

# **Pedestrian safety** corridor improvements along Ferry Street in Newark

Funding awarded: \$2.703.000

grant for this project through the NJTPA's FY 2016-2017 Local Safety Program (LSP). The project will create a bicycle lane and improve pedestrian safety and overall operations along a half-mile stretch of Ferry Street.

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### **Project Details**

Improvements to 16 intersections will include: traffic signal upgrades from Fergeson Street to Niagra Street; intersection modifications at the intersection of Ferry Street, Market Street and Mott Street; pedestrian countdown signals at Lexington Street; curb extensions to reduce the distance for pedestrians crossing; bike lanes; new street lights; and specially designed crosswalks to follow the flow of pedestrian traffic.

#### **About the Project Area**

Ferry Street is an active business corridor in Newark's Ironbound District. The area

## is a mixture of commercial, industrial and residential uses, with restaurants, shops, banks and grocery stores along Ferry Street. The corridor leads to Newark Penn Station, a major transportation hub in the heart of the city's downtown, and has heavy car and truck traffic. In addition, the Ironbound Recreation Center, with athletic fields, and a nearby school, generate significant foot traffic. Ferry Street experiences a higher than average number of pedestrian crashes.

### Local Safety Program

The LSP specializes in cost-effective, "quickfix" solutions that can make an immediate impact on their target areas. The LSP is a federally funded program established by the NJTPA, in conjunction with the New Jersey Department of Transportation, to advance safety initiatives on county and local roads. For more information, visit www.njtpa.org/ LocalSafety.





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