

Friday, June 19, 2020



# HILLSBOROUGH e-News

**Reminder: the Mayor's eNews will be published three (3) times a week on Monday, Wednesday and Friday. COVID-19 case information will continue to be updated daily on the Township [website](#).**

## Township News

### June 23rd Township Committee Meeting - Public Access

On Tuesday, June 23, 2020, the Hillsborough Township Committee will hold its regularly scheduled meeting. Due to the Governor's Executive Order No. 104, limiting public gatherings, the public may participate virtually. The meeting will be live streamed on the Township's YouTube channel and a conference call has been set up to allow the public to participate via telephone.

The meeting will include a Public Hearing on Ordinance 2020-16 which amends Chapter 188 "Land Use and Development", Article V "Districts and Standards", Section 188-113.4 "GV Green Village District", Section 188-113.5 "Town Center District" and adding a new Section 188-113.8 "Multifamily Inclusionary District1 (MFID1)".

**View Agenda and Meeting Documents on [Hillsborough's Civic Clerk portal](#)**

### Remote Participation Through Zoom Meeting

**When:** Jun 23, 2020 07:30 pm Eastern Time (US and Canada)

**Please click the link below to join the meeting:**

<https://zoom.us/j/94951639410?pwd=VkhyWVpFSnZVU1BNN0gvQWVwZk9zZz09>

Password: 7P8y1J

**Or iPhone one-tap:**

US: +13017158592,,94951639410#,,,0#,,522232# or

+13126266799,,94951639410#,,,0#,,522232#

**Or Telephone:**

Dial(for higher quality, dial a number based on your current location):

US: +1 301 715 8592 or +1 312 626 6799 or +1 929 205 6099 or +1 253 215 8782 or

+1 346 248 7799 or +1 669 900 6833

Webinar ID: 949 5163 9410

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Please note this meeting will be recorded.

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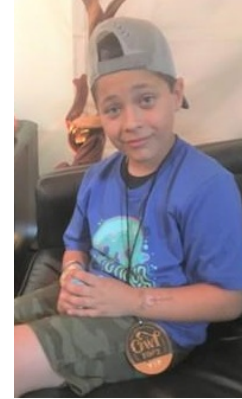
**[Township Committee Honored William Rocco](#)**



## Shields DeGregorio

At the June 9th meeting, the Township Committee honored William Rocco Shields DeGregorio, step-son of devoted Hillsborough Board of Education employee, Kathy Major. On June 2nd, William passed away at the young age of 11 after a long battle with pediatric cancer.

"The Township Committee commend and honor William Rocco Shields DeGregorio for his courage, bravery, compassion and spirit" said Mayor Doug Tomson. [Read more.](#)



## Hillsborough Parks & Recreation Summer In-Person/Virtual Programs

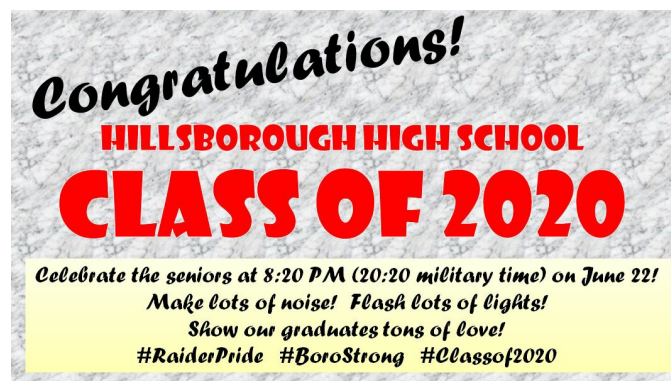
Hillsborough Parks & Recreation is proud to begin offering in person/virtual programs such as Art in the Park, Hip-Hop Dance, Bricks 4 Kidz and many more with registration starting today June 19th, at 5:00 pm.

Residents can now sign up for both virtual and in person programs. Continue to check the Parks & Recreation website and social media accounts for future release dates and information.



