

Friday, May 8, 2020



HILLSBOROUGH e-News

Township News

[Mayor Tomson and Deputy Mayor Lipani Join Meals for Heroes at Bridgeway on May 5th](#)

Mayor Doug Tomson and Deputy Mayor Shawn Lipani joined Meals for Heroes on Tuesday May 5th as they delivered meals to the front-line heroes at Bridgeway Care and Rehabilitation Center. [Read more.](#)



[Senior Curbside Pickup Date Being Rescheduled](#)

For seniors that were signed up to have their goods picked up in April, look out for a postcard with the new date.



Hillsborough Community Assistance Network
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HILLSBOROUGH'S FOOD BANK

A collection of various food and household items, including bottles of detergent, dish soap, and boxes of food.

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
Conditioner
Bath Soap

Laundry Detergent
Dish Detergent
Cleaning Products

Deodorant
Razors
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

Hillsborough Township Municipal Complex
The Peter J. Biondi Building
379 South Branch Road
Hillsborough, NJ 08844
908-369-3880
Hillsborough-nj.org

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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
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Reminder: the May 12th Township Committee Meeting will be Live-Streamed on YouTube

On Tuesday, May 12, 2020, the Hillsborough Township Committee will hold its regularly scheduled meeting. Due to the Governor's Executive Order No. 104, limiting public gatherings, the public may participate virtually. The meeting will be live streamed on the Township's YouTube channel and a conference call has been set up to allow the public to participate via telephone.

Last Call for Hillsborough Rewards Credit Card Program Grant Applications

The Hillsborough Township Credit Card Advisory Committee is still accepting grant applications. Applications can be found on the Township [website](#). Completed applications must be submitted by **Thursday, May 14, 2020** to the Administration Office to be considered for eligible grant funding. You can email a scanned application to pborek@hillsborough-nj.org or fax it to 908-369-6034.

Hillsborough High School Field Hockey Team's Homework Helpers Offering Free Tutoring

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 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

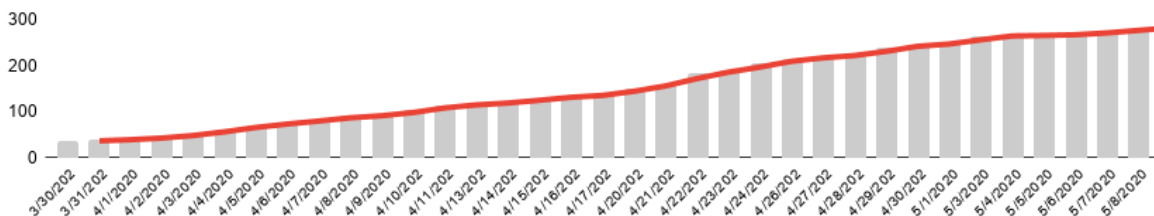
	Hillsborough	Millstone	Somerset County	New Jersey	United States
CASES	279	2	3,487	135,454	1,219,066
DEATHS	31	NA	322	8,952	73,297
RECOVERED	134	NA	NA	NA	NA

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

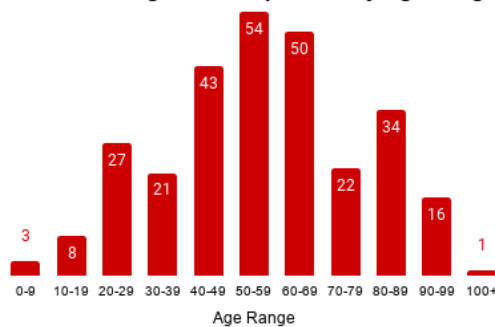
Revised Disclaimer:

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 12th and 14th](#)

COVID-19 Testing Continues for Somerset County residents at Raritan Valley Community College (RVCC) on May 12th and May 14th. 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.



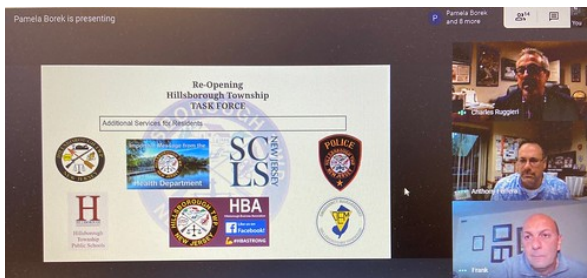
Social Services:

Bus driver Dawn Spinelli starting her day driving senior residents



Parks:

Joe Maturin, Anthony Zaliwski, Ernesto Gonzalez and Bobby Dowches working on Willow Rd Complex second phase of tree planting



Administration:

Members of the Mayor's Task Force to Reopen Hillsborough Township holding virtual meeting



Public Works:

DPW's Equipment Operator Kyle Trimmer is ditching East Mountain Road to improve water flow

Updates, Closures and Cancellations

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

[Operation Secure Shred to Be Held on May 16th](#)

COVID-19 State Updates & Community Resources

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

[American Red Cross Mental Health First Aid Course: Supporting Yourself and Others During COVID-19](#)

[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.](#)

[Pandemic Parenting with Rachel Simmons](#)

Monday, May 11th from noon to 1:00 pm

Learn practical tools to respond to stress with emotional intelligence, composure, and compassion in this interactive workshop

[Somerset County: Economic Impact Checks for Senior Citizens Explained - Just the Basics](#)

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

[See Dr. Lisa Antunes, Acting Superintendent of Schools, weekly COVID-19 messages](#)

[COMCAST Extends Comprehensive COVID-19 Response Policies to June 30th.](#)

For additional information and updates from Comcast related to Coronavirus, visit their [website](#).

[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.

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

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Congressman Tom Malinowski

phone #: 908-547-3307

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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

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