

Resources for Quick Build Placemaking & Complete Streets Projects

May 9, 2025 Session 2 11:30AM-12:30PM





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Agenda

- 1. What are quick build projects?
- 2. Demonstration libraries
- 3. Case studies
- 4. Resources







Bicycle and/or Pedestrian Improvement Projects





Bicycle and/or Pedestrian Improvement Projects

10 - 35 Points

Updated May 2022

Action updates include clarified submission and resubmission requirements, as well as the number of projects that can be submitted in a given year.

The purpose of this action is to encourage municipalities to install temporary demonstration and/or permanent infrastructure improvements, that benefit pedestrians and bicyclists in a manner that uses a Complete and Green Streets for All approach. A Complete and Green Streets for All approach is one in which each street is considered in context and planned, designed and operated to provide safe, convenient, accessible, equitable, healthy, environmentally and economically beneficial transportation for all users of all abilities. Further, as streets and sidewalks are part of the public right-of-way, they provide an opportunity to improve stormwater management. Finally, installation of greenway trails also improve the opportunities for bilding and walking.

Municipalities will need to demonstrate how the project submitted under this action goes beyond mandates (such as installation of required American with Disabilities Act – ADA – accessible curb curs, etc.) and the improvement is in accordance with a larger plan or study to ensure it implements a Complete and Green Streets for All approach. Municipalities engaged in construction of temporary or permanent pedestrian and bicycle improvements or installation of green streets are encouraged to undertake the complimentary planning and policy action –Complete and Green Streets for All Policy. The Complete and Green Streets for All Policy action is based on the New Jersey Department of Transportation (NJDOT) Complete and Green Streets for All: A Model Complete Streets Policy and Guide, and will assist municipalities interested in adopting these new best practices.





Panel Speakers





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Jasmine Lawrence



Patrick Farley



Lisa Lee



James Sinclair



Your name
Municipality/Organization
Question?



NJTPA Complete Streets Demonstration Library

Sustainable Jersey Summit

Jasmine Lawrence, MCRP, LEED Green Associate

Principal Planner, TMA & Mobility Programs



NJTPA Region

Bergen

Essex

Hudson

Hunterdon

Jersey City

Middlesex

Monmouth

Morris

Newark

Ocean

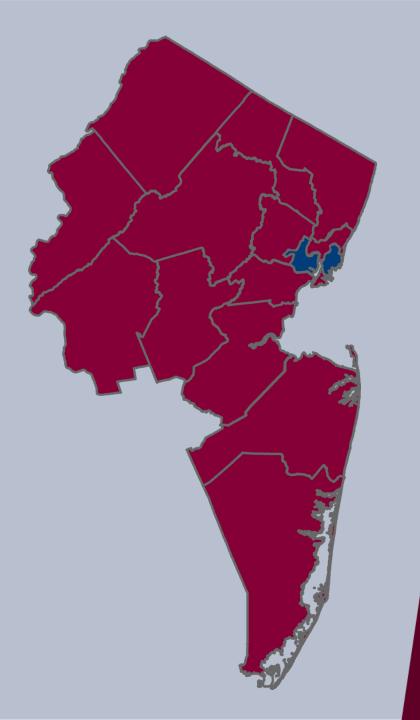
Passaic

Somerset

Sussex

Union

Warren





CS Demo Library Purpose

Support and encourage temporary street designs involving community members in the planning and installation of the project.

The projects' temporary nature enables communities to:

- Evaluate their impact on streetperformance and safety
- Educate residents about safer street designs
- Collect feedback



Why install a demonstration project?









