

### **Pedestrian Safety Action Plan - Local Project Awards**

On June 11, 2018, Governor Cuomo announced \$62 million in pedestrian safety projects statewide related to the implementation of the state Pedestrian Safety Action Plan. The New York State Department of Transportation (NYSDOT) in partnership with the Capital District Transportation Committee (CDTC) released a call for local pedestrian safety projects in October 2017 with a March 9, 2018 submission deadline. CDTC received four proposals requesting over \$4 M in federal Highway Safety Improvement Program (HSIP) funds for local road pedestrian safety projects.

Because NYSDOT Region 1 had a programming target of \$3.44 M, with a minimum of 60% reserved for projects in the Cities of Albany and Schenectady per the program requirements, CDTC worked with sponsors to adjust their proposals to best fit the budget target.

The following projects were recommended by CDTC for funding and were awarded funding by the state:

- \$1,485,000 to the City of Albany, Albany County, for pedestrian signal installation and crosswalk upgrades at 32 locations, primarily along Henry Johnson Boulevard and Clinton Avenue.
- \$1,055,000 to the City of Schenectady, Schenectady County, to upgrade pedestrian facilities at 10 signalized intersections located in and around the downtown business district.
- \$500,000 to the City of Rensselaer, Rensselaer County, to upgrade six signalized intersections.
- \$400,000 to the Town of Clifton Park, Saratoga County, to upgrade five signalized intersections and three uncontrolled locations primarily along Clifton Park Center Road.

CDTC's Planning Committee approved the Rensselaer and Clifton Park projects to be added to the 2016-2021 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) at its August 2018 meeting. Because the Albany and Schenectady projects exceeded \$500,000, the Planning Committee recommended both projects to the Policy Board for approval at its September 2018 meeting.