

HILLSBOROUGH

e-News



All COVID-19 resources and case information is updated on the <u>Township COVID-19 page</u> daily, Monday through Friday.

The Mayor's eNews is published weekly on Wednesdays.

BoroSafe Poster Contest Winners

At the June 15th Township Committee meeting, Mayor Lipani awarded certificates to the winners of the BoroSafe Poster Contest.

The contest's theme was "Exercise Your Emotions! How Do you Make Yourself Feel good?" in which students were encouraged to create a poster showing how they can take care of their feelings and themselves.



All posters were displayed and voted on by community members who attended the event. The winners are:

- Akshya Sureshkumar 5th Grade
- Eva Tripathi 6th Grade
- Anagha Dingari 6th Grade
- Vahin Sahu Kindergarten
- Jaya Dave 6th Grade
- Yuna Lee 2nd Grade

All the posters are on display in the Municipal Building in the hallway leading to the Library



Hillsborough Township Responds to Judge's Decision Ordinance Introduced Amending Zoning

At the conclusion of the June 15th Township Committee meeting, an Executive Session was held and one of the topics on the Executive Agenda was Litigation / Affordable Housing - Campus Associates. Earlier this month, a decision was rendered by the Honorable Kevin M. Shanahan, P.J. Cv. in response to the motion filed by the attorneys representing Campus Associates. In



response to the denial by the Planning Board of the application made by Campus Associates, they [Campus Associates] filed suit against the Township, and separately against the Planning Board. "That was always a possibility that there would be litigation following the Board denial," commented Mayor Shawn Lipani. "However, the denial was based on factual testimony with respect to the environmental concerns. We [the Township] were hopeful that based on our long standing commitment to abiding by the unfunded mandates of the courts relative to our affordable housing obligations, a different solution and outcome would have been the result."

Take the Sustainable Packaging Survey

With the passed legislation regarding the banishment of single-use paper and plastic bags taking effect by May 2022, local Hillsborough High School student Tvisha Faria is looking for responses from consumers to her survey on businesses' sustainable packaging. Her goal is to speak with elected county officials to show that consumers do value sustainable packaging and want an eco-friendly environment. Please note that your personal information will not be shared.



Take the survey

Plogging Update

Hillsborough Township Clean Communities wants to thank all the volunteers who participated in the Plogging event held on Saturday, June 12th.

Most of the plogging activities centered



around Triangle Rd and surrounding areas. Some of the items found during the event were food wrappers/containers, ice pop wrappers, coffee cups, plastic bags, plastic water bottles, aluminum cans, mini liquor bottles, newspaper/shredded cardboard, discarded face masks and PPE and cigarette butts.

Clean Communities would like to remind residents to dispose of trash responsibility and practice carry in, carry out procedures at parks and sporting events.

For those of you who are still unsure of what Plogging is, it is a movement that started in Sweden that is a combination of picking up litter and jogging. This fitness craze has spread throughout Europe and is now a popular activity in the US.

Plogging is a great way to help the environment while improving your own health. In fact, plogging burns about 22% more calories than jogging alone. Residents are encouraged to form their own plogging group to keep the movement going. So, grab your running shoes, a trash bag and a pair of gloves and head out into your neighborhood, or anywhere you like to jog, walk or exercise.

Prepare Kids for Emergencies with Pedro the Penguin

Join FEMA Region 2 National Preparedness Division for a webinar on preparing K-2 students for emergencies with Prepare with Pedro materials and videos. Prepare with Pedro is an education program created by the American Red Cross,



featuring Pedro the Penguin as he travels across the U.S. and teaches kids how to prepare and take action for local hazards.

Members of the Region 2 Youth Preparedness Council will present on the Prepare with Pedro program and highlight available resources for educators, parents and guardians. Youth Preparedness Council members will also showcase videos they produced on different hazards, with preparedness tips and lessons designed for young children. Who should attend? K-2 students, educators, parents and guardians of young children, youth leaders, and youth-serving organizations

Presented by the Region 2 Youth Preparedness Council Thursday, June 24th at 4:00 PM - 5:00 PM ET

Click here to register





HILLSBOROUGH IS TURNING 250!!! COME JOIN US AT OUR INDEPENDENCE DAY CELEBRATION & FAMILY FUN DAY

MUSIC, FAMILY FUN, FOOD AND

FIREWORKS

FOOD TENT & ICE CREAM TRUCKS

LIVE MUSIC
THE FRONTIERS:
A JOURNEY
TRIBUTE BAND

INFLATABLE
GAMES &
ATTRACTIONS







FREE SHUTTLE SERVICE PROVIDED FROM HILLSBOROUGH HIGH SCHOOL & MIDDLE SCHOOL TO THE EVENT BEGINNING AT 5 PM RAIN DATE - JUNE 27TH





Hillsborough Township currently has the following open positions:

- Assistant Planner GIS Specialist
- Part Time Building Maintenance Person
- Part Time IT Assistant
- Property Maintenance Code Enforcement Officer
- Zoning Official
- Part Time Office Assistant/Floater

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

Podcast - Focus on Health

In the 13th edition of the Hillsborough Township Podcast, Paul visits with Health Officer Siobhan Spano and Director of Environmental Programs, Mike Carr. Siobhan and Mike discuss the programs and services the Health Department provides for Hillsborough residents and their changing roles during the recent pandemic. Listen in Sounder or iTunes



More News from Hillsborough Township

- Do You Need a Certificate of Occupancy for Residential Property Resale?
- Call Before You Dig

- Don't Leave Pets in Cars
- There's Still Time to Register for Clean Up Dates
- Fireworks Safety
- Somerset County Shredding Event

Visit the News & Media page and individual department pages on the Township website for all updates

GET YOUR FREE COVID VACCINE!

