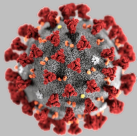




# HILLSBOROUGH

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## e-News



All COVID-19 resources and case information is updated on the [Township COVID-19 page](#) daily, Monday through Friday.

The Mayor's eNews is published weekly on Wednesdays.

### [Hillsborough Township Mayor Shawn Lipani Moved to Deny Affordable Housing Application Amid Environmental Concerns](#)

At the February 25, 2021 Planning Board meeting, Mayor Shawn Lipani moved to deny the Campus Associates application and subsequently the application was unanimously denied by the Board. Various overarching environmental concerns lead to the denial. [Full story](#)

### [Hillsborough Township Promotes Mark Szymanski to Lieutenant](#)

The Hillsborough Township Committee promoted one police officer from the Department to fill a vacancy in the position of Lieutenant, at Tuesday's Township Committee meeting.

"There exists a vacancy within the Department as a result of a recent retirement, and because of the vast experience base we have within the Police Department we are able to promote Lieutenant Mark Szymanski to fill this vacancy," stated Mayor Shawn Lipani. [Full story](#).



### [Jeffrey Wright Selected to Fill Vacancy on Township Committee](#)

At the Tuesday, March 2nd Special Township Committee meeting, Jeffrey Wright was selected as the new Committeeman to fill the vacancy of former Committeewoman Olivia Holmes.

Assemblyman Roy Freiman, also from Hillsborough, administered the oath of office virtually for Mr. Wright via zoom. William Dondiego, Hillsborough Democratic Municipal Committee Chairman, held the Bible.

Mr. Wright's bio will be available shortly on the Township website.



## New Podcast Episodes Just Released

### [Episode 7 - Exploring the Role of the Business Advocate](#)

In this episode, Business Advocate and Sustainability Director David Kois talks about his journey from an Intern in 2011 to his current role, and some of the ways the Township and the Office of the Business Advocate have been able to support local businesses during the pandemic.



### [Episode 8 - An Interview with Mayor Lipani](#)

Host Paul Scaltro interviews Mayor Shawn Lipani to learn about the road to becoming mayor, some of the responsibilities that come with the position, and the transition into his new role.

[Listen and Subscribe in iTunes](#)

## With your help we can STOP Illegal Dumping



The items shown here were illegally dumped along Mountain View Road the week of February 22, 2021.

## GARBAGE DUMPED ILLEGALLY IMPACTS EVERYONE

Illegal dumping is an environmental hazard that poses a risk to the community. This illegal activity is not only unsightly, it also distracts from the natural beauty of the landscape and costs taxpayers thousands of dollars each year to clean up.

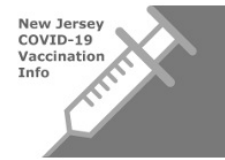
Hillsborough Township Clean Communities has seen an increase in the amount of litter and illegal dumping since COVID-19 and are asking residents to help tackle this

growing problem with us.

Please report any illegal dumping activities to the police department non-emergency number, 908-369-4323. With your help we can make Hillsborough a more enjoyable place to live.

## COVID-19 Vaccine Update

To register for the COVID Vaccine: please visit the NJ State Website at <https://covidvaccine.nj.gov/>. This is for individuals who qualify. Presently, qualified individuals are those who are over the age of 65 and those individuals between the ages of 16 and 64 with chronic health conditions.



Once you register, please be patient. You will receive an email.

This site also has information regarding other clinics in the state. There are now some CVS and Rite Aid Stores, along with ShopRites, and the RWJBarnabas Hospital in Somerville that are giving vaccinations. Supplies may be low, and some sites may not be making appointments until they receive more supplies of vaccine, so keep checking the websites of the other clinics and register there as well.

If you do not have access to a computer, please call the COVID Vaccine Hotline at 855-568-0545. Please note, this number is for the purpose of registering for the vaccine only, it is not a question and answer hotline.

If you have questions about the vaccine, please visit:  
<https://covid19.nj.gov/pages/vaccine>

A listing of additional clinics can be found on this site:  
<https://covid19.nj.gov/pages/covid-19-vaccine-locations-for-eligible-recipient>

**Somerset County Hotline: 908-231-7155**

**NJ Vaccine Call Center for Seniors (75 plus): 856-249-7007**

Providing scheduling support, predominantly through dedicated appointments, to ensure 75+ seniors are able to access appointments

**Somerset County Office on Aging: 908-704-6346**

**Covid Connect Helpline: 833-223-0011**  
for Mental Health and Substance Abuse Issues

[The New Jersey Covid Vaccine Info Facebook Page](#)

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## More News from Hillsborough Township

- [\*\*Hillsborough Community Assistance Network \(C.A.N.\) food bank Seeks Springtime Items for Clients\*\*](#)
- [\*\*Hillsborough Community Assistance Network \(C.A.N.\) food bank Thanks Community\*\*](#)
- [\*\*Radon Kits Available Soon\*\*](#)
- [\*\*NJ Division of Elections Provides Information for Electronic Signature Collection for Primary Election Candidates\*\*](#)

