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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](#).

Join the next BPAC Meeting on Thursday , May 15, 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.

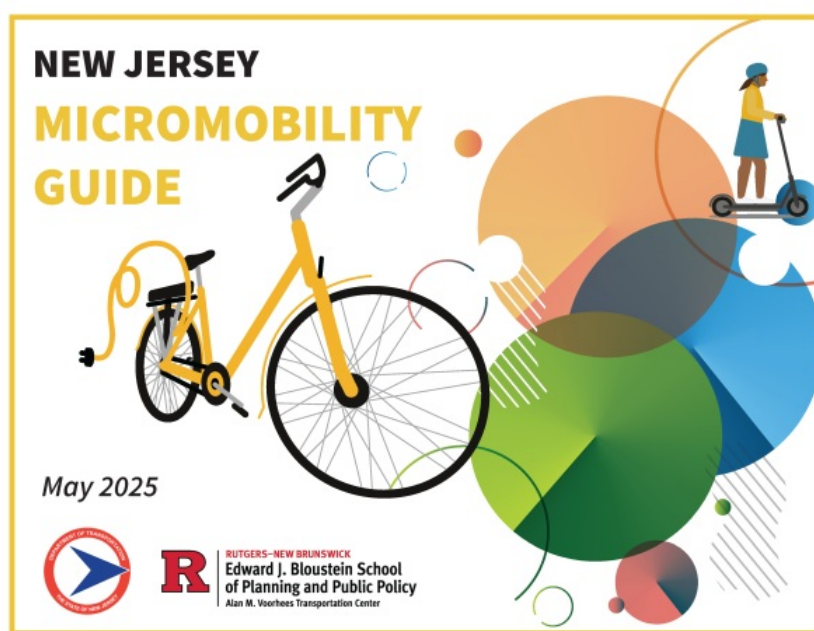
To participate, please register using the following link:

Join the next meeting.

May's meeting will include a presentation on the NJDOT Bicycle and Pedestrian Resource Center's new NJ Micromobility Guide.

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**.



New BPRC Guide Offers Resources for New Jersey Micromobility Users

The NJDOT Bicycle and Pedestrian Resource Center's newly released "New Jersey Micromobility Guide" summarizes state laws and best practices for safely riding, charging, and storing micromobility devices in New Jersey. By providing tips, answering common questions, and clarifying how different devices are regulated, this guide serves as a resource that promotes the safe and legal use of e-bikes, e-scooters, and other forms of micromobility throughout New Jersey.

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**Safe Streets and Roads for All 2025: Grant Applications
Now Being Accepted**

The Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO) for the 2025 fiscal year Safe Streets and Roads for All (SS4A) funding has been posted. Published by USDOT, the NOFO outlines necessary information and instructions regarding the application process, including definitions, eligibility requirements, program descriptions, federal award notices, and post-award requirements.

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From our friends at the NJDOT Safe Routes to School Resource Center



How Can We Better Evaluate Traffic Safety of Children in School Zones?

The [NJDOT Safe Routes to School Resource Center](#) has released a new report, "How Can We Better Evaluate Traffic Safety of Children in School Zones?"

This report examines traditional methods of evaluating school zone infrastructure projects and explores ways to improve safety assessments through speed studies and the Safe System Approach.

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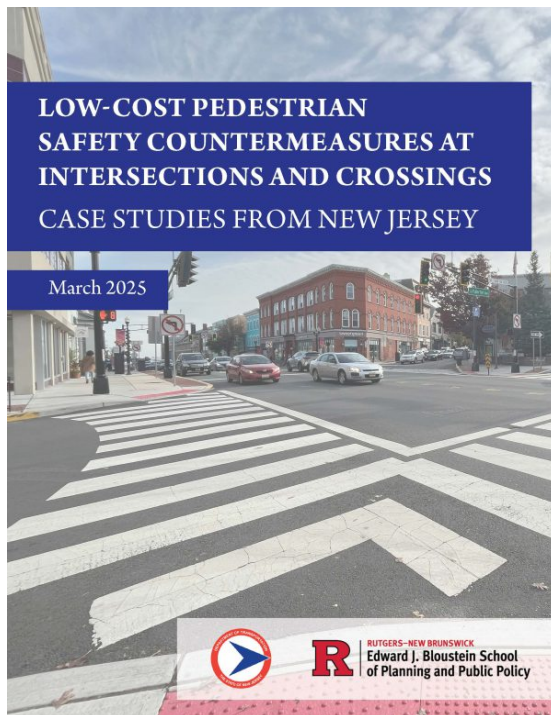
Celebrate Bike Month and New Jersey Walk and Bike to School Month this May

Governor Phil Murphy has proclaimed May as Bike Month and New Jersey Walk and Bike to School Month. Go outside to get some exercise and enjoy the beautiful



weather! Celebrate Walk and Bike to School Month by leaving the car at home and walking or bicycling with your children to school, to a park, or anywhere for some exercise!

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Implementing Low-Cost Pedestrian Safety Countermeasures at Intersections and Crossings: Insights from around New Jersey

The NJDOT Bicycle and Pedestrian Resource Center has recently released Low-Cost Pedestrian Safety Countermeasures at Intersections and Crossings: Case Studies from New Jersey. The report highlights real-world examples of cost-effective pedestrian safety improvements implemented in New Jersey.

