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HILLSBOROUGH

e-News

COVID-19 Updates

Gaylene Todd, Caregiver of the Year

Hillsborough resident and caregiver for Right at Home, Gaylene Todd, was honored with a proclamation at the August 9th Township Committee meeting for being named Northeast Caregiver of the Year.

[Read Gaylene's proclamation.](#)



Pictured: Mayor Lipani with Gaylene Todd

Credit Card Grant Applications Due September 30th

The Hillsborough Township Credit Card Advisory Committee is now accepting grant applications for the fall. Applications are available on the Township website or can be picked up in the Administration Office for any Township-based non-profit, senior, or youth organizations to apply for grants up to \$2,000, which are funded through the Hillsborough Rewards Credit Card Program. The deadline is September 30th.

[More information](#)



Pictured: The Hillsborough Rockettes and Rocket are awarded a grant by the Hillsborough Credit Cards Rewards Program.

**Registration Underway for
Scarecrow Festival 2022!**

The Scarecrow Festival is back! Thanks to the popularity of last year's event, scarecrows will once again grace the Municipal Complex throughout the month of October. The festival is open to all Hillsborough Township residents, businesses, organizations, and other groups, and the deadline to register is September 18th.



[Details and registration.](#)

Suicide Prevention Month

In recognition of September as Suicide Prevention Month, **BoroSAFE** is sponsoring an awareness campaign throughout the Hillsborough community. Hillsborough was declared a Stigma-Free community in October 2020. This year's theme is #BeThe1To, created by the **Suicide Prevention Lifeline** to spread the word about actions we can all take to prevent suicide. This message is aimed at changing the conversation from suicide to suicide prevention, reducing the stigma associated with mental health issues, promoting healing, and giving hope.



Local events include:

- Hillsborough Township Proclamation of Suicide Prevention Month: Tues. Sept, 13 @ 7:30 PM at the Municipal Building
- Promoting Mental Health & Wellness: A Webinar for Families with Children of All Ages. Wed. Sept. 28, 7:00 PM presented by **Minding Your Mind**
- **AFSP** American Foundation for Suicide Prevention live Facebook event on September 10th from 12 - 8PM
- Question, Persuade, Refer (QPR) training sponsored by **Empower Somerset** - date: tbd
- Puppy Noses and Yoga Poses fundraising event - date: tbd

In addition, check out more on BoroSafe:

- Upcoming display at the Hillsborough Public Library
- Hillsborough's Scarecrow Contest in October

And don't forget to like us on **Facebook!**



August 11th Edition



Hillsborough
Township

Department Updates & Other News

Restaurant Week 2022 is Here

Local restaurants are encouraged to sign up for Hillsborough's Fifth Annual Restaurant Week - taking place from September 27t...

Do I Need a Permit? Ask the Fire Marshal

Often times Fire Marshals are asked if a permit is required - below is a short list of instances when a permit is required, h...

Bear Sightings Safety Tips

There have been numerous recent bear sightings. Black bears by nature tend to be wary of people. However, if you encounter a...

New Traffic Signal Installed at Intersection of Falcon Road and Sunnymead Road

The traffic signal at the intersection of Falcon Road and Sunnymead Road is now installed, but will not be operational until ...

How to Report a Street Light Outage

Street lights in Hillsborough Township are maintained by PSE&G. They can be contacted by going to the PSE&G website ...

Permit Tracking and Inspections Confirmations Available Online

Hillsborough Township uses an online tracking and request system called SDL to offer a convenient way for citiz...

Tips for Making Online Tax Payments

The online tax payment system is available to pay your taxes with a check or credit card and saves residents from mailing a p...

Assessor's Office Currently Performing Farmland Inspections

Please be advised that it is that time of the year in which the staff of the Assessor's office is currently performing farmla...

SCLS and Parks & Recreation Department Host StoryWalk®

C.A.N Partners with Foothill Acres for Senior Bingo Program

Hillsborough's Community Assistance Network and Foothill Acres have partnered throughout 2022 to provide a Bingo for Hillsbor...

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



Hillsborough Township is currently accepting applications online for the following open positions:

- **Inclusive Recreation Instructional Assistants**
- **Bus Driver**
- **Plumbing Inspector**
- **Building Inspector**
- **Part-Time Property Maint/Code Enforcement**

The Township of Hillsborough is an equal opportunity employer.

Reduce, Reuse, Recycle



Visit the [Recycling page on the Hillsborough Township website](#) for links to all of the Somerset County Recycling program schedules and information.

- [Somerset County Recycling](#)
- [Electronic Waste Recycling](#)
- [Free Document Shredding](#)

DO YOU HAVE KIDS UNDER AGE 5?

We want to hear your thoughts about the COVID vaccine!

Scan here to take a brief survey

Hillsborough Township Health Department

Get help with your water and sewer bills

Call: **2-1-1**
Or visit: **nj.gov/dca**

Tickborne Diseases & How to Avoid Them

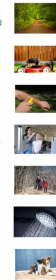


When an infected blood-sucking insect such as a tick bites a person, it can spread vector-borne illnesses such as Lyme disease. There are many types of diseases you can get from ticks. The best defense against them is to take steps to avoid being bitten by infected ticks.

