

March 2022 Newsletter

Welcome! Safe Streets is an interdepartmental team that works with community partners to establish and meet viable objectives and goals for reimagining and redesigning streets. The streets in Hartford must be safe for all road users regardless of transit mode, age, ability, race, or income. This newsletter is produced bi-monthly, and provides updates on Safe Streets efforts initiated by the City of Hartford, partner organizations, and the community.

This month's edition features:

- [Department of Development Services](#)
- [Department of Public Works](#)
- [Hartford Police Department](#)
- [Superpedestrian's Spring Scooter Message](#)
- [BiCi Co. and Transport Hartford Academy at the Center for Latino Progress](#)
- [Capitol Region Council of Governments](#)
- [Watch for Me CT](#)

A quick reminder that we're on Instagram [@safestreetshartford](#) and on Facebook [@DDSHartford](#)! We'll continue to build out our communications efforts, so please follow us and stay tuned for more.

City of Hartford Updates



Department of Development Services

Complete Streets Task Force

Thank you to everyone that participated in the last Complete Streets meeting! If you are unable to attend, meeting materials and future meeting dates will be posted to [MeetingInfo](#), where you can create an

account and follow this and other City of Hartford meetings for updates.*

Looking for our next meeting? Join us on **Monday, April 11 at 12 PM** for updates on projects, new progress, partners and more. The meeting link is tinyurl.com/HartfordCSMeetings, or if you have trouble connecting, you can join in via phone at 408-418-9388 (Access Code 2336 133 6144). Hope to see you there!

**Please view MeetingInfo before meetings. Rescheduling or Cancellation Updates will be posted to MeetingInfo.*

DominGO! Hartford, An Open Streets Initiative

DominGO! Hartford (formerly Open Streets Hartford) is a City program in partnership with Hartford Healthcare and AARP. DominGO Hartford will create healthy, safe, and fun environments by transforming streets into car-free places where you can gather, stroll, play, bike, roll, and more.

Recent Updates. The event dates will be on the fourth Sunday between **June to September**, and there will be a few route modifications to come. Stay tuned!

Interested in getting involved? We're always looking for event volunteers, whether it's in advance of or during the event. Fill out our form to get onto the volunteer list: [Open Streets Volunteer Form](#).

Questions? If you'd like to learn more, drop us an email at safestreets@hartford.gov.

Transportation Studies & Projects

There are several studies and projects currently underway or being kicked off, from the Parking Study to Arrowhead Gateway and Neighborhood Planning. Learn more by visiting their webpages at:

- [Parking Study](#)
- [Arrowhead Gateway](#) (NEW SURVEY AVAILABLE!)
- [Main Street North Streetscape](#)



Department of Public Works

Construction Season Resumes This Spring

With the warmer weather, the construction season is off to an early start. Expect to see more street activities as we pick up speed on implementing streetscape, bicycle, and pedestrian improvements.

- **Bartholomew Ave Streetscape.** Construction has resumed in March. Please note that detours and closures may affect access on the street. A brief overview of activities is below, and more details and scheduling to come.
- **Sigourney Street Bicycle Facilities.** The City is coordinating with CT DOT on Sigourney Street improvements, which include bicycle lanes and a Park Terrace cycle track. The project page and information materials are available here: [63-729 Sigourney Street Bicycle Facilities](#). Note: the comment period is open until March 17th, so be sure to send your comments to andy.fesenmeyer@ct.gov by next week.

DPW is also on social media; check out their Facebook [@HartfordDPW](#).



Hartford Police Department

The Hartford Police Department (HPD) traffic stats through 2/5/22 are as follows:

Statistic	#
Total Traffic Stops	762 (584 within the Traffic Division)
Infractions	329
Speeding	4
Stop Sign Violations	61
Traffic Signal Violation	61
Distracted Driving	42
OUI Arrests	31
Seatbelt	59
Other	102
Traffic Division Summonses	16

Additional Traffic Division Stats

- 1054 Towed Vehicles (includes scofflaw, snow tows)
- 141 Abandoned Vehicles Red Tagged / 58 Towed
- 17 Tractor Trailer Heavy Duty Tows

Safe Streets Partner Updates

Superp

edestri

an's

Spring

Scooter

Messag

e



BiCi Co. and Transport Hartford Academy at the Center for

Latino Progress

Bike Life - BikeLife is BiCi Co.'s annual program where kids can take a bicycle safety course and receive an upcycled bike, lock, lights, and a helmet at the Saturday BikeLife Festival. Help support this program by:

- **Donating a bike**
- **Volunteering to Tune-up Bikes**
- **Spreading the word.** Youth and Teen Registration is open to those ages 7 to 19, available at <https://centerlatino.wufoo.com/forms/z1x7wmv1xengk9/>

Multimodal Meetup on the East Coast Greenway - Join BiCi Co., THA, and friends on **Wed, March 23rd @5-7 pm** in East Hartford @ Carmine's to talk about gaps in the East Coast Greenway. Check out the event page at: <https://www.facebook.com/events/332681155273789>.

Want more from BiCi Co. and Transport Hartford? Sign up for their newsletter! There are plenty of informative events and updates that you should check out in their latest newsletter at: https://mailchi.mp/ctprf/rolling_in_like_a_lion



Capitol Region Council of Governments

Bike Share Feasibility Study Update. The Capitol Region Council of Governments is conducting a Bike Share Feasibility Study to update the [2014 Metro Hartford Bike Share Plan](#). So far, the team has produced a Myths & Facts sheet and workshop materials, all available at: <https://crcog.org/2022/03/2022-bike-share-feasibility-study/>

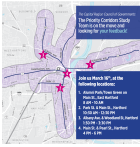
**Metro
Hartfo
rd
Rapid
Routes**
is
looking
at

transit
reliabilit
y
improve
ment
solution
s within
Transit
Priority
Corridor
s across
Hartford
and East
Hartford
. The
team is
at the
point in
the
study
where
they
have
some
potentia
l
strategie
s in each
of the
corridor
s, and
would
love
feedback
from the
commun
ity.
Please
visit [met
rohartfo](#)

[rdrapidroutes.com](#) to learn more, view the strategies, and provide feedback. A sampling of information is available in [this slide set](#).

Don't forget, the Pop Up Event was rescheduled to next Wednesday, March 16th. Drop by major Hartford transit hubs to meet the team

and
share
your
thoughts



Watch for Me CT

Watch For Me CT Wins \$25,000 Grant for Youth Engagement.

Watch for Me CT has been awarded a \$25,000 grant from the Governors Highway Safety Association and the National Road Safety Foundation. The grant funding will help support the development of a Train-the-Trainer program for youth, who will be trained how to teach bicycle and pedestrian safety to their fellow peers. Youth ambassadors will also receive a bicycle and safety accessories in thanks for their participation. To learn more,

visit: <https://www.connecticutchildrens.org/news/watch-for-me-ct-receives-25000-grant-for-teen-bicycle-and-pedestrian-safety-education-program/>

We Love Feedback!

Thank you for reading our newsletter! We are looking to perfect this mode of communication, so please share your comments and suggestions with us by emailing safestreets@hartford.gov.

The City of Hartford provides this information for educational and informational purposes only. The City of Hartford does not guarantee any savings, promote any touted benefits, or assume any risk associated

with the content, events, activities, products, and/or services of the third-party organizations listed here.
All related questions should be directed to the respective organizations.