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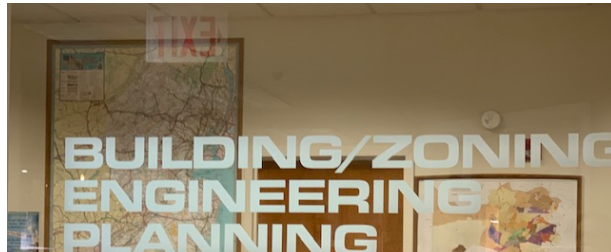
Valley Road Closing

Valley Road at Route 206 will be closed tomorrow from 9:00 am until 4:00 pm. No emergency vehicle access



Building Department Open Until 7:00 pm

In order to assist Hillsborough Township residents who were impacted by Hurricane Ida, the Building Department will remain open until 7 pm today. They can be reached at 908-369-5882.



President Biden Visits Hillsborough

President Joe Biden held a press conference in Hillsborough on September 7th and Mayor Shawn Lipani was on hand to greet him and discuss Hurricane Ida's impact on the Hillsborough Community. Also in attendance were Governor Phil Murphy, Congressman Tom Malinowski, and other dignitaries.



Mayor Lipani on CNN

Mayor Shawn Lipani was interviewed on CNN last night. He discussed his visit with President Biden and Hillsborough's storm recovery efforts.



Governor Murphy Visits Hillsborough

Mayor Shawn Lipani, accompanied by Deputy Mayor Frank DelCore, Committeeman Doug Tomson, Committeewoman Janine Erickson, and Committeeman Jeffrey Wright, welcomed Governor Phil Murphy, Congressman Tom Malinowski, and other dignitaries as they toured Hillsborough to assess the damage from Hurricane Ida.



Thank You, Volunteers!

Mayor Lipani would like to express his gratitude to all the volunteers who showed up to help organize donations and assist residents during their time of need.

In addition to Mayor Lipani, Deputy Mayor DelCore, Committeewoman Erickson, members of the Rotary Club, staff from the Administration and Social Services departments, many C.A.N. volunteers, and Hillsborough residents also selflessly donated their time and belongings to help those who suffered losses as a result of Hurricane Ida.



Thank you to everyone who responded to the call for help. It's because of people like

you that Hillsborough remains one of the best places to live in America.

Donation Pick Up

The Municipal Building will be open late tomorrow, Thursday, September 9th, for any residents who have been impacted by Hurricane Ida. Those in need can come between the hours of 10 am and 3:00 pm or from 4:30 pm to 7:00 pm. to collect donated items; including but not limited to: food, water, cleaning products, school supplies, and clothing.



Please note: Due to the number of donations, if possible please do not bring young children with you.

C.A.N. Still Accepting Certain Donations

The Community Assistance Network has updated its list of needed items. If you wish to donate items to residents in need, please donate these items ONLY:

- Rubber cleaning/work gloves
- Garbage Bags
- Dishwashing Liquid - Smaller bottles
- Laundry detergent - Smaller bottles
- Mops
- Buckets
- Cleaning Products
- Paper Products
- Deodorant
- Shampoo
- Conditioner
- Coffee
- Gravy



Thank you, once again, to the Hillsborough community for all you have done to assist your neighbors.

Auten Road Facility Open for Storm-Related Debris

The Auten Road Facility will be open tomorrow Thursday, September 9, through Saturday, September 11th, from 8:00 a.m until 2:00 p.m.

Items that can be dropped off include furniture, rugs, etc.



Shred for Wilkie

To commemorate the life and memory of Brendan James Wilkie, DC Shoes is hosting a "Shred for Wilkie Day" at Ann Van Skate Park this Friday, September 10th, World Suicide Prevention Day, from 3:00 pm to 8:00 pm. Come join the DC skateboard team along with the local skate community to celebrate the life of our fallen brother and help to spread awareness on mental health and suicide prevention.



Federal Disaster Assistance

FEMA has approved a Major Disaster Declaration for six New Jersey counties (Bergen, Gloucester, Hunterdon, Middlesex, Passaic, Somerset), which will make direct federal assistance available to individuals who suffered storm-related damages resulting from the remnants of Hurricane Ida.

Federal disaster recovery funds may be available to assist with home repairs, temporary housing, low-cost loans, and other expenses resulting from the impacts of Ida.

Additionally, sheltering assistance for residents who lost their homes may be available. [Click here to find out if you qualify.](#)

Register for FEMA Disaster Assistance at [DisasterAssistance.gov](https://www.disasterassistance.gov).



