

# HILLSBOROUGH

# e-News



All COVID-19 resources and case information is updated on the <u>Township COVID-19 page</u> daily, Monday through Friday.

The Mayor's eNews is published weekly on Wednesdays.



Milling and paving will be done on E Mountain Rd, between Amwell and Mountainview Rd, Monday through Friday between 9am and 4pm. The road will be closed.

### **April is Building Safety Month**

"Prevent, Prepare, Protect. Building Codes Save," the theme for Building Safety Month 2021, celebrates the industry's resilience throughout the pandemic and looks to continue creating safe and sustainable buildings and communities

Pictured: Hillsborough Township Contruction Official John Fiedler and Mayor Shawn Lipani



### **April is National Volunteer Month**

In 1989 President George H.W. Bush's vision of 1000 Points of Light helped mobilize volunteers across the country and designated April as National Volunteer Month. April is now dedicated to recognizing the importance of volunteering and honoring the significant contributions volunteers make by generously donating time and talents to worthy causes.



# Hillsborough Township Recognized by Mayors Wellness Campaign as "Healthy Town to Watch" for 2020

Hillsborough Township first joined the Mayors Wellness Campaign in 2006, pledging to increase awareness about healthy living. In 2021, Hillsborough Township remains steadfast in that resolve with even more programs and initiatives

encouraging and focusing on healthy alternatives for both employees and residents.

### Mayors Wellness Campaign

Put your community in motion.



# Hillsborough Township Parks and Recreation Department Receives Three NJRPA Awards

Hillsborough Township's Parks and Recreation department was recognized at the Annual 2021 New Jersey Recreation and Parks Association (NJRPA) conference.

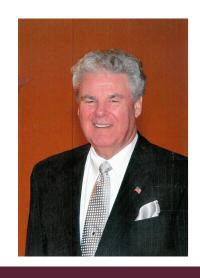
The NJRPA awards were held in February of this year to identify dedicated leaders, employees, and volunteers in the field of Parks and Recreation and recognize the State's outstanding Park and Recreation agencies for excellence in programming, publicity, and facility design.



# US Army Veteran Thomas Cellilli, Jr. Named 2021 Hillsborough Grand Marshal

Mayor Shawn Lipani announced that Hillsborough resident Thomas Cellilli, Jr., an Army Veteran, has been named Hillsborough Township's Grand Marshal for 2021.

"Mr. Cellilli was to have been the Grand Marshall in 2020 when Memorial Day festivities were cancelled due to COVID-19 restrictions,' stated Mayor Lipani. "We are pleased to now honor him in 2021."





# Hillsborough Township is Celebrating 250 Years

Be a part of the Big Anniversary Celebration!

Hillsborough Township is 250 years old! This is a time to celebrate the

history and progress of the community. With that in mind, The municipality will be hosting a variety of commemorative activities and events throughout the year





# Enter the "History of Hillsborough Diorama Contest

All residents, businesses, community groups, classrooms, clubs and organizations are invited and encouraged to participate.



### **Show Your Hillsborough Pride**

Complimentary commemorative magnets are available for all residents. If you haven't yet picked up yours, stop by the Municipal Building and request yours.

Additionally, limited-edition commemorative merchandise is available for purchase on the Recreation Department <u>website</u>. Mugs are only \$5 each!

How well do you know Hillsborough? Take the quiz and see how you score.

**Take the Quiz** 



# Free Tree Seedling Distribution on April 24th

6" - 24" high bare root tree seedlings will be available on a first come, first served basis and come with instructions on how to store, care for, and plant the trees. Quantities are limited and pre-registration on Community Pass is required. Residents are asked to complete and return an Impact Story Interview as part of their participation in the program.

Read more about the <u>New Jersey Tree</u> <u>Recovery Campaign</u>.



April 24th, 8am -12pm Ann Van Middlesworth Park 570 Pleasant View Road

**Register Now** 

# Earth Day Community Clean Up Saturday, April 24th

Attention Litter Heroes!! We are only a month away from our first live event of the year. Volunteer today and celebrate Earth Day by cleaning up our community.

Please help us spread the word by sharing and promoting on your page.



### **Register Now**

### Hillsborough/Millstone Municipal Alliance Adopt-a-Highway Cleanup

The Hillsborough / Millstone Municipal Alliance for substance use awareness and prevention sponsors the Adopt A Highway clean up!! Look for our signs on Route 206.

Volunteers are needed (over 18 years old, please) and will clean both sides of HWY 206 between New Amwell and Homestead Rd. Volunteers are asked to wear masks and socially distance from other volunteers.

### Questions?

Please email <u>boroaware@gmail.com</u> Saturday, April 24, 2021 9:30 AM start meet at Starbucks parking lot. RAIN DATE Sunday, April 25, 2021.

Volunteers please meet at 9:30 AM at the Starbucks Hillsborough parking lot. Thanks for your support!

If this is your first time volunteering with Adopt A Highway, <u>please watch this 7 minute safety video.</u>



### HILLSBOROUGH PLEDGES WATER CONSERVATION





### **JOIN THE CAUSE.**

Simply pledge to reduce your water waste and contribute to your community and a chance to win prizes.