Improve road safety

Try before you buy

Community engagement and education

Gather real-time feedback and community buy-in

















Initiation

Identify goals and partners

Collect examples

Enlist design professionals



Application

Express interest to demonstration@njtpa.org
Submit application and supporting docs
Finalize agreement



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Community Outreach

Plan community outreach and input Work with TMA and other partners

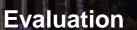


Installation

Pick up materials

Documentation (photos, surveys)

Removal/return of materials



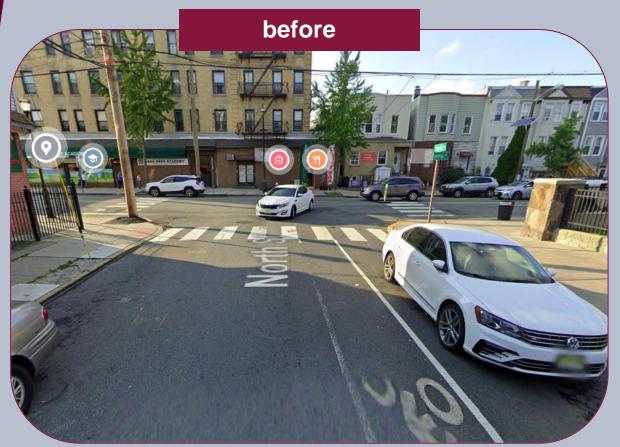
Return and submit documentation

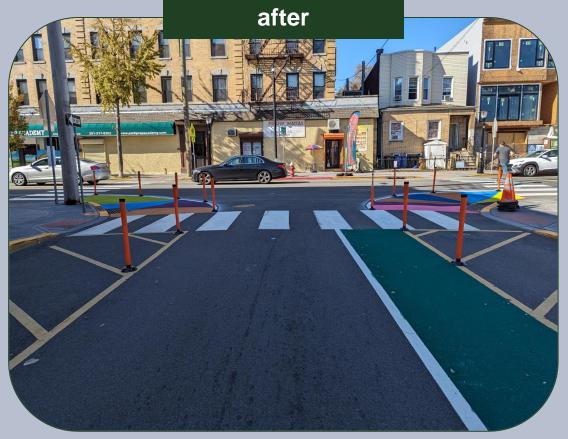
Share photos and feedback

demonstration@njtpa.org

Jersey City Traffic Calming Toolkit Part I

North Street



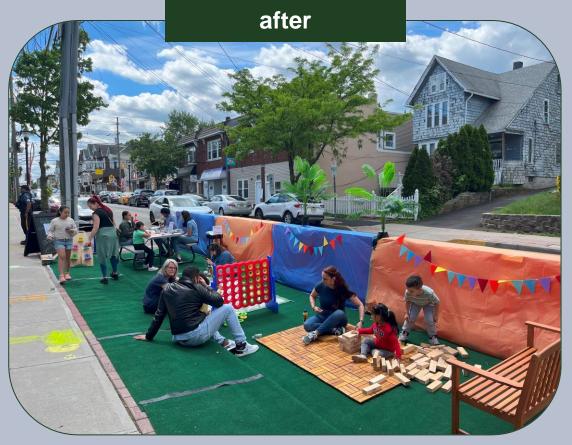




Prospect Park Pop-up Parklet

North 8th Street



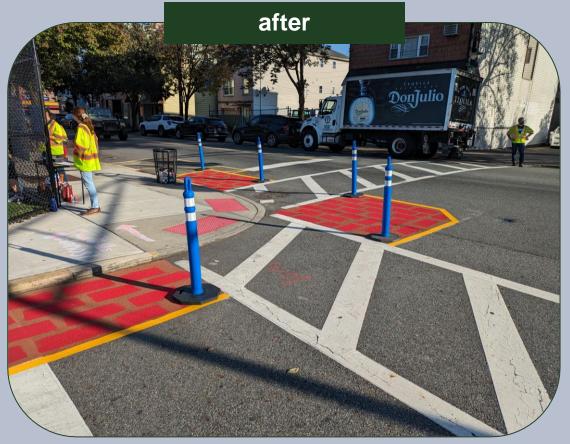




Harrison Complete Streets

Harrison Ave & Hiram Place

















Other Municipal Programs







Planning for Emerging Centers Vibrant Communities Initiative Transit Hub Planning

Thank you!

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Launching in 2025!