FEMA

Sign Up for SDL Portal

The Building Department urges residents that have been affected by Tropical Storm Ida, to sign up for the SDL portal. The portal will allow you to check permit status for restoration work, unsafe structure notices, or any updates from our department for your property will be readily accessible from the SDL portal. To sign up go to www.sdlportal.com and create an account to utilize this feature for your convenience.



Back to School Reminders from the Hillsborough Township Police Department

The Hillsborough Township Police Department reminds everyone that school is back in session, which means increased pedestrian traffic as some students walk to school. Residents should also expect increased bus traffic.



Please be alert to flashing lights on stopped buses as children are entering and exiting the buses. Passing a stopped bus with warning lights activated can result in a 5 point

violation and substantial fines.

When traveling on a divided road, such as Raider Blvd. or Triangle Rd., and on the opposite side of the median as the bus, you are not required to stop, but must reduce speed to 10 mph.

The Police Department will be monitoring school bus stops and active school zones throughout the school year. Motorists should allow for extra travel time and anticipate increased volume around school facilities.

Flood and Flooding Reminder

- DO NOT drive onto a flooded roadway
- DO NOT go around barriers
- DO NOT drive through flowing water.

If you approach a roadway that is flooded, TURN AROUND - DON'T DROWN. It takes just 12 inches of rushing water to carry away a small car, while 2 feet of rushing water can carry away most vehicles. It is NEVER safe to drive or walk into floodwaters.



Drive with extreme caution if roads are even just wet or it is raining. You can lose control of your vehicle if hydroplaning occurs, which is when a layer of water builds up between your tires and the road, causing there to be no direct contact between your vehicle and the road.

Be cautious of broken or leaking gas lines, flooded electrical circuits, submerged furnaces or electrical appliances, and flammable or explosive materials coming from upstream.

Turn off the main power switch before floodwaters crest if you think the electrical circuits are going to be underwater. Never touch the switch while you are wet or standing in water. Do not turn the electrical system back on until it has been inspected by an electrician.

Know what a river height forecast means for your property especially how far your property is above or below expected flood levels.

Know where to go in case of flooding. Remember that you must seek higher ground as quickly as possible, on foot if necessary.

Visit the [American Red Cross website](#) for more information about flood safety and preparation.

Visit the [Hillsborough Township Hurricane Ida page](#) for resources and links for those impacted by the recent storm.

Hillsborough Township's 2021 Community Plastic Bag Recycling Challenge

We challenge our residents to recycle your clean, dry, empty plastic bags and film packaging!

If we receive a minimum of 500 lbs. or 40,500 plastic film bags in 6 months, Trex Company will provide the residents of

Hillsborough a free, high-performance composite bench for one of our parks!

Requirements are that the bags and packaging be clean, dry and empty so Trex can repurpose them into Earth-friendly composite outdoor decking and railing.

Please deposit your bags and other plastic film in one of the three receptacles located around the Hillsborough Municipal Building and join us in creating a sustainable environment!



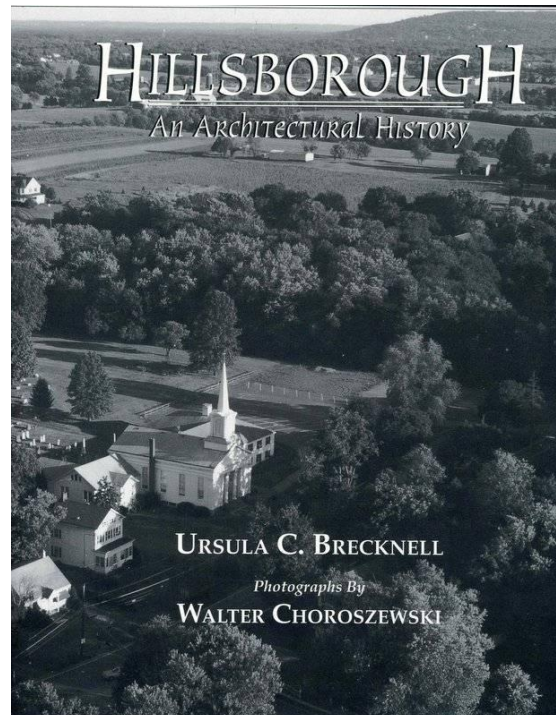
Tell a Friend!

