

RECONNECTING

ONE MOBILE: RECONNECTING PEOPLE, WORK AND PLAY THROUGH COMPLETE STREETS



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- N. Broad Street at Springhill Avenue and St. Louis Street is closed for utility relocation, drainage rehabilitation and resurfacing. The closure and detours will be in place through Nov. 6. Learn helpful tips for navigating this closure on the next page.
- Installation of a water main, sanitary sewer and storm drainage along N. Broad Street from St. Louis Street to Congress Street is complete.
- Construction crews have placed a new median curb and outside curb on N. Broad Street between Congress Street and State Street/St. Anthony Street.



Welcome to the sixth edition of the Mobile TIGER Grant Broad Street Improvement Project's **RECONNECTING** newsletter. In this issue, you will find news on what is happening now and what comes next, as well as tips on how to safely navigate work zones.



WHAT TO EXPECT

- Drainage improvements will be installed at Lyons Street, east of N. Broad Street, in late July.
- As demolition and drainage work wind down north of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Avenue, placement of the base course is expected to occur in late July or early August. [Learn about pavement layers in our fourth edition.](#)
- Construction of the roundabout project at Canal Street and Broad Street, which ties into this project, is expected to commence in mid-August. [Keep an eye out for updates on our website.](#)

Photo Gallery



Top: Crews demolish existing roadway at N. Broad Street and Springhill Avenue intersection as work there gets underway.

Middle: Crews place a new inlet top on a grate set. A silt screen material is added to prevent debris from entering.

Bottom: A trench box is installed to allow crews to safely work, protecting against sliding dirt, debris and material.

Navigating Through Broad Street Construction

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The closure of N. Broad Street at the intersection of Springhill Avenue and St. Louis Street will remain closed through November 6 and may affect how you drive to area businesses. The intersection closure requires several detours due to the street layout.

An unfamiliar environment can cause confusion and stress. This makes driving safely through a work zone extremely important for motorists, pedestrians and workers. Below are some tips to help you navigate through a construction zone and get you safely to your destination.

According to WorkZoneSafety.org, in 2018, Alabama had 23 fatal crashes and 27 fatalities in work zones.

Drivers can help reduce work zone fatalities, with these tips from the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration (FMCSA):

- **Plan Ahead**
- **Stay Focused**
- **Slow Down**
- **Keep Your Distance**

Plan Ahead: Before heading out on the road, research your route; don't just rely on navigation apps. When possible, avoid work zones and use any available detours.

Stay Focused: You should always keep your eyes on the road, especially in work zones. Be sure to look for signage throughout the construction areas. These signs can indicate reduced speeds, lane changes and other relevant information. Avoid distractions such as your cellphone, eating, drinking, the radio, GPS and conversing with other passengers.

Slow Down: Lane closures, traffic shifts and reduced speeds are common in work zones. Make sure to slow down when entering a work zone and keep an eye out for road workers.

Keep Your Distance: Rear-end crashes are widespread in work zones. Keeping extra space between your vehicle and the one

in front of you can help reduce collisions.