South Jersey Demonstration Materials Lending Library

 To support communities in the SJTPO region







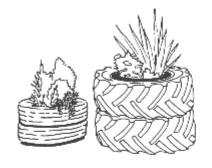
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	Spray Chalk/Paint	White and Yellow	5 each	10	\$ 6.00
Market Street	Marking Chalk	White and Yellow	carton of	1	\$ 20.00
	Temporary Paint	White, Yellow, Green (5 gallon buckets)	2 each	6	\$ 50.00
	Chalk Line	100'	2	2	\$ 5.00
	Paint Striping Machine	N/A	1	1	\$ 150.00
	Paint Rollers	9"	20	20	\$ 5.00
	Paint Roller Covers	9"	20	20	\$ 3.00

Building a library?

tacticalurbanismguide.com



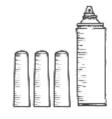






















TACTICAL URBANIST'S GUIDE
TO MATERIALS AND DESIGN VERSION 1.0

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Green Ridge Neighborhood

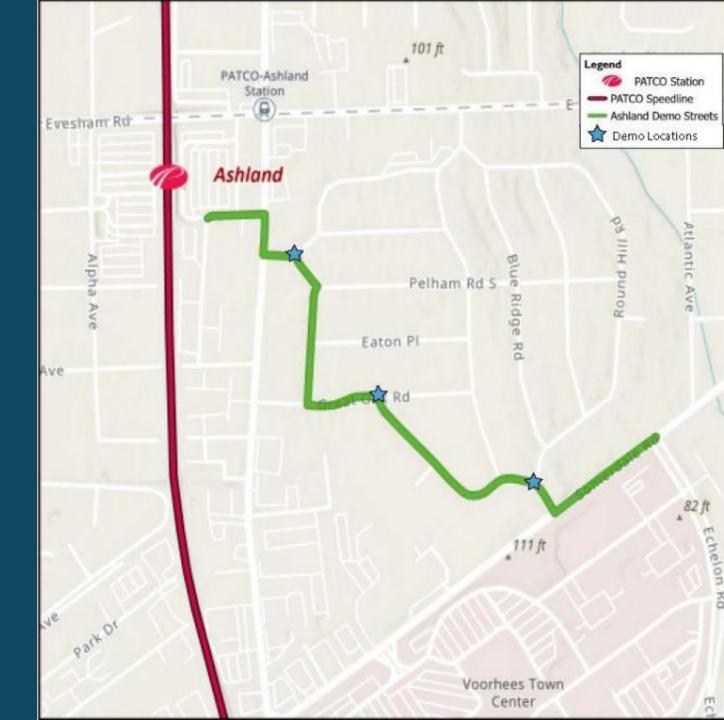
Constructed in the 50s

Nearby destinations:

- Ashland PATCO Station
- Voorhees Town Center
- Osage Elementary School
- Echelon Neighborhood
 - EJ Community

Issues:

- Speeding
- Wide streets
- Confusing intersections
 - Very little traffic control
- Not stopping at crosswalks











Results



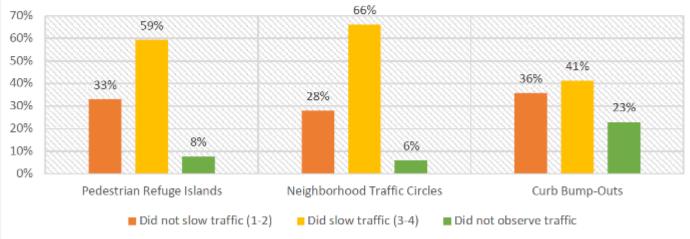
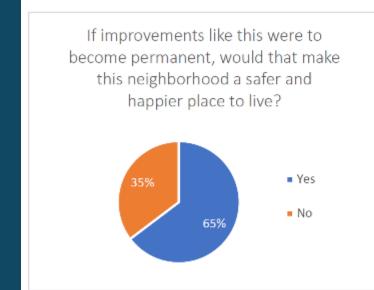


