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### Introduction

City of history, City of first, City of festivals, City of international food, City of music and art, City of entrepreneurs, City of shoppers, City of workers, City of walkers, City of immigrants, City of neighbors, City by the Bay, Welcome to Perth Amboy.

During the day, learn about Perth Amboy's rich history. From the historic train station in the center of town to the beautiful Victorian-era houses from when Perth Amboy was a manufacturing powerhouse, to the only remaining official Royal Governor's Mansion, where Governor William Franklin, son of Ben and loyal to King George, lived while ruling from this former capital. See the historic City Hall and oldest consecutive operational government building in the United States and where the first African-American voter in the US casted his ballot. Take a stroll while taking in magnificent views of the Raritan Bay, home of the 2<sup>nd</sup> oldest Yacht Club in the country and the Ferry Slip nautical museum.

When you get hungry have fresh seafood on the water or go to the city center where you can enjoy foods from all over the globe or an "empanada" from Jersey's top empanada restaurants. As the afternoon unfolds, join Perth Amboy residents, workers and visitors who liven up Smith Street, Perth Amboy's Downtown – shopping district, for a great dinner and live music at one of the several great venues.

This is Perth Amboy, this is our Downtown District, imagine what's next as we implement visible and tangible projects that increase the economic, place, social and civic values of the district.



(Image from the Bay City Transit District Strategy)

## **Executive Summary**

The Neighborhood Preservation Program (NPP) began with the passage of the "Maintenance of Viable Neighborhoods Act" in 1975. This legislation established a program of grants to encourage and promote the social and economic strengthening and development of neighborhoods. It was envisioned that this would be achieved through the cooperative, concentrated efforts of residents, local lending institutions, businesses, municipal governments and the State of New Jersey. The Neighborhood Preservation Program takes a comprehensive approach to neighborhood development, which afford municipalities flexible and creative options. This comprehensive cooperative approach promotes a unified effort that has proven to be a successful strategy.

The New Jersey Department of Community Affairs' neighborhood-based programs are designed to acknowledge the crucial role neighborhoods play as the center of community for New Jersey's citizens, and the opportunity they offer to serve as a springboard to build a stronger, more equitable New Jersey.

To further achieve that goal, Governor Phil Murphy and Lt. Governor Sheila Oliver recently dedicated \$2.5 million of funding to restore the Neighborhood Preservation Program (NPP) to strengthen the economic vigor of New Jersey's threatened but viable neighborhoods and to encourage private investment in some of the state's hard-pressed communities. This new investment was done in coordination with the funding of Main Street New Jersey communities as well.

Activities to be assisted under this act may include but shall not be limited to:

- Revitalize neighborhoods through local planning and community participation.
- Build local capacity to administer program
- To serve as a catalyst for economic development in business districts that are deemed "threatened but still viable."
- To serve as a platform for the coordination of efforts by the State, municipalities, residents, businesses and other stakeholders to help declining neighborhoods become thriving neighborhoods.

Over the past several years, the City of Perth Amboy has been aggressively planning for the future of its Downtown District, building on other community and economic development plans, including the Perth Amboy Bay City Transit District Strategy, the Creative Placemaking Plan, and the Gateway Neighborhood Collaborative Revitalization Plan. This plan will further delineate Perth Amboy's goal to invest in preserving the culture and identity of the Downtown District including the following:

- Proposed activities
- District boundary map & description
- Demographic trends & market data
- Planning process description & results
- Goals & Objectives
- Timelines
- Budget

## **District Description**

Perth Amboy Downtown District – Smith Street, west of High Street and east of Maple Street, to include the Five Corner bump out on New Brunswick Avenue to Jefferson Street. More specifically the district will run from 65 Smith Street, Block 121 Lot 1.02 to 248 Smith Street Block 121 Lot 1.02 and will be inclusive of a bump out from 130 Smith Street Block 125 Lot 19 to 154 New Brunswick Avenue Block 126 Lot 19.