## Hillsborough Congratulating HHS Class of 2020 By Making Some Noise!

Celebrate the Hillsborough HS Class of 2020 across our entire community! At 8:20 pm on Monday, June 22nd, make lots of noise and flash some lights to congratulate our seniors. Don't be alarmed if you hear sirens blaring on Monday at 8:20 pm as the Township Police and Fire Departments will be making some noise to support the Seniors.



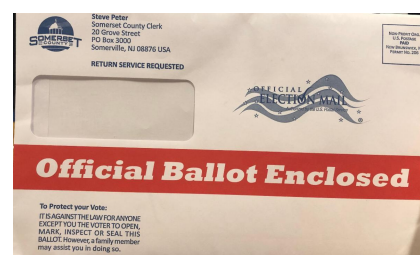
## 2020 Primary Election Information



### Somerset County 2020 Primary Election Updates

Per Executive Order 144, registered, active, Democrats and Republicans will be mailed ballots automatically. Unaffiliated and Inactive voters will be mailed a special application that they can use if they would like to receive a ballot for the July 7th Primary. That application can also be [printed here](#) and mailed.

[For additional election information from Somerset](#)



#### Additional Primary Election Updates:

- The Primary will be held on July 7th.
- All registered Democratic voters will receive a Democratic Mail In Ballot, with pre-paid postage.
- All registered Republican voters will receive a Republican Mail In Ballot, with pre-paid postage.
- All registered unaffiliated and inactive voters will receive a Mail In Ballot Application, with pre-paid postage.
- To receive the ballot by mail, the application must be received by the *County Clerk* seven (7) days prior to the election. A voter may also return the application in person to the *County Clerk* until Election Day, but the voted ballot must be returned by 8 pm.
- The *County Clerk* cannot accept faxed or emailed copies of a Application for Vote by Mail Ballot, unless you are a Military or Overseas Voter, since an original signature is required.
- There will be drop boxes located in several locations throughout the County. All voted ballots must be in a drop box, delivered to Board of Elections, by 8:00 pm on Election Day.
- Voted ballots can be mailed to the Board of Elections at 20 Grove Street in Somerville - they must be postmarked by 8:00 pm on Election Day.
- **IMPORTANT TO NOTE:** In person voting will be via provisional ballot only, unless the voter is visually impaired or otherwise certifies to a disability which requires an accessible voting machine. Voted Mail In Ballots will not be accepted at the Polling locations.



## *Hillsborough Township Municipal Services Open to Residents and Businesses*

Hillsborough Municipal Services are open to serve both our residents and business community, despite the Municipal Building being closed to the public. [See the full list of services.](#)

## Department Updates

#### [Business Advocate:](#)

- There are several Hillsborough Farms open and offering services for our community as an additional resource for food products. For the latest information regarding the Hillsborough farming community, please visit [Experience Hillsborough](#) and click on [Hillsborough Harvest](#) or visit the [HBA Facebook page](#).
- Which of your favorite Hillsborough locations are "Open for Business"? Support Hillsborough's Local Businesses!





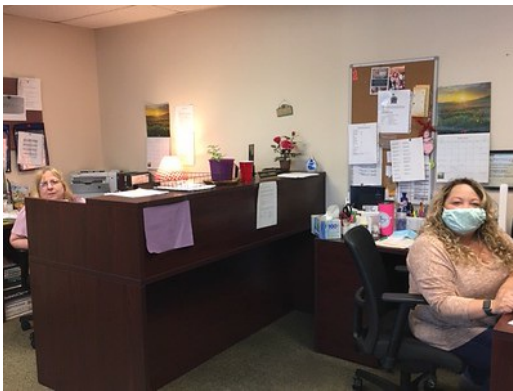
### Finance/Tax Collector:

- The Township will be issuing estimated 3rd quarter tax bills. The bills will be a small, single sheet and will be for the August payment only. The Shop Hillsborough credits will be applied to those bills as well. The Finance Department will be mailing the bills during the week of June 22nd.