Figure 6: Effect on Vehicle Speeds



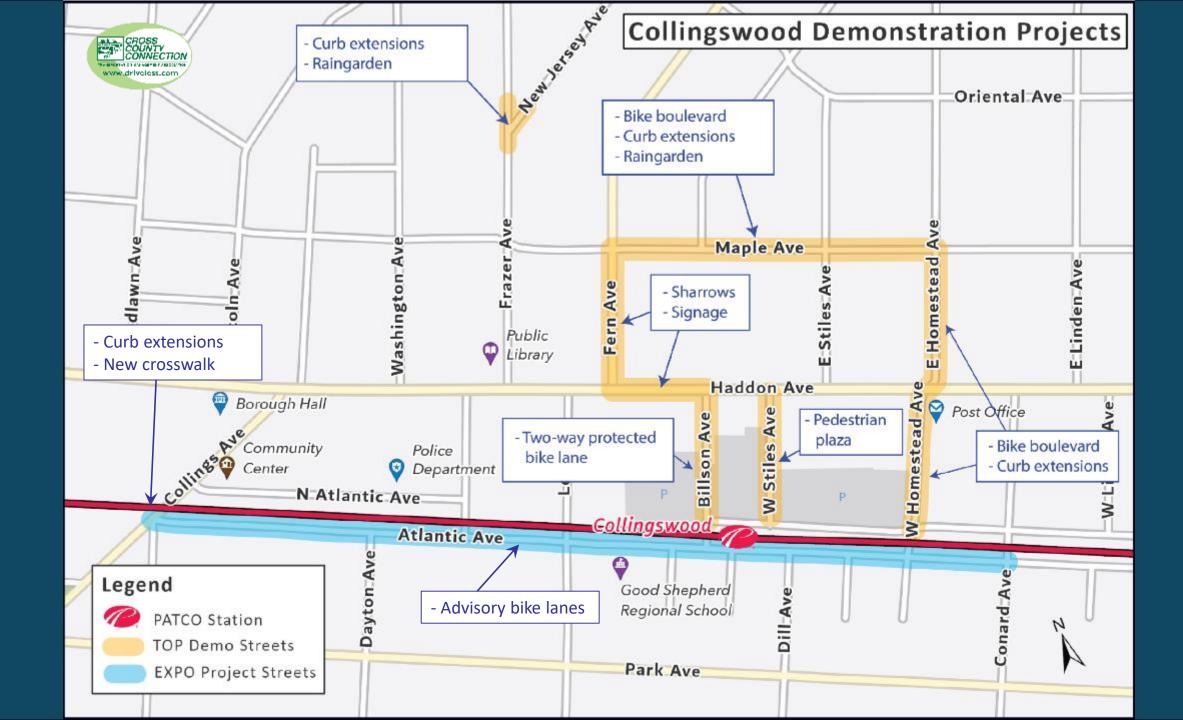
Would you like to see a reconfiguration of this project using paint and posts until funding is secured for permanent infrastructure?

• Yes

• No

Figure 7: Safer and Happier Place to Live

Figure 8: Pilot Project



"Raingardens"





Billson Ave Protected Bike Lanes









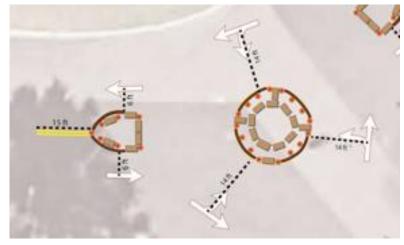
Design

- Review standards
 - MUTCD
 - AASHTO
 - NACTO
 - NJDOT Complete Streets Design Guide
- Measure! Measure! Measure!
- Engineer review
- Chalk it out



