



# Policy & Laws = Vision & Aspiration

- NJDOT Adopts Complete Streets Policy, 2009
- Move Over Law, (emergency vehicles), 2009
- Stop and Stay Stopped for Pedestrians, 2010
  
- Safe Systems Approach adopted by USDOT, 2022
- Safe Passing Law, 2022 USDOT
- Updates CS Policy, 2024
  
- Target Zero Commission, 2025



**ZERO DEATH  
INITIATIVES**

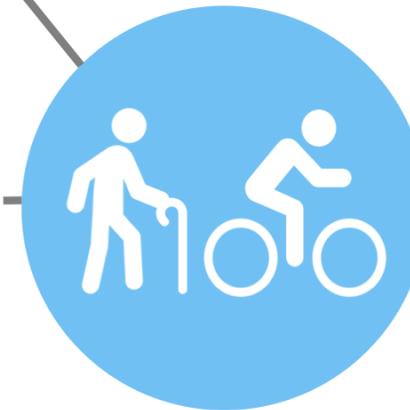


**GOAL**

**STRATEGY.**



**SAFE SYSTEM APPROACH**



**METHOD**

**COMPLETE STREETS**



# What is **Vision Zero**?

**Vision Zero is a strategy to eliminate all traffic fatalities and severe injuries, while increasing safe, healthy, equitable mobility for all. First implemented in Sweden in the 1990s, Vision Zero has proved successful across Europe – and now it’s gaining momentum in major American cities.**

# Vision Zero NJ Alliance

End deaths and serious injuries

on all New Jersey roads for all road users

# USDOT- Safe Systems Approach, 2022



# NJDOT Complete Streets Policy Establish 2009. Updated in 2024



- A Complete Streets, (CS), policy formalizes a community’s intent to plan, design, operate, and maintain streets that are **safe for all users** of all ages and abilities.”

– NJBikePed Resource Center

# Complete Streets

Motorists

Public Transit Users

Businesses

Freight



Pedestrians

Children

ADA

Bicyclists

Seniors

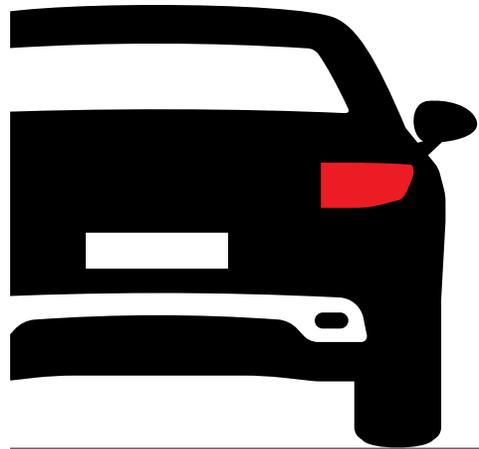


# Safe Passing Law, 2022



**NJ STATE LAW:**

**MUST ALLOW  
4 FEET**



# New Jersey's Safe Passing Law



As of March 1, 2022, when driving and approaching a road user who isn't in a motor vehicle, you must:

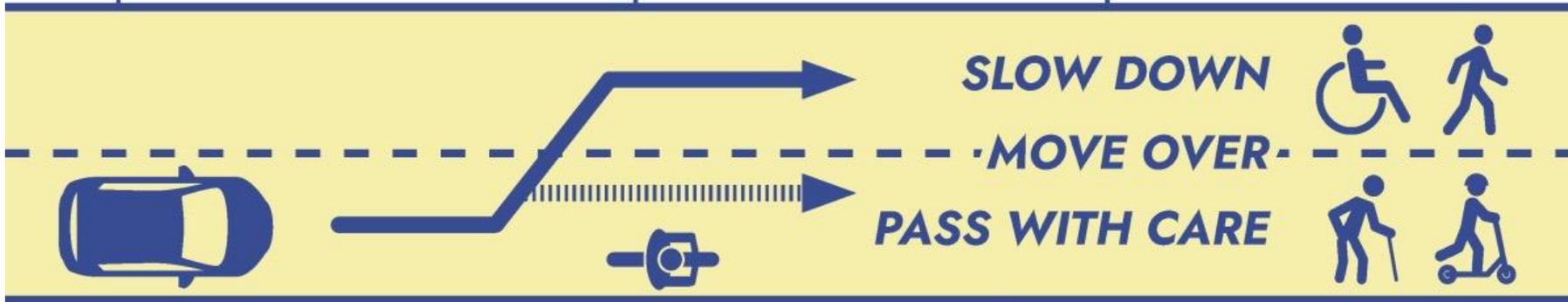
**1** Approach with caution. Follow all no-passing and no-speeding laws.



**2** Change lanes, or pass at least 4 feet from the person.



**3** Otherwise, reduce speed to 25mph and be prepared to stop.



The penalty for violating the law is a **\$100 fine** (**\$500 if bodily injury**) and **2 points** on your driving record.



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Please! Put these signs along your roadways!



# Target Zero Commission, 2025!

- Target Zero Commission with the goal of eliminating traffic deaths and serious injuries in New Jersey by 2040.
- The 13-member group will consist of state officials from the Department of Transportation (DOT), State Police, along with the Division of Highway Traffic Safety, the New Jersey Turnpike Authority, regional transportation officials, and others who will work together to make New Jersey's roads safer for drivers and pedestrians.

# WHAT'S WORKING?



- Forming Official Advisory Committees or Task Forces
- Passing Safe Streets Policies such as Complete Streets and Vision Zero
- Quick Build Demonstration Projects
- Simple Traffic Calming



- Certification
- Actions
- Grants & Technical Assistance
- Events
- Resources
- Get Involved



### Sustainable Communities Cycle

> Free Energy Technical Assistance for New Jersey Municipalities and School Districts

SJ-PSE&G Energy Efficiency Partnership Program

✓ Complete Streets Technical Assistance

Completed Projects

> Community Energy Planning & Implementation Grants

> Thinking about



## Free Complete Streets Technical Assistance

Through the North Jersey Transportation Planning Authority's (NJTPA) Complete Streets Technical Assistance Program, Sustainable Jersey is collaborating with the Alan M. Voorhees Transportation Center (VTC) at Rutgers University to provide free technical assistance to municipalities to advance Complete Streets initiatives.

[Learn about Free Training](#)

The program is made possible through the NJTPA with federal funding from the U.S. Department of Transportation. No direct fundina to municipalities is provided.





# SUPPORT AND EDUCATION

- NEW JERSEY BIKE WALK COALITION
- NJ BIKE AND PEDESTRIAN RESOURCE CENTER
- NJ VISION ZERO ALLIANCE
- AVENUES IN MOTION & NJTPA
- MORRIS COUNTY ADVOCACY GROUP



# North Beverwyck Road Walkable Community Workshop

Parsippany-Troy Hills Township, Morris County, NJ

2019

# About Safe Routes

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The New Jersey Department of Transportation has partnered with Avenues in Motion to administer a statewide education and encouragement program. We advocate for and implement programs that make walking and bicycling around our neighborhoods and schools fun, easy, safe and healthy for all students and families. Safe Routes to School initiatives also help ease traffic jams and air pollution, reduce our reliance on cars, unite neighborhoods and contribute to students' readiness to learn in school.

Avenues in Motion offers a variety of FREE programs that access the far-reaching benefits of walking and/or bicycling to school. Our staff works not only with students, but with school administrators, faculty, parents and law enforcement officials to create safe and healthy environments for our children. Whether it is coordinating special events such as the Walking School Bus or Bike-to-School Day, presenting in-class bicycle safety training programs or involving the community in walkability studies (walk audits), we provide the education and encouragement needed to foster the creation of livable, and safer communities.

## 6 E's of Safe Routes to School

- **Engagement**– Start a conversation about bike and pedestrian concerns and needs in your community
- **Education**– Ask about our bicycle and pedestrian safety education programs
- **Encouragement**– Plan a Walk and Bike to School Day to encourage kids to be active on their way to school!
- **Engineering**– Plan a walkability or bikeability assessment and School Travel Plan
- **Evaluation**– Ask about Student Arrival and Dismissal Tallies to analyze student transportation means



# Streets Are For Everyone Network

## Moving Forward with the Target Zero Commission

Join us for a moderated conversation with this distinguished panel as we discuss the new Target Zero Commission and how we can best support efforts to create a statewide Safety Action Plan.

### Panelists

- **Fran K. O'Connor**, Commissioner, NJ Department of Transportation
- **Michael Rizol**, Director, Division of Highway Traffic Safety
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**THE SAFE NETWORK**  
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**Wednesday, February 26, 2025**  
**12:00-1:30PM**  
 Register Online: [nibwc.org/safe](http://nibwc.org/safe)



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# New Jersey BIKE & WALK SUMMIT



MARCH 29, 2025 - PRINCETON UNIVERSITY

Saturday, March 29, 2025 at Princeton University