(NPP District Map)

### **HISTORY**

The Downtown District of the City of Perth Amboy is a historic gem and a cornerstone for the Greater Perth Amboy community. Perth Amboy was settled by Europeans in 1683 and incorporated as a city in 1718. It was founded by English merchants, Scots seeking religious freedom, and French Protestants, who sought to make use of Perth Amboy's harbor to its full potential. Downtown is the main commercial district, and is centered on Smith Street. It is an Urban Enterprise Zone, and the reduced sales tax rate (half of the statewide rate) which funded revitalization of Smith Street with planted trees, Victorian streetlights, benches, garbage cans, and redbrick sidewalks. Smith Street is a shopping center seven blocks wide, with stores catering to workingclass customers. There are 141 retail spaces, 30 offices and the street is flanked by mainly two- to three-story buildings of varied, but primarily historic architecture. It also has a lone



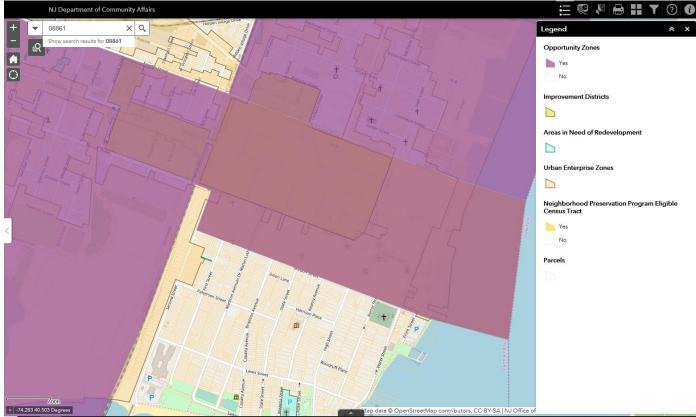
mixed use skyscraper called 'Amboy Towers', 10 stories tall, located at Five Corners, the intersection of Smith Street, New Brunswick Avenue and State Street (also included in the NPP District). Once home to several department stores downtown, the largest today is discount retailer Bargain Man, now home to a variety of small clothing and sneaker shops, hair and nail salons, Dunkin Donuts, cellphone stores, fruit markets, delicious restaurants and much more. As a point of commerce, it serves as a critical artery for families and merchants alike to thrive in the neighborhood. For these reasons, the Downtown District of Perth Amboy is on the height of significant investment and dynamic shifts to the local community. Over 2,000 people live in the 554 apartments in the targeted district, over forty –two percent (42%) of which are low income minorities earning under \$40,000 annually per household. The majority of these families are first or second generation immigrants. Of all the neighborhoods in Perth Amboy the area in need of preserving the assets that currently exist and enhancing the lives of the community that currently resides there, the Downtown District is among the most in need.

### **MAJOR ASSETS**

Downtown Perth Amboy has many assets, and the Plan recommends capitalizing on all these assets to bring people and attract new investment into the Downtown. These assets include:

- *Compact Downtown*. Almost all of downtown is within a ten minute walk of the train station.
- Large Hispanic population base. This demographic profile is unique for the region, and should be included in the strategy for reviving downtown.
- An attractive waterfront close to Downtown. Perth Amboy's waterfront has seen substantial public investment in the past several years, is now the largest recreational asset in the city, and is only a 10-15 minute walk from downtown. The marina has been expanded and the waterfront is now the site for numerous festivals throughout the year.
- *Rich history*. Many buildings downtown have historic character, lending Downtown Perth Amboy a unique character and connection to its historical and cultural past. These buildings include the Perth Amboy City Hall, built in 1714, which is the oldest continuously-used City Hall in the US.
- *Robust train service*. The Perth Amboy Train Station boasts a one-seat ride to Penn Station New York in about 50 minutes, and 64 trains per day stop at the station with existing ridership of approximately 1,000 riders per day
- Walkable street grid. A typical block size downtown is about 300' by 600.' These dimensions are comparable to the street grids of walkable cities: New York City (200' by 800'), Chicago (330' by 660'), and Philadelphia (400' by 500'). An appropriately scaled street grid makes the urban environment easier to navigate for pedestrians, and decreases the potential for traffic congestion due to the redundancy of available routes.
- *Multimodal transportation options*. Perth Amboy is served by a regional bus network that connects to Manhattan several other regional destinations including New Brunswick, Newark and Woodbridge. Downtown Perth Amboy is within a 10-minute drive of a number of major highways such as the NJ Turnpike, Garden State Parkway and Route 440, which provide still further options for moving people and goods to areas.
- Large employers. Raritan Bay Medical Center, US Food Services, Tropical Cheese, Preferred Freezer Services, the Perth Amboy School District, the Jewish Renaissance Medical Center, and Target Warehouse are all located in Perth Amboy, many within

walking distance of the Downtown District. In addition, the city has a strong base of local merchants including electronics stores and restaurants and a base of small and mid-sized entrepreneurial businesses, all organized by the Urban Enterprise Zone.



