



# HILLSBOROUGH

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# e-News

## COVID-19 Updates

### Hillsborough Township Hires Four New Police Officers

On April 27th, Mayor Shawn Lipani swore in four new police officers, Officer Michael Liscik, Officer Brian Polacik, Officer Tiana Ramos, and Officer Maurizio Toto.

[Read about the new police officers in this press release.](#)



Pictured: L to R: Mayor Shawn Lipani, Officer Michael Liscik and his family, and Chief Mike McMahon



Pictured L to R: Mayor Shawn Lipani, Officer Brian Polacik and his family, and Chief Mike McMahon



Pictured L to R: Mayor Shawn Lipani, Officer Tiana Ramos and her family, and Chief Mike McMahon



Pictured L to R: Mayor Shawn Lipani, Officer Maurizio Toto and his family, and Chief Mike McMahon

Pictured L to R: Mayor Shawn Lipani, Officer Tiana Ramos, Officer Brian Polacik, Officer Michael Liscik, Officer

Maurizio Toto, Chief Mike McMahon, and Captain David Fisher



## UNICO Bench Dedication

On April 24th, Mayor Shawn Lipani, accompanied by UNICO member and Committeeman Frank DelCore, and UNICO member and Township Administrator Anthony Ferrera attended a bench dedication at the Bocce Court at Ann Van Middlesworth Park. The bench, donated to Hillsborough Township by UNICO, was dedicated to the memory of Andrew Pantano, a UNICO charter member whose desire to help the Hillsborough community was evident through his continued generosity.



## Baseball Opening Day

On April 23rd, Deputy Mayor Janine Erickson and Committeeman Doug Tomson were invited to throw out the first pitches on Hillsborough Baseball League's Opening Day. Also in attendance was Committeeman Robert Britting who is also a coach.



Deputy Mayor Janine Erickson



Committeeman Doug Tomson



L to R: Committeeman Doug Tomson, Deputy Mayor Janine Erickson, and Committeeman Robert Britting and his family

## Robert Fenster, National Teacher Hall of Fame

At the April 26th Township Committee meeting, Mayor Shawn Lipani presented Hillsborough High School teacher Robert Fenster with a proclamation in recognition of his induction into the National Teacher Hall of Fame.

[Read the proclamation.](#)

Pictured L to R: Mayor Shawn Lipani and Robert Fenster



## HHS Mock Trial Team Honored

At the April 26 Township Committee meeting, Mayor Shawn Lipani presented the Hillsborough High School Mock Trial team with a proclamation honoring them for a successful season.

[Read the Proclamation](#)



Pictured L to R: Mayor Shawn Lipani and the Hillsborough High School Mock Trial Team

## Samantha Ball, Shopping Bag Design Contest Winner

At the September 26th Township Committee meeting, State Assemblyman Roy Freiman presented Hillsborough resident Samantha Ball with a Certificate of Recognition in honor of her winning Hillsborough Township's reusable shopping bag design contest.

Hillsborough's reusable shopping bags are now on sale in the Municipal Building. The cost is \$3 for one bag and \$5 for two. Any proceeds will help to fund recycle bins in Hillsborough's parks.



Pictured L to R: Assemblyman Roy Freiman, Samantha Ball, and Mayor Shawn Lipani

## Road Closure: River Road at Elm Street

(CR567) River Road in Hillsborough will be closed for approximately 10 weeks beginning on Monday 5/2/2022. Norfolk Southern will be working on Bridge repairs and will have ongoing construction occurring at the train bridge on River Road by Elm Street. The work zone is approximately 700' beginning 100' North of Elm Street. The road will be closed



for the entire duration of construction and there will be a posted detour in effect at Amwell Road and Opie Road.

Project information, including the traffic control plans, can be found via the "[Road Projects/Construction Announcements](#)" link on the County Website.

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## Save the Date: Memorial Day 2022

Save the Date! The Salute to Military Service Breakfast, Memorial Day Parade, and Garden of Honor ceremony will take place on Saturday, May 28th.

[Read more](#)



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## Wyland Water Challenge Deadline is April 30th

Hillsborough Mayor Shawn Lipani joins mayors across the country again this year in encouraging residents to take the Wyland Foundation's National Mayor's Challenge for Water Conservation. Water Conservation is critical for a sustainable future and Hillsborough remains dedicated to supporting efforts for further education and awareness of initiatives such as this. Hillsborough placed in 2020 and 2021. [Take the Pledge](#) and then help Hillsborough earn bonus points for the 2022 Challenge by visiting [My Volunteer Water Project](#) for opportunities to win thousands of dollars in prizes and possibly even a new Toyota Highlander Hybrid for a deserving charity.



