



Courtlandt Ave, Park Ave, Morris Ave

School Safety Concerns

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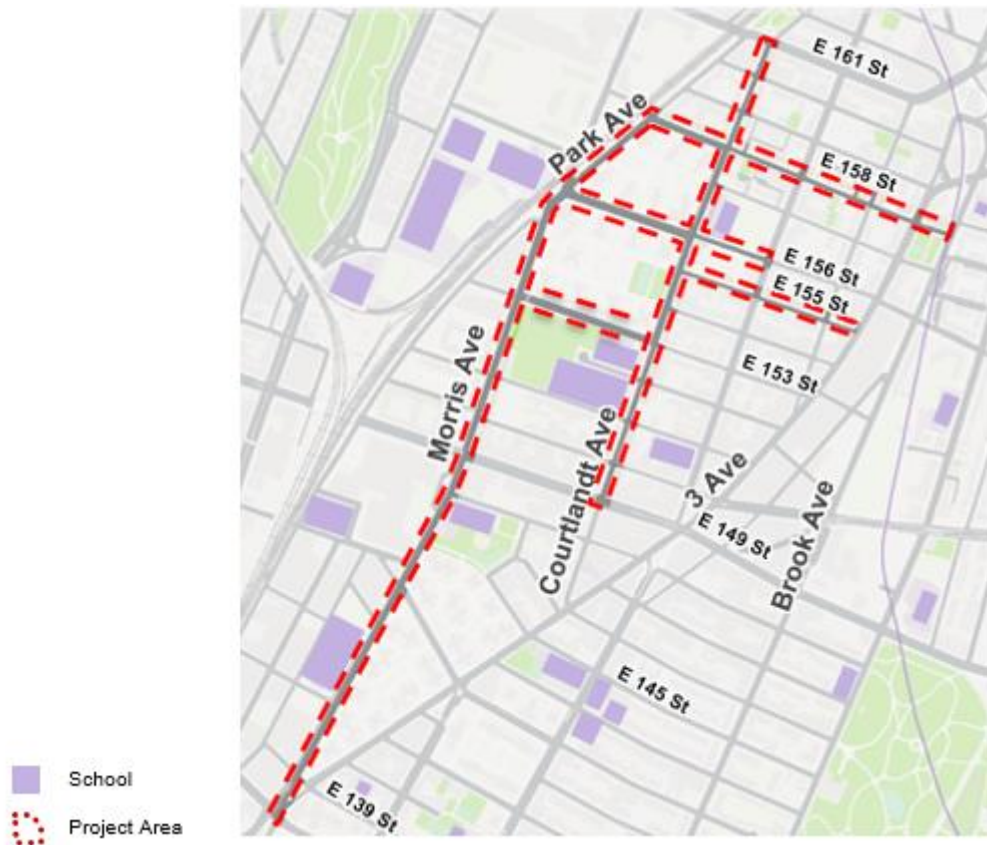
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- 10+ Schools located near Courtlandt Ave, Morris Ave, and Park Ave
- High volume of students at arrival and dismissal time
- Community request for safety improvements on Courtlandt Ave



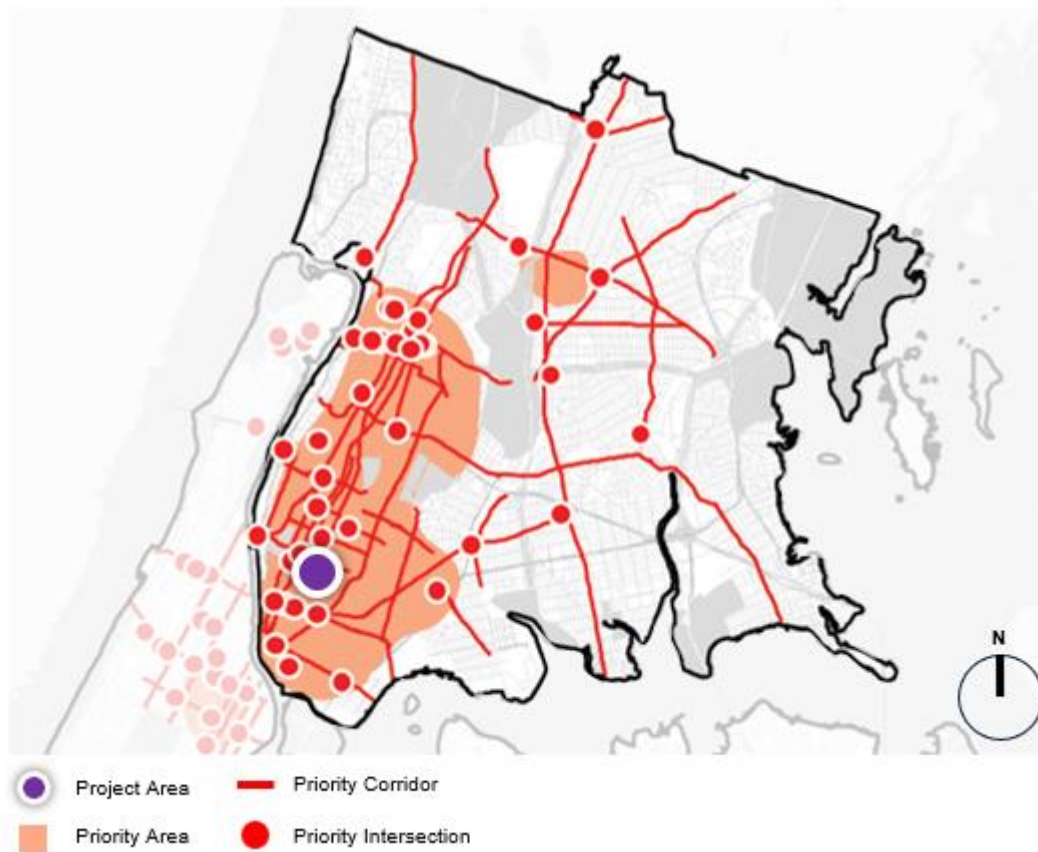
Safety Concerns

Vision Zero

- Multi-agency effort to reduce traffic fatalities in NYC
- Borough Action Plans released in 2023
- Priority Intersections, Corridors, and Areas identified for each borough