(Layered map indicating that the NPP District also lies in a designated Opportunity Zone, Urban Enterprise Zone, Business Improvement District and an area in need of Redevelopment).

### **CHALLENGES**

Downtown Perth Amboy needs to build on existing assets, including the connection to its historical and cultural past, in order to reach its potential as a regional destination. The large Hispanic population base creates a demographic profile that is unique for the region. Downtown Perth Amboy is proximate to New York City and has access to multiple modes of transportation for moving people and goods regionally. The current economy is stable, driven by a base of small and mid-sized entrepreneurial businesses. Large business assets including the Raritan Bay Medical Center, US Food Services, Tropical Cheese, Target and Preferred Freezer Services serve as major employment centers for the city. However, several factors have held downtown back from realizing its potential, including:

- A negative perception of the city and a view that it is unsafe.
- Resident education and income levels that lag behind those in other local communities
- A high debt burden due to past financial management decisions
- A lack of a compelling and coherent vision for Downtown
- A lack of parking
- A quick growing population
- A lack of diversified retail shops

#### DEMOGRAPHIC TRENDS

### Population Characteristics

Of the estimated 51,744 residents (per US Census estimation) of Perth Amboy, 82.7% identify themselves as Hispanic or Latino, making Perth Amboy the second-highest concentration of Latino or Hispanic residents in New Jersey. The rest of Perth Amboy is composed of 9.2% White (non-Hispanic) and 9.6% Black (non-Hispanic) residents, and smaller percentages of Asian and Native American. Almost half (43.3%) of the study area residents are foreign-born, and these residents are almost all from the Caribbean (56.8%), Central America (20.9%), and South America (18.2%). Consequently, the residents within the study area are more likely to speak a language other than English. Over 40% of the residents in the study area speak English "less than very well" (41.4%), which is more than three times the rate of the Together North Jersey 13-county region (13.7%). The languages spoken at home among these populations is overwhelmingly Spanish (95.9%). Perth Amboy is relatively young, as the median age (32.4) is significantly lower than Middlesex County as a whole (37.1) and New Jersey (39). Only 15% of Perth Amboy residents have a bachelor's degree or higher, compared with 35% in New Jersey as a whole. In addition, homeownership rate is relatively low: 36.8% compared to 66.6% in New Jersey as a whole.

### Median Household Income



### Median Household Income and Poverty

The median household income (per 2010 census) within ½ mile of the Downtown District was \$43,342, compared to \$65,333 within a 30-minute drive and \$77,407 for Middlesex County as a whole. In Perth Amboy, 22% of residents live below the poverty line, compared to 8.9% in the North Jersey Region as a whole. Poverty affects families with children (15.4%) at a rate more than three times that of the region as a whole (5%).

## Planning Process Description

After being awarded the NPP grant, the City of Perth Amboy identified a program director from their Office of Economic and Community Development Office to lead the planning process, which involved 3 phases: 1) Project Orientation, 2) Community Outreach and Research and 3) Recommendations & Plan Adoption. The process which lasted approximately four months was guided by the District Team, made up of City administrators, directors of various departments (Public Works, Recreation, Police, Code Enforcement, etc.) Business Improvement District Executive Director, Parking Authority, business owners, Arts Council representation and a district resident.

#### PHASE 1 – PROJECT ORIENTATION

Determining the District boundaries was the initial step in the project orientation. The Downtown District of the City of Perth Amboy is a historic gem and a cornerstone for the Greater Perth Amboy community. As a point of commerce, it serves as a critical artery for families and merchants alike to thrive in the neighborhood. For these reasons, the Downtown District of Perth Amboy is on the abyss for significant investment and dramatic dynamic shifts to the local community and more so for this reason, was identified as the NPP neighborhood. The original submission of the grant included a totality of our Downtown District or Smith Street East of High Street and West of County Road 35/Convery Boulevard. However, after a walkthrough onsite assessment by the State NPP team and several meetings between program administrators and local NPP staff, the district boundaries were minimized by several blocks to go East of High Street and South of Maple Street, right before the train station. Additional components of the Phase 1 included complying baseline market data (described in the previous section of this plan) and creating a list of tangible recommendations from the City's Administrative Team, prior to taking it out to for public input. Initial meetings were held between NPP director, the Mayor, City Administrator and department heads to identify priority areas of concern in the district and to create a list of tangible recommendations to be presented to the larger District Team.