Do you know someone who would enjoy reading the Mayor's eNewsletter? [Share this link](#) so they can sign up to receive updates in their inbox every Wednesday! And if you're not already following the Hillsborough Township Facebook page for official news, updates, and other items of interest, [there's no time like the present!](#)



Hillsborough: An Architectural History

Hillsborough Township is happy to announce that we have vintage copies of the award-winning book "Hillsborough: An Architectural History" available for purchase. Each copy offers a collection of interesting architectural history of our beautiful township. Originally offered to the public in 1996, this celebration of the architectural styles, chosen by the residents, provides fascinating pictures and insider information on Hillsborough's prized landmarks. Different expressions of settlement, growth, and maturity of Hillsborough during the 200 year time period of 1700-1900 are shown. This hardcover book offers almost 300 pages of interesting history. Books are on sale at a price of \$20 each, so stop by the Clerk's Office and get yours today!



Announcing the Hillsborough Scarecrow Festival!

As we continue to celebrate Hillsborough Township's 250th Anniversary, we'd like to invite residents, businesses and organizations to participate in the Township's first-ever Scarecrow Festival! Participants can create scarecrows that depict historic people

and famous characters or they can go the traditional route. All entries are welcome as long as they are family-friendly and homemade.

[Click to register](#)



Scarecrow

FESTIVAL

Scarecrows in 'Boro!

As we continue to celebrate Hillsborough Township's 250th Anniversary please join us this Fall as we host the all-new Scarecrow Festival. For three fun-filled weeks, scarecrows will grace the grassy knoll & winding pathway beside the Rain Garden at the Municipal Complex. Some will be inspired by famous characters, some will be humorous, some might even scare you—but all of them will be carefully handmade and contributed by Hillsborough Twp. Residents, Businesses and Organizations!

Registration online: <https://forms.gle/GzMF2Cz159Wqhe6>

Inspiration for your creation:

Traditional-Pay homage to the scarecrows that have been "scaring crows" from farmers' fields for centuries in this category. Utilize old cloth, straw, and natural supplies.

Thrills & Chills-"It's Alive!" Create a scarecrow that scares. Ideas: You're only limited by your darkest nightmares.

Upcycled-Repurpose and reimagine found objects into a scarecrow that is more than its parts.

Character - Create a scarecrow interpretation of your favorite book, tv or movie character: human, animal or animated! Ideas: Historical figure, Disney character, superhero or villain

Please direct any questions to Erica via email
tenzoe@hillsboroughpd.org

Scarecrow Festival

October 1st - 26th

Registration open to all residents, local businesses and Groups

Register between 8/10 - 9/10

Voting & Prizes!

Use the QR code to register now!



Hillsborough Township

379 South Branch Rd.
Hillsborough, NJ 08844

908-369-4343
www.hillsborough-nj.org

Calling All Hillsborough Veterans!

Calling all Hillsborough Veterans -- on Saturday, September 18th, Hillsborough will be hosting its 250th Celebration parade kicking off at 10am sharp. All interested Veterans will be provided a shuttle the morning of the parade, and leaving from the main entrance of the Municipal Building at 9:30am. We invite all Hillsborough Veterans interested in participating in the parade to register by calling the Hillsborough Parks & Recreation

office at 908-369-4832 or [registering online via Communitypass](#).



Hillsborough Business Association's 4th Annual Restaurant Week

Registration for Hillsborough Restaurateurs is now open to participate in the 4th annual Hillsborough Restaurant Week beginning on Tuesday, September 28th, running through Sunday, October 3rd. Participating Hillsborough restaurants will have an opportunity to promote their own creative masterpieces to be enjoyed by foodies from Hillsborough and beyond. Go to hillsboroughbusiness.org to register.

HILLSBOROUGH RESTAURANT WEEK

September 28 - October 3, 2021



www.hillsboroughbusiness.org

Photos Needed for Township Calendar

We are beginning to work on the 2022 color printed calendar and are pleased to once again partner with Town Planner to produce it. As always, the printing of the calendar comes at no cost to Hillsborough taxpayers. It is funded through the advertisements contained within the calendar.

Township calendars are generally mailed out in December and include schedules, community event reminders, important dates, and phone numbers for the coming year. As with previous calendars, it will also showcase photographs featuring Hillsborough Township's landscape and scenery that are submitted by residents.



Individuals interested in submitting photographs for consideration for the 2022 calendar can email their high resolution image, along with a photo release form, to the Township Clerk at pborek@hillsborough-nj.org. The [photo release form](#) can be found on the Township website at hillsborough-nj.org. The calendar has limited spaces for photographs so there is no guarantee every one submitted will be used.

Advertising opportunities are also available in the calendar and are being handled directly through Town Planner. For more information regarding advertising, please contact Jim O'Dowd at 973-650-2736 or jimodowd@townplanner.com.

