

# Project Description

## Main Street

The City of Johnstown was awarded a \$24.4 million Rebuilding American Infrastructure with Sustainability and Equity (RAISE) Grant from the Federal Transit Administration (FTA) in November 2021. The amount of \$8.2 million is allotted to the Main Street Project. Combined with \$8 million American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) funds and \$1 million from a redevelopment capital assistance grant, the Main Street Project has a total of \$17.2 million in funding.

The Main Street Project corridor is approximately 0.61 mile long, from the recently rehabilitated Sargent's Stadium at Johns Street to Adams Street. See attached for a Topographic Map and an Aerial Map. Sidewalk conditions are weathered in some areas. There are two "parklets" at Main and Market streets. These small areas of green space host the Morley's Dog statue and a war memorial, and both sites are completely enclosed in chain to deter public access. Additionally, Central Park is located on Main Street and hosts a gazebo, many benches, a Little Free Library, and numerous memorials.

This RAISE funding will be utilized for the:

1. Possible conversion from 1-way to 2-way traffic
2. Replacement of some parallel parking with angled parking (approximately 32 spaces on one side of the street between Market and Franklin streets)
3. Replacement of parking meters with kiosks
4. Reconstruction of sidewalk
5. Benches, trash receptacles, trees/shrubs/plantings, and lighting
6. Stormwater improvements
7. Signage
8. Public art
9. Conversion of two chained off "parklets" to outdoor plazas
10. Improvements to and plantings within Central Park

As of March 8, 2023, the City will have an engineering consultant onboard to initiate design activities. Conceptual design is anticipated in summer 2023, and final design is anticipated by February 2024.

The overall goal of the Main Street Project is to make the downtown corridor more pedestrian friendly and to create an attractive draw to downtown businesses and activities.