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The E-Bike Boom: What It Means for New Jersey's Streets and Transportation Future

In 2022 alone, over one million e-bikes were sold in the U.S.—a 269% increase from 2019. As e-bikes become a more mainstream mode of transportation, what does this mean for New Jersey?

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2025 New Jersey Sustainability Summit

The New Jersey Sustainability Summit, hosted by Sustainable Jersey, is a momentous event in our state, drawing change-makers from across the political, private, and public sectors.

This exceptional one-day forum spotlights the successes and lessons learned from the people and projects that are helping New Jersey realize a more sustainable future. 2024 Summit attendees walked away with tangible resources and strategies to assist with their own community initiatives. This is your opportunity to do the same. We invite all who are interested to be ready to deepen their understanding and expand their network.

NJDOT BPRC at the Sustainability Summit

The NJDOT Bicycle and Pedestrian Resource Center will be presenting at two different sessions at the Sustainability Summit. Come say hello, and learn about how active transportation can make a more sustainable New Jersey.

- 11:30am–12:30pm **Resources for Quick Build Placemaking & Complete Streets Projects: Drop-In Coaching Session**
- 3:00pm–4:00pm **Make Complete and Green Streets Work For You**

[Learn more and register here](#)



Join Morris County for the Pompton Valley Rail Trail Opening

Bring your bicycle, scooter or just your walking shoes!

The Morris County Board of County Commissioners and the Morris County Park Commission are inviting the public and media to join in the official ribbon-cutting to celebrate the grand opening of the Pompton Valley Rail Trail on Thursday, May 29, at 3 p.m.

[Learn More Here](#)



Atlantic City grant to help police enforce safety for pedestrians

Atlantic City police are going to look into how to make pedestrians safer thanks to a grant from Highway Traffic Safety – Atlantic-Cape May Region.

Officers next Tuesday will start enforcement operations throughout high-volume pedestrian areas. It will continue through the summer. Those who violate existing traffic laws could receive a citation and given an educational pamphlet explaining the importance of pedestrian safety.

[Learn More Here](#)



Vision Zero: Working Together Toward Safer Streets Across the Region

In March, the Princeton community was shaken when a 74-year-old pedestrian was struck by a driver while walking along Wiggins Street near Sylvia Beach Way. More than 430 people were killed in the Delaware Valley region using the roadway system in 2023. This number contributes to the 1.19 million people killed in



New Law Expands Paratransit Services for Individuals with Disabilities and Seniors

NJ TRANSIT President & CEO Kris Kolluri and advocates for individuals with disabilities thanked Senator Patrick Diegnan and Assemblyman Robert Karabinchak during a press conference at NJ TRANSIT headquarters on April 21 for

crashes worldwide that same year. Local officials and transportation experts are working to change those statistics by embracing the concept of Vision Zero.

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their sponsorship of a new law that expands and modernizes paratransit services.

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Using Existing Infrastructure to Estimate Pedestrian Volumes

Every time a person pushes a button to cross the street, it creates a useful data point about how many people are walking through that intersection. Now, transportation planners and engineers in Oregon have easy access to that data.

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How Smart AI Traffic Lights Could Prioritise People Over Cars

Traffic lights are designed primarily for cars—but what if they could detect and prioritize waiting pedestrians without the need for tapping a push button? A project at Aston University in the U.K. uses a low-cost 360° camera and AI to do just that, aiming to improve traffic flow and pedestrian safety.

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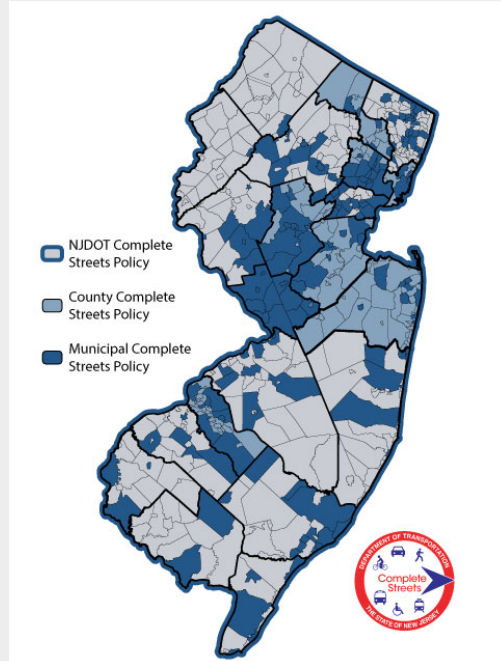


Developing Technology to Prevent Vehicles from Running Red Lights

Crashes that result from vehicles driving through red lights are often very serious because they are typically right-angle or side-impact crashes. While newer vehicles have many standard safety features such as lane departure warning and brake assistance systems to

support drivers, they do not have technologies to help prevent driving through red lights. This project in Minnesota created an algorithm that uses traffic light data and GPS to alert drivers approaching a red light, enhancing safety and traffic efficiency.

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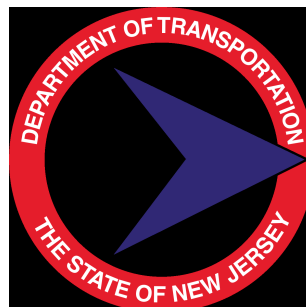
Complete Streets in New Jersey

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

There are currently **182** 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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