



PHILADELPHIA: DISTRICT 4

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The City of Philadelphia is dedicated to safer streets and maintaining those streets after infrastructure has been laid down is half the battle. This year, the City of Philadelphia's proposed budget includes an increase in the Streets paving budget and a Vision Zero Action Plan.

On page [268 of the Philadelphia Five Year \(FY19-24\) plan](#), the Mayor proposes creating a **Vision Zero maintenance crew** by adding hiring 13 additional staff persons to the Highway Division, along with six vehicles and supplies, who "will be dedicated to implementing a network of over 400 miles of bike lanes and traffic calming approaches throughout the City."

Dedicated staff who install and maintain bike lanes, midblock crossings, rumble strips among other traffic calming interventions. All of this will help make Philadelphia's streets safer and cut down on traffic crashes.

This new staffing is desperately needed to maintain bike lane striping, delineator posts, curbing, ADA pads, etc and hopefully, snow removal.

We have [called for this type of dedicated crew](#), as recently as in January when bike lane snow removal was top of mind.

This new crew will be, of course, in addition to the [second 30 person paving crew](#) that has been recently hired and will start working this spring when the paving season starts up again.

Please support keeping this 13-person Vision Zero maintenance crew in Philadelphia's budget. Here are examples of streets in your district where such a crew will be needed.

