



Ridge Avenue Northwestern Ave to Port Royal Ave

Above: Ridge Avenue, north of Cathedral Road, 2024

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Safer bike lanes and improved traffic safety for all road users

Why Here, Why Now?

PennDOT will repave all of Ridge Ave within Philadelphia within the next two to three years. **From Northwestern Ave to Port Royal Ave, there is an opportunity to update the roadway layout to improve safety while maintaining vehicle traffic flow.**

Safety Benefits for All

This project reallocates space to physically separate existing bicycle lanes. This improves safety for people driving and walking by shortening crossing distances and calming traffic. A before and after study showed **this type of roadway change in Philadelphia resulted in 18% fewer crashes resulting in injuries and 23% fewer people driving above the speed limit.**

High Quality Bike Lanes

Ridge Avenue is on the High Quality Bike Network (HQBN) from Port Royal Ave to Northwestern Ave. The HQBN is a vision that all Philadelphians can bike across the city safely, no matter their age or ability. High quality bike lanes use physical separation, such as flexible delineators to provide this added safety.

What Will Change?

The road will have two southbound travel lanes, and two northbound travel lanes (instead of three northbound travel lanes as there are today). A traffic analysis showed **this will support the current and projected volumes of drivers on the road.**