



# BICYCLE & PEDESTRIAN RESOURCE CENTER

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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](#).



## NJDOT Releases Updated Internal Complete Streets Policy

In December 2024, the New Jersey Department of Transportation (NJDOT) updated its internal **Complete Streets Policy**, demonstrating continued commitment to enhancing roadway safety for New Jersey's transportation system. The policy is designed to "provide safe access for all users by integrating Complete Streets into the planning, design, construction, maintenance, and operation of all new, rehabilitated, and retrofitted transportation facilities, public highways, and public transportation projects" that are funded or administered by NJDOT. This policy represents a significant evolution from NJDOT's landmark 2009 policy, reflecting over a decade of experience, feedback, and new priorities in transportation planning.

[Read the full article.](#)



## Governor Murphy Signs Legislation Creating Target Zero Commission

Governor Phil Murphy has signed a new law creating the **Target Zero Commission** with the goal of eliminating traffic deaths and serious injuries in New Jersey by 2040.

This 13-member commission will bring together experts from the NJ Department of Transportation, State Police, Division of Highway Traffic Safety, and other key agencies to prioritize safety and protect the most vulnerable road users.

[Learn more here.](#)

## Moving Forward with the Target Zero Commission - Webinar

Join the New Jersey Bike & Walk Coalition for a moderated conversation with a distinguished panel as they discuss the new Target Zero Commission and how we can best support efforts to create a statewide Safety Action Plan.

[Learn more and register here.](#)

### Moving Forward with the Target Zero Commission

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**Michael Rizol**  
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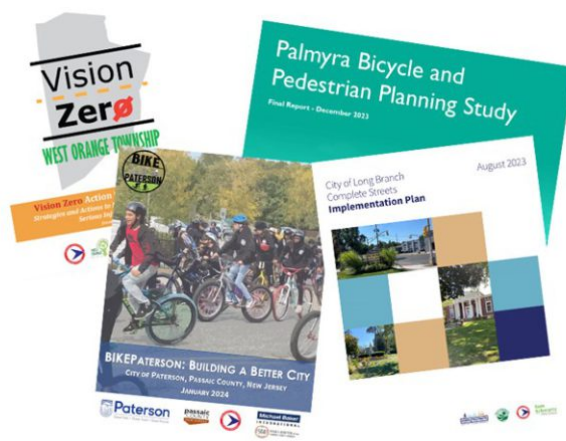
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**Brendan Gill**  
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Join us for a moderated conversation with this distinguished panel as we discuss the new Target Zero Commission and how we can best support efforts to create a statewide Safety Action Plan

Wednesday, February 26, 2025  
12:00-1:30PM  
Register Online: [njbwc.org/safe](https://njbwc.org/safe)





## New NJDOT Bicycle and Pedestrian Planning Assistance Reports Now Available

The New Jersey Department of Transportation's (**NJDOT**) Bureau of Safety, Bicycle, and Pedestrian Programs has recently released new reports from the NJDOT Bicycle and Pedestrian Planning Assistance program (BPPA). Over 130 local planning studies have been completed across the state since the program began in 1993.

[Read the full article.](#)

## Join us for the next BPAC Meeting on March 5, 2025

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

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:

[Join the next meeting.](#)

The meeting will include an update from the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection about the New Jersey Trails Playbook.

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

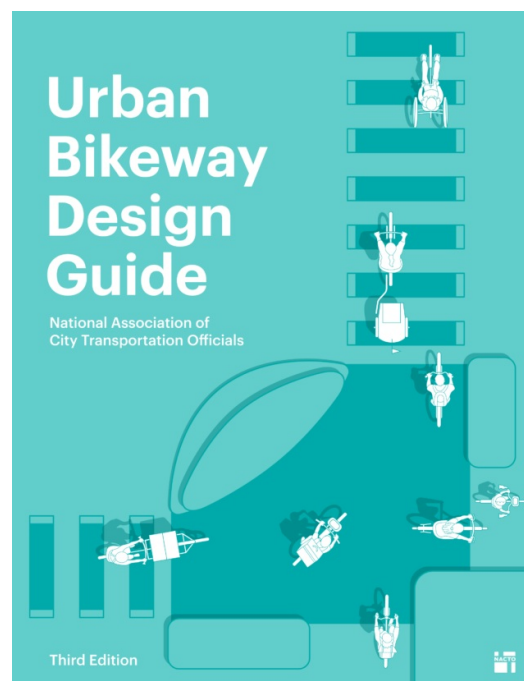
To learn more about BPAC, please visit the website here.  
You can also contact James Sinclair at [james.sinclair@ejb.rutgers.edu](mailto:james.sinclair@ejb.rutgers.edu)



## **NJ municipalities located in Atlantic, Cape May, Cumberland and Salem counties can apply to receive free Complete Streets technical assistance!**

Through a competitive application process, municipalities will be selected to receive technical assistance in order to complete a Complete Streets initiative. The Complete Streets Technical Assistance (CSTA) team, comprised of staff from Sustainable Jersey, Alan M. Voorhees Transportation Center at Rutgers University (VTC) and the Cross County Connection Transportation Management Association (CCCTMA) will provide the technical assistance to the municipality. No direct funding to municipalities is provided.

