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Dear Readers.

Welcome to this issue of the NJ Walks and Bikes Newsletter funded by the NJ Department of Transportation. If you would like to learn more about the NJDOT Bicycle and Pedestrian Resource Center, please visit us here.



Why We Say 'Crash' Not 'Accident' — And Why It Could Save Lives on Our Roads

The World Day of Remembrance for Road Traffic Victims is commemorated on the third Sunday of November each year. It is a global event to remember the millions of people who have been killed and seriously injured on the world's roadways and to acknowledge the suffering of the victims and their families. It is also meant to pay tribute to the dedicated emergency crews, police and medical professionals who deal with the traumatic aftermath of crashes every day.

Join us for the next BPAC Meeting on December 4, 2024

General Meeting, 9:30 am – 11:30 am coffee chat begins at 9:15 am

The New Jersey Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Council <u>(BPAC)</u> 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:

Join the next meeting.

After registering, you will receive a confirmation email containing information on how to join the meeting.

To learn more about BPAC, please visit the website here. You can also contact Samuel Rosenthal at samuel.rosenthal@ejb.rutgers.edu

Missed the last meeting?

Our September 2024 meeting included presentations about the 2025 Federal Transportation Alternatives Set-Aside Program Funds, bicycle and pedestrian initiatives at the NJ Department of Consumer Affairs, and much more. Presentations are available on the BPAC Agenda and Notes page.

See the slides from presentations at our recent meetings.



Contine TRAINING EVENT THURSDAY 11/14/24 at 2 PM &

TUESDAY 12/3/24 at 9:30 AM

NJDOT Transportation Alternatives Set-Aside Program Grant solicitation coming soon! Get a head start on your

application by attending a webinar.

NJDOT Transportation Alternatives Set-Aside Program Grant Solicitation

Get a head start on your application by attending an upcoming webinar!

Register for free online sessions which will provide participants with information about applying for the Transportation Alternatives (TA) Set-Aside Program grant, administered by the New Jersey Department of Transportation (NJDOT) in partnership with the State's Metropolitan Planning Organizations.

Topics that will be covered in this online session include:

Overview of Federal Aid programs and the TA Set-Aside Program Detailed Review of the TA Set-Aside Application Grant Application Process Grant Resources, Tips & Strategies Q&A with NJDOT Local Aid Staff

The session is designed to assist you with making your grant application stronger to turn your project into a reality.

Thursday, November 14, 2024 at 2 PM Tuesday, December 3, 2024 at 9:30 AM

Register here.

New Opportunity FREE COMPLETE STREETS OUTREACH AND TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

A new program for municipalities located in the South Jersey Transportation Planning Organization region of Salem, Cumberland, Cape May and Atlantic Counties to provide:

- A new grant opportunity to receive free technical assistance, with an informational webinar on **December 5, 2024**.
- Free training on Complete Streets, covering policies, implementation, and funding, on December 9, 2024.



LEARN MORE, REGISTER FOR FREE TRAINING & INFORMATIONAL WEBINAR





Free Complete Streets Outreach and Technical Assistance Program

With funding from the South Jersey Transportation Planning Organization (SJTPO),
Sustainable Jersey will assist the Alan M. Voorhees Transportation Center at Rutgers
University (VTC) and the Cross County Connection Transportation Management
Association (CCCTMA) to deliver a program that focuses on municipalities and the
advancement of Complete Streets approaches through training, technical
assistance, and the creation of a demonstration materials lending library.
This program is made possible through the SJTPO with federal funding provided by
the New Jersey Department of Transportation.

Learn more here.

From our Friends at the Safe Routes to School Resource Center





Ruby Bridges Walk to School Day: Celebrating a Civil Rights Icon's Legacy

Six-year-old Ruby Bridges stepped into the history books in 1960 when she integrated William Frantz Elementary School in New Orleans becoming a national icon for the civil rights movement. Today her story continues to inspire the next generation of leaders to end racism together one step at a time.

Learn more here.



Port Authority extends George Washington Bridge bike hours, but reasoning remains murky

Bicyclists and pedestrians hoping to cross the George Washington Bridge overnight have won a morsel of what they've been asking for: They voiced hopes for 24-hour access to the iconic expanse, but instead saw the bridge's availability go from 18 hours a day to 19.

Read the full article at Gothamist.



Greenway Open House

Wednesday, November 13th, the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection and NJ Transit will host an open house-style event to present project updates and artistic renderings of the Greenway. Share your thoughts and enjoy light refreshments. Spanish translation services will be available.

Learn more here.



Belleville Experiments With Pop-Up Bike Lane To Improve Traffic Safety

A traffic experiment is being conducted in Belleville with the goal of making it safer to walk and bicycle to Belleville High School, but not everybody is on board with the results so far.

Read more at Patch.



A bike ride to find Big Rusty and 7 other trolls in Burlington County

Burlington County, NJ, has introduced an exciting adventure with 18 new troll sculptures scattered throughout scenic trails, inspired by Thomas Dambo's original, Big Rusty. Pedal along to discover these whimsical creations made from recycled materials—a perfect outing for art lovers and nature enthusiasts alike!

Learn more here.



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 **181** 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-todate list of Complete Streets

policies adopted in the state, click the button!



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