NJDOT Design Guide











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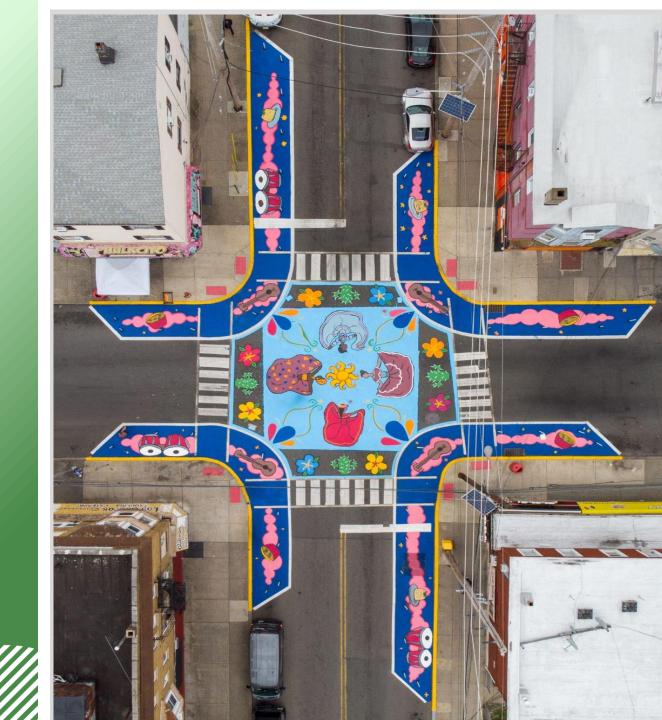
SUSTAINABILITY SUMMIT



Quick Build Complete Streets Projects in NJ

Lisa Lee, Director of Sustainability, EZ Ride May 9, 2025







Community Case Studies



Community champions can be from an array of different groups







Safety Coalitions



Schools



Traffic Police

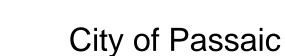


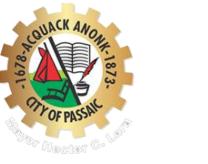
Community Case Studies



Communities where EZ Ride has conducted Demo Projects







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Red Bank

West Orange

/ West Orange Pop-Up Bike Lane

- Promote in schools
- Muni Engineering approval
- Pair with event
- Assess satisfaction, safety, permanence, and where else needed?











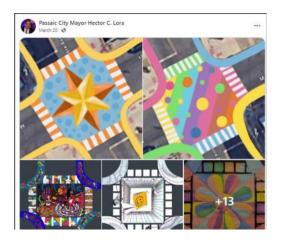
City of Passaic Intersection Mural, Curb Extensions and High Visibility Crosswalks



- Artist contest via Mayor's FB
- Snacks, drinks and music
- Drone and photos
- Multi-day project
- HS Artist: friends & family

















Red Bank PorchFest Bike Lane



Annual fall music event

- Green Team
- Bike lanes & sharrows
- Bike vs. walk/drive
- Safer, healthier, less traffic, better air quality
- Order semi-permanent paint to go with striper

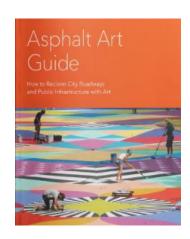












Resource Ideas



- Guides:
 - Bloomberg Asphalt Art: https://asphaltart.bloomberg.org/guide/
 - Tactical Urbanism: https://tacticalurbanismguide.com/
 - Safety Study: https://assets.bbhub.io/dotorg/sites/43/2022/04/Asphalt-Art-Safety-Study.pdf
 - Common Metrics: https://asphaltart.bloomberg.org/common-metrics/
- DPW: paint, line stripers
- NJTPA /TMA
- Ask local college to do a study for free
- Harbor Freight/Home Depot/Sherwin-Williams
 - Shark Grip <u>and</u> Sealer
- Delineators, planters, hay bales
- Make your own stencil cardboard, tarps
- Takeout containers, tray liners, sales, NP discounts



Impact & Lessons Learned



- Involve the community & collect emails for survey
- Advertise street closure in advance share why & what
- Short surveys to get input before during, and after
- Plan, plan, and educate about benefits
- Supply station & coordinator
- Power wash road in advance so paint adheres
- Base coat, multiple coats & seal. Dry 24-48 hrs > no traffic
- Designs in high-traffic areas won't last
- Detailed design> small brushes, large design> large rollers
- Avoid spring rain road must be dry before, during and after







Thank You!

