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\$310K NJDOT Grant Slated for Monroe's Monmouth Road Project

MONROE – The New Jersey Department of Transportation awarded Monroe Township a \$310,000 grant this past month for pedestrian and roadway improvements along Monmouth Road.

“There are major upgrades in store for Monmouth Road, from First Avenue to Cornell Avenue,” said Monroe Mayor Gerald W. Tamburro. “Aside from being the site of our Community Center, Monmouth Road is a neighborhood artery connecting two major thoroughfares, Spotswood-Englishtown Road and Texas Road. As a result, there’s significant traffic, both pedestrian and vehicular, along the route.”

The scope of work should include restoration of the roadway, milling, paving, minor drainage improvements, the construction of crosswalks, concrete curbs and gutters, sidewalk replacement and the installation of ADA-compliant curb ramps, detectable warning surfaces, crosswalks and signage.

“This roadway provides direct access to Mill Lake Elementary School and our Township Community Center,” said Councilwoman Miriam Cohen. “The Community Center serves as both an emergency shelter and as the staging point for many of our community’s recreational activities.”

Township officials expect design to begin this summer and construction is anticipated in 2018.

This year, the NJDOT’s municipal aid grant program received 628 applications from a pool of municipalities that were collectively requesting more than \$270 million.

The agency provides statewide assistance to local governments that aim to improve and preserve local transportation networks.

The department’s grant program taps into approximately \$78.75 million from the Transportation Trust Fund.

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