



BLOOMFIELD TOWNSHIP *New Jersey*

Lackawanna Transit Station Improvement Project

Project Background and Objectives

The proposed Lackawanna Transit Station Improvement Project will provide improvements to the Historic Lackawanna Transit Station and twelve surrounding roadway intersections. The train station is serviced by NJ Transit's Montclair-Boonton Line. This project will enhance New Jersey's travel and tourism efforts by increasing ridership at the Lackawanna Station, boosting the surrounding business district and aiding Bloomfield's downtown area stability. This project also complements the Bloomfield Center Urban Renewal commitment to construct 224 apartments, 50,000 square feet of retail space, 10,000 square feet of restaurant space and additional space dedicated for a parking garage and other redevelopment initiatives in the Township.

The proposed improvements will serve the local residents and visitors with new signage to navigate downtown Bloomfield by walking or biking, as well as easing accessibility to and from the site. The project will also add much needed streetscape to the area. **Many residents, shoppers and commuters will enjoy the proposed new walkways, curbs, pavement repairs at the train station and new signage along the wayfinding routes, as well as promote alternative modes of transportation.**

Proposed Project Improvements

This project specifically includes streetscaping, refurbishment/ replacement of sidewalks and curbs, ADA compliant ramps, delineated pedestrian crosswalks, wayfinding signage along designated routes, and other miscellaneous improvements. Through the proposed improvements, the area surrounding Lackawanna Transit Station will provide enhanced safety and ease for pedestrians, and create a sense of community by providing a gathering place for local events.

The project also includes new signage around the station to enhance safety, clarify roadway conditions and delineate traffic throughout the area surrounding the facility. Wayfinding improvements will develop a seamless system to reflect the character of the Township of Bloomfield while contributing to the efficiency, aesthetics, and mobility of its infrastructure. Existing unnecessary signs will be removed to reduce/eliminate sign clutter. The following intersections have been targeted within this component of the project:

- Washington Street & Lackawanna Place
- Glenwood Avenue & Lackawanna Place
- "Six Points" – Bloomfield, Glenwood, Broad, Washington, Franklin, and Montgomery Street
- Bloomfield Avenue & Municipal Plaza
- Broad Street & Franklin Street
- Broad Street & Liberty Street
- Bloomfield Avenue & JFK Drive South
- Bloomfield Avenue & JFK Drive North
- Franklin Street & JFK Drive South
- Franklin Street & JFK Drive North
- Glenwood Avenue & Maolis Avenue

Based on a preliminary assessment, the targeted locations within the signage proposal are designed to direct motorists and pedestrians to the transit village and other "areas of interest" located in the downtown business district, such as:

- Lackawanna Transit Station
- NJ Transit Bus Stations
- Municipal Parking Lots
- Watsessing Park
- Bloomfield Municipal Plaza
- Bloomfield Public Library
- Bloomfield College
- 4th Wall Musical Theatre
- Various Centers of Faith
- Bloomfield Avenue Retail/Restaurants
- Broad Street Retail/Restaurants
- Glenwood Avenue Retail/Restaurants

The sign types developed during this task will be defined by the level of available resources. Gateway signs, directional signs, arrival signs, pedestrian directional signs and information signs are being considered. Various other sign types such as historical signs, district gateways and district banners are being investigated.

Get Involved

You're invited to participate in our upcoming, online public meeting to provide your valued feedback regarding the future improvements mentioned above. You will have an opportunity to review the proposed project, ask questions and discuss your thoughts with multiple representatives from the team.

DATE: Wednesday, June 24, 2020

TIME: 7:00 PM to 8:30 PM

ONLINE LINK: <https://bit.ly/bloomfieldTAP>

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