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HILLSBOROUGH e-News

Township News

Mayor Doug Tomson Thanks Card My Yard Hillsborough For Making Municipal Building #BOROSTRONG

Thank you to Tiziana Masi, owner of Card My Yard Hillsborough, for reminding us that Hillsborough is **#borostrong**



Mayor Doug Tomson Announces Township Health Department Takes Proactive Steps to Assist Retail Food Establishments

“The Health Department is taking a proactive approach to assist retail food establishments during this crisis, while ensuring they are adhering to the requirements keeping both customers and employees safe,” announced Mayor Doug Tomson at Tuesday’s Township Committee meeting. Retail food establishments have been permitted to remain open for business in New Jersey during the Coronavirus Pandemic, offering food by take out only. These establishments are required to follow specific safety regulations, such as social distancing. [Read more.](#)

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. [Due dates to complete the census have been modified due to COVID-19 health emergency.](#)



Department of Public Works' Clean Up Drop Off Program

The Annual Clean-Up Program will take place at the Auten Road Site. The free program is offered to residents to allow them to dispose of unwanted items. Residents wishing to participate in any of the Department of Public Works programs must first sign up for the [Public Works Membership Program.](#)

Reminder from Township Clerk's Office

The June Primary has been postponed until July 7th. With the date of the primary change, deadlines have also changed - June 16th is the deadline to register to vote for the July Primary.

Hepatitis A Vaccination Reminder

A reminder to individuals who were vaccinated in November 2019, following the potential Hepatitis A exposure at the Somerville ShopRite, that it's time to contact their healthcare provider for a second dose. [Read more.](#)

Safe + Sound Somerset: Every \$1 You Give to Help Counts as \$2

BIG NEWS!! Schilke Construction Co. has stepped up to match your donations this spring, dollar for dollar up to \$15,000! Now, every \$1 you give to help becomes \$2 of support for survivors of domestic abuse!. [Read more.](#)



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.](#)

All Six Hillsborough Elementary School HSA's Work Together to Raise Money for Hillsborough Non-Profits

The Elementary School HSA's are working to help give back to the community during this time of need. They are selling non-medical face masks that are reusable and made from 100% US cotton. It is a washable, breathable and a very comfortable mask with tie straps in back to tie at your comfort level. Printed in the USA with super soft water-based inks. The purchase of a mask will help you keep others safe, while supporting the local Non-Profit Organizations that need our support! 100% of the proceeds from the purchase of each mask will be split evenly between the Hillsborough Food Pantry (C.A.N.) and Safe+Sound Somerset (Domestic Violence Help). Show your support for Hillsborough! [Orders are due by May 16th.](#)

Woodfern Elementary School Home and School Association Holds Fundraiser for Hillsborough C.A.N.

Woodfern Elementary School Home and School Association (HSA) is selling

#BoroStrong T-shirts to raise money to buy groceries for needy families in town. 100% of the proceeds from each sale will go directly to the Hillsborough C.A.N. [Order your #BoroStrong T-Shirt by May 17th.](#) Also, see Woodfern School HSA's fundraising efforts [featured on News12 New Jersey](#)

[Hillsborough Middle School Band Competes in Rutgers Battle of the Bands](#)

The Hillsborough Middle School Band is competing for a spot to perform "The Bells Must Ring," Rutgers University's fight song, at a football game this fall. The band is one of five 2020 Finalists and need our support to help them win. [Public voting will run until May 17th at the Marching Scarlet Knights website.](#) The school with the most votes will win! Let's support our Middle School Band by voting daily...each IP address or mobile device are able to vote once every 24 hours.

[HHS Baseball & Softball Holding a Fundraiser for the Hillsborough C.A.N. Food Pantry](#)

HHS Baseball and Softball are missing the season but they wanted to give back to our community for all the support they've shown over the years. They are selling t-shirts for the "season we were ALWAYS SAFE at home." All proceeds from the t-shirt sale will benefit the Hillsborough C.A.N. food pantry. [Shirts are \\$10 each and are on sale until Monday, May 18th at this website.](#)



HILLSBOROUGH'S FOOD BANK

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:

Shampoo	Laundry Detergent	Deodorant
Conditioner	Dish Detergent	Razors
Bath Soap	Cleaning Products	Tissues

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



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The Peter J. Biondi Building
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How C.A.N. we help you?

Are you currently facing financial difficulty?
Do you need assistance providing food for your family?
Through the generosity of the local community Hillsborough's C.A.N. is able to assist you by providing food during this time of uncertainty.
How are we able to do this?
We are able to provide non-perishable groceries and toiletry products.

To apply for services, please visit the Hillsborough-nj.org web site under Social Services you will find an application to print off and complete.
Or contact our office at the number below and one will be mailed to you.
Once completed, please call our office to schedule an appointment.
If you have any additional questions, please call our office at 908-369-3880
Monday through Friday from 8am - 4:30pm.



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Hillsborough Township is in the process of upgrading its website. As the new site rolls out, some pages may be inaccessible for a short period of time. We appreciate your patience and look forward to bringing you a new and improved Hillsborough-nj.com.

