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NJDOT Reminds Drivers to Stay Alert as Summer Ends and Schools Reopen

As students across New Jersey get ready to return to the classroom, the New Jersey Department of Transportation (NJDOT) is reminding motorists to make safety their top priority on the road.

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Release: Gottheimer Announces New E-Bike Safety Plan to Protect Children from Rise in E-Bike Accidents

U.S. Congressman Josh Gottheimer announced new federal action to protect children from the alarming rise in e-bike accidents, joined by local officials and first responders at Hackensack High School. Gottheimer unveiled his E-Bike Safety Plan, which includes new legislation to increase federal investments for states to create e-bike safety plans and increase public awareness around safe riding practices.

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Celebrate Walk and Bike to School Month this October

This October, lace up your shoes, hop on your bike, and join students and families across the country in celebrating Walk and Bike to School Month!

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RJW Barnabas Health: Neurodiversity, Autism and Bicycling

Following the success of the All Abilities Bike Program at Future Foundations Academy, an opportunity that included experiences with working with populations of children with Autism, KMM recognized the possibility of individuals on the spectrum having participated in past bicycle education programs without beneficial supports that met their individual needs.

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Applications being accepted for Complete Streets Technical Assistance

To date, nearly 30 communities have participated in the North Jersey Transportation Planning Authority (NJTPA) Complete Streets Technical Assistance (CSTA) Program —will yours be next? Through the CSTA, municipalities in the NJTPA region gain practical help to create safe, accessible, and welcoming streets – whether you walk,

bike, or drive. The application period is September 29 – November 7, 2025. Get the details at: https://www.njtpa.org/completestreets.

Join us on **Wednesday, October 8 at 1:00 p.m.** for a webinar to learn how to apply for this free technical assistance. You'll also learn how other communities have successfully advanced local roadway improvements through this program.

Register for the webinar



South Brunswick PD Launch Operation Safe September with Enhanced School Zone Enforcement

South Brunswick Police are launching Operation Safe September to ensure student safety as schools reopen next week. The Traffic Safety Bureau has identified seven key locations where drivers should expect heavy congestion and exercise extra caution during morning and afternoon school hours.

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Safe Routes throughout New Jersey August 2025



Safe Routes to School Regional Coordinators from eight Transportation Management Associations (TMAs) throughout New Jersey are ready, willing, and able to offer FREE technical assistance in Safe Routes programs in communities from all 21 counties. Find your Safe Routes to School Coordinator **here**

Check out what New Jersey's TMAs have been doing so far this past month!

Read the SCOOP!



More Localities look at Speed from a Pedestrian's Point of View

What do you consider the right speed for traffic on a neighborhood street? Your answer may depend on whether it's in your neighborhood or someone else's. Is this just one of many roads you take on your drive to work? Or is this where your kids play and your neighbors walk their dogs?

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Ruby Bridges Walk to School Day

This powerful day honors 6-year-old Ruby Bridges, who bravely integrated her elementary school in 1960. Every year, students, families, and schools walk together to celebrate Ruby's courage and spark conversations about anti-racism, kindness, and making positive change in our communities.

Start planning your event now!

