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ActiveCT Vision Zero Webinar

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ActiveCT is a statewide program funded by the Center for Disease Control and managed by the Connecticut Department of Health and the Capitol Region Council of Governments. Now in its fifth and final year, the program has supported 45 complete streets pilot projects, plans, and webinars in 28 communities across the State of Connecticut. This final webinar focuses on Vision Zero, the multidisciplinary policy framework to eliminate deaths and serious injuries on our streets and roadways. As pedestrian fatalities continue to surge across the country, and right here in Connecticut, this hour long session will look at how Vision Zero is being incorporated into local Connecticut communities; offer insight into how low-cost high-impact "Quick-Build" projects advance community safety goals, and describe how Jersey City used this method as a key pillar in achieving zero deaths on its local streets in 2022.

Caitlin Palmer, AICP

Caitlin Palmer is the Director of Regional Planning and Development for CRCOG where she oversees the organization's participation in the ActiveCT program. Prior to multiple roles served with the organization, Caitlin served as the Chief of Zoning Administration for the City of Hartford. Caitlin received a Masters of Science in Urban Planning from Columbia University's School of Architecture, Planning, and Preservation.

Duane Martin, P.E.

Duane Martin is the Director of Community Development for the Town of West Hartford. As the Director, he oversees the operations of the Building Inspection, Engineering, and Planning & Zoning Divisions. He has worked for the Town for nearly 18 years, mostly as the Town Engineer. Prior to West Hartford, Duane worked for the BL Companies, Fuss & O'Neill, and then the Town of Windsor. His primary work focuses are West Hartford's Vision Zero initiative, bicycle facility plan update, and flood mitigation projects.

Mike Morehouse, P.E.

Michael Morehouse, PE is a Vice President and Principal with FHI Studio based in Hartford, CT and New York City. He directs transportation planning, engineering, and design services for the company. Michael is a licensed professional engineer and advocate for safer, healthier and more inclusive streets.

Mike Lydon, CNU-A

Mike Lydon is a Principal and Co-Founder of Street Plans, leading the firm's New York City office. Mike has led more than 100 temporary and permanent street redesign projects across the United States and has delivered more than 275 keynotes, workshops, and lectures, exerting a global influence on how people transform their communities. In 2023, he was named by Planetizen as one of the 100 most influential urbanists past or present. He encourages you to trade four wheels for two.

Barkha Patel, AICP

Barkha R Patel is the Director of Infrastructure for Jersey City, NJ. She is a senior advisor to the Mayor and oversees the City's transportation, engineering, architecture, sustainability, and innovation agencies. Barkha led the effort to make Jersey City the first in the State of New Jersey to adopt a Vision Zero plan, and she continues to implement critical infrastructure improvements to ensure transportation safety and equity throughout the City's public realm.