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Temporary Demonstrations Outreach and Evaluation

James Sinclair May 9, 2025



Empower Residents

- Build interest in planning
- Start at the local level
- It's ok to try things!

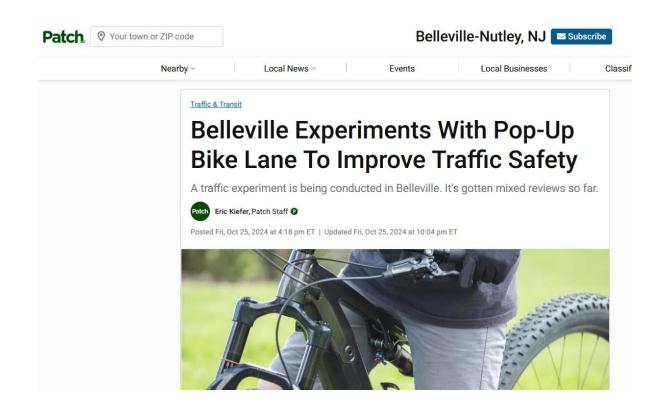




Outreach forms

- Flyers, hand-delivered to neighbors
- Emails + newsletters from municipality and school
- Social media
- Local media

 ...but we can never reach everyone





DIVISION AVENUE BICYCLE PATH DEMONSTRATION

Starting October 24, 2024

Belleville wants your input on making Division Avenue safer!

Belleville Township is working on making it safer to walk and bicycle to Belleville High School. The Township will be showcasing a temporary bicycle path from October 24 to November 1 and wants to know what YOU think!

What is a Temporary Demonstration Project?

A Temporary Demonstration Project is a low-cost way to test out new street designs and get community input before investing in permanent changes. It allows residents and students to see and use the temporary infrastructure instead of relying only on concept images or descriptions.

What will Belleville be testing?

Belleville will be testing a two-way protected bicycle path between Nolton Street and Belleville High School along Division Avenue.

Protected bicycle paths provide a dedicated space for bicyclists to ride, away from motor vehicles and off sidewalks. Separating bicyclists and motor vehicles reduces conflicts that can arise due to the differences in their travel speeds. Bicycle paths have also been found to reduce motor vehicle speeds, increasing safety for all users. Pedestrians may also feel more comfortable with motor vehicle traffic placed further away from the sidewalk.

I live on Division Avenue. Will access to my home change?

Access in and out of your driveway will be maintained. A temporary no parking restriction will be in place during the demonstration period between Nolton Street and Belleville High School. Residents will be permitted to park overnight in the high school parking lot by the tennis courts.

How will the Township make the changes?

As part of this demonstration, temporary paint and signs will be added to delineate the two-way protected bike lane. In addition, plastic posts will be placed to help drivers understand the new traffic pattern.

How long will the demonstration be in place?

The changes will be in place from Thursday, October 24 to Friday, November 1.

How will success be measured?

The team's evaluation will include speed studies, direct observations, and feedback from residents. An online survey will be conducted once the changes are in place.

Why is this demonstration happening?

Belleville applied to the Complete Streets Technical Assistance program, a partnership of Rutgers-Voorhees Transportation Center, Sustainable Jersey, and the North Jersey Transportation Planning Authority (NJTPA), to develop a Bicycle Network Plan for the high school neighborhood. The Plan will identify ideas to improve roadway safety around the school and to encourage students and residents to walk and bicycle to the school campus, instead of driving. Shifting school trips away from motor vehicles can help reduce neighborhood congestion and increase quality of life for residents. The demonstration will help Belleville and the project team learn more about transportation needs in the school neighborhood.