WHERE

Hillsborough Municipal Bldg 379 So. Branch Rd. Hillsborough

WHEN

Thursday, June 24th from 4pm to 7pm

HOW

Register in advance at https://covidvaccine.nj.gov/
OR JUST SHOW UP!

WHAT

We will be giving the Johnson & Johnson vaccine, which is only ONE shot

WHO

The clinic is open to anyone age 18 or older

QUESTIONS

Call 908-369-5652 or email us at vpgrant@hillsborough-nj.com

WALK-UPS WELCOME!



Call 2-1-1 to schedule a free ride.

OTHER INFO

You do NOT need:

- ID or documentation
- Health insurance
- Money (it's free!)

No impact on immigration status.

If you are homebound, please call 908-231-7155 to register for a home visit.

COVID-19 Infomation

<u>Frequently Asked Questions about the COVID-19 Vaccine</u>

Register online via the NJ COVID-19 Vaccine Registration System. If you do not have a computer, call the COVID Vaccine Hotline at 855-568-0545.

If you have questions about the vaccine, please visit:

https://covid19.nj.gov/pages/vaccine







Questions about COVID-19 vaccines? Talk to your doctor or pharmacist

Still have some questions about COVID-19 vaccines? It's ok, New Jersey's infectious disease experts have answers.

Hillsborough Township Social Services Department: 908-369-3880

Assistance is available for Hillsborough Senior Citizens who are unable to register for the Covid vaccine because they do not have a computer. Transportation to and from vaccine appointments is also available.

Somerset County COVID Hotline: (908) 231-7155

NJ Senior COVID Hotline (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

COVID-19 Funeral Assistance Available

Covid Connect Health Line

COVID Vaccination Survey

In an effort to better determine the needs of our community, the Health Department is asking for your assistance in providing valuable information with regards to you Covid-19 vaccination. The information you provide will be kept confidential. It will assist the Health Department in planning how best to provide vaccinations for those still waiting for appointments and those that are unable to visit vaccine sites. Please take a few minutes to assist us in gathering the needed information.

Take the Survey

Should you be screened for ovarian cancer?

Are You Eligible?

This study is available for women 50-74 years old who:

- Are post-menopausal (no period for one year or longer)
- No cancer treatment in the past 12 months (talk to study coordinator for exceptions)
- Have at least one ovary Have a healthcare provider (whomever provides your yearly well-woman exam)

With this trial, investigators are studying an algorithm using the CA 125 blood test to determine if regular testing can help detect ovarian cancer at an earlier stage.



- Receive possible ovarian cancer screening test at no cost.
- By participating in cancer research you may help advance medical science and help others who will battle cancer in the future.

- Phone interview
- Blood test (annually or more often, if indicated)
- Medical history questionnaire and surveys (optional)
- Transvaginal ultrasounds (only if indicated)

To participate, contact the study at 973-971-6491 or Ovarian.Screening@atlantichealth.org



Upcoming Meetings and Events

Next two weeks at a glance in Hillsborough Township:

June 26, 2021 **Operation Secure Shred**

June 26, 2021 Family Fun Day & Fireworks

June 28, 2021 Sign Review Committee

June 28, 2021 **Environmental Commission**

July 1, 2021 **Planning Board Meeting**

July 7 2021 **Board of Adjustment Meeting**

July 8, 2021 Somerset County Job Fair July 8, 2021
Planning Board Meeting

July 9, 2021

Hillsborough- Millstone Municipal Alliance

July 8., 2021 Somerset County Job Fair

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:

Somerset County Commissioners Declare June 2021 as Pride Month

The Somerset County Board of County Commissioners declared June 2021 as LGBTQ+ Pride Month in the County of Somerset and urge residents to recognize the contributions made by members of the LGBTQ+ community and to actively promote the principles of equality, liberty, and justice.

<u>Somerset County Commissioners Adopt Budget with No Increase to Tax Rate, Preserves and Increases Services</u>

Despite COVID-19 Pandemic and Added Services Required to Respond, Commissioners Adopt Fiscally Responsible Budget That Protects AAA Bond Rating

Somerset County Commissioners Return to In-Person Meetings Tonight

Public Will Continue to Participate Virtually as the County Reviews CDC and State Guidelines on Opening Public Buildings and Meetings

Somerset County Cultural & Heritage Commission Holds Virtual Teen Arts Festival

There were 282 submissions from local student artists.

Somerset County Commission on the Status of Women to Offer Free Zoom Webinar

The webinar will occur on Monday, June 14 at 7 p.m.

Somerset County Office on Aging and Disability to Hold Public Hearing Via Zoom

The Zoom public hearing will occur June 9, at 10:30 a.m.

Somerset County to Hold First Saturday and E-Waste Drop-Off Events, June 5

Masks are still required.

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Workforce Board Launches Chromebook Loaner Program

There are 20 Chromebooks that are available to loan for eligible participants.

Visit the **Somerset County Website** for all news articles

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

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