INITIAL RECOMMENDATIONS					
Storefront/					
façade	Lighting	Fink Park	Fountain	Pedestrian Plaza	
enhancements	Improvements	Re-activation	Removal		
Outdoor Dining	Art & Murals	Parking	Bench	Tree Uniformity	
		Improvements	Installations		

#### PHASE 2: COMMUNITY OUTREACH & RESEARCH

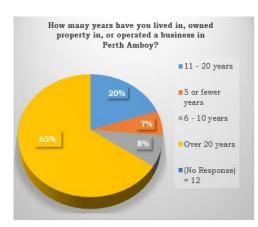
Phase two was focused on community engagement activities including a community survey and focus groups. The community survey was conducted online via email and a walking campaign at events. The survey was put together by the state NPP office and was made live for 4 weeks in both English and Spanish. Municipal staff administered the online survey during two community events, the Paella festival and our Trunk or Treat event. During the event staff approached community residents and asked if they would be interested in completing a survey. Residents were

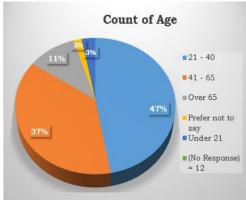
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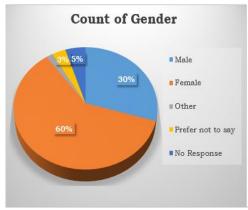
In efforts to create the NPP Downtown Perth Amboy District Implementation Plan and the projects within that plan, the Office of Economic & Community Development shared the following survey via email and through event canvasing efforts with over 5000 individuals, 246 stakeholders completed the survey. The survey was brief and private and allowed individuals, both residents and business owners to share their opinions and ideas to help shape the plan.

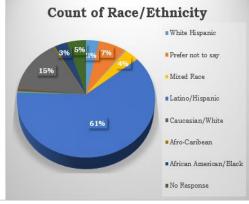
not shy about discussing their concerns and view of our downtown district and were willing to able to complete the survey. However, due to limited staff we did not generate a large number of responses and decided to do an email survey campaign. The survey was then sent via Constant Contact to over 5,000 community members. Within days we received well over 200 responses. Based on recommendations from the State NPP Team, our survey response goal was 200. In total we received 240+ responses. Included below are results from the community survey.

### **SURVEY DEMOGRAPHICS**











ONE WORD
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EXAMPLES OF DOWNTOWN PERTH AMBOY IN THE FUTURE

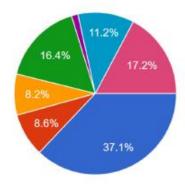












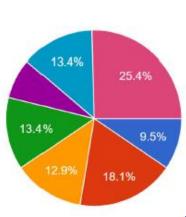








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EXAMPLES OF HOUSING IN DOWNTOWN PERTH AMBOY IN THE FUTURE





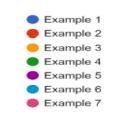












### PRESENT CONCERNS

Over 40% of the respondents indicated the following areas as top reasons they do not visit Downtown Perth Amboy.



TRAFFIC CONGESTION



FEW STORES OF INTEREST



LACK OF CONVIENIENT PARKING



CONDITIONS OF STORE FRONTS



APPEARANCE OF PUBLIC PARKS & SPACES





# Make It Safer



REVITALIZE STOREFRONT FACADES & ADD TO BUINESS MIX





ADD MORE GREENERY & MAKE IT PEDESTIAN & BIKE FRIENDLY

# FUTURE PROJECTS

Over 40% of the respondents indicated the following as major priority projects for Downtown Perth Amboy. Survey results were complied, reviewed and presented to the NPP District Team during a meeting on November 22, 2019 (see minutes attached). Upon reviewing community surveys and administration's recommendations the district team made recommendations to be included in the implementation plan. An additional district team meeting was held where the draft plan was reintroduced for stakeholder feedback and then final approval before being submitted to the State Department of Community Affairs and City Council to be adopted. Members of the District Team included: the city administrator and 10 top level city staff, 3 members of the Business Improvement District, 2 property owners from within the district, and 2 business owners, note most members are also residents of the city.

## PHASE 3 – RECOMMENDATIONS AND PLAN ADOPTION

City staff submitted a draft plan to State representatives via email for review and feedback, recommendations were incorporated. Once approved by the State, the plan will be presented to Council Members during an open public meeting for adoption by resolution.

