Complete Streets Technical Assistance Services

Informational Webinar October 30, 2019



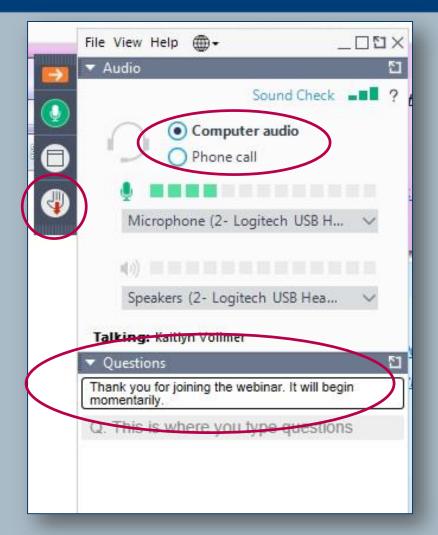




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Webinar Features





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Agenda

- Provide an overview of the program
- Review of the project types available
- Demonstrate how to use the online application portal
- Provide an opportunity to ask questions

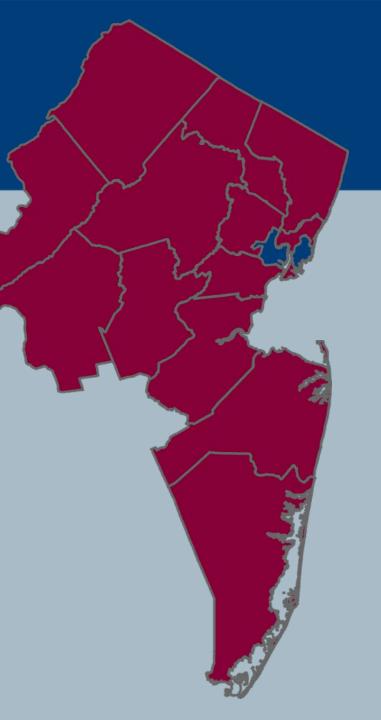




NJTPA Region

Bergen Essex Hudson Hunterdon Jersey City Middlesex Monmouth

Morris Newark Ocean Passaic Somerset Sussex Union Warren





Complete Streets Technical Assistance Services

- Complete a specific project
- Up to eight municipalities in the NJTPA region
- Up to \$15,000 in direct technical assistance services
- No direct funding
- Projects will be from three six months in duration

Technical Assistance Services

- Hands-on guidance
- Collaborative process
- Written report





North Avenue Walkable Community Workshop Town of Westfield, Union County, NJ





Project Type: Bicycle Corridor or Network Plans





Project Type: Conceptual Renderings

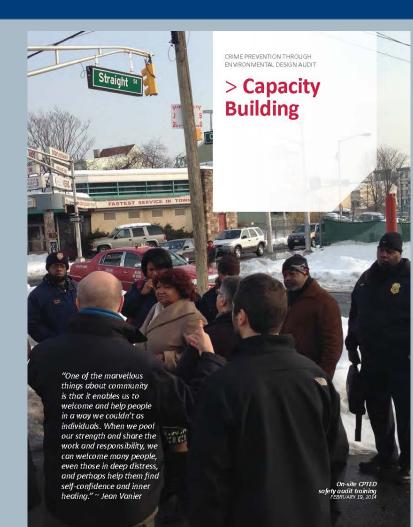








Project Type: Crime Prevention Through Environmental Design (CPTED) Safety Audit and Site Assessment





Project Type: Temporary Demonstration Project Guidance



Project Type: Walkable Community Workshop



Application Process

- Online application
- Applications due Friday, December 20, 2019
- Recipients will be contacted by January 31, 2020, regarding the status of their applications



Application Information Package



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Complete Streets Technical Assistance Program Round 2 Application for Services Information Package

Announcement Date: Friday, October 11, 2019 Informational Webinar: Wednesday, October 30, 2019, 1:30pm-2:30pm (register <u>here</u>) Application Due Date: Friday, December 20, 2019

Link to Application: https://app.wizehive.com/appform/login/CompleteStreets2019

For questions regarding the online portal only: Kaitlyn Vollmer: Email grants@SustainableJersey.com or call 609-771-3189

For project-related questions contact:

Email Anne Heasly at <u>heaslya@tcni_edu</u> with a "cc" to Douglas Greenfeld at dgreenfeld@njtpa.org. All questions and answers, as well as the presentation from the informational webinar, will be posted here: <u>bitJvCompletStreetsTA</u>

In order to participate in this program, applicants must upload a resolution adopted by the municipal governing body as documentation that it is authorized to apply for this technical assistance. A sample resolution can be found in <u>Appendix 1</u> or downloaded <u>here</u>. Please note that it is best to start the process of obtaining this resolution as early as possible to allow enough time for the adoption of the resolution.