### Public Works:

- Public Works programs such as Annual Clean Up Drop Off or Grass Drop Off Program are available - go to [our website](#) for details and to read the new safety guidelines
- Ditch maintenance completed this Spring to assure the proper flow of the water runoff from the more rural roadways.
- Plan to start the crack sealing program which helps prolong the life of the roadways by keeping damaging moisture out of the subsurface materials of the road.

Below are photos of Hillsborough Township Departments delivering the services that you have come to expect from Hillsborough Township.



Health:  
Registrar Karen Sowden and Deputy Registrar/Secretary Christine Araco in the office practicing social distancing



Building:  
Building Technical Assistants Judy Matros and Sara McLarnon in the office while practicing social distancing

## Community News

### Hillsborough Residents: Don't Forget to Respond to the Census!

The Census is important because it impacts future planning and funding for infrastructure, future employment, training and healthcare programs. To learn more about the impacts of the census or to complete it online visit the website [2020CENSUS.GOV](https://2020CENSUS.GOV). Take a few minutes and complete your census.



### Virtual Summer Health Series – Lunch N' Learn at 12pm

Brought to you by the Elizabeth Public Library, Horizon Blue Cross Blue Shield,



## Topics and Dates:

### English Series - [registration required once for all workshops](#)

- July 10 - Finding Health Information You Can Trust
- July 24 - Eating Healthy for Cancer Prevention
- August 7 - LGBT Health and Cancer Prevention
- August 21 - Resource and Self Care for Caregivers

### Spanish Sessions - registration required for each workshop

- 26 de junio - [Prevencion de Salud y Comprension de Medicaid](#)
- 30 de Junio - [Mi Plato En Un Presupuesto](#)
- Spanish language recordings for some of the English Series topics will also be available after the presentations

**Summer Health Series**

Join us at 12pm for a Zoom Lunch and Learn Series on the following dates and topics:

**Finding Health Information You Can Trust**  
Friday July 10th  
Ally Blumenfeld, Head of Information & Adult Services, Elizabeth Public Library  
Learn the basics of verifying health information found on the web including databases you can access to receive health information. Find out how your library can help on your health & wellness journey.

**Eating Healthy for Cancer Prevention**  
Friday July 24th  
Michelle Jansen, MS, MAT Community Cancer Control Specialist at Rutgers Cancer Institute of New Jersey  
Learn how to portion your plate with cancer-fighting foods and the different food groups can promote your health. Learn which foods you should avoid for optimal health.

**LGBT Health and Cancer Prevention**  
Friday August 7th  
Dominique Noel, Community Cancer Control Specialist at Rutgers Cancer Institute of New Jersey  
HPV-related cancers in the LGBTQ community including disparities in HPV vaccination, cancer screening rates and cancer outcomes. It will also briefly focus on LGBT terminology and information about LGBT organizations in central New Jersey will be provided.

**Resource and Self Care for Caregivers**  
Friday August 21st  
Iris Novas Cooney, RDH, MAOM  
Member Advocacy and Community Outreach Transformation  
Useful Health Care Resources for you and your loved ones during pandemic, including Medicaid/MEDS Related Resource, Caregiver Self-Care, and Health Management

[Click here to register](#)

**Serie de Salud de Verano**

Únase en línea a las 12pm por almorzar y aprender:

**Prevencion de Salud y Comprension de Medicaid**  
viernes, 26 de junio  
Iris Novas Cooney, RDH, MAOM  
Recursos útiles para el cuidado de la salud durante una pandemia, Recursos relacionados con Medicaid, Autocuidado y Mantenimiento de salud.

[Haz clic aquí para registrarse](#)

Para más información por favor comuníquese con Katherine Schabille: [kschabille@cancersupportcnj.org](mailto:kschabille@cancersupportcnj.org) • (908) 658-5400 x4

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## Updates from the Hillsborough-Millstone Municipal Alliance

### [Class of 2020 Survival Guide to the Universe](#)

Resources as you head out into the world!



