

## **Lafayette Street Corridor Needs Support of All**

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The Lafayette Street Corridor Project is a must for Norristown.

We've said it before and we're going to keep saying it until the project is either approved or kicked to the curb.

Unfortunately, the latter may prove more prophetic. Congress failed to approve a federal transportation bill that would have allocated funds for the project as well as for the Route 309 project.

There is still hope that Congress will act before going into recess Oct. 8. To that end we encourage all of our readers to contact his or her federal legislator in support of the Transportation Equity Act for the 21st Century. We believe the bill is so important to the continuing revitalization of Norristown that we are including all of the contact names and numbers below. Please take a moment to make that telephone call and express your concern for the possible demise of the bill.

While there are many good things happening in Norristown we have made it a priority to push for the approval of the Lafayette Street Corridor Project. Major cities across the United States that have redeveloped their riverfronts have been successful in breathing new life into their economies.

The Lafayette Street project will bring a true Norristown exit off the Pennsylvania Turnpike. The exit will feed directly into Lafayette Street on the east end of town and connect with a ramp that leads onto the Dannehower Bridge and into Upper Merion. The Lafayette Street project will truly connect Norristown to the outside world.

Everyone who is reading this, regardless of where you live, should get behind this project. Norristown's success will be everyone's success.

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