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A. Background

According to the New Jersey Department of Transportation (NDDT), complete streets are designed for all users, all modes of transportation, and all ability levels. They balance the needs of drivers, pedestrians, bicyclists, transit riders, emergency responders, and goods movement based on the local context. While the primary benefit of complete streets is to improve safety, particularly for people who walk or bike and are thus the most vulnerable users of the street, there are other benefits. Complete streets create better places to live, work, play, and do business. They can help improve the health of a community by encouraging people to walk and bike, bolster the local economy by generating foot traffic in business districts and provide greater mobility options among other positive outcomes.

Under the North Jersey Transportation Planning Authority's (NJTPA) Complete Streets Technical Assistance Program, the NJTPA, Sustainable Jersey (SJ) and the Voorhees Transportation Center at Rutgers University (VTC) are seeking applications from municipalities to receive free technical assistance services for a specific project related to advancing a complete streets initiative in their communities. Projects will be three to six months in duration. Project delivery will be between February and September 2020. The program does not provide direct funding to municipalities. Examples of projects that have previously been delivered under this program can be found on the <u>NITPA's complete streets webpage</u>. A project selection committee will select up to eight municipalities to receive technical assistance services in a competitive process based on objective criteria.

The project selection committee recommends, but does not require, that prospective applicants gain a better understanding of complete streets prior to submitting an application to this program by attending one of the two free *Implementing Complete Streets at the Local Level* training sessions listed below:

Wednesday, October 16 8:30 am – 4:30 pm North Jersey Transportation Planning Authority One Newark Center - 17th Floor Newark, NI 07102 Thursday, October 24 8:30 am – 4:30 pm New Jersey Highlands Council 100 North Road Chester, NJ 07930

To register for the free training, visit the Sustainable Jersey website at <u>http://bit.lv/2019CompleteStreets</u>. This training is funded in part by the New Jersey Department of Transportation.

B. Application Process and Schedule

Municipalities that are interested in receiving these free direct technical assistance services must submit a completed application online by Friday, December 20, 2019. Applications will NOT be accepted by e-mail.

An informational webinar on this opportunity and the application process will be held on Wednesday, October 30, 1:30 – 2:30 pm.

I. Applicant Information

Primary Contact Mayor Business Administrator or Municipal Manager



II. Project Informationa. Project Type- Option Selected

- Project Detail Form
- Maps
- Photos

NJTPA Complete Streets Technical Assistance Program Application for Services Project Detail Form

Walkable Community Workshop (WCW)

Subject matter experts will conduct a workshop and audit up to a continuous half-mile of a street or combination of streets to identify potential pedestrian and bicycle improvements that may be made.

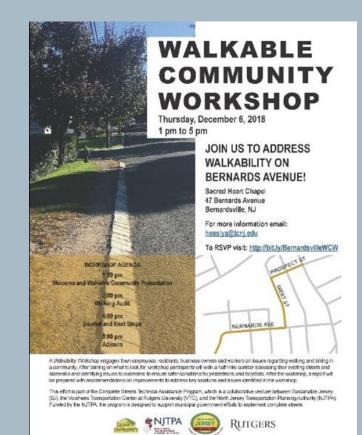
Instructions: Save the PDF form to your computer, open the form in your PDF viewer, fill in all fields (text boxes and multiple-choice questions), save the form again, and then upload the completed form to the online application.

 Describe the continuous roadway corridor that you are proposing for a Walkable Community Workshop (WCW). Please list the specific roads and start and endpoints, and indicate whether any roads are under county or state jurisdiction. The corridor should not exceed ½ mile. (1000character limit)



Walkable Community Workshop (WCW)

II. Project Information b. Public Engagement - List of Stakeholders c. Project Team - List of Team Members





II. Project Information

d. Additional Considerations (Optional)

- Does the proposed project involve a street or streets with high crash rates?
- Does the project address a burden that is disproportionally experienced by minority, low-income, limited English proficiency or disabled populations?



III. Resolution Authorizing SubmissionIV. Additional InformationLetters of Support

Planning Studies – Executive Summary Other Information Documenting Need



Evaluation Criteria

- Strength and Clarity of Request (40 points)
- Opportunity for Public Engagement (30 points)
- Strength of the Municipal Project Team (30 points)
- Additional Considerations (20 bonus points)



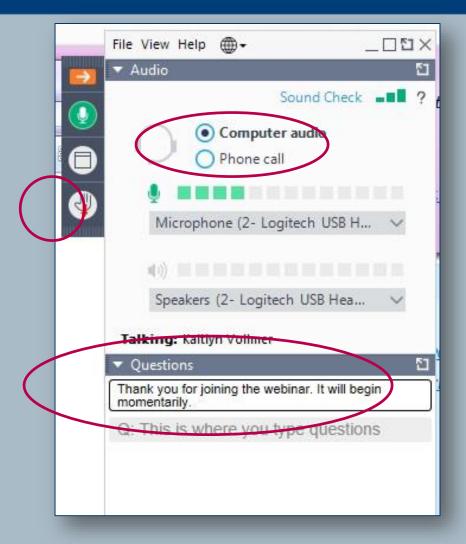
Online Application Portal

All the relevant information and links are available at: <u>http://bit.ly/CompleteStreetsTA</u>





Q & A





Additional Questions

Consult the FAQ:

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Thank You!