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- Project area is in a Vision Zero Priority Area



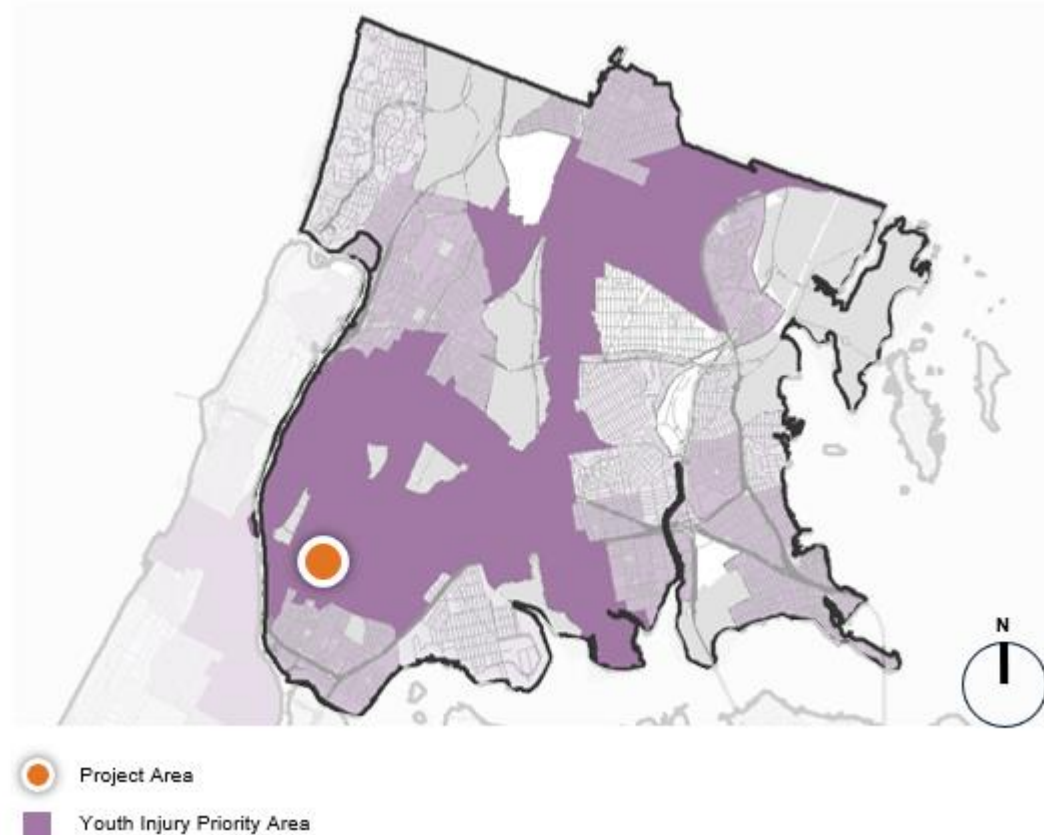
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Youth Injury Priority Areas

- Youth safety is a key part of Vision Zero, and our focus as the DOT School Safety Unit
- Youth Injury Priority Areas identify areas where there are a high concentration of youth injuries

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- Project area is located in a Youth Injury Priority Area



Safety Concerns

Injury data

- 349 total injuries
- 20 serious injuries
- 65% of severe injuries were pedestrians or cyclists
- Children made up 47% of pedestrian and cyclist injuries

Injury Summary — 2020-2024 (5 Years)

Mode	Total Injuries	Severe Injuries	Fatalities	KSI
Pedestrian	94	8	1	9
Bicyclist	40	5	0	5
MVO	164	3	0	3
Other Motorized	51	4	0	4
Total	349	20	1	21



Existing Conditions

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- Streets widen at NYCHA properties



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Wide Streets Encourage Speeding



Park Ave and E 156 St - BX

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Morris Ave and E 142 St - BX

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Many Schools Nearby



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Courtlandt Ave and E 157 St - BX

Long Crossing Distance



Morris Ave and E 143 St - BX

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Courtlandt Ave and E 158 St - BX

Unpredictable Roadway Behavior



E 153 St and Courtlandt Ave - BX

Student Engagement

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Student Engagement Workshops

- **NYC DOT** is partnering with a school and a non-profit to teach students about roadway safety and design
- **The Laboratory School of Finance and Technology (F&T)** builds a curriculum focused on cycling and civic engagement for freshman students during the fall semester
- **I Challenge Myself (ICM)** teaches F&T students how to ride a bike and how to safely navigate the neighborhood as a cyclist



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Student Engagement Workshops

- Duration: 6 workshops over a semester
- Students redesign a street near their school
- Students and DOT present their design to the community board
- Students get to see the results of their work – the project is built!



Next Steps

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Next Steps

- Student engagement workshops continue until the end of the semester
- Students and DOT to share their proposal in early 2026
- Are there any additional stakeholders we should contact?



Thank You!

Questions?

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