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## Calling All Veteran-Owned Business Owners!

Hillsborough Township is looking to recognize businesses in town that are owned by veterans and current/former service members, and businesses that offer discounts to veterans and current/former service members. Please [fill out this form](#) if you'd like to be highlighted in our veteran recognition program.

For more information, contact the Business Advocate's Office: [sball@hillsborough-nj.org](mailto:sball@hillsborough-nj.org)



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[Watch the Latest News From Around Town Video](#)



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**Safeguard Your Home for National Prescription Drug Take Back Day**

Drug overdoses and drug overdose-related deaths are up over last year, with 3,124 drug overdose deaths reported in New Jersey in 2021. A majority of these deaths involved some form of an opioid. As the Drug Enforcement Administration's National Prescription Drug Take Back Day is on April 30th, residents should take stock of their medicine cabinets and safely dispose of any unused or expired medication.



## Hillsborough's Take Back Event

April 30

[Video: Safely Disposing of Your Medicine](#)

[Doing Your Part: Safe Disposal of Opioids](#)

[Combatting the Stigma of Opioid Addiction Webinar](#)

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### Poll Workers Needed

The Somerset County Board of Elections is currently hiring Poll Workers for the June 7th Primary Election and the November 8th General Election. No experience is necessary. Training will be provided

[Qualifications & More Information](#)



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## Department Updates & Other News

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

- The Deadline for Ida-Related Permits is April 30th
- Summer Camp Registration is Open
- Annual Clean-Up Program Underway
- Hillsborough Schools Art Show On Display at the Municipal Building
- Dispose of Unwanted Prescription Medicine on National Take Back Day
- Second Quarter Taxes Due
- Cell Phone Related Tickets

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### Reduce, Reuse, Recycle



Visit the [Recycling page on the Hillsborough Township website](#) for links to all of the Somerset County Recycling program schedules and information.

- [Somerset County Recycling](#)
- [Electronic Waste Recycling](#)
- [Free Document Shredding](#)

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Hillsborough Township is currently accepting applications online for the following open positions:



- Part-Time Floater
- Part-Time Building Inspector
- Recording Secretary
- Plumbing Inspector

The Township of Hillsborough is an equal opportunity employer.



**Public Health**

# Healthy Hillsborough

Updates from the Health Department



**Are you up to date on your COVID vaccine?**



## Free Booster Clinic

**April 28 from 4-6 PM**

**Hillsborough Municipal Building, 379 S. Branch Rd.**

Sign up at <https://hillsboroughcovidvax.timetap.com>  
or call 908-369-5652.

**Boosters (Pfizer and Moderna) will be available for ages 12 and up:**

- If you got your second dose of Pfizer or Moderna at least 5 months ago
- If you got your J&J vaccine at least 2 months ago

**2nd booster:**

- If you are 50 or older, and got your 1st booster at least 4 months ago

**Pfizer vaccine for kids 5-11 will also be available.**

**The vaccine is free, but please bring your:**

- Vaccine card (for the booster)
- Insurance card (if you have one)
- Medicare card (if you have one)



**Hillsborough Township Health Department**



## Rotary Club of Hillsborough Partners with The Hillsborough YMCA for Ukraine Goods Drive

The Hillsborough YMCA, with support from Magnate CARES and The Rotary Club of Hillsborough, is organizing a **Ukraine Goods Drive** to collect and deliver essential goods to help families and communities directly impacted by the crisis unfolding in Ukraine.

Hillsborough residents can support the drive by donating the following (new items only): blankets, feminine products, pillows, diapers, baby formula, flashlights, and lithium batteries. Items may be dropped off at the Hillsborough YMCA, 19 East Mountain Road,

**TOGETHER WE CARE**  
**GOODS COLLECTION FOR UKRAINE**

Yes across the U.S. express solidarity and concern for the young people, families and communities who are directly impacted by the crisis currently unfolding in Ukraine.

Hillsborough YMCA is partnering with Magnate CARES and the Rotary Club of Hillsborough for a Ukraine Goods Drive. Please consider donating an item (new only) to help Ukrainian refugees and internally displaced people.

**Items needed are:**

- New blankets
- Feminine Products
- New Pillows
- Diapers
- Baby Formula
- Flashlights
- Lithium Batteries

For more information please contact Ben Green at 908-369-0450 x714 or email at [ben@green@ascynic.org](mailto:ben@green@ascynic.org)

**WHEN: APRIL 1-30**  
**DROP OFF: HILLSBOROUGH YMCA**

**HILLSBOROUGH YMCA**  
19 East Mountain Road  
Hillsborough, NJ 08043  
908-369-0450

**Magnate CARