



Government Services

Welcome to Cross County Connection's Newsletter for Municipal and County Leaders! These newsletters provide updates on recent transportation-related projects and accomplishments, regional transportation news, and major construction activity in southern New Jersey. Feel free to share with your staff, residents and local businesses. We hope you enjoy!

- Bicycle and Pedestrian Services**
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- Sustainable Jersey Services**
- Traffic Alert Services**

NJDOT Announces Transportation Alternatives Program (TAP) Grants!



The 2016 Transportation Alternatives Program (TAP) has begun accepting applications! This program is being administered through New Jersey Department of Transportation (NDOT), in partnership with the North Jersey Transportation Planning Authority (NJTPA), the Delaware Valley Regional Planning Commission (DVRPC) and the South Jersey Transportation Planning Organization (SJTPO).

Resources

- Publications**
- Air Quality**
- Safety Resources**

The Transportation Alternatives Funding Program offers funding to projects that foster more livable communities and promote alternative modes of transportation, such as walking and biking. Eligible projects include:

- Design and construction of on-road and off-road trail facilities for pedestrians, bicyclists, and other non-motorized forms of transportation.
- Conversion and use of abandoned railroad corridors for trails for pedestrians, bicyclists, and other non-motorized transportation users.
- Community improvement activities, specifically: streetscaping and corridor landscaping.
- Environmental mitigation to address stormwater management, control, and water pollution prevention or abatement related to highway construction or due to highway runoff.



As you can see, TAP can fund more than just sidewalks and bike lanes.

This grant program is an opportunity to think creatively about your potential project, taking into account elements that contribute to the attractiveness and comfort of the walking and biking environment. Amenities such as landscaping and lighting, commonly referred to as "streetscaping," can positively contribute to economic development by creating more attractive places to shop and congregate, in addition to providing a safe place to walk and bike.

Eligible applicants include local governments, regional transportation authorities, transit agencies, and any other local or regional government entity with responsibility for oversight of transportation. Funds are provided on a reimbursement basis. All applications are due on or before **November 10, 2016**. For additional information on the 2016 Transportation Alternatives Program and how to apply, click [here](#).

Cross County Connection is a resource as you prepare your TAP application. If you would like assistance with identifying eligible projects, strengthening your application, or have any general questions about TAP, contact Patrick Farley, our Senior Land Use and Transportation Planner, at 856-596-8228 or via [email](#).

Upcoming Webinars

[Youth Engagement: How Kids Can Impact Community Policy, Programs and Planning](#)

Wednesday, August 24, 2016 | 1:00 PM- 2:00 PM

[Walk to School Day and Vision Zero:How Cities Are Growing Safe Walking and Biking Options](#)

Tuesday, August 30, 2016 | 2:00 PM -3:00 PM

South Jersey News Flash

[SJTPO Approves \\$5 Million in Projects to Alleviate Congestion, Improve Air Quality](#)

Shore News Today | August 10, 2016

[Gloucester County Gets Bike Trail Funding](#)

Courier Post | August 10, 2016

[60-Mile Bike Loop Along Delaware River Gets \\$2.3M Boost](#)

NJ.com | August 9, 2016

[New Role for Camden Transit Center](#)

Courier Post | August 9, 2016

[County Officials See Big Future for Atlantic City Train](#)

Press of Atlantic City | August 3, 2016

[Woodbury Unveils 1.2 Miles of Bike/Pedestrian Trails](#)

NJ.com | June 20, 2016

[\\$1.8M in Grants Awarded to 26 Projects](#)

NJ.com | July 19, 2016

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