### [ADOPT-A-HIGHWAY - Saturday, June 20, 2020](#)

Hillsborough-Millstone Municipal Alliance, also known as BoroAWARE, partnered with the NJ Adopt-A-Highway litter removal program to clean up a one mile stretch of Route 206 in Hillsborough. [Read more.](#)



### [Parents Who Host - reminder for parents about the consequences of serving underage kids as the summer/grad season approaches](#)

For the safety of your children and our community, please keep this in mind as you celebrate this accomplishment.



### [Safe + Sound Somerset](#)

Safe+Sound Somerset is a team of dedicated and qualified diverse professionals and volunteers sharing a commitment to empowering survivors and engaging the community to end abuse.



### Webinar Series

- June 22nd: Relating About Dating: Talking to Teens About Healthy Relationships
- July 29th: Spotting the Warning Signs of an Abusive Relationship
- August 24th: An Inside Look at Safe+Sound Somerset, The County's Lead Domestic Violence Response Agency



[To register](#)

### PIONEER Family Success Center

The Pioneer Family Success Center offers the community a gathering place, connect families to helpful resources in Somerset County, NJ and bring families together through free events, programs & local activities. [For June Events.](#)

### Red Cross Offers Virtual Care for New Jersey Families Who Have Lost Loved Ones

### Girl Scout Junior Troop #62308 Helping SAVE as Part of Bronze Award Project



*Girl Scout Junior Troop #62308 is helping SAVE as part of our Bronze Award project.*

**What is SAVE?**  
SAVE is a local animal shelter that rescues abandoned, abused, and homeless cats and dogs. SAVE relies on donations and does not receive funding at the local, state or federal levels. It was founded in 1981 and has been taking care of animals ever since. It is located at 1100 Route 90S, Delaware, NJ 08040.

**You Can Help Our Troop Help SAVE During These Tough Times!**

Please consider donating some of the following objects:

- 8000 items only. Animals and kids get lost and do find, maybe later, and need their things.
- Items in good condition only.
- No food or drink, unless it's sealed only.
- No pet or animal, unless it's a dog.
- "Toys" like toys, blankets, towels, etc. (No blankets please)
- Cat litter and dog food (only if you have it)
- Pet carriers, bowls, toys, etc. (No toys please)
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Items can be delivered directly to SAVE.

For more information about SAVE, visit <https://somersetcountysave.org/>

## Somerset County News

### Somerset County Library System of NJ (SCLSNJ)

- [With Governor Murphy's most recent Phase II announcement, we are pleased to offer contactless pickup of library materials through Hands Free Holds](#)
- ['Oh, the Places You'll Go' - Take a Vacation Through a Book this Summer with SCLSNJ](#)
- [Explore From Home: Challenge Yourself With SCLSNJ This Summer](#)
- [Somerset County Means Employment: Library System Offers Virtual Training, Resources, Assistance, More for Job Seekers](#)
- [Ask a Librarian](#)

### Greater Raritan Workforce Development Board - Free Online Resources Help Residents Hone Virtual

### County to Host LBGTQI+ Zoom Webinar on June 22nd

### Somerset County June Recycling Schedule

## COVID-19 Updates

## COVID-19 Hillsborough Reported Case Update

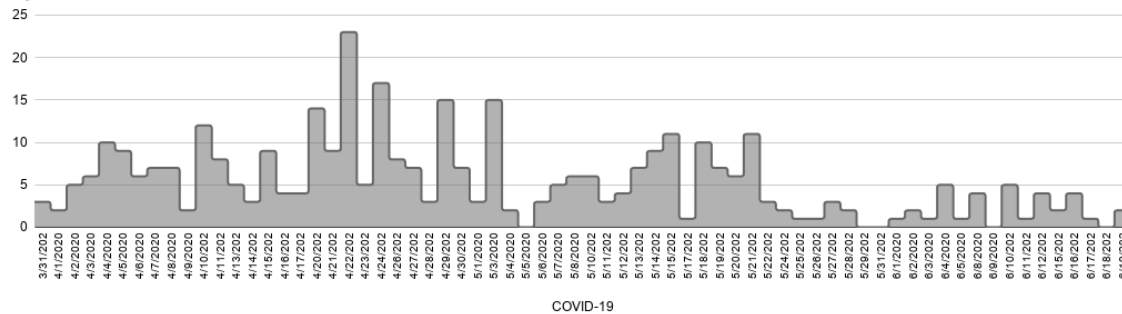
[COVID-19 Case Information is updated daily on the Township website](#)