More News from Hillsborough Township

- [Well Testing After Tropical Storm Ida](#)
- [Mechanical & Electrical Assessment and Repair Procedures](#)
- [Bldg Dept. Damage Assessment Announcement](#)
- [Directions for Disinfecting a Home Well in New Jersey](#)
- [Information about Mold in the Home](#)
- [Well Water Testing Information](#)
- [FEMA - Help After a Disaster](#)
- [FEMA - Fact Sheet Individuals and Households Program](#)
- [FEMA - Fact Sheet Individual Assistance Program](#)

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

Important insurance information for filing claims after a disaster:

- [Homeowners Disaster Recovery Insurance Manual](#)
- [Filing a Business Insurance Claim After a Disaster](#)
- [Flood-Damaged Cars: Your Top Questions Answered](#)

Additional Resources:

- [Tropical Storm Ida Information and Resources \(State of NJ\)](#)
 - [FEMA Hurricane Ida Assistance](#)
 - [FEMA State and Local Referral Resources in NJ](#)
 - [Red Cross Shelter Finder](#)
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Hillsborough Township currently has the following open positions:

- Part Time Building Maintenance Person
- Part Time Office Assistant/Floater
- Zoning Official

The Township of Hillsborough is an equal opportunity employer. Forward an [employment application](#), cover letter, resume, and 3 references, to Sarah Brake: sbrake@hillsborough-nj.org





Vax to School



**Free Vaccine Clinic at the
Hillsborough YMCA**



**Saturday, Sep. 11
10 AM - 1 PM**



Sign up here: <https://bit.ly/HBvaccine1>

Vaccines available: Pfizer (ages 12+) and Johnson & Johnson (ages 18+)



Vacuna para la escuela



**Clínica de vacunación gratis contra
COVID-19 en el YMCA de Hillsborough**



**Sábado, 11 de septiembre
10:00 de la mañana hasta
la 1:00 de la tarde**



Regístrese aquí: <https://bit.ly/HBvaccine1>

**Las vacunas disponibles: Pfizer (para las personas de 12 años y mayores) y
Johnson y Johnson (para las personas de 18 años o mayores)**



EVENING OF LAUGHTER!

Join us Friday, September 17, 2021

Contact your Hillsborough
UNICO Rep for tickets!



JIMMY SHUBERT
2014 Finalist on
Last Comic Standing!



COMEDIAN GEMINI
from the Borgata Casino and
Caroline's on Broadway!

Sponsored by
Hillsborough UNICO!



KEVIN ISRAEL
Cohost of the Comedy
Point Radio Show!

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Guest Performance**

by the Winner of the NJ
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A portion of the proceeds will benefit
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PRE-REGISTRATION REQUIRED

TUESDAYS, SEPT. 21-NOV. 9
3PM OR 7PM SESSION

Upcoming Meetings and Events

Next two weeks at a glance in Hillsborough Township:

September 9, 2021

7:30 pm [Planning Board](#)

September 10, 2021

9:00 am [Hillsborough-Millstone Municipal Alliance](#)

September 11, 2021

10:00 am [Free Vaccine Clinic at YMCA](#) Monday

September 13, 2021

6:30 pm [Economic and Business Development Commission](#)

7:00 pm [Environmental Commission](#)

7:30 pm [Board of Health](#)

September 14, 2021

7:30 pm [Township Committee Meeting](#)

September 16, 2021

7:30 pm [Historic Preservation Commission](#)

September 17, 2021

6:00 pm Comedy Night

September 19, 2021

[SPEAK 5K Hybrid Run/Walk for Healthy Relationships](#)

September 20, 2021

[6:30 pm Youth Services Commission](#)

September 21, 2021

[6:30 pm Sustainable Hillsborough Steering Committee](#)

September 23, 2021

[7:30 pm Planning Board Business Mtg](#)

September 25, 2021

[9:30 am - 1:00 pm Operation Secure Shred](#)

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



Somerset County Library System [News](#) and [Events](#)



Somerset County Press Releases

Latest News from Somerset County:

September 11 Ceremony on Saturday

Somerset County will be marking the 20th anniversary of September 11 on Saturday, starting at 8:46 a.m.

Somerset County Accepting Submissions for Senior Art Show

The 2021 Senior Art Show will be held from Sept. 13 to Oct. 22.

Somerset County Ag Board to Host Free Outdoor Event at Duke Farms

The event will occur on Sept. 14 at 2 p.m.

Preservation Plan a First for Somerset County

Residents are invited to provide feedback about the county's Open Space, Farmland, and Historic Preservation Plans at one of four public meetings.

Visit the [Somerset County Website](#) for all news articles

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

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