

Making Montclair's streets safer.

Crash data from 2021-2023

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Fatalities

90 crashes (16%) involved pedestrians 42 crashes (7%) involved bicyclists

57 Total Injury Crashes

Crashes



The following data and Injury Crash maps are a result of the Task Force's work within the last 12 months. Crashes are categorized by both the injury type (fatal, serious, minor or possible) and by the number of crashes at each intersection or road segment. Of the 119 crash intersections and road segments represented, 31 of them had serious injuries and/or fatalities. These 31 intersections account for a total of 149 injuries.

Minor injuries were reported in approximately 202 crashes. Possible injuries were listed in at least 319 of the crashes. Pedestrians and bicyclists were involved in 132 crashes or 23% of the total, yet they make up 100% of the fatalities.

23%

of Montclair's total crashes involved a pedestrian or a bicyclist

Yet,

of the fatalities were pedestrians and bicyclists

Montclair's Injury Crash Map

The following map identifies Montclair's Injury Crash locations and volumes from January 1, 2021 to December 31, 2023.

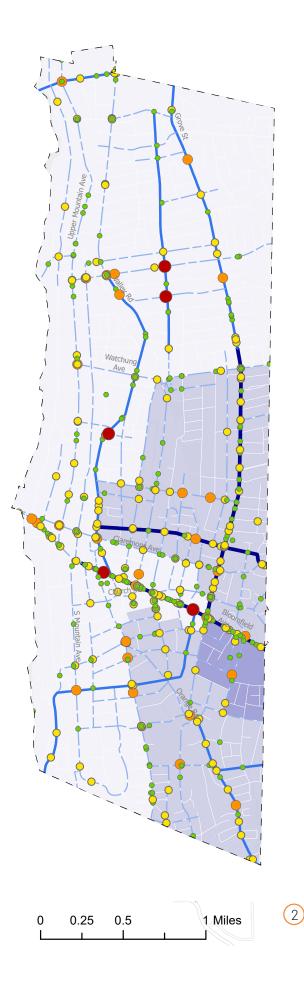
Click on the links below to view a list of the Crash Injury intersections and street segments.

All Injury Crashes: Includes Possible, Minor, Severe and Fatal injuries

Fatal and Severe Injury Crashes

Legend	
The Crash Points indi- cate the locations and severities of crashes	Crash Points Fatal Injury Suspected Serious Injury Suspected Minor Injury Possible Injury
The Crash Volume data identifies high- crash areas that may require additional interventions.	Crash Volumes
The Disadvantaged Community Index provides context on socioeconomic fac- tors, with darker pur- ple areas representing the most disadvan- taged communities	Disadvantaged Community Index Less than or Equal to 16 Less than or Equal to 20 Less than or Equal to 25

Map prepared by Montclair Township Department of Planning and Community Development. October 3, 2024. Source: Numetric, Montclair Police Department, NJPA Equity Analysis Tool (ACS 2018-2022 5 YR Estimates), NYC Open-Data, New Jersey Office of GIS, Esri, TomTom, Garmin, SafeGraph, GeoTechnologies, Inc, METI/NASA, USGS, EPA, NPS, US Census Bureau, USDA, USFWS



Help Essex County and Montclair make the streets safer for all road users. Take the survey today!

Fill out Essex County's survey and map your suggestions now! Both Montclair Township and Essex County were awarded Federal Safe Streets for All (SS4A) grants to develop Action Plans addressing

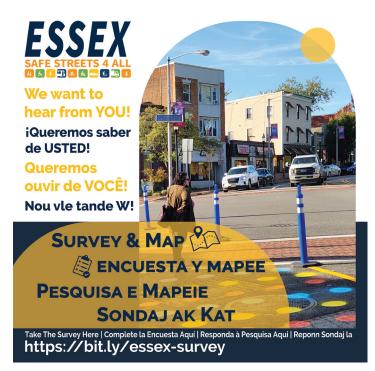
road safety. One major component of this grant is to collect public input to inform these Action Plans.

As residents, you know the streets best. You know which intersections are most dangerous: the ones you'd never let your kids cross alone, or the streets you avoid because you can't see oncoming traffic. You know where there are no sidewalks or crosswalks (when there should be). You know what sections of the road feels like a freeway because drivers go too fast. By identifying these areas and streets in town, we can develop more comprehensive plans and address areas that aren't represented in our current crash data and police reports.

Questions?

I clicked the link and the survey says Essex County and East Orange. What about Montclair? While East Orange is listed, the data collected will also be used to inform other municipalities in Essex County, including Montclair.

Is this only for county roads? No! This data and feedback will be used to inform Montclair's own Action Plan on both county and local municipal roads.



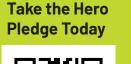
I filled out the Safe Routes to School Survey in the fall? Isn't that good enough? Thank you for filling out the Safe Routes to School Survey! This survey covers the entirety of Montclair and is facilitated by professional consultants including Micheal Baker International, Mercer Planning Associates, and WSP as part of the Safe Streets For All (SS4A) grant. Your feedback will be incorporated into both the County Action Plans and in Montclair's local Action Plans. The more detailed and comprehensive feedback you provide, the better.

What is an Action Plan anyway? I want to see action not plans. Professional consultants, traffic planners and engineers collect and develop comprehensive safety plans based on resident feedback and crash data. We want action too! This helps us pinpoint the areas that need action and what steps we can take to make it safer.



VISION

Your superpowers: Slowing down, looking up, and paying attention.







Did you know?

Driving 25 mph versus 30 mph only adds a little over a minute to your

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arrival time. But to a pedestrian involved in a car crash, that 5 mph difference can increase their chances of survival by **90 percent.**

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Check out Vision Zero Montclair's 2024 Highlights and our plans for 2025 on the Township's website.

Update Corner:

Grove street is now 25 mph!

Grove Street is the most recent county road to have the speed limit reduced to 25 mph. County roads, Valley Road and Upper Mountain Avenue have also been reduced to 25 mph. Thank you Essex County!

Montclair's Safe Streets For All (SS4A)

grant Montclair's Request For Proposal (RFP) to hire a Transportation Engineering firm to develop Montclair's Safety Action Plans has been issued! Be on the lookout for more details. The Safety Action Plans will focus on road safety for all users with an emphasis on vulnerable communities often disproportionately affected by vehicular violence.

Safe Routes to School Surveys

Thank you to all the parents and caregivers who filled out the Safe Routes to School Surveys! There were 1,237 responses in total. Based on your feedback, we are mapping out areas for traffic calming, cataloging specific requests and using this data to update Montclair's 2013 Safe Routes to School Travel Plans.

Complete Streets Policy

The Council is expected to introduce an updated Complete Streets Policy as an ordinance this spring. The policy builds on earlier efforts to prioritize safety and accessibility for all road users. In addition to stronger mandates for physical improvements, the draft ordinance creates a Complete Streets Director and Oversight Board, giving residents a single point of contact and greater institutional accountability on issues related to street safety and design.

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