NPP funds will be utilized for implementation, budget details can be found later in this plan. Other leveraged sources of funding will include but not be limited to; City of Perth Amboy CDBG,



Business Improvement District, Urban Enterprise Zone, and the municipality's operational budget.

## Neighborhood Preservation Program Plan Year 1

### **PRIORITIES**

The set of priorities detailed in this plan are designed to help Perth Amboy make its Downtown District the shopping, dining, living and cultural epi center of Middlesex County more quickly and cost effectively. In the very short term, in just one year, City staff and local leaders will focus on building wide-spread and real support for the plan. Stewards of this plan will encourage Perth Amboy residents, business owners and property owners in the district and those that serve the district to support and help make the strategies a reality and to add to the plan. People tend to nurture what they create, so it is our hope to get as many individuals and groups involved in order to have skin in the game and care for the improvements that are made in the district.

Over the next five (5) years, the City will focus on making physical improvements that show that Perth Amboy is committed to persevering and revitalizing the Downtown District resulting in increased economic value, place value, social value and civic value.

## GOALS, OBJECTIVES & VALUE INDICATION YEAR 1

GOAL 1: IMPROVE AND MAINTAIN LOCAL	GOAL 1: IMPROVE AND MAINTAIN LOCAL BUSINESS ECONOMY				
	<b>ECONOMIC</b>	PLACE	SOCIAL	CIVIC	
OBJECTIVE	VALUE	VALUE	VALUE	VALUE	
1.1 Maintain and improve the cleanliness of our					
business district sidewalks					
• Schedule the gum buster machine to					
remove gum and deep clean sidewalks					
not to interfere with business hours					
1.2 Improve the pedestrians experience by					
enhancing the visibility of business'					
appearance					
• Assist the Business Improvement					
District by serving on their Sign and					
Façade Improvement Grant Committee					
• Assist local businesses with the					
rehabilitation and maintenance needs					
for buildings within the district					
GOAL 2: IMPROVE PEDESTRIAN HEALTH					
	<b>ECONOMIC</b>	PLACE	SOCIAL	CIVIC	
OBJECTIVE	VALUE	VALUE	VALUE	VALUE	
2.1 Improve ADA sidewalk cut outs					
<ul> <li>Identify number of sidewalk cut outs</li> </ul>					
that have pavers and replace with ADA					
pads					
• Coordinate with City Engineer and					
Department of Public Works to budget					
cost and order materials					

•	Schedule installation of ADA pads				
•	Schedule ribbon cutting and press				
	event				
2.2 Paineta	ill benches in the downtown shopping				
district					
•	Identify areas within the district that				
	are ideal for resting stations but				
	discourage loitering				
•	Coordinate the purchase of benches				
	that are ideal for resting in design but				
	deter the ability for loiters to lay down				
•	Schedule bench installations				
2.3 Create	a uniformed downtown streetscape				
enviror					
•	Remove and replace existing trees and				
	tree grates with uniformed trees and				
	tree wells				
•	Coordinate with Department of Public				
	works to identify best trees and tree				
	wells for our district				
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## Year 1 Budget

	Requested Funds	Municipal Match	Other Sources	Total
Budget Category				
ADM - Personnel				
Salaries/Wages	\$26,470.00			\$26,470.00
Minor Category Sub-Total	\$26,470.00			\$26,470.00
Major Category Sub-Total	\$26,470.00			\$26,470.00
ADM - Program Development				
Neighborhood Amenities				
Sidewalk Clean Up		\$10,000.00		\$10,000.00
Façade Improvements			\$30,000.00	\$30,000.00
Sidewalk Cut Outs	\$36,400.00	\$5,000.00		\$41,400.00
Benches	\$22,130.00			\$22,130.00
Trees	\$40,000.00		\$40,000.00	\$80,000.00
Fountain Removal/Enhancement			\$90,000.00	\$90,000.00
Mural/Art Installation		\$10,000.00	\$5,000.00	\$15,000.00
Minor Category Sub-Total	\$98,530.00	\$25,000.00	\$165,000.00	\$288,530.00
Major Category Sub-Total	\$98,530.00	\$25,000.00	\$165,000.00	\$288,530.00
Total	\$125,000.00	\$25,000.00	\$165,000.00	\$315,000.00

### BUDGET DETAIL FOR OTHER SOURCES/LEVERAGED FUNDS

*Façade Improvements:* The Perth Amboy Business Improvement District (BID) will distribute \$5,000 grants to district business owners who apply and qualify to rehabilitate and improve their signage and business facades not to exceed \$30,000.

