

Keeping SP Safe

One of the council's main responsibilities is keeping South Plainfield safe, something Matt and Rob take very seriously. Here are just a few of the things they've done to improve public safety:

- Matt obtained a first-ever police communication grant from the federal government. By working with former Congressman Mike Ferguson, we were able to get this \$180,000.00 grant so the town could enhance public safety.
- Rob worked with the school board on one of our first shared services, a school resource officer.
- They started the *Safe Streets, Safe Kids* pilot project, a program aimed at reducing speeding in residential areas and near our schools.
- They added over 100 handicapped ramps near our schools, which can be used not only by people with disabilities, but by parents with strollers and young children on bikes.
- Matt served as liaison to the fire department, rescue squad, and police department in 2008, where he developed a reputation for working closely with our emergency personnel.