

NJTPA LOCAL SAFETY PROGRAM

Bloomfield Avenue from Highland Avenue to Broadway and Ridgewood Avenue from Bloomfield Avenue to Bay Avenue

Funding awarded:
\$21,735,500

ESSEX COUNTY



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Essex County received a \$21,735,000 grant for this project through the NJTPA's FY 2022 Local Safety Program (LSP) for improvements. The grant includes funding for construction and construction inspection services. The project will improve safety and overall operations at 23 intersections throughout the municipalities of Belleville, Bloomfield, Glen Ridge and Newark.

Project Description

Improvements will include: signal upgrades, pedestrian signal upgrades, high-visibility crosswalks, accessible curb ramps and lead pedestrian intervals. New traffic signals will be installed at 23 intersections.

About the Project Area

Bloomfield Avenue (CR 506) is an urban principal arterial. The traffic signals throughout the corridor are predominantly older designs. Pedestrian signal heads are only present at select locations along the corridor.

Ridgewood Avenue (CR 653) is an urban minor arterial. The traffic signals along the corridor are predominantly equipped with outdated equipment. Pedestrian signals are only present at select locations.

The combined corridor traverses the county connecting the City of Newark to northwestern municipalities.

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 njtpa.org/LocalSafety.