COVID-19 Hillsborough Reported Case Update

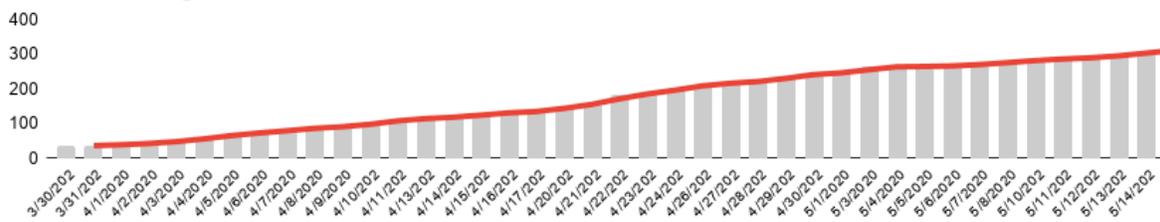
	Hillsborough	Millstone	Somerset County	New Jersey	United States
CASES	308	2	3,669	142,704	1,364,061
DEATHS	34	NA	350	9,946	82,246
RECOVERED	145	NA	NA	NA	NA

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

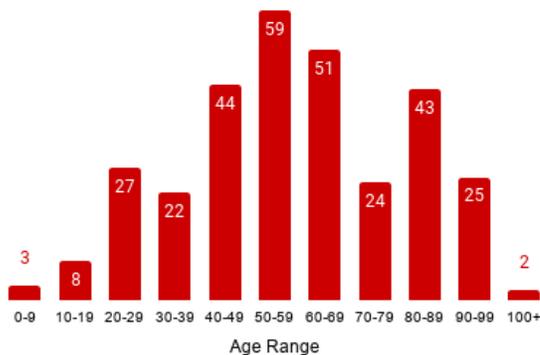
Disclaimer:

Please be advised that the numbers posted below 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.

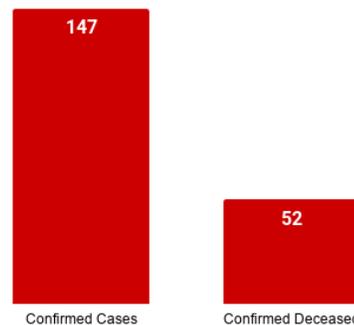
Total Hillsborough Cases*



Positive Hillsborough Township Cases by Age Range



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

[Testing at Raritan Valley College \(RVCC\) Continues on May 19th and May 21st](#)

COVID-19 Testing Continues for Somerset County residents at Raritan Valley Community College (RVCC) on Tuesday May 19th and Thursday May 21st. Testing will be by appointment only and a valid doctor's prescription is required. Testing site will be open from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.



*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. [See the full list of services.](#)

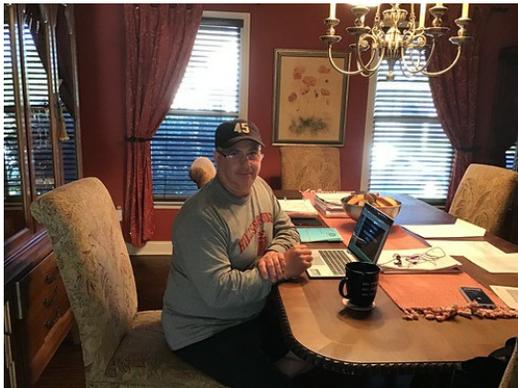
Finance / Tax Collector Update:

Effective Tuesday May 12th, the schedule for in person CASH only tax payments will be Tuesday, from 9 to noon, and Thursday, from 1 to 4.

Please keep in mind that taxes were due May 1st, however the grace period has been extended until June 1st (the last day of the grace period) and cash payment will be accepted that day from 9 am to 3 pm.

As always, you can still pay your tax by check via the mail or dropping it in the lockbox at the Police Department or [online payment](#).

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



Building:
Building Inspector Mark Jandoli remotely working on a plan review



Business Advocate:
Administrative Assistant Pattie d'Anunciacao working remotely on the HBA Facebook page and gathering info to update the Open Establishments page

Updates, Closures and Cancellations

A full list of the COVID-19 Updates, Closures and Cancellations is posted on the [Hillsborough Township website](#)

- [Sign Review Committee meeting for May 18th has been canceled](#)

COVID-19 State Updates & Community Resources

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

[Operation Secure Shred to Be Held on May 16th - Free Document Shredding for Residents](#)

[NJ Motor Vehicle Commission Adds More Online Services](#)

NJMVC announced it has added to its growing offering of web-based transactions, expanding the types of vehicles eligible for online registration renewals and replacements. A [full list](#) is available at [NJMVC.gov](#).

[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.

[Somerset County Library System of NJ \(SCLSNJ\)](#) offers virtual programs on its [website](#). You can also view programs on [SCLSNJ YouTube](#) channel. SCLSNJ Expands Virtual Reference Service in English and Spanish Languages and Text Options. [See "Ask a Librarian" on the SCLSNJ website for details.](#)

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

How Can I Help?

[Hillsborough Township Now Accepts Online Donations for the Community Assistance Network](#)

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](#).

[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](#)

Hillsborough is Open for Business

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



How To Contact Your State Officials

Governor Phil Murphy
phone #: 609-292-6000
email address: click [here](#) to contact on-line
mailing address: Office of Governor, PO Box 001, Trenton NJ 08625

Senator Bob Menendez
phone #: 973-645-3030
email address: click [here](#) to contact on-line
mailing address: One Gateway Center Suite 1100, Newark NJ 07102

Senator Cory Booker
phone #: 973-639-8700
email address: click [here](#) to contact on-line
mailing address: One Gateway Center 23rd Floor, Newark NJ 07102

Congressman Tom Malinowski
phone #: 908-547-3307
email address: click [here](#) to contact on-line
mailing address: 75-77 N Bridge St, Somerville, NJ 08876

Senator Christopher "Kip" Bateman
phone #: 908-526-3600
email address: click [here](#) to contact on-line
mailing address: 36 East Main Street, Somerville NJ 08876

Assemblyman Roy Freiman
phone #: 908-829-4191
email address: click [here](#) to contact on-line
mailing address: 390 Amwell Road Suite 301, Hillsborough NJ 08844

Assemblyman Andrew Zwicker
phone #: 732-823-1684
email address: click [here](#) to contact on-line
mailing address: 1 Deer Park Drive Suite D-1, Monmouth Junction NJ 08852

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