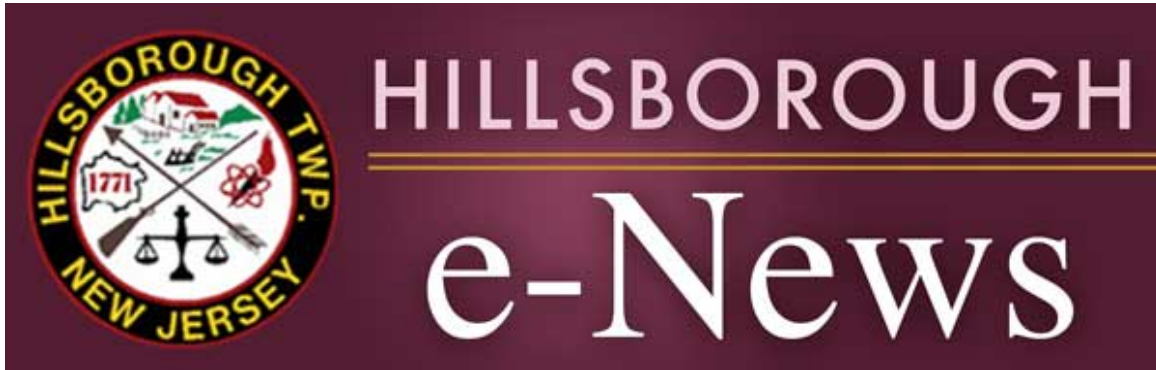


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Special Bulletin: COVID-19 UPDATE

Thursday, March 26, 2020



COVID-19 Hillsborough Reported Case Update

Updated on March 26, 2020

Hillsborough	Cases 18	Deaths 1
Somerset County	Cases 190	Deaths 4
New Jersey	Cases 4402	Deaths 62
United States	Cases 68,440	Deaths 994

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.

[Health Officer Confirms First COVID-19 Related Death in Hillsborough Township](#)

[Hillsborough Township Health Officer, Siobhan Spano, has confirmed the first fatality related to COVID-19 in the Township.](#)

"I have been informed that one of our adult residents passed away due to complications associated with the COVID-19 pandemic. Our hearts go out to the family. Please know that you are in our thoughts and prayers, stated Mayor Doug Tomson.

"I have seen our residents working hard to adhere to the restrictions in order to help one another. I think that most of us realize that our actions affect our neighbors, and we are all doing our part to prevent the spread of this disease. I have faith that as a community we will continue to band together to protect our loved ones and neighbors", continued Mayor Tomson.

The Hillsborough Health Officer, Siobhan Spano, said “ We continue to follow up on all reported cases of COVID 19 in Hillsborough Township and their contacts, in order to slow the spread of the disease.

Take a break from COVID-19 updates and listen to Mayor Tomson read “Duck for President”



Updates, Closures and Cancellations

The following items have been added to the list today. [A full list of the COVID-19 Updates, Closures and Cancellations is posted on the Hillsborough Township website.](#)

- Building Department: The Building Department has implemented an amended inspection schedule through April 3rd. Please visit the [Building Department's](#) page for [permit pickup procedures](#) and for an update on [precautions being taken for inspections](#). Scheduled inspections are still taking place at this time.
- Business Advocate: Hillsborough Rewards Credit Card Grant Applications originally due on April 10, 2020 will be due at a future date to be determined.
- Engineering: The Engineering Department has [forms](#) and frequently asked questions on the Engineering Forms page. Permit applications and required fees can be mailed to the attention of the Engineering Department. The staff will continue to review permits.
- Fire Safety: All business inspections and smoke alarm certification inspections have been suspended at this time. [Hillsborough Township Fire District Incident Response/Hillsborough Police Department Temporary New Guidelines.](#)

Donations of Personal Protective Equipment Sought - Collection Site in Hillsborough

Supplies of Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) are low due to the current public health crisis. As a result, Somerset County's Office of Emergency Management is asking 'nonessential' businesses to donate their PPE supplies for the benefit of RWJ University Hospital-Somerset and local first responders.

The types of PPE being requested include:

- Nitrile gloves (any size)

- Coveralls / tyvek suits / medical gowns (any sizes)
- Face shields / Goggles
- N95 masks
- P100 masks / Air Purifying Respirators

Only unexpired items will be accepted.

A drop off location will be set up at the Somerset County Public Works Garage, located at 410 Roycefield Rd., Hillsborough 08844. Drop offs will be accepted between 10 a.m. and 4 p.m., starting Monday, March 23. Donations will be accepted through Friday, March 28.

All employees and volunteers working at the drop-off location will be practicing social distancing and maintaining a space of six feet or more. Donors are asked to observe the same precautions.

For more information, contact the Somerset County Office of Emergency Management at EmergencyMgmt@co.somerset.nj.us

Community Resources

- [Animals and Coronavirus Disease 2019 \(COVID-19\)](#)
- [COVID-19 Information Hub](#)
- NJ Office of Homeland Security and Preparedness update: [COVID-19 Rumor Control and Disinformation Updates](#)
- [ShopRite of Hillsborough - Special Hours to Seniors and At Risk Individuals](#)
- [Hillsborough Food Establishments Updated Operation Hours and Closures](#)
- [Coronavirus \(COVID-19\) Business Resources](#)
- [Hillsborough Business Association \(HBA\) Facebook page](#)
- [New Jersey Department of Human Services has Coronavirus \(COVID-19\) material for those who are deaf or hard of hearing](#)
- [GRWDB Provides Unemployment Insurance Information](#)
- [Parish Community of St. Joseph live stream Masses](#)
- [Mary, Mother of God Church live stream Catholic Masses](#)
- [Neshanic Reformed Church live stream Sunday Morning Worship Service and video/audio chat of Wednesday Night Bible Study](#)
- [Safe & Sound, Somerset](#)
- [Safe & Sound Somerset Safety Planning](#)
- Safe & Sound Somerset - listen to the new episode of our [Ask Ava podcast](#) for several mindfulness activities that you can start practicing right away
- [PSE&G Implements Operational Updates to Continue to Safeguard Customer and Employee Health](#)

- [Comcast Helps Keep Americans Connected to the Internet](#)
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