

# NJTPA LOCAL SAFETY PROGRAM

## Safety improvements along Main Street (CR 531) from Talmadge Avenue to Brunswick Avenue in the Borough of Metuchen

Funding awarded:  
**\$9,315,000**

## M I D D L E S E X C O U N T Y



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**M**iddlesex County received a \$9,315,000 grant for this project through the NJTPA's FY 2017-2018 Local Safety Program (LSP). The grant includes funding for design, construction and construction inspection services. The project will improve safety and overall operations along a one-mile stretch of Main Street.

### Project Details

Improvements will include: installation of a new traffic signal at Main Street and Woodbridge Avenue; traffic signal upgrades at Amboy Avenue and New Street/Hillside Avenue; pedestrian countdown signals; a pedestrian flashing beacon at the intersection of Talmadge Avenue; high visibility crosswalks; sidewalk improvements; and an over-height vehicle detector system at the railroad overpass.

### About the Project Area

Main Street serves as the borough's downtown commercial business area. It is

one of the main arteries feeding traffic in and out of the Borough. The corridor sees significant pedestrian traffic and includes a NJ TRANSIT rail station. The corridor is ranked 13th on the NJTPA's list of high-crash pedestrian corridors in the County. The intersection of Main Street and Amboy Avenue is ranked 9th on the list of high-crash pedestrian intersections in the County. There is also a significant problem with vehicles striking the rail bridge, which carries Amtrak and NJ TRANSIT trains.

### The Local Safety Program

The LSP specializes in cost-effective solutions that can make an immediate impact on their target areas. The LSP is federally funded, utilizing Highway Safety Improvement Program funds. It was established by the NJTPA in conjunction with the Federal Highway Administration and New Jersey Department of Transportation to advance safety initiatives on county and local roads. For more information, visit [www.njtpa.org/LocalSafety](http://www.njtpa.org/LocalSafety).