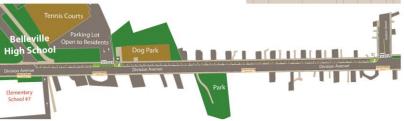




Temporary Bicycle Path

A two-way bicycle path, marked with temporary paint and movable plastic posts will be installed on the east side of Division Avenue, between Nolton Street and Belleville High School. Parking is currently permitted only on the west side of Division Avenue. During the demonstration, parking will be temporarily prohibited between Nolton Street and the high school. Residents are invited to use the high school parking lot by the tennis courts for overnight





Related Events

During the demonstration, EZ Ride Transportation Project materials are being provided by the NJTPA Complete held at the high school on November 1 for students.

PROJECT SCHEDULE

October 24 - Demonstration Starts

October 25 - Online Survey Opens

October 26 - Halloween Spectacular on the Front Lawn of Belleville High School

October 30 - Bike to School Day led by the Bellevill Police, Borderline Bikes, and EZ Ride

November 1 - Bike, E-Bike, and E-Scooter Safety Training for High School Students by EZ Ride

November 1 (evening) - Demonstration Ends

Project Toolkit

Management Association, Belleville High School, and the Streets Demonstration Library. The NJTPA created the library to Township of Belleville will be hosting a Bike to School Day help communities interested in trying out bicycle lanes, corner event on October 30. In addition, a Safety Training class will be "bump-outs," and other safety, placemaking, and traffic calming features. To learn more, visit nitpa.org/demolibrary.

Public Input

Once the demonstration is in place, a questionnaire will be made available at https://go.rutgers.edu/belleville-survey or by using this QR code.



For questions about this project Matthew Paladino, Belleville School District, at 973-450-3500 and matthew.paladino@











In Person Questionnaire









Unsafe	Neutral	Safe
Move slider to select your answer		
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How would you rate bicycli	ng safety of Division Avenue before the	
How would you rate bicycli demonstration:	ng safety of Division Avenue before the	
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demonstration: Unsafe		Safe
demonstration:		Safe

Online Questionnaire

Compared to how Division Avenue was before the demonstration, do you think the temporary bicycle path made the roadway:

	More safe	No change	Less safe	Did not experience before change
For pedestrians	\circ	\circ	\circ	\circ
For bicyclists	\circ	\circ	\circ	\circ
For drivers	\circ	\circ	\circ	\circ
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Aesthetics



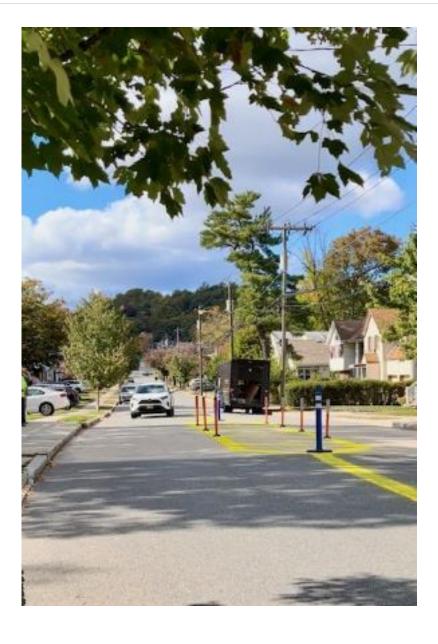


I'm torn between horrified and mortified at the temporary pop up bike lanes on Division Ave near the HS.

For me, this nightmare started earlier today when a resident asked me a question on social media, and I had no idea what they were referring to. Then the photos came in... and what I saw was unacceptable.

For those who know me or have followed the progress we've made over the last six years, you know this isn't the Belleville we strive to be. As Mayor, I demand excellence... See more







"Do you have any ideas on improving roadway safety around Belleville High School that you would like to share?"

- 1. Enforcement (both speeding and illegal parking)
- 2. Speed bumps
- 3. More stop signs
- 4. Flashing signs at crosswalks
- 5. More crossing guards

"More police presence is needed. We need to stop allowing parents to double and triple park around the schools so that they can drop off their children."

