### **EXPERIMENTAL POP-UPS:** Tactical Urbanism in Greater Philadelphia

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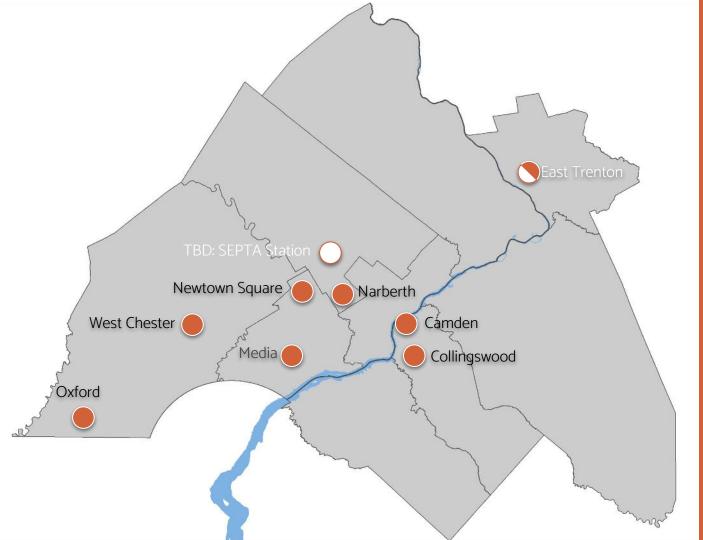
# EXPERIMENTAL POP-UPS

### **Tactical Urbanism**

Low-cost, short-term or quick build projects that spark long-term change.

**Expo** is DVRPC's tactical urbanism support program.





### Expo Projects

Where we've popped up

Where we're popping up soon

Ongoing partnerships

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### **Ingredients for Tactical Urbanism Success**

- Find the right project
- Coordination is key
- Don't overlook design
- Make it more than just a transportation pilot
- Monitor and make changes

### **Find the Right Project**

- Derived from a plan and/or public process
- Ambitious but not too ambitious
- Low risk/high reward
- Reasonable resources (people-power, supplies, length)

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Project goals:

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Safer cross-town bicycle

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Pilot new street treatments

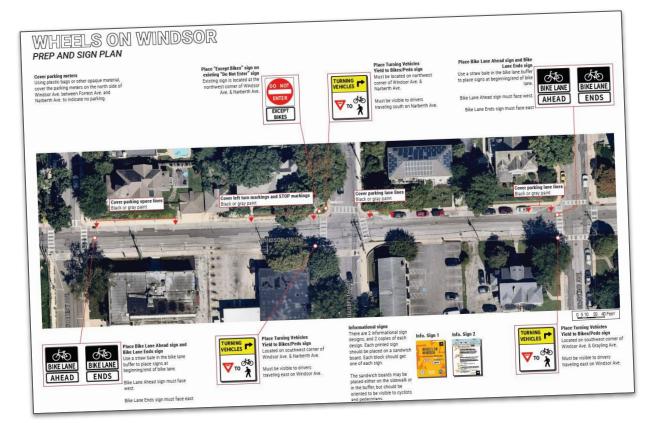
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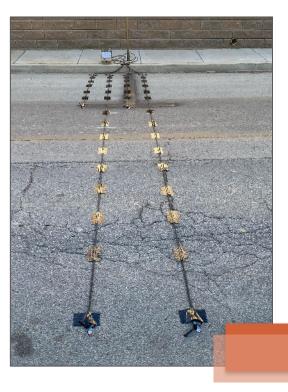
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ONE WAY

STOP

- Protected bike lane
- Seasonal materials





### **Traffic Counts**

### **Design Support**

### Atlantic Ave, Collingswood, NJ

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## Project goals: Improve bicycle and pedestrian access Pilot new street treatments

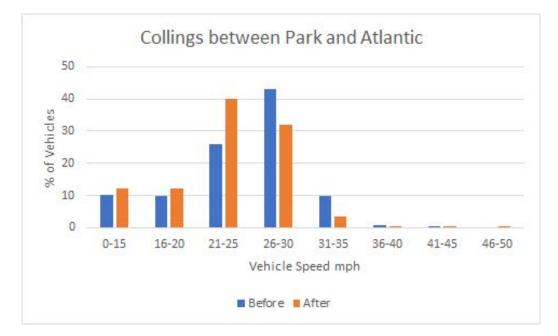
- Design elements:
  - Curb extensions
  - Advisory bike lanes
  - New crosswalks





### Make it more than just transportation

### **Monitor and make changes**



On Atlantic Ave, about 7% fewer vehicles were going above 25 MPH once the EXPO project was on the ground.

19% fewer vehicles on the Collings Ave were driving above 25 MPH.

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Project goals:

 Improve pedestrian crossings and visibility
 Slow vehicles on Clinton Ave

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 Design elements:

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 Curb extensions

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 Planters

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 Art

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 New crosswalks

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### **Working Group**

#### Purpose

- □ Meet weekly to co-create project that improves walkability and bikeability
- Collaborate on goals, data collection, design, implementation, communications

### Roles

- DVRPC: Project management, evaluation, coordination, design
- □ Municipality: Guide project to align with muni goals and provide in-kind support
- TMA *(optional)*: Marketing, surveys, implementation volunteers
- Residents/advocates: Design input, outreach, implementation volunteers

### I want one!

- Brainstorm project locations, partners and funding
- Build municipal support
- Set up an initial call
- □ Fall 2024 would be earliest start (for full project)
- Level of DVRPC support can vary

### **Brass Tacks**

- **Budget** \$5,000 \$15,000
- **Lead time** 3-9 months
- Lifetime of project Two weeks to permanent
- How much promotion and outreach? Lots
- □ Liability issues? Depends

### More info: dvrpc.org/expo





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