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Shapiro Administration Announces \$13 Million Investment in Traffic Safety in Philadelphia

Automated Speed Enforcement funds will support six safety projects across the city.

Nearly \$50 million invested through Automated Speed Enforcement program under the Shapiro Administration.

Harrisburg, PA – The Pennsylvania Department of Transportation (PennDOT) announced today that it will distribute \$13 million in Automated Speed Enforcement (ASE) funding to support six safety projects in the City of Philadelphia. These projects are in line with the Shapiro Administration’s focus on making travel safer for everyone: whether they drive a car, ride a bike, walk, or take public transit. Under the Shapiro Administration, \$49.7 million has been invested in traffic safety through this program, with a total investment of \$85.8 million since the program began in 2021.

“Dangerous driver behavior – like speeding – makes everyone on the road less safe,” said **PennDOT Secretary Mike Carroll**. “This program aims to discourage speeding and change people’s behavior, and invest those funds back in the community, in projects that help keep everyone safe.”

[Act 86 of 2018](#) authorized Pennsylvania’s ASE pilot program on Roosevelt Blvd. (U.S. Route 1) in Philadelphia between Ninth Street and the Bucks County line. Under this program, the Philadelphia Parking Authority (PPA) installed automated speed enforcement at eight locations where data shows speeding has been an issue. PennDOT administers a Transportation Enhancement Grants Program using the fines from the ASE pilot program.

The following approved projects are all located in the City of Philadelphia:

- **\$500,000** to support the expansion of the Automated Speed Enforcement program. This program will help to continue to install Automated Speed Enforcement cameras onto identified expansion corridors and at school zones, meeting the requirements in the enabling legislation.

- **\$1.5 million** for Highway Safety Improvement Program (HSIP) Pre-Development projects. HSIP projects typically include traffic signal upgrades, lane and crosswalk markings, and intersection modifications. This program will do planning work for permanent traffic safety improvements to reduce speeding, aggressive driving, and crash severity, while making conditions safer for pedestrians and cyclists.
- **\$5 million** for design and construction of multimodal transportation and safety improvements aimed at reducing crashes, enhancing transit operations, and creating more accessible commercial and transit corridors. Improvements include the installation of curb extensions, concrete medians, bus bump outs, new pedestrian refuge islands and crosswalks, bicycle facilities, and pedestrian-scale lighting to calm traffic and improve visibility. Project locations within this program include:
 - Frankford Avenue (Tyson Avenue to Sheffield Avenue).
 - 52nd Street (Arch Street to Pine Street).
 - Hunting Park Avenue (Old York Road to 15th Street).
 - Germantown Avenue (Indiana Avenue to Venango Street).
- **\$2 million** for the design and construction of improvements to slow traffic at intersections, improve sight distance between drivers and pedestrians, and reduce pedestrian and bicycle vulnerability by reducing crossing distances. This type of traffic calming intervention is specifically intended to improve safety and mobility, in that it primarily helps to reduce pedestrian-vehicular conflicts while secondarily encouraging better mode share and slower speeds.
- **\$2 million** to design the intersection modifications on Torresdale Ave between Robbins Street and Cottman Avenue and on Rising Sun from Chew Street to St. Vincent Street. These improvements will include bus boarding islands (including curb, sidewalk, and stormwater modifications), and pavement marking and signing.
- **\$2 million** for the installation of traffic calming measures (e.g. speed humps, speed slots) on corridors throughout the city. The location for this program is Lincoln Drive from Kelly Drive to Wayne Avenue. In addition, it will help fund the installation of speed humps at 100 schools in Philadelphia. A combination of low-cost measures including speed cushions as traffic calming will be employed as appropriate on a case-by-case basis. These measures are specifically designed to improve safety, enhance mobility, and improve air quality.

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