

NJTPA LOCAL SAFETY PROGRAM

Mountain Avenue Pedestrian Improvements, North Plainfield

Funding awarded:
\$400,000

S O M E R S E T C O U N T Y



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Somerset County successfully applied for a \$400,000 grant for this project through the NJTPA's 2013 Local Safety Program. The project will implement several upgrades designed to improve pedestrian and bicycle safety on Mountain Avenue (CR 642) between U.S. Highway 22 and Somerset Street in North Plainfield.

Project Details

Intersections along the corridor will receive high visibility crosswalk markings, pedestrian countdown signals, Americans with Disabilities Act-compliant sidewalk ramps and new signs. A striped shoulder will be provided to narrow the driving lane and slow traffic, and no parking areas will be striped near intersections to improve the sight distances for both drivers and pedestrians.

About the Project Area

The project area falls within a 1.5-mile segment of Mountain Avenue that exhibited crash rates above state averages according to 2008-10 data.

The Local Safety Program

The Local Safety Program (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.