*Trees:* The Perth Amboy Business Improvement District and the municipality will split the cost of removing and replacing the trees and tree grates in the district not to exceed \$40,000. There are approximately 80 trees in the NPP district, each will cost \$1,300. The noted amount in year one will allow for the removal and replacement of approximately 75% of the trees. The remainder will be replaced in year two.

Fountain Removal/Enhancements: Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funds have been allocated to remove the fountain from the Five Corners in the center of our shopping district, in its totality. The cost of the enhancements will be split between CDBG and UEZ.

Mural/Art Installation. BID has committed \$5,000 to our mural and art installation.

## Year 1 Project Timeline Detail

1.1 Sidewalk Clean Up (\$10,000)

March 2020 Coordinate with the Department of Public Works to purchase the Gum

Buster Machine and supplies

April 2020 Schedule the Department of Public Works to begin the street cleaning

during hours that do not interfere with operating business hours

September 2020 Schedule 2<sup>nd</sup> street cleaning of the year to begin the street cleaning during

hours that do not interfere with operating business hours

1.2 Façade Improvements (\$30,000)

February 2020 Begin accepting and reviewing business façade improvement applications

NPP Coordinator to serve on the committee to review applications – the

committee will meet monthly

June 2020 Award a minimum of six (6) Façade Improvement Grants

2.1 ADA Sidewalk Cutouts (\$41,400)

March 2020 Coordinate with Department of Public Works and the City Engineer to

draft and post a RFP notification

April 2020 Accept award bids

May 2020 Begin sidewalk cutout improvements
June 2020 Complete sidewalk improvements

2.2 Reinstall District Benches (\$22,130)

February 2020 Request quotes from three plus vendors for 12-15 benches

March 2020 Order benches

April 2020 Install benches in the Downtown District & Press Event

2.3 Remove & Replace District Trees & Tree Wells (\$80,000)

March 2020 Coordinate with Department of Public Works (Tree Unit) to request

quotes for trees and tree wells

May 2020 Order trees, wells and supplies

September 2020 Install 60-80 trees in the Downtown District

3.1 Remove/Enhance the Five Corner Fountain (\$90,000)

January 2020 Initial conversations with City administrators to discuss site vision

February 2020 Draft and issue an RFP for an engineer

April 2020 Begin fountain removal

September 2020 Complete fountain removal and ground leveling

3.2 Mural/Art Installation (\$15,000)

February 2020 Begin conversations with property owners for mural/art installations

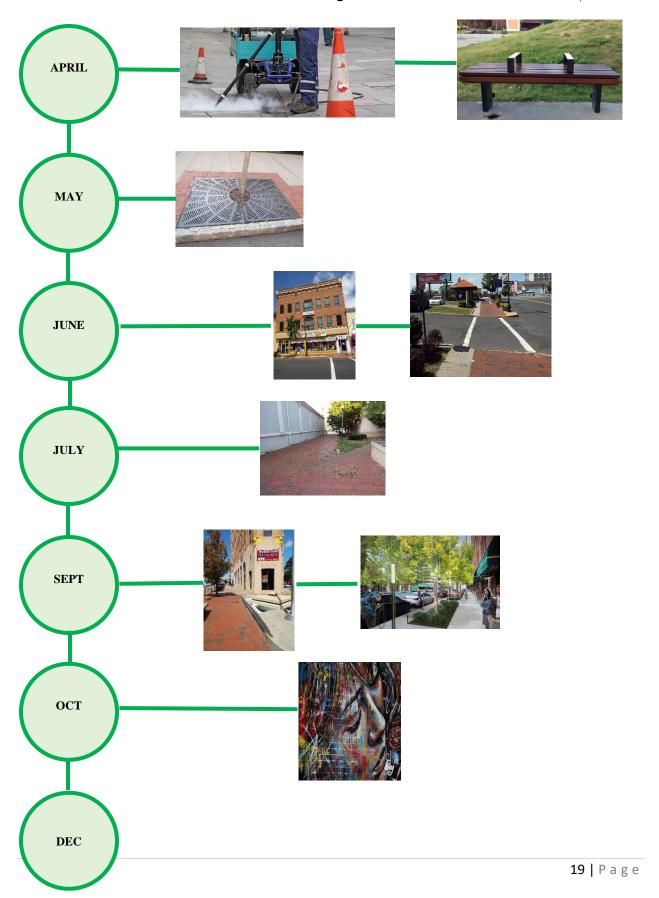
March 2020 Begin drafting project standards with Arts Council

