



# TOWN OF NORTH EAST

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**SIDEWALK INSTALLATION: JETHRO STREET TO CECIL AVENUE  
IN PARTNERSHIP WITH THE MARYLAND DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION  
THE TRANSPORTATION ALTERNATIVES (TA PROGRAM)**

January 18, 2023

Dear Residents,

The Town is entering the construction phase of the Safe Routes to School (SRTS) Jethro Street Sidewalk Connection project. The Transportation Alternatives (TA Program) from the Maryland Department of Transportation awarded \$38,054.50 in TA funds for this work.

The design and construction of a new ADA-compliant sidewalk, on the south side of Jethro Street connecting East Cecil Avenue, will provide a safer connection to an existing sidewalk for students traveling to and from North East Middle School. Activities include the reconstruction of an existing sidewalk and installation of ADA compliant access ramps from the new sidewalk to the existing sidewalk at the corner of Jethro Street and Howard Street. A Thermoplastic crosswalk will be installed across Jethro Street to connect the sidewalk installation to the new access ramp.

The sidewalk installation will take place within the Town-owned right-of-way. There will be tree protection and tree pruning associated with the project, within the existing right of way. No external or new ground disturbance is expected in order to complete the noted scope of work. The Town is committed to maintaining the sidewalk on a permanent basis; with inspections to the area, repairs as needed, snow shoveling and mowing.

The Town sought the necessary approvals from Maryland Department of Transportation to move forward with this project. NEPA approval (National Environmental Policy Act of 1969) was also required, attesting to the fact that no significant environmental impacts would occur.

We look forward to improved and safe walkway access for students and the community at large with this project. We anticipate project completion in 2023.

The Mayor and Commissioners  
Town of North East, Maryland