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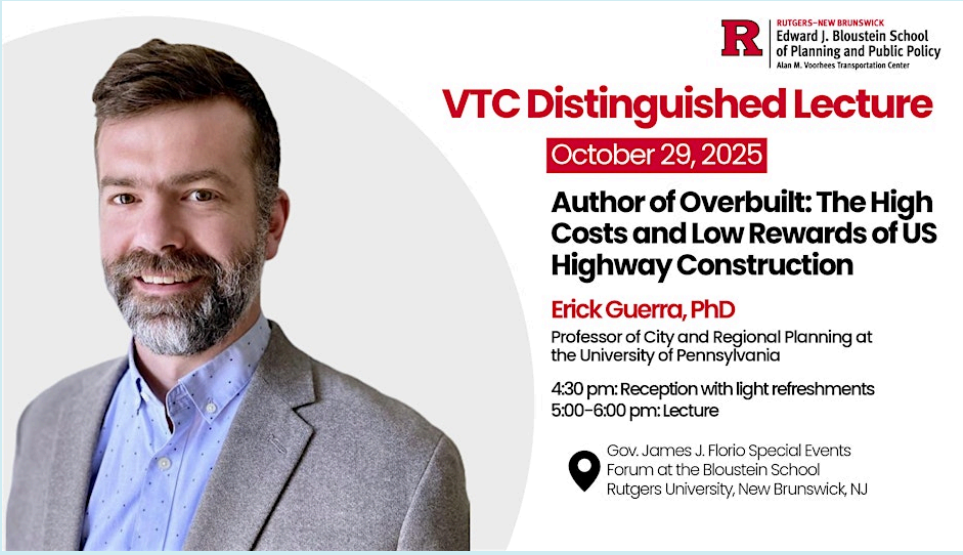
Exploring the Power of E-Bikes: Share Your Voice!

VTC researchers are studying how e-bike rebate programs could impact both current riders and potential new users.
We're looking at:

- E-bike users: How does access to an e-bike affect your daily life and well-being?
- Non-users: Would a rebate make you more likely to get an e-bike? What's holding you back?

Your input will help shape future transportation policy and make e-bikes more accessible for everyone.

Take the survey!



VTC Distinguished Lecture featuring Dr. Erick Guerra

Dr. Erick Guerra will explore how America's infrastructure legacy continues to shape our transportation future. Drawing from his new book, Overbuilt: The High Costs and Low Rewards of US Highway Construction

RSVP here!



Back to School Pedestrian and Driver Safety Advice from Mercer County Sheriff Jack Kemler

Mercer County Sheriff Jack Kemler, has urged area motorists and pedestrians to be extra careful as the new school year begins. Specifically, he asked students and parents to be extra cautious and alert when walking or driving to and from school.

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Red Bank Earns Gold for Safe Routes to School at EZ Ride's 2025 Awards

EZ Ride will honor the Borough of Red Bank with the prestigious Gold Award at its 2025 Annual Recognition Event, celebrating the town’s leadership in promoting safe walking and biking routes for students.

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Summit Police Share Back-to-School Safety Reminders

With the school year starting, Summit Police urge drivers, students, and parents to stay alert on city streets. Children may be distracted by the excitement of returning to school, increasing the risk of accidents. Drivers should allow extra travel time, slow down in school zones, and avoid distractions.

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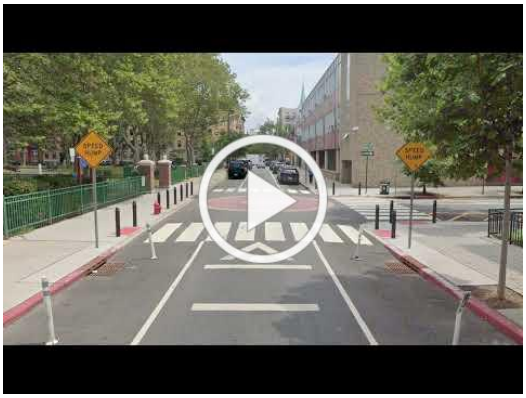
Long Branch Earns Statewide Honor for Making School Routes Safer

The City of Long Branch is set to receive statewide recognition later this month for its commitment to student safety and sustainable transportation. EZ Ride announced that the city will be honored with the Silver Award for the Safe Routes to School (SRTS) program during its 2025 Annual Recognition Event.

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Snap to Safety - Curb Extensions



Snap to Safety - Raised Intersections & Speed Humps

Join us at the next NJ BPAC meeting

Wednesday, December 3, 2025

The New Jersey Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Council (NJ BPAC) is coordinated by the Alan M. Voorhees Transportation Center on behalf of the New Jersey Department of Transportation.

BPAC is open to everyone.
To participate, please register using the following link:
njbikeped.org/join-the-next-meeting/

After registering, you will receive a confirmation email containing information about joining the meeting.

Learn More about NJ BPAC

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