April 2020 Draft and post call to artist for mural competition with Arts Council

May 2020 Present art renderings to Arts Council July 2020 Prep & Prime wall for installation

October 2020 Art Installation Reveal (National Arts Month)

# Year 1 Project Timeline Overview



## Neighborhood Preservation Program Plan Years 2-5

### GOALS, OBJECTIVES & VALUE INDICATION

GOAL: IMPROVE AND MAINTAIN LOCAL BUSINESS ECONOMY						
	<b>ECONOMIC</b>	PLACE	SOCIAL	CIVIC		
OBJECTIVE	VALUE	VALUE	VALUE	VALUE		
LED Lighting Improvements	X	X	X			
Code Enforcement Staff		X				
Roll Gate Removal Initiative	X	X	X			
Parking Signage	X	X				
GOAL: IMPROVE PEDESTRIAN HEALTH	& WALKABIL	ITY FOR L	OCAL RES	IDENTS		
	<b>ECONOMIC</b>	PLACE	SOCIAL	CIVIC		
OBJECTIVE	VALUE	VALUE	VALUE	VALUE		
Sidewalk Repair (stamping)		X				
Five Corner (NBA) Pedestrian Plaza	X	X	X	X		
GOAL: FOSTER CULTURE OF ART AND N	<b>NEIGHBORHO</b>	OD PRESE	RVATION			
	<b>ECONOMIC</b>	PLACE	SOCIAL	CIVIC		
OBJECTIVE	VALUE	VALUE	VALUE	VALUE		
Fink Park Acquisition/Repurpose	X	X	X	X		
Art in the Park			X	X		
Holiday & Seasonal Pop Up Art		X	X			
Innovative Crosswalk Art		X	X			
Canvas Banners on Light Post		X	X			
Free Wifi	X		X	X		

## Year 2 Budget

	Requested Funds	Municipal Match	Other Sources	Total
Budget Category				
ADM - Personnel				
Salaries/Wages	\$25,000.00			\$25,000.00
Minor Category Sub-Total	\$25,000.00			\$25,000.00
Major Category Sub-Total	\$25,000.00			\$25,000.00
ADM - Program Development				
Neighborhood Amenities				
LED Lighting Improvements			\$36,000.00	\$36,000.00
Parking Signage		\$5,000.00	\$10,000.00	\$15,000.00
Sidewalk Repair (stamping)	\$50,000.00		\$25,000.00	\$75,000.00
Canvas Banners		\$15,000.00	\$15,000.00	\$30,000.00
Holiday Seasonal Pop Up Art	\$5,000.00		\$5,000.00	\$10,000.00
2 Enforcement Officers (PT)	\$20,000.00		\$20,000.00	\$40,000.00
Minor Category Sub-Total	\$75,000.00	\$20,000.00	\$106,000.00	\$201,000.00
Major Category Sub-Total	\$75,000.00	\$20,000.00	\$106,000.00	\$201,000.00
Total	\$100,000.00	\$20,000.00	\$111,000.00	\$231,000.00

#### **BUDGET DETAIL**

*LED Lighting Improvements:* The City of Perth Amboy will absorb the additional cost to convert the street lights in the district to LED which will increase the current utility contract by \$36,000 a year.

Parking Signage: With the assistance the Perth Amboy Parking Utility and Business Improvement District we will update parking lot signage and signs leading to parking lots and decks.

Sidewalk Repair: UEZ funds along with NPP dollars will be used to begin replacing the paved sidewalks with concreate stamping. This initiative will continue to year 3.

Canvas Banners: BID funds along with NPP funds will be used to update current banners to canvas banners in the district for beautification and longer lasting durability.

Holiday/Seasonal Pop-up Art: Both NPP and BID funds will be used to decorate the district during the holiday season and pop up art will be displayed as well.

Enforcement Officers: In efforts to increase code enforcement in the district NPP and BID funds will be used to hire 2 part time officers to work during the week and on weekends.