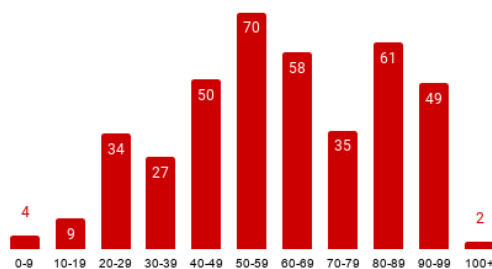
	Hillsborough	Millstone	Somerset County	New Jersey	United States
CASES	399	3	4,230	168,496	2,178,710
DEATHS	53	NA	439	12,835	118,365
RECOVERED	199	NA	NA	NA	NA

### Breakdown of Hillsborough Township Cases As Reported by Hillsborough Township Health Department

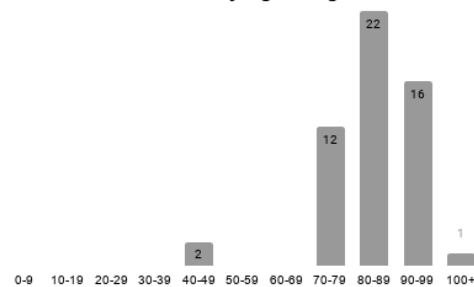
Daily Case Count



Positive Hillsborough Township Cases by Age Range



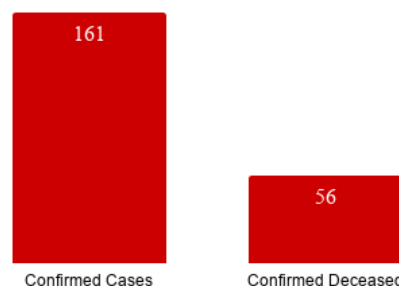
Deceased by Age Range



#### Disclaimer:

Please be advised that the numbers posted here and on the Township website are those that are reported by Hillsborough Township Health Department based on reports from the NJ Department of Health surveillance system. The reported numbers are only from those individuals who have been tested for COVID-19 and are confirmed positive through an FDA approved laboratory for COVID-19 testing purpose. It does not include those contacts of the positive individuals or any individuals, who are sick and have not been tested.

Hillsborough Long Term Care/Assisted Living Facilities



\* Confirmed cases and confirmed deceased from Long Term Care and Assisted Living Facilities may not also be included in the total number of cases above.

The number of cases from the above section by age and deceased cannot be added to the Long Term Care and Assisted Living Facilities confirmed cases and confirmed deceased to get a total case count and a total deceased count. The reason for this is that there are different reporting mechanisms in place capturing that data. The NJ Department of Health surveillance system obtains reports from State run labs. The Long Term Care and Assisted Living Facilities utilize many different labs, State, out-of-state and private, therefore, their numbers are not completely reflected in the total Hillsborough numbers from the State system at this time. That withstanding, you

cannot simply add the two sets of numbers either to get a total case count, as some of the LTC/ALF numbers are counted in the State system.

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**If you are a Hillsborough resident and have tested positive for Coronavirus / COVID-19, please contact the Health Department at 908-369-5652.**

The Hillsborough Township Health Department continues to monitor all cases and is working with the State to identify any potential contacts for follow-up. A representative from the Hillsborough Township Health Department will reach out to all individuals determined to have been in close contact with the positive testing persons within 24-48 hours of each case being confirmed.