- Fire Hydrant Contest Winners Announced
- Free Energy Assessment and Savings available with New Jersey's Clean Energy Program
- COVID Vaccine Registration Update
- Assessment Cards will be Mailed Second Week in March
- NEW Spring Basketball League Registration Open. See Activities Guide for Additional new Programs
- Reminder to Residents: Give Yourself Ample Time When Applying for a Permit



Visit the [News & Media](#) page and individual department pages on the [Township website](#) for all updates

## Community Fundraisers

[Visit the Community Fundraiser page on the Hillsborough Township Website](#)

**GIRL SCOUT COOKIES  
ARE HERE!**

girl scouts

Check out our new locations!  
**Girl Scout Cookie Booths Weekends** starting  
 Saturday, February 27th through Sunday,  
 March 28th. Come support our town's  
 Girl Scouts. Booth times and locations at the  
 following link:  
<https://www.girlscouts.org/en/cookies/cookies.html#08844>  
 Shipping options available as well.

### It's Girl Scout Cookie Time!

Girl Scout cookies will be sold throughout Hillsborough, on weekends starting this Saturday, February 28th through Sunday, March 28th....come support our town's Girl Scouts, and enjoy your old cookie favorites. Last weekend I stopped by their distribution staging area. Make sure you come out and support our Girl Scouts this year.

[Store locations and times of sales.](#)

## Support Project Graduation

For anyone who caught our preview on Facebook or Instagram  
PLEASE NOTE THE DATE CHANGE TO THURSDAY

**Class of 2021  
PROJECT GRADUATION**

Thursday March 4th, we will be donating 10% of the day's sales directly to HHS Project Graduation for the Class of 2021. Please come out and support these amazing students!

**Just Subs**  
March 4

Help HHS PROJECT GRADUATION Class of 2021  
**RAISE some DOUGH with KRISPY KREME!**

\$12 dozen of heaven with a glaze  
 Pickup at Hillsborough High School on Saturday March 20th - 8-10:30am  
 Last day to order Friday March 12th  
 Order through your favorite "Serious" or use this easy Order Form  
<https://www.serious-eats.com/>  
 Payment can be made by:  
 VENMO (@hhs-pg)  
 PayPal (HHSGrad51@gmail.com)  
 CREDIT CARD (HHSGrad51@gmail.com)  
 Email Fundraiser Chair: Mrs. Laverne at [ljaverne@hillsboroughnj.org](mailto:ljaverne@hillsboroughnj.org)

**Krispy Kreme Sale**  
order by March 12

Support HHS Project Graduation and Bella Pizza

Our event will be held on:  
 Date: Thursday, March 16, 2021  
 Time: ALL DAY! Open 10AM - 8 PM (no later necessary)  
 Where: 302 S Branch Rd STE 254, Hillsborough Township, NJ 08844

10% of the sales will be donated back to Hillsborough High School Project Graduation

**Bella Pizza**  
March 16

**HHS Project Graduation 2021  
Easter Plant Sale Celebrate & Support!**

February 16, 2021  
Dear Hillsborough Parents,

With Easter quickly approaching many people may be considering flowers to bring up the home and/or as gifts for friends and family. We're looking for ways to help those shopping for you and suggest Project Graduation at the same time!

We are proud to offer the following items (all included in purchase):

- Flower - \$12 each
- Shops - \$10 each

100% of proceeds go directly to Project Graduation and creating a fun, shop, and student event for our graduating seniors.

Flowers are ordered locally through Central Jersey Nursery in Hillsborough! Pick up will occur on Thursday, April 1 between 8 - 7 PM. Pickup location will be provided in confirmation email.

Flower and Shop orders must be received by **March 16, 2021** and will not be shipped.

Don't forget to order your **2021 HHS Project Graduation** form by **March 16, 2021** and mail your payment. Alternatively, you can order the form **online** at [hillsboroughnj.org/project-graduation](https://hillsboroughnj.org/project-graduation) and mail your payment. Thank you so much for your support. [graduation@hillsboroughnj.org](mailto:graduation@hillsboroughnj.org)

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone number or additional donation to Project Graduation via [hillsboroughnj.org/project-graduation](https://hillsboroughnj.org/project-graduation) and mail to: [graduation@hillsboroughnj.org](mailto:graduation@hillsboroughnj.org)

Order Due March 16, 2021  
Thank you!

**Easter Plant Sale**  
order by March 16

**HHS Project Graduation 2021  
Senior Lawn Sign - Don't Miss Out!**

March 2021  
Dear Hillsborough Parents, Community and Business members,

With the help of our generous Hillsborough community, Project Graduation is raising money towards a fun, shop, and student event for our graduating seniors.

Lawn signs are a great way to recognize this important occasion for your **HHS Senior** or show your support as a local **Business** while also helping to give away 100% of the proceeds to benefit Project Graduation as our event is now ready to roll out.

Signs are 18" wide and 24" high and will be placed by April 30. Signs can be picked up by April 30th and have specific dates and time details to follow.

