

BOROUGH OF OAKLAND, NEW JERSEY

VIRTUAL PUBLIC INFORMATION CENTER NOTICE

Date/Time: April 21, 2022 (Thursday) at 7:00 P.M. Place: Zoom Video Conferencing Register for Zoom: <u>https://www.oakland-nj.org/home/pages/oakland-safe-routes-schools-project</u>

Oakland School Safety Project New Jersey Department of Transportation Safe Routes to Schools Program

The Borough of Oakland will be holding a Virtual Public Information Center (PIC) to inform local residents and businesses of the proposed School Safety project in the Borough of Oakland.

The Borough of Oakland was awarded a grant as part of the 2014 New Jersey Department of Transportation Safe Routes to Schools Program for their School Safety project. Safe Routes to School (SRTS) is a federal, state, and local effort to enable and encourage, including those with disabilities, to walk and bicycle to school. SRTS facilitates the planning, development, and implementation of projects that improve safety and air quality, as well as reduce traffic and fuel consumption around schools. The SRTS Infrastructure Grant Program provides funding to schools and communities to improve walking and bicycling conditions to schools.

The purpose of this online meeting is to inform the public and solicit input and comments on the proposed pedestrian improvements. This meeting is open to all members of the public. You are encouraged to actively participate by providing comments by mail or email. Please visit the following website at any time that is convenient for you to learn more about the project and leave comments:

https://www.oakland-nj.org/home/pages/oakland-safe-routes-schools-project

Benefits of the Project:

The Oakland School Safety project involves the installation of new sidewalk, curbing, crosswalk improvements, pedestrian signing, curb ramp upgrades as per Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) at the following locations:

- Oak Street starting mid-block between Ramapo Valley Road and Municipal Plaza running west, turning south onto Municipal Plaza, then turning west along the Borough Hall parking lot, crossing Thomas McGinnis Memorial Way, and continuing to Valley Middle School parking lot and front entrance.
- Oak Street starting at Lawlor Drive running east, turning south onto Thomas McGinnis Memorial Way, and continuing to Valley Middle School parking lot.
- Veterans Drive starting at Ramapo Valley Road and running west to the Board of Education building.

Estimated Schedule:

Estimated Start of Construction: Estimated Completion of Construction Summer 2023 (During Summer Recess) Fall 2023 (Prior to School Start)

For further information, please contact: Richard Kunze, Borough Administrator 201-337-8111 ext. 2005 boroadmin@oakland-nj.org

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