

# Broad, Germantown, & Erie Project

The Broad, Germantown, and Erie Project is a joint effort between City departments and neighborhood organizations. Community input guides the project. The goals are:

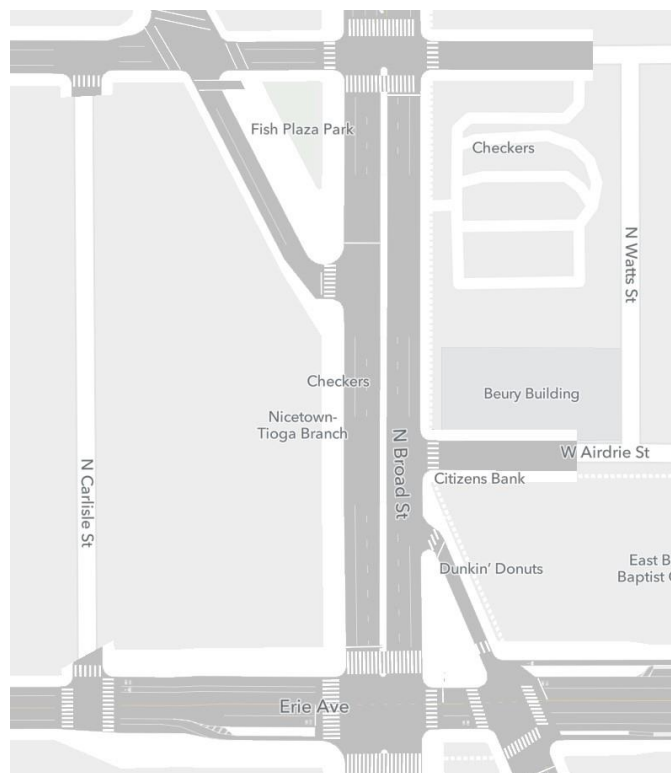
## Make the intersection safer

**Today:** Where Germantown crosses Broad Street, it is dangerous for drivers, walkers, SEPTA riders, and bikers.

**Proposed:** The project would extend the median on Broad Street to make the intersection safer.

Erie Avenue would have wider sidewalks and shorter crosswalks. The old trolley tracks would be removed.

The Route 56 and 53 buses would have a new priority bus lane on Erie Avenue. Passengers would board at the sidewalk, instead of the middle of the street.



## Create public spaces

**Today:** There aren't places to wait comfortably for the bus, eat food or relax in the shade.

**Proposed:** The project would create two plazas.

The proposed traffic changes make those plazas larger.

Community input decided the design of the spaces.

## Create jobs & support businesses

**Today:** The Broad, Germantown, and Erie shopping district has many businesses, including renowned eateries. These businesses should benefit from the commuters at this transportation hub. Yet the sidewalks, building facades, landscaping, and lighting need updating. Many businesses are also struggling with effect of COVID-19 and civil unrest.

**Proposed:** The proposed traffic changes would make it safer for customers to get to businesses. The plazas will be a destination outdoor space to eat food from nearby eateries.

The City will continue to invest funds in storefront & interior improvements, as well as sidewalk cleaning on Germantown Avenue & Broad Street.

The City is researching opportunities to hire locally for project construction & maintenance.

Before



After



## Honor local history & culture

**Today:** There is an incredible architecture and rich history of civil rights, music & entertainment, and commerce. Yet there are few buildings on the Philadelphia Register of Historic Places and little documentation of that rich history.

**Proposed:** History/literature theme & art piece in the plazas.

Partners & residents are exploring historic building nominations.

The City applied for a grant to hire residents to collect local history.

Fish Park short-term improvements in 2021 will include historic photos.

