

Beach Access for Pedestrians and Vehicular Traffic

PROVIDING BEACH ACCESS FOR PEOPLE WITH DISABILITIES

Matrax Inc. worked with Seaside Park New Jersey resident Jessica Krill to reach her goal of improving the accessibility of local beaches for people with disabilities. Krill recognized the challenge facing families who are unable to enjoy the beauty of the beach together due to the lack of wheelchair accessibility. Without accessible walkways, handicapped individuals are forced to use a specific type of wheelchair or have someone carry them onto the beach.

Matrax offered a solution with the Matrax 4x4 drivable composite accessibility mats. Once installed, the matting system extends 75 feet toward the water and branches out into T-shaped offshoots extending an additional 50 feet to create wheelchair access directly up to the ocean.

Krill's non-profit initiative, Beach Days for All, continues to see great progress in helping families with disabilities enjoy the beach. The Seaside Park Council approved a fully handicap-accessible beach at F Street Beach in Krill's home town. Krill believes the Matrax 4x4 mats are "the product to



have" if towns are considering a similar program to make their beaches handicap accessible to all and adds "I could not have done this without Matrax. Words will never be enough."