## Year 3 Budget

	Requested Funds	Municipal Match	Other Sources	Total
Budget Category				
ADM - Personnel				
Salaries/Wages	\$25,000.00			\$25,000.00
Minor Category Sub-Total	\$25,000.00			\$25,000.00
Major Category Sub-Total	\$25,000.00			\$25,000.00
ADM - Program Development				
Neighborhood Amenities				
Sidewalk Repair (stamping)	\$50,000.00		\$25,000.00	\$75,000.00
Roll Gate Removal	\$25,000.00			\$25,000.00
Art in the Park			\$5,000.00	\$5,000.00
Five Corner (NBA) Pedestrian Plaza		\$20,000.00	\$5,000.00	\$25,000.00
Minor Category Sub-Total	\$75,000.00	\$20,000.00	\$35,000.00	\$130,000.00
Major Category Sub-Total	\$75,000.00	\$20,000.00	\$35,000.00	\$130,00.00
Total	\$100,000.00	\$20,000.00	\$35,000.00	\$155,000.00

### **BUDGET DETAIL**

Sidewalk Repair: Continued from year 2.

Roll Gate Removal: 5-7 grants will be offered to business to remove their roll gates and replace them with shatter proof glass or security systems this initiative will continue to years 4 & 5.

Art in the Park: Summer theater and open mics will be performed at Fink Park in the district, BID funds will be used for set design, costumes, sound, etc.

Five Corner (NBA) Pedestrian Plaza: NPP & BID funds will be used to begin renovations to close the intersection of New Brunswick Avenue from Smith to Jefferson Street.

## Year 4 Budget

	Requested Funds	Municipal Match	Other Sources	Total
Budget Category				
ADM - Personnel				
Salaries/Wages	\$25,000.00			\$25,000.00
Minor Category Sub-Total	\$25,000.00			\$25,000.00
Major Category Sub-Total	\$25,000.00			\$25,000.00
ADM - Program Development				
Neighborhood Amenities				
Innovative Crosswalk Art		\$10,000.00		\$10,000.00
Roll Gate Removal	\$25,000.00			\$25,000.00
WIFI Installation	\$10,000.00			\$10,000.00
Fink Park Acquisition/Repurpose	\$40,000.00	\$10,000.00	TBD	\$50,000.00
Minor Category Sub-Total	\$75,000.00	\$20,000.00		\$95,000.00
Major Category Sub-Total	\$75,000.00	\$20,000.00		\$95,000.00
Total	\$100,00.00	\$20,000.00	TBD	\$120,000

### **BUDGET DETAIL**

Innovative Crosswalk Art: NPP match funds will be used to decorate district crosswalks.

Roll Gate Removal: Continued from year 3.

WIFI Installation: NPP funds will be used to install free WIFI in the district.

Fink Park Acquisition/Repurpose: NPP staff will work with the BID/UEZ to acquire the land known as Fink Park within the district and funds will be used to repurpose it.

# Year 5 Budget

	Requested Funds	Municipal Match	Other Sources	Total
Budget Category				
ADM - Personnel				
Salaries/Wages	\$25,000.00			\$25,000.00
Minor Category Sub-Total	\$25,000.00			\$25,000.00
Major Category Sub-Total	\$25,000.00			\$25,000.00
ADM - Program Development				
Neighborhood Amenities				
Roll Gate Removal	\$25,000.00			
Fink Park Repurpose	\$50,000.00		\$30,000.00	\$80,000.00
Art in the Park		\$20,000.00		
Minor Category Sub-Total	\$75,000.00	\$20,000.00	\$30,000.00	\$125,000.00
Major Category Sub-Total	\$75,000.00	\$20,000.00	\$30,000.00	\$125,000.00
Total	\$100,000.00	\$20,000.00	\$30,000.00	\$150,000.00

### **BUDGET DETAIL**

Roll Gate Removal: Continued from year 3 & 4.

Fink Park Repurpose: Continued from year 4.

Art in the Park: Continued from year 3.

## Partners

	STATUS	TYPE	RECIPIENT				
Federal Resources (Direct & Pass Through Funding)							
HUD/CDBG	Ongoing	Grants	Municipality				
<b>State Resources (Dire</b>	ct & Pass Through Fur	nding)					
DCA/BID	Ongoing	Grants/Other	Business Owners &				
		Assistance	NPP Projects				
DCA/OZ	TBD	Private Investment	Development Projects				
UEZ	Ongoing	Grants/Other	Business Owners,				
		Assistance	Property Owners, &				
			NPP Projects				
<b>County Resources</b>							
Middlesex County	TBD	Grants	Municipality				
Local Resources							
Perth Amboy Parking	Ongoing	City Budget	Municipality				
Utility							