

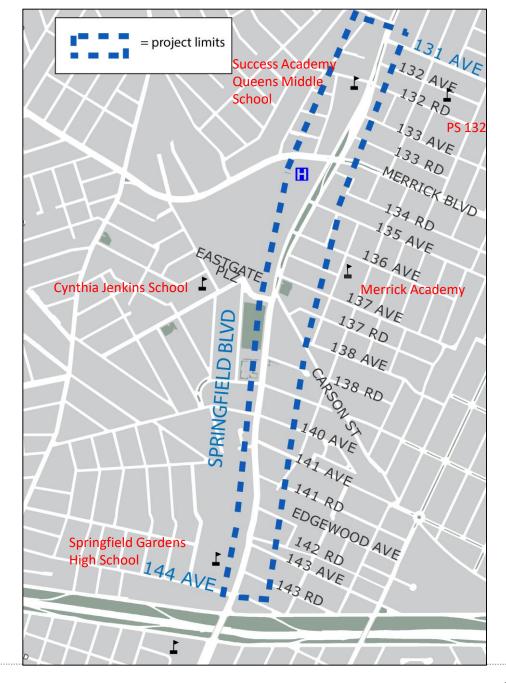
Springfield Blvd, 144 Ave to 131 Ave

Queens Community Board 13 Transportation Committee

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#### **Project Location**

- Springfield Blvd is a through truck route
- Q77 bus route runs along entire project limits and Q85 bus runs from N Conduit Ave to 140<sup>th</sup> Ave
- Mainly residential land use, with a large commercial development south of Merrick Blvd
- Springfield Gardens High School, Success Academy Queens Middle School, PS 132, Cynthia Jenkins High School, Merrick Academy, and Tri-Community JHS 231 located on the corridor
- Montbellier Park Playground located between 139<sup>th</sup> St and Eastgate Plaza
- Project area corridor length is 1.2 miles



| Safety | Data | 201 |
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| <b>Injury Summar</b> | y, 2015-2019 | (5 Years) |
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|                        | Total<br>Injuries | Severe<br>Injuries | Fatalities | KSI |
|------------------------|-------------------|--------------------|------------|-----|
| Pedestrian             | 40                | 5                  | 0          | 5   |
| Bicyclist              | 7                 | 0                  | 0          | 0   |
| Motor Vehicle Occupant | 250               | 10                 | 0          | 10  |
|                        | 0                 | 0                  | 0          | 0   |
| Total                  | 297               | 15                 | 0          | 15  |

Source: Fatalities: NYCDOT, Injuries: NYSDOT KSI: Persons Killed or Severely Injured

- 297 people have been injured along this corridor, including 15 severely injured (2015-2019 crash data)
- 12.4 severe injuries per mile and 4 pedestrian severe injuries per mile
- 23% of pedestrian crashes are related to pedestrians crossing with the signal
- Over 33% of motor vehicle crashes on this corridor are rear-end crashes, indicative of speeding



Map does not show total or severe injuries that occured at midblock locations. Map only includes intersections with 10+ injuries. Data is based off of NYDDOT/NYSDMV crash and injury data available as of 1/2022.

### **Existing Conditions**



Springfield Blvd and Merrick Blvd

### **Existing Conditions Continued**



Springfield Blvd and 132 Rd

#### **Proposed Safety Improvements**

- Add 16 painted median tip extensions at 9 locations
- Add painted curb extension at SW corner of Springfield Blvd and Eastgate Plaza
- Expand channelized space adjacent to median and add parking lane stripe where feasible to create standard width moving lanes
- Add left turn traffic calming treatment at 135 Ave for left turns from WB 135 Ave to SB Springfield Blvd



Example: Merrick Blvd and 233 St

Proposed Safety Improvements: Painted Median Tip Extensions

 Extended medians give pedestrians a safe place to wait and encourage slower/safer vehicle turns