In 2020...





50 Landscape Timer &

Wireless Weather Sensors

Utilities For A Year



100 Reusable Petal Aluminum Hand Soap Bottles



Gift Cards to HOBIE SURF SHOP & Home Improvement Stores



**ULTIMATE PRIZE:** Millions of Gallons of Water Saved

\$119,810

438,000

Support Hillsborough in the 2021 Challenge by taking your pledge at **mywaterpledge.com** 

Learn more: sustainablehillsborough.com



Wyland Foundation's National Mayor's Challenge is designed to create awareness, promote resource resiliency, protect our watersheds and ecosystems, save on costs for consumers, and save on infrastructure and operating costs for cities. The challenge is a non-profit community service campaign presented by the Wyland Foundation. Hillsborough joins the challenge for the 3rd consecutive year.

Do you use reusable shopping bags when you grocery shop?



Take a 10 second Survey

### **COVID-19 Vaccine Infomation**

On Monday, April 19th, vaccine eligibility expanded to include all individuals 16 and older who live, work, or study in New Jersey.



As of this week:

- More than 5.8 million vaccine doses have been administered in New Jersey
- More than 3.6 million people have received at least one dose
- More than 2.3 million people are fully vaccinated

### Frequently Asked Questions about the COVID-19 Vaccine

Register online via the NJ COVID-19 Vaccine Registration System. If you do not have a computer, call the COVID Vaccine Hotline at 855-568-0545.

If you have questions about the vaccine, please visit: https://covid19.nj.gov/pages/vaccine

A listing of clinics can be found on this site: https://covid19.nj.gov/pages/covid-19-vaccine-locations-for-eligible-recipient

### Hillsborough Township Social Services Department: 908-369-3880

Assistance is available for Hillsborough Senior Citizens who are unable to register for the Covid vaccine because they do not have a computer. Transportation to and from vaccine appointments is also available.

Somerset County COVID Hotline: (908) 231-7155

NJ Senior COVID Hotline (75 plus): 856-249-7007

Providing scheduling support, predominantly through dedicated appointments, to ensure 75+ seniors are able to access appointments

Somerset County Office on Aging: 908-704-6346

Covid Connect Helpline: 833-223-0011

For Mental Health and Substance Abuse Issues

The New Jersey Covid Vaccine Info Facebook Page

**COVID-19 Funeral Assistance Available** 

**Covid Connect Health Line** 

### More News from Hillsborough Township

- Disc Golf Course Opens at Willow Road Complex
- Hillsborough is a "Healthy Town to Watch"
- Save The Date: Veteran's Drive Thru Breakfast & Memorial Day Festivities
- Hillsborough Township Satisfaction Survey
- Please Have Your Ticket/Complaint Number Handy
- April is National Financial Literacy Month
- Homestead Rebate Applied to 3rd Quarter
- Phase 2 of Willow Road Repaving Begins
- Email Notifications for Permit Requests
- Spring Programs Underway
- Join Us for a Special Screening of "Angst"
- Take the Wyland Water Pledge.
- Hillsborough Township Police Department is Taking Back Unwanted Prescription Drugs on April 24th
- Residents Are Reminded to Lock Their Cars
- Spring Soccer Scrimmage Registration is OPEN!
- Register today for our Summer Sports Clinics
- Hillsborough Township Parks and Recreation Department Receives Three NJRPA Awards
- FEMA Funeral Assistance for COVID Deaths
- Non-Residential Point of Contact
- Hillsborough Township Announces "History of Hillsborough" Diorama Contest

Visit the News & Media page and individual department pages on the Township website for all updates





<u>Visit the Stigma Free Page on the Hillsborough Township website for information on the following programs.</u>

### The New Jersey Hope and Healing Forum

Thursdays, 10 a.m., April 22, May 27, 2021 A 45-Minute Zoom Featuring New Jersey Hope and Healing Emotional Support Services Register Now

### The COVID Blues

Available Thursdays, 12:30 p.m., April 22, May 27 A 45-Minute Zoom Featuring a Thought-Provoking Presentation and Discussion Register Now

### Penelope the Powerful Parrot May 12 6:30 pm

An interactive experience for children and adults to lessen the impact of the COVID-19 pandemic throught eh use of storytelling, movement and song Register Now

### May 5th Youth Mental Health First Aid Training

Youth Mental Health First Aid teaches you how to identify, understand and respond to signs of mental illness and substance use disorders in youth. This training is for: teachers, school staff, coaches, camp counselors, youth group leaders, parents and anyone who work with youth.

Register Now

# April 22nd Screening of the Documentary: Angst, Raising Awareness around Anxiety

On top of academic and social stress, the uncertainty and fears of this past pandemic year have brought all of us a lot more anxiety than before. Angst helps break this down, explaining what's going on, and what we can do about it to help both ourselves and others. It features World Champion Swimmer Michael Phelps, experts in the field, and regular teenagers. Register Now

# Are you 45 or older? Do you not have insurance?

RWJUH Somerset will be offering alimited number of free colonoscopies to community members who are 45or older and are either on Medicaid or uninsured.

