

Pedestrian safety improvements and road diet along Main Street in Manville

Funding awarded: \$3 million

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Somerset County received a \$3 million grant for this project through the NJTPA's FY 2016-2017 Local Safety Program (LSP). This project will improve pedestrian safety along a one-mile stretch of Main Street (CR 533) in Manville. It includes a road diet—a reduction in the number of travel lanes—from the intersection of Dukes Parkway to the intersection of Brooks Boulevard.

## **Project Details**

Improvements will include: curb extensions, adjusted crossing times and improved crosswalks at 15 intersections and a reduction of lanes along a two-block section of Main Street.

## About the Project Area

Main Street is a heavily traveled north-south roadway that connects municipalities in southern Somerset County to Route 22, north of Manville. The corridor consists of small businesses, municipal offices, and two large shopping centers. Main Street has a higher than average pedestrian-crash rating. The road diet is being recommended for the stretch of Main Street adjacent to the Marketplace at Manville shopping center to help address speeding and improve pedestrian conditions.

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## 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.