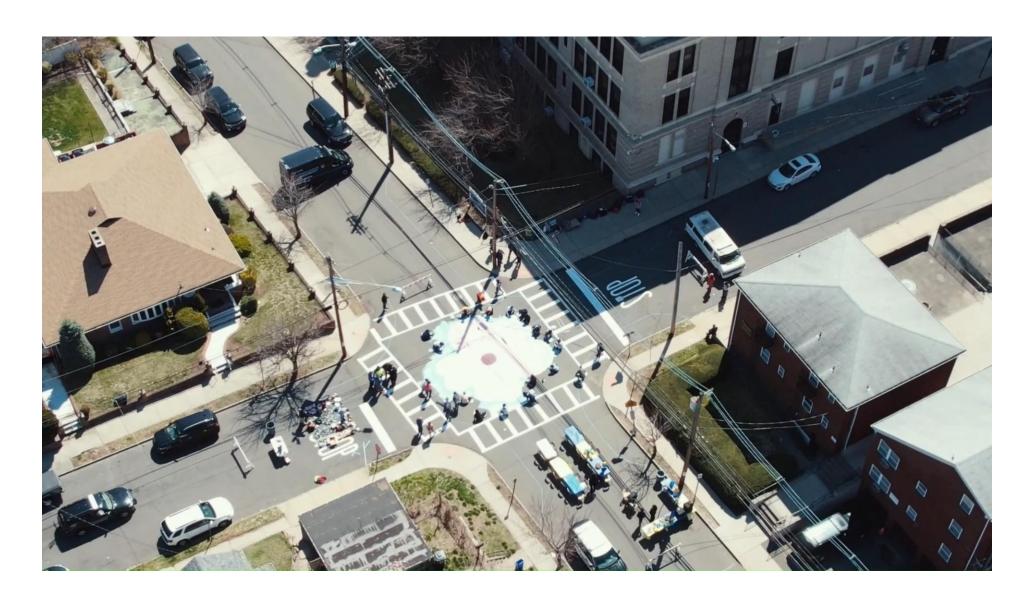
"Cops need to ticket cars that just park around schools, the traffic situation is unreal during start and release from school."

"Traffic enforcement. Parking violations and speeding are horrendous in that area. Total lawlessness."



Task	Description		
Finalize Concept Design and Materials	Review concepts and provide feedback		
	Edit concepts based on feedback		
	Create draft materials list		
	Request lending library materials if needed		
Pre-installation outreach	Create draft flyer and information for residents		
	Review flyer and provide feedback		
	Finalize flyer, survey and info		
	Distribute flyer to residents and stakeholders		
Installation	Pre-installation meeting with team to address questions		
	Municipal installation – manage roadway closures and make roadway changes		
Post-implementation Data	Police collect speed data		
	Survey shared with residents		
Walkable Community Workshop	Flyer to promote workshop shared with community		
	Host workshop		





GRANTS & UPCOMING EVENTS

SUSTAINABLE COMMUNITIES GRANT PROGRAM WEBINAR

Monday, May 19, 2025, 1:00pm-2:00pm

Register: bit.ly/2025SCGPWebinar

Application Deadline: Monday, June 30, 2025

HOW TO START A MUNICIPAL COMMUNITY SOLAR AUTOMATIC ENROLLMENT PROGRAM WEBINAR

Wednesday, May 21, 2025, 1:00pm-2:30pm

Register: bit.ly/4jgkUau

NORTH JERSEY'S TRANSPORTATION PLANNING AUTHORITY'S PROGRAMS FOR MUNICIPALITIES WEBINAR

Wednesday, May 28, 2025, 11:00am-12:00pm

Register: bit.ly/4m7QjOh

TRI-COUNTY SUSTAINABILITY GENERAL MEETING

Wednesday, May 28, 2025, 7:00pm-8:00pm

Register: bit.ly/Tri-CountySustainability

BERGEN COUNTY SUSTAINABILITY HUB MEETING

Wednesday, May 28, 2025, 7:00pm-8:00pm
Allendale Community Center, 210 W Crescent Ave, Allendale, NJ

TREES FOR SCHOOLS: TREE-PLANTING GRANTS



Learn More & Apply: bit.ly/TreesforSchools

Application Deadline: Tuesday, May 13, 2025

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