### [NJ Residents with a Positive COVID-19 Test:](#) [Instructions & Next Steps](#)

## Somerset County COVID-19 Testing Site

### [Testing at Raritan Valley College \(RVCC\) Continues on June 25th and July 2nd](#)

COVID-19 Testing continues for Somerset County residents at Raritan Valley Community College (RVCC) on Thursday June 25th and Thursday July 2nd. Testing will be by appointment only and a valid doctor's prescription is required. Testing site will be open from 10 am to 1 pm.

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### [Somerset County Provides COVID-19 Online Resource Center](#)

Somerset County created a COVID-19 online resource center for residents that offers the latest updates about resources, services and cases on its website, and the web pages are updated daily.

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### [COVID-19 Testing-Site Hotline Offers New Hours - Call to Make Appointments](#)

Somerset County Department of Health announced new hours of operation for the Somerset-Hunterdon COVID-19 hotline where eligible residents can make testing-site appointments. Residents who do not have computer access or who would like to schedule an appointment for children 5 to 18 years of age can call the COVID-19 testing information line at 908-237-7150 on Monday through Friday from 9:00 am to 1:00 pm.

## Meeting Updates, Cancellations and Closures

Due to the Governor's Executive Orders and pursuant to P.L. 2020, c.11, all Township meetings will be held using virtual technology and the public may only participate in meetings remotely. Please [visit the calendar](#) on our municipal website for meeting dates, cancellations, updates and instructions.

## COVID-19 State Updates & Community Resources

**[For a full list of COVID-19 Resources, visit the Hillsborough Township COVID-19 Information Page](#)**

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**[Hillsborough YMCA - Information For Essential Personnel Child Care](#)**

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### [Contact Tracing Opportunity](#)

Are you interested in assisting NJ's contact tracing efforts? [Register at the NJ COVID-](#)



[19 Information Hub website](#) and be notified when opportunities become available.

## **NJ TRANSIT UPDATE**

NJ Transit will continue to respond to the latest on COVID-19 with customer and employee safety as a top priority and keep you informed of our response. To keep informed, go to [COVID-19: How We're Protecting You](#).

Per Governor Murphy's Executive Order No. 125,

The number of passengers is limited to 50% of a vehicle's capacity.

50%

Customers must wear a face covering while on board a NJ TRANSIT vehicle.

Please do your part when you ride.  
Plan Ahead - Slow the Spread

## **How Can I Help?**

### **Click here for information on Hillsborough Township's Community Assistance Network (C.A.N.) Program**

Donations to the Hillsborough Community Assistance Network (C.A.N.) can now be made [online](#). Donation of items are also accepted - [see list of most needed items](#).

**Community Assistance Network**

**HILLSBOROUGH'S FOOD BANK**

Updated 5/22/20

**C.A.N. we count on you?**

The Hillsborough Community Assistance Network continues to rely on the local community to help your Hillsborough neighbors in need.

**Items we are currently low on:**

Stuffing	Snacks	Laundry Detergent
Mashed Potatoes	Breakfast Bars	Dish Detergent
Pasta Sides	Canned Fruit	Cleaning Products
Hamburger Helper	Boxed Spaghetti	Cleaning Sponges

Items may be dropped off by the entrance to the Social Services Department. Located across from the wooden Gazebo. At the municipal complex Monday thru Friday between 8:00am and 4:30pm.

Monetary donations can also be made by mailing in a check or going to [hillsborough-nj.org](http://hillsborough-nj.org)

 Hillsborough Township Municipal Complex  
The Hon. J. Board Building  
375 South Branch Road  
Hillsborough, NJ 08844  
609-261-1000  
[hillsborough-nj.org](http://hillsborough-nj.org)

### **Somerset County Office of Emergency Management Continues to Accept Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) Donations**

The Somerset County Office of Emergency Management continues to accept donations of personal protective equipment. A collection box has been set up in front of the Emergency Services Training Academy, located at 402 Roycefield Road, Hillsborough, NJ 08844.

[Register to Volunteer](#)

## **Contacting Your State and County Officials**

[Click here for information on contacting NJ State and Somerset County Officials](#)

This Newsletter is brought to you by the Hillsborough Township Committee:

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