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HILLSBOROUGH e-News

Township News

As of Monday, June 8th 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](#).

Hillsborough Health Department Business Highlight:

The Hillsborough Health Department has come across some exceptional attention to detail while conducting their observational surveys and inspections. This week the Hillsborough Health Department wanted to highlight Wawa, at 381 Triangle Rd, for going above and beyond service in implementing protocols to break the chain of infection for Covid-19, and make customers feel safe to shop there. Wawa has a coffee-by-order option to help enforce a strict 6 foot social distancing practice. In addition, their bakery section has all their pastries wrapped to provide an extra level of cross contamination prevention.



Registered Environmental Health Specialist Nick DeLisi performing inspection

Hillsborough Township - Curbside Recycling Visual Guide



HILLSBOROUGH TOWNSHIP - CURBSIDE RECYCLING VISUAL GUIDE

THANK YOU FOR RECYCLING THESE ITEMS:



For a complete list of materials accepted in curbside recycling, please see the [Somerset County Recycling How-To Guide](#) or [Hillsborough Recycle Coach](#)

The phrase to remember if you do not know if an item is recyclable or not is "When in doubt, throw it out"

2020 HILLSBOROUGH / MILLSTONE CURBSIDE RECYCLING SCHEDULE

*Please place materials at your curbside the night before collection day.

Western Hillsborough				Hillsborough / Millstone			
January	13, 27	July	13, 27	January	14, 28	July	14, 28
February	10, 24	August	10, 24	February	11, 25	August	11, 25
March	8, 22	Sept	8, 22	March	10, 24	Sept	8, 22
April	6, 20	Oct	6, 20	April	7, 21	Oct	6, 20
May	4, 18	Nov	2, 16, 30	May	5, 19	Nov	5, 19
June	1, 15, 29	Dec	14, 28	June	2, 16, 30	Dec	1, 15, 29

RECYCLING DROP OFF LOCATIONS AND HOURS

If you miss a recycle day or have a large amount of recyclable material, residents can drop off certain recyclables at the Somerset County Recycling Center, 40 Pothemus Lane, Bridgewater NJ, on the 1st Saturday of each month, from 8am to 2pm. Acceptable recyclables include newspapers, magazines, junk mail, clean/dry cardboard, phone books, shredded paper, all plastics #1 - #7, microwave ovens, aluminum, steel, tin metal cans, used motor oil and filters (5 gallon maximum), glass bottles, scrap metal, passenger tires (limit of 6). For more information, please call 732-469-3363, or go to <https://www.nj.gov/transportation/public-works/recycling/first-saturday-of-the-month>

NON-MANDATED MATERIALS

The following are items that cannot be placed in your curbside recycle containers:

Carpeting and ceiling tiles: Can be brought to CarpetCycle, LLC (973-732-4856) by
Empty inner cartridges: Accepted at Laser Save, (732) 431-3339
Textiles: Used textiles can be recycled at local charity donation bins. Textile bins are located in the upper parking lot of the municipal building, 379 South Branch Road (near the soccer fields), in the parking lot in front of WeasKorles (315 US Highway 206), and in the parking lot near Amwell Auto and Tire Center, 626 US Highway 206.
Light Bulbs: CFL light bulbs are accepted at Household Hazardous Waste Drop off Days.
Smoke Detectors: Smoke detectors can be returned to the company that manufactured them. Contact manufacturer for details.
Propane tank disposal: Propane tanks without overfill protection devices are no longer permitted to be refilled. They can be disposed of at Household Hazardous Waste Drop-off Days.

HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE

Somerset county is offering 5 Hazardous waste days. All Somerset county homeowners can participate (proof of residency required):

March 21, 2020 (8am - 2pm) Bernards Twp. Public Works, 277 South Maple Ave, Basking Ridge NJ 07920
April 18, 2020 (8am - 2pm) Warren Twp. Public Works, 1 Sandy Road, Warren, NJ 07059
June 20, 2020 (8am - 2pm) Franklin Twp. Sewer Authority, 70 Commerce Dr, Somerset 08873
September 12, 2020 (8am - 2pm) Branchburg Twp. Public Works, 34 Kenbury Road, Branchburg, NJ 08876
October 17, 2020 (8am - 2pm) South County Public Works, 415 Royalfield Road, Hillsborough, NJ 08844

Common items that **WILL** be accepted at these Hazardous Waste Days include:

- Ammonia based cleaners
- Fire extinguishers
- Gasoline
- Rechargeable & button cell batteries
- Auto products: motor oil (5 gal. maximum), antifreeze, trans. fluid, car batteries, oil filters.
- Pesticides
- Fluorescent Lights
- Pool chemicals
- Mercury
- Propane tanks

Items that **WILL NOT** be accepted at these Hazardous Waste Days include:

- Oil/gallon drums
- Air conditioners/heat exchangers
- Carbon monoxide detectors
- Explosives
- Smoke alarms
- needles
- Tires (max of 8 per person)

For more information of Household Hazardous Waste Days, please call 908-231-7031, or go to <https://www.nj.gov/transportation/public-works/recycling/hazardous-waste-days>

For more information on recycling, please go to the Somerset County Recycling page, <https://www.nj.gov/transportation/public-works/recycling>

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

The 2020 Census is happening now! You can complete your questionnaire online, by phone, or by mail.