Example: Primary Placement: Lawn Sign to be placed by April 30. The sign is 18" x 24", made of high quality vinyl and includes the following:

**Competition CLASS OF 2021 HILLSBOROUGH HIGHSCHOOL**

Order your sign today! Call or email: [graduation@hillsboroughnj.org](mailto:graduation@hillsboroughnj.org) or visit [hillsboroughnj.org/project-graduation](https://hillsboroughnj.org/project-graduation)

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone number or additional donation to Project Graduation via [hillsboroughnj.org/project-graduation](https://hillsboroughnj.org/project-graduation) and mail to: [graduation@hillsboroughnj.org](mailto:graduation@hillsboroughnj.org)

Order Due March 16, 2021  
Thank you!

**Lawn Signs**  
order by April 30

**ShopRite CARD \$100**

**SHOP RITE GIFT CARDS for PROJECT GRADUATION**  
You pay their value and help Project Graduation keep it!

Use them for your regular groceries, give them as gifts or

**DONATE THEM TO THE HILLSBOROUGH FOOD BANK**

Order using this form:  
<https://bit.ly/HHSShopRiteGC>  
or contact: [HHSFCSShopRiteCards@gmail.com](mailto:HHSFCSShopRiteCards@gmail.com)

Flexible payment options include:

- VENMO (@hhs.fc)
- PAYPAL (graduation@gmail.com, please choose pay a friend)
- CHECK payable to Project Graduation
- CASH

For questions or to make a cash or check payment contact: [HHSFCSShopRiteCards@gmail.com](mailto:HHSFCSShopRiteCards@gmail.com) to coordinate with our fundraising team - THANK YOU!

**Shop Rite Gift Cards**

## Show Your Talent Hillsborough!

Calling all Hillsborough students, residents, teachers, staff, business owners, and more ages 0-100. Participate by submitting a video of your hidden talent, such as singers, bands, jugglers, comedians, plate spinner, poets and stupid human tricks.

Sponsored by:  
Hillsborough/ Millstone Municipal Alliance/ BoroSAFE/  
Hillsborough Stigma Free/HEA PRIDE/ Hillsborough Township Committee/ Hillsborough BOE

View [Flyer](#) or [FAQs](#) for more information



Call for Submissions

**We're All in This Together:  
Hillsborough's Hidden Talents**

Livestreamed Fundraising Event  
Friday, April 23 and Saturday, April 24, 2021

Open to the entire Hillsborough Community

Calling all Hillsborough students, residents, teachers, staff, business owners, and more ages 0-100. Participate by submitting a video of your hidden talent, such as singers, bands, jugglers, comedians, plate spinner, poets and stupid human tricks.

Videos (maximum 5 minutes) will be accepted until March 26, 2021

Tickets will be \$5 with proceeds benefiting the Hillsborough/Millstone Municipal Alliance and BoroSAFE

Questions: [boroaware@gmail.com](mailto:boroaware@gmail.com)

Sponsorships: [localtalentshow@gmail.com](mailto:localtalentshow@gmail.com)

FAQ: [tinyurl.com/sjagdy2](https://tinyurl.com/sjagdy2)

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The mission of the Hillsborough/Millstone Municipal Alliance is to change lives by empowering our communities to combat substance abuse and its related problems at home, school and work with proven, practical resources, prevention education and advocacy.

BoroSAFE is a community collaborative with an aim to provide access to mental health resources, emotional and being safe practices and suicide prevention resources across the entire Hillsborough Community.



## Township Employment Opportunities

Hillsborough Township currently has the following open positions:

- **Administrative Assistant in Assessor's Office** *new*
- **Building Inspector - Full Time**
- **Electrical Inspector - Full Time**
- **Part Time Building Maintenance Person** *new*
- **Part Time IT Assistant**
- **Part Time Office Assistant/Floater** *new*

The Township of Hillsborough is an equal opportunity employer. Forward an [employment application](#), cover letter, resume, and 3 references, to Sarah Brake: [sbrake@hillsborough-nj.org](mailto:sbrake@hillsborough-nj.org)

## Upcoming Meetings and Events

*Next two weeks at a glance in Hillsborough Township:*

**March 3, 2021**

7:00 pm [Cancelled] Recreation and Parks Commission

7:00 pm Board of Adjustment

**March 4, 2021**

Project Graduation Fundraiser - Just Subs

6:00 pm [Cancelled] Open Space Advisory Committee  
7:30 pm Planning Board

**March 9, 2021**

7:30 pm Township Committee Meeting

**March 11, 2021**

9:00 am Hillsborough-Millstone Municipal Alliance

7:30 pm Planning Board

**March 15, 2021**

Wildlife Management Surveys Due

**March 16, 2021**

11:00 am - 8:00 pm Project Graduation Fundraiser - Bella Pizza

6:30 pm Sustainable Hillsborough Steering Committee

**March 17, 2021**

7:00 pm Board of Adjustment

Visit the [Township Calendar](#) for all Meetings and Events



**Somerset County Library System** [News](#) and [Events](#)



## Somerset County Press Releases

*Latest News from Somerset County:*

- County-Operated **Senior Centers Offer New Virtual Programs and Activities Via Zoom in March** - Senior centers are temporarily closed until March 31.
- County Transportation Expands Para-Transit Services

Visit the [Somerset County Website](#) for all news articles

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

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