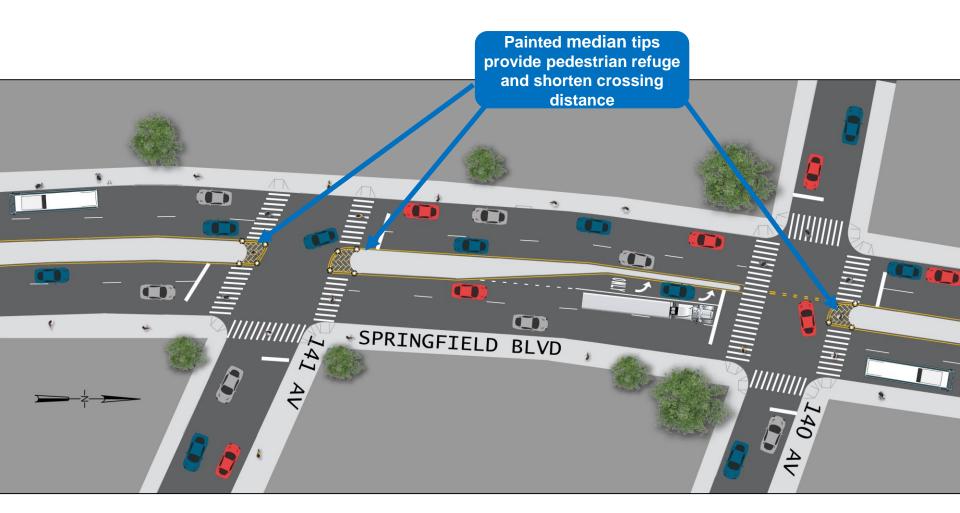
 Vertical, reflective delineators improve visibility



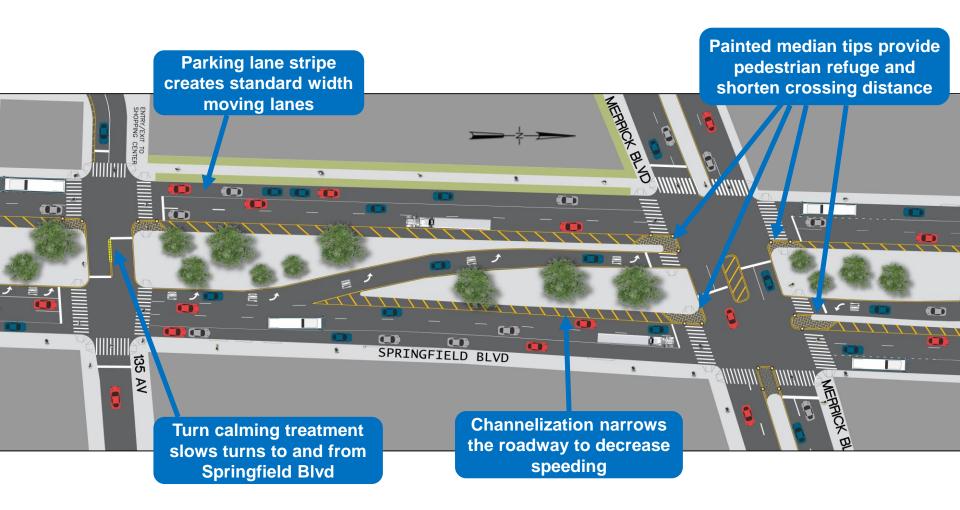
Proposed: Springfield Blvd and Eastgate Plaza



# Proposed Safety Improvements: 141 Ave to 140 Ave

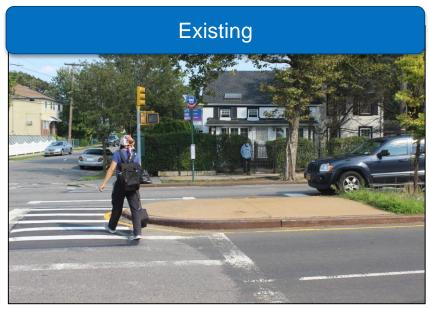


## Proposed Safety Improvements: 135 Ave to Merrick Blvd

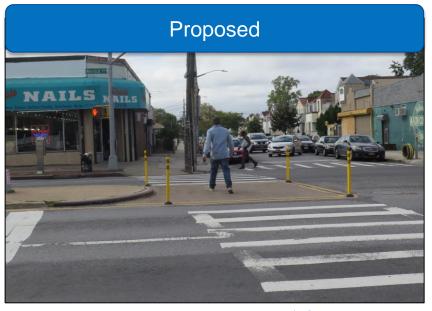


#### **Project Benefits**

- Median tips shorten crossing distance for pedestrians and provide a safe place to wait
- Extended medians encourage slower, safer left and right turns
- Upgraded markings with reduced lane widths clarify vehicle movements and discourage speeding



Springfield Blvd and 143<sup>rd</sup> Ave



Merrick Blvd and 231st St

#### **Thank You!**













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