NJ DEP Announces Free Fishing Day to be Held Saturday, June 6th

Free Fishing Day is held annually in conjunction with National Fishing and Boating Week. Anglers are welcome to fish in New Jersey's public waterways on June 6th without a license or trout stamp, but all other regulations, including size and daily catch limits will remain in effect. [Read more.](#)

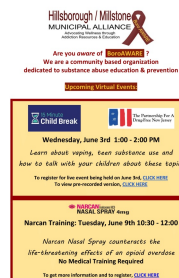
NJ American Water Tips for Wise Water Use

- **Reuse it.** Use water from rain barrels and kiddie pools for watering lawn and gardens.
- **Embrace the bucket!** Instead of using a running hose, use water contained in a bucket for washing cars and pets, and rinsing sandy/grassy feet.
- **Timing is everything.** Only water during the coolest parts of the day (early morning or evening) to minimize evaporation. Also, be aware of which plants don't need to be watered every day.
- **Odd/Even Watering of your lawn.** Watering your lawn uses a lot of water, so only water your lawn when it needs it. Generally, lawns only need an inch or so of water per week.
- **Rain delay.** Watch weather forecast to avoid "Mother Nature" re-watering your garden, which could also damage plants.
- **Pick your plants wisely.** Purchase varieties that require less water and remain hearty in drier weather. And don't forget to mulch (only 2-3") to help with water retention.
- **Be a leak detective.** Find and fix leaks and breaks in hoses, sprinkler systems and pipes. For help, download New Jersey American Water's [Leak Detection Kit](#).
- **Raise the blade.** Raise the level of your lawnmower blade to avoid lawn burnout and the need for watering.
- **Keep an eye out.** Watch your sprinkler's "sweep" to make sure all the water is reaching vegetation that needs it and not the pavement! Check this frequently in case a person or animal has accidentally redirected your sprinkler.

Updates from the Hillsborough-Millstone Municipal Alliance

Upcoming virtual program will be held on June 9th. For information on registration.

- June 9th: Somerset County hosting a Narcan training



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.



[Hillsborough High School Field Hockey Team's Homework Helpers Offering Free Tutoring \(click here for more information\)](#)

Online school has its advantages and disadvantages. In efforts to help out younger students who are having difficulties adapting to online school, the Hillsborough High School Field Hockey team is volunteering their time to tutor, read stories and answer school-related questions to younger kids via email and google meet. The team is available to help out grades K-8. The team has girls who are skilled in Math, Science, History and English. [Read more.](#)

Hillsborough is Open for Business

Which of your favorite Hillsborough locations are "Open for Business"?
Support Hillsborough's Local Businesses!



Somerset County News

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

[Greater Raritan Workforce Development Board - Free Online Resources Help Residents Hone Virtual](#)

[Somerset County June Recycling Schedule](#)

[Closures Extended for County-Operated Senior Centers](#)

[County Transportation to Phase-In Services June 1st](#)

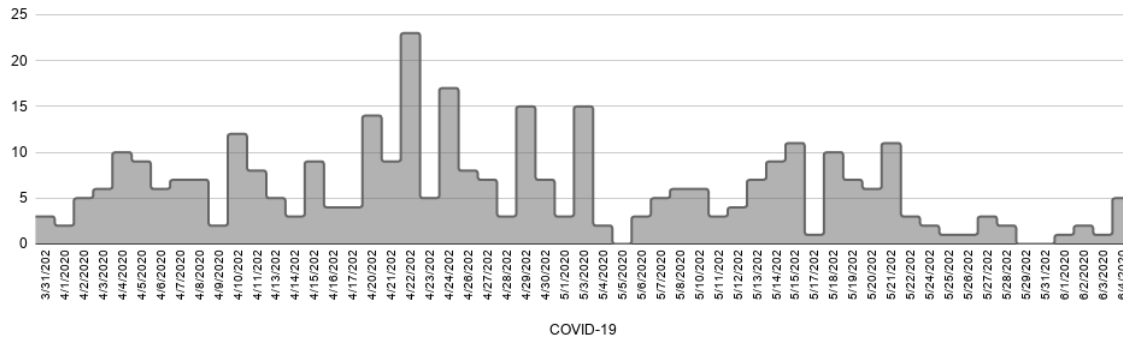
COVID-19 Hillsborough Reported Case Update

