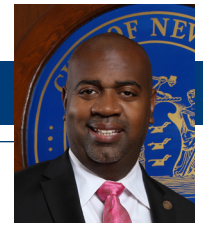


NJTPA LOCAL SAFETY PROGRAM

NEWARK



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Pedestrian safety corridor improvements along Broad Street in Newark

Funding awarded:
\$3,475,000

The City of Newark received a \$3,475,000 grant for this project through the NJTPA's FY 2016-2017 Local Safety Program (LSP). The project will improve pedestrian safety and overall operations along a 0.4-mile stretch of Broad Street from Thomas Street to Emmet Street.

Project Details

Improvements will include: traffic signal upgrades at four intersections and a new traffic signal at one intersection with reflective back plates, pedestrian countdown signals, pedestrian islands, additional lighting and specially designed crosswalks to follow the flow of pedestrian traffic.

About the Project Area

Broad Street is a major north-south artery and has been identified as the most dangerous corridor for pedestrians in Newark and the sixth most dangerous in the NJTPA region for its high crash rate. The

portion of Broad Street from Thomas Street to Emmet Street is just south of Lincoln Park and contains a mix of residential and commercial uses. Many vehicles entering the roadway from Route 21 travel at excessive speeds and motorists make illegal left turns at some intersections. There are poor sidewalk conditions and it is difficult for pedestrians to cross the street due to vehicle movements. There were 43 pedestrian-vehicle crashes from 2010 to 2012, four times higher than the Essex County rate.

Local Safety Program

The LSP specializes in cost-effective, "quick-fix" 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.

