obtener más información sobre el New Jersey Greenway corredor de recreación y transporte.

The Greenway es un corredor de nueve millas que conecta ocho municipios. El Departamento de Protección Ambiental de Nueva Jersey (NJDEP) adquirió esta propiedad de Norfolk Southern el 19 de agosto de 2022. El NJDEP está realizando un proceso de planificación para comprender cómo el Greenway puede apoyar de manera efectiva a las diversas comunidades que lo rodean. Queremos escuchar sus ideas sobre cómo este proyecto puede satisfacer mejor sus necesidades y desde dónde comenzar.

You can share your vision for the Greenway in your community and all along the greenway this summer. To find out more about ways to share your ideas, please visit our website or leave us a voicemail at 908-340-6611!

Puede compartir su visión del Greenway en su comunidad y lo largo del Greenway este verano. Para obtener más información sobre las formas de compartir sus ideas, visite nuestro sitio web o déjenos un mensaje de voz al 908-340-6611.

Website: [linktr.ee/NJGreenway](https://linktr.ee/NJGreenway)  
For translation services or ADA accommodations, contact [josie@agencylp.com](mailto:josie@agencylp.com).

Para programar servicios de traducción o adaptaciones de accesibilidad (ADA), comuníquese con [josie@agencylp.com](mailto:josie@agencylp.com).

**Come to our first workshop Thursday, July 27, 2023**  
**Ven a nuestro primer taller Jueves, 27 de Julio, 2023**

Newark North Library  
722 Summer Ave,  
Newark, NJ, 07104  
(10am to 12pm)

Roller Skating Night!  
¡Noche de Patinaje sobre ruedas!  
Branch Brook Park | 7th Ave & Clifton Ave, Newark, NJ 07104  
(6pm to 8pm)

All ages and abilities are welcome. There will be free admission and free food at the Roller Skating Night!

¡Hay entrada y comida gratis en la Noche de Patinaje sobre Ruedas!

[Click Here for more information about these workshops.](#)

**OUR STREETS**  
**A TRENTON BIKE PLAN FOR ALL**  
**NUESTRAS CALLES**  
**UNA PLANIFICACIÓN DE BICICLETAS PARA TODOS**



**Our Streets: A Trenton Bike Plan For All**

Join the Delaware Valley Regional Planning Commission (DVRPC) and the City of Trenton at an Our Streets event to tell them what you think about recommendations to improve biking safety and infrastructure so cyclists of all ages and abilities feel comfortable riding throughout the city.

**When:** August 5th  
**Where:** East Trenton Collaborative  
**Time:** 1:00 - 4:00 pm

[Visit the project website here to learn more.](#)

## Sustainable Jersey is hiring a Program Coordinator

Sustainable Jersey, administered by The Sustainability Institute at the College of New Jersey, seeks an individual with a passion for sustainability, and interested in working with a dynamic team creating programs for communities across New Jersey. Working closely with the Manager of Policy and Planning the Program Coordinator is responsible for researching best practices related to sustainable development for municipalities and schools and supporting the implementation of them in the Sustainable Jersey programs with particular emphasis on local land-use planning and climate resilience.

[Learn more and apply here.](#)



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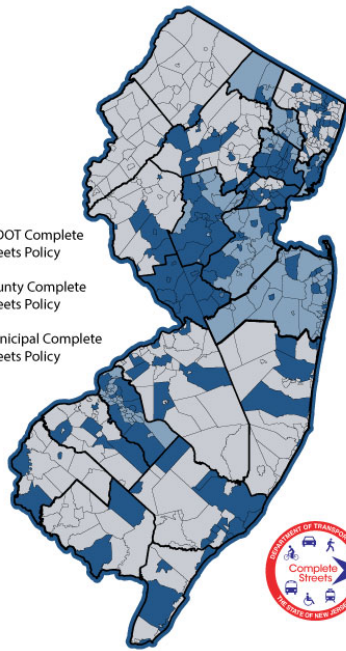
*An up-to-date list of Complete Streets policies in New Jersey*

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!

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



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

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