For more information on how to schedule, please contact Katelyn Sheridan at 908 595 2606

Robert Wood Johnson RWJBarnabas University Hospital HEALTH Somerset



### **Community Fundraisers**

Visit the Community Fundraiser page on the Hillsborough Township Website



# **Ticket Sales** Information

# We're All in This Together: Hillsborough's Hidden Talents

**Livestreamed Fundraising Event** Friday, April 23 and Saturday, April 24, 2021 @7PM

Tickets are \$5.00. To purchase tickets please use the following link: https://tinyurl.com/borotalent

Proceeds benefitting the Hillsborough/Millstone Municipal Alliance and BoroSAFE

Questions: boroaware@gmail.com

<u>Sponsored by:</u> Hillsborough/Millstone Municipal Alliance / BoroSAFE / Hillsborough Stigma Free HEA PRIDE / Hillsborough Township Committee / Hillsborough BOE

The mission of the Hillsborough/Millstone Municipal Alliance is to change lives by empowering our communities to combat substance abuse and its related problems at home, school and work with proven, practical resources, prevention education and advocacy.

BoroSAFE is a community collaborative with an aim to provide access to mental health resources, emotional well-being best practices and suicide prevention resources across the entire Hillsborough Community.





Support Christian Armento's Eagle Scout Project

### Seniors need YOUR help!

#### Items needed

- Playing Cards
- Memory games
- Words search books
- Crossword puzzles
- Adult coloring books
- Coloring pencils
- Puzzles(24-500 pieces)
- Wooden puzzles
- Hexagon puzzles
- Pattern Block puzzles
- Peg games(Solitaire, golf, tic tac,
- No stress chess, Trivia or similar
- Dominoes, Triominoes
- New or gently used books



### Places you can drop off donations

- 8 Carroll Drive, Hillsborough, NJ
- Hillsborough Municipal Building (Library hallway)

### **Beneficiaries**

- Foothill Acres
- All American Assisted Living
- Bridgeway Care and

- Any gift card or monetary donations would be used to purchase the above items
- Rehabilitation Center

   Brookdale Senior Living



# Support Hillsborough High School's Project Graduation

Order Lawn Signs by April 30

Purchase Shop Rite Gift Cards



## **Township Employment Opportunities**

Hillsborough Township currently has the following open positions:

- Building Inspector Part Time new
- Electrical Inspector Full Time
- Part Time Building Maintenance Person new
- Part Time IT Assistant
- Part Time Office Assistant/Floater

The Township of Hillsborough is an equal opportunity employer. Forward an <a href="mailto:employment application">employment application</a>, cover letter, resume, and 3 references, to Sarah Brake: <a href="mailto:sbrake@hillsborough-nj.org">sbrake@hillsborough-nj.org</a>

## **Upcoming Meetings and Events**

Next two weeks at a glance in Hillsborough Township:

### April 21, 2021

12:00 pm Webinar: Living with Alzheimer's for Caregivers

### April 22, 2021

6:30 pm Sustainable Hillsborough Steering Committee

7:00 pm Angst: Raising Awareness Around Anxiety

7:30 pm Planning Board Business Mtg

#### April 23, 2021

Hillsborough's Hidden Talents Livestreamed Fundraising Event

### April 24, 2021

Hillsborough's Hidden Talents Livestreamed Fundraising Event

8:00 am - 12:00 pm Tree Seedling Distribution

8:00 am - 9:00 am Earth Day Litter Clean Up

9:30 am - 1:00 pm Operation Secure Shred

### **April 26, 2021**

1:00 pm - 7:00 pm Community Blood Drive

6:30 pm Sign Review Committee

7:00 pm [Cancelled] Environmental Commission

### April 27, 2021

7:30 pmTownship Committee Meeting



### Somerset County Library System News and Events



### **Somerset County Press Releases**

Latest News from Somerset County:

#### **Transportation Conducts Survey About Paratransit**

Input is being sought by older residents who use county paratransit services.

### 2021 Budget Preserves Essential Services & Maintains Triple-A Rating

The budget provides all current services, while adding additional services, such as free COVID testing and vaccinations.

#### Join a Free Zoom Meet & Greet with the Somerset County Sheriff

The live event will be held on April 22, at noon.

### Operation Secure Shred to Be Held on April 24

The event will occur from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.

# Summer Youth Employment Program Returning in Somerset and Hunterdon Counties The deadline for application is May 5.

# Somerset County to Provide Free Mobile COVID-19 Testing in Bridgewater On April 20 Somerset County is providing free COVID-19 testing for county residents at another mobile test site on Tuesday, April 20, from 3 p.m. to 7 p.m., at the Somerset County Public Works Garage, North County Facility, 411 Chimney Rock Road, Bridgewater, NJ 08807.

Somerset County Park Commission Invites the Community to Hold Weddings and Photo-Shoots in Its Scenic Parks and Gardens

### **Public Safety Telecommunications Week and Smart911 System**

Residents are encouraged to sign up for Smart911

### County to Hold Free Tire Drop-off Event, April 19 to 23

The event will be held from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Visit the **Somerset County Website** for all news articles

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