How to Avoid Tick Bites:

- **Know where ticks are:** ticks live in/around wooded or grassy areas. Always walk in the center of trails to avoid contact with ticks.
- **Keep your yard clean:** mow lawns, clear brush and remove leaf litter.
- **Repel ticks:** use EPA-registered repellent with DEET, picaridin, IR3535, Oil of Lemon Eucalyptus (OLE), or 2-undecanone on skin and permethrin on clothing, boots and gear.
- **Inspect:** check your entire body—and your children's—for ticks after being outside and use a mirror to view hard-to-see areas.
- **Cover up:** wear long sleeves and pants tucked into socks to prevent ticks from getting under clothes.
- **Shower:** showering within two hours after being outside can help find and wash off unattached ticks.
- **Protect pets:** keep pets safe by checking for ticks daily and using tick control products as recommended by your veterinarian.

Visit "Fight the Bite, NJ" for more info: www.nj.gov/health/cd/topics/vectorborne.shtml



Upcoming Meetings and Events

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

3:30 pm Blood Drive Sponsored by Troop 1776

6:00 pm [Cancelled] Municipal Utilities Authority Meeting Rescheduled to 8/31/22

August 25, 2022

5:30 pm YMCA Event - Ready to Serve Meals

August 27, 2022

11:00 am HOPES Back to School Block Party

August 28, 2022

9:00 am Jason's Run

August 31, 2022

6:00 pm Municipal Utilities Authority Meeting

September 1, 2022

6:00 pm Open Space Advisory Committee

7:30 pm Planning Board Meeting

September 5, 2022

All Day Municipal Offices Closed

6:30 pm Economic & Business Development Commission - Regular Meeting

September 7, 2022

7:00 pm Board of Adjustment

7:00 pm Recreation and Parks Committee Meeting



Somerset County Library System **News** and **Events**

August Events at the Hillsborough Library

Hillsborough library has good things planned all month long for makers, travelers, English language learners, social butterflies, dancers, and of course readers.

Adult Painting Workshop

Thursday, August 25: 6:00 pm

Explore acrylic painting in this workshop.

<https://sclsnj.libnet.info/event/6142037>

Job Search Drop In

Friday, August 26: 10:00 am

Connect with a librarian for help in your job search.

<https://sclsnj.libnet.info/event/6142413>

September Events at the Hillsborough Library

Creative Aging Workshop

Sept. 9 @ 10am

Mindful creative arts workshops for older adults.

<https://sclsnj.libnet.info/event/6663180>

Job Search Drop In

Sept. 9 @ 10am

Drop in and discover job search tips and information.

<https://sclsnj.libnet.info/event/6619394>

Writers Group

Sept. 12 @ 6:30pm

Connect with others interested in the craft of writing to share works and writing experiences. Meetings are on the first Monday each month.

<https://sclsnj.libnet.info/event/6599725>

Board In The Library

Sept. 13 @ 10am

Tabletop, board, and card games. Puzzles, too!

<https://sclsnj.libnet.info/event/6667570>

English Conversation Group

Sept. 13, 20, 27 @ 1pm

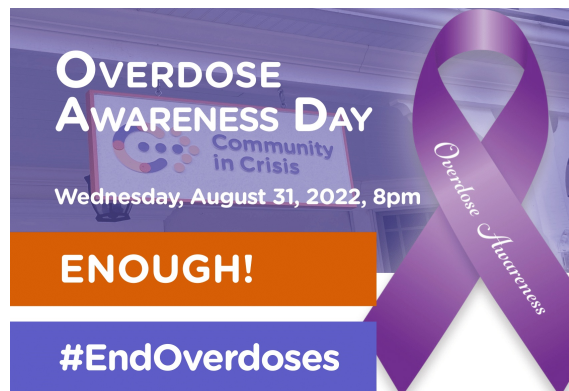
Practice speaking English in a friendly setting. Basic English skills are required. <https://sclsnj.libnet.info/event/6695500>

Together We Dance - Celebrate National Dance Day

Sept. 13 @ 6:30pm

National Dance Day (September 17) encourages people to incorporate dance into their lives. We will break down an easy routine to a current pop song.

<https://sclsnj.libnet.info/event/6623686>



Join us as we honor those lost to the addiction epidemic. There are some who bring a light so great to the world that, even after they have gone, the light remains. Let's allow their light to become ours.

Overdose Awareness Day: Wednesday, August 31, 2022, 8pm

We will gather outside in person to remember those no longer with us. We will light our new home in purple and plant flags of remembrance honoring our loved ones

Where: Community in Crisis, Community Hub, 9 Church Street, Bernardsville, NJ

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www.CommunityInCrisis.org

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Latest News from Somerset County:

County Awards an Additional \$800K in Recreational Open Space Grants
Open Space funds will benefit Bernardsville, Hillsborough, and Bedminster.

Senior Centers Offer Virtual and In-Person Programs Throughout August
In-person attendees must wear masks and practice social distancing.

Division of Transportation to Hold Public Hearing on Aug. 31
Public input is sought for the 2023 Casino Revenue Grant.

Grant Applications are being Accepted for Local Arts Programs
Submissions are due by Thursday, Sept. 15.

The County is Working with State and Federal Agencies to Respond to Monkeypox
Residents at high-risk or who have had close contact are encouraged to contact healthcare providers.

Visit the [Somerset County Website](https://www.somersetcountynj.org/) for all news articles

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

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