

Mid-Block Narrowing

WHAT IS IT?

A mid-block narrowing physically or visually constricts the roadway, slowing vehicular traffic and alerting drivers to the presence of a mid-block crosswalk. The curb extensions themselves can be of any variety, for example with plantings or other functional elements.



WHY IS IT IMPORTANT?

Curb extensions increase the visibility of pedestrians by enforcing the “daylighting” of the intersection.

Curb extensions reduce the crossing distance, decreasing the amount of time people are at risk from vehicular traffic.

Curb extensions are self-enforcing, preventing drivers from stopping vehicles in crosswalk entrances.

WHERE IS IT APPLICABLE?

The crosswalks on North Franklin St and North Main St at Triangle Park would benefit from mid-block narrowing.