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

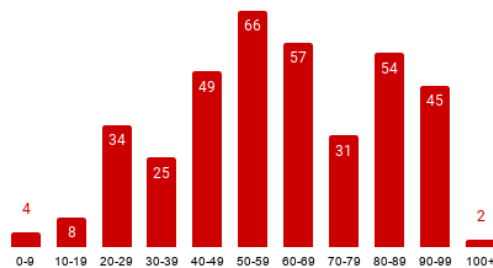
	Hillsborough	Millstone	Somerset County	New Jersey	United States
CASES	375	2	4,075	162,530	1,842,101
DEATHS	52	NA	422	11,970	107,029
RECOVERED	185	NA	NA	NA	NA

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

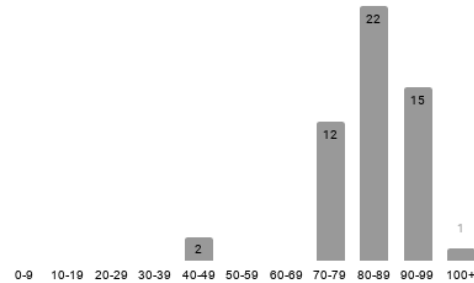
Daily Case Count



Positive Hillsborough Township Cases by Age Range



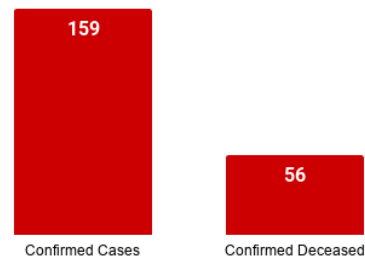
Deceased by Age Range



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.

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

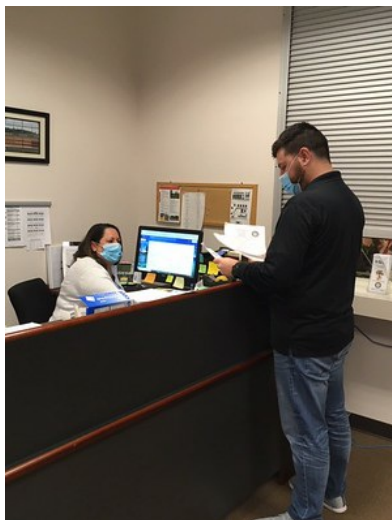
[Call 908-237-7150 for information on COVID-19 Testing for Somerset County residents](#)



*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.](#)

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



Parks and Recreation:
Recreation Assistant Director Griffin Dunne and Secretary Annette Henderson working in the office while practicing



Social Services:
Administrative Assistant Lee Santaromita working in the office and practicing social distancing

social distancing

[See Hillsborough Township Public Works Department's "We Are Public Works" Video](#)



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](#)

Updates from NJ TRANSIT

In conjunction with NJ Transit's efforts to combat the spread of COVID-19, it is essential for our customers and employees to practice social distancing by adhering to Governor Murphy's Executive Order 125 and the CDC's preventative steps for COVID-19.

Per [Governor Murphy's Executive Order 125](#), NJ Transit requires all personnel, customers and riders to wear a face coverings, among other requirements, strengthening NJ Transit's efforts to protect the public during the COVID-19 pandemic.

Other requirements are customers should be using NJ Transit services for essential travel only and NJ Transit workers authorized to limit passenger occupancy to 50% of the vehicle's maximum capacity on all trains, buses and light rail lines.

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. Check these links to keep informed:

[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

[COVID-19: Red Cross Offers Virtual Care for New Jersey Families Who Have Lost Loved Ones](#)

Our hearts are with you.

If you lost a loved one to COVID-19, please contact us for emotional support and other services.

redcross.org/VFAC



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

[PIONEER Family Success Center](#)

The Pioneer Family Success Center is a program of EmPoWER Somerset, a nonprofit organization. We offer 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](#).

[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.



[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.

[Click here for updates from Somerset County Library System of NJ \(SCLSNJ\)](#)

[For Weekly COVID-19 Message from Dr. Lisa Antunes, Superintendent of Schools](#)

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](#).



HILLSBOROUGH'S FOOD BANK
Updated 12/23/20

C.A.N. we count on you?
The Hillsborough Community Assistance Network continues to rely on the local community to help our Hillsborough neighbors in need.

Items we are currently low on:

Stuffing	Snacks	Laundry Detergent
Marinated Potatoes	Breakfast Bars	Dish Detergent
Pasta Sauce	Canned Fruit	Cleaning Products
Hamburger Helper	Instant Noodles	Cleaning Sponges

Items may be dropped off by the entrance to the Social Services Department. Located across from the Soccer Center. At the municipal complex. Monday thru Friday between 9:00am and 4:00pm.

Monetary donations can also be made by mailing in a check or going to Hillsborough.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](#)

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