

Storrs Center Streetscape Extension

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The construction of the Storrs Center Streetscape Extension, State Project No. 77-217, is nearly complete.

The remaining work involves new curbing and general cleanup.

The project is a new pedestrian walkway together with streetscape elements including decorative lighting, trees, and decorative crosswalks. The project is located along Route 195 (Storrs Road) south of Route 275 (South Eagleville Road). The goal of this enhancement project is to provide safe pedestrian access to and from the Storrs Downtown Area, University of Connecticut, E.O. Smith High School, Town Hall, Community Center, Post Office and retail shops; and point south (Liberty bank, Storrs Center Cycle, Moss Sanctuary and residential areas). This project will help identify to drivers that they are entering into a downtown area and should result in slower vehicle speeds in this area.

The Town is aggressively working to create a 'Downtown' setting. As part of this effort this project will extend the streetscape setting south of the new downtown, Storrs Center. The project begins approximately 75' south of Route 275 and the walkway extends along the west side of Route 195 to Liberty Bank and Storrs Center Cycle. There are two crosswalks, one with push-button activated rapid flashing warning signs to provide safer mid-block crossings at Liberty Bank; the other is located at Hanks Hill Road/Flaherty Road. There is another walkway that begins at the Hanks Hill Road crosswalk is located along the west side of Flaherty Road to Storrs Heights Road.