**Learn more and apply.**





## **NACTO Urban Bikeway Design Guide, 3rd Edition Now Available**

The NACTO Urban Bikeway Design Guide is based on the experience of the best cycling cities in the world. The designs in this document were developed by cities for cities, since unique urban streets require innovative solutions.

[Learn more about the design guide.](#)

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## **NJDOT Updates Information on Bridge and Tunnel Crossings for Bicycles**

NJDOT updated their informational webpage about the various Delaware and Hudson River crossings and whether they permit bicyclists to cross at that point. If bicyclists wish to cross the Delaware River into Pennsylvania and the Hudson River into New York City, they will need to know the restrictions.

[Learn more on the NJDOT website.](#)

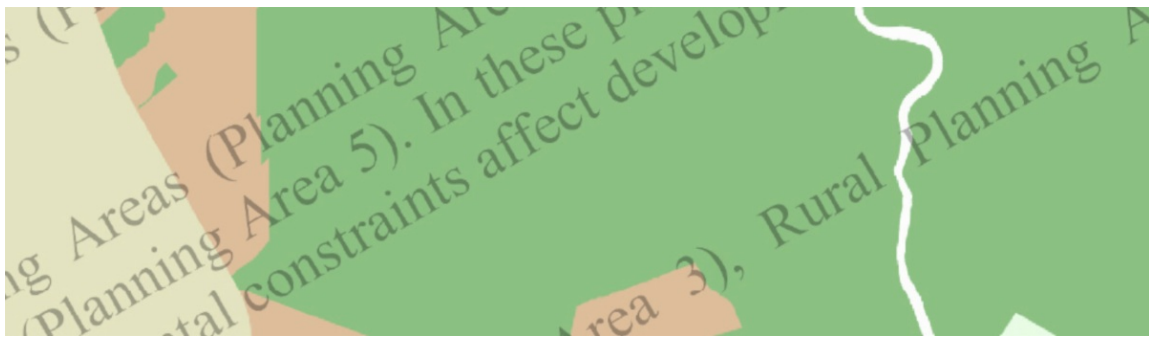


## **Hudson County Vision Zero Safety Action Plan Draft Now Available**

On January 11, Hudson County released its Vision Zero Action Plan aimed at eliminating all deaths and serious injuries on its roadways, and ensuring that safe, comfortable transportation is a right for everyone who moves to and through our community.

[View the plan here.](#)

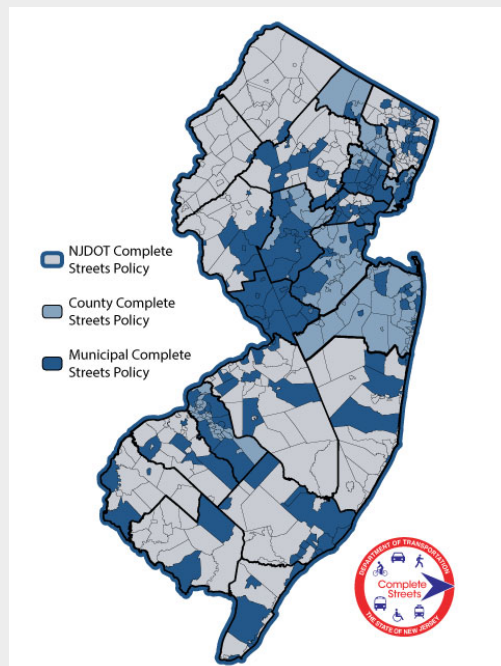
[Learn more at Hudson County Vision Zero.](#)



## Update to State Development and Redevelopment Plan

Exciting updates to the New Jersey State Development and Redevelopment Plan are underway! Check out the Preliminary State Plan, approved by the State Planning Commission.

[Learn more here.](#)



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

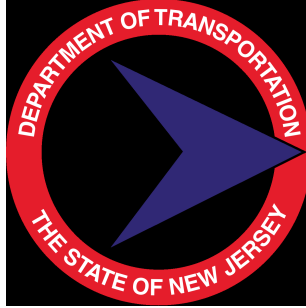
### Complete Streets in New Jersey

*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-to-date list of Complete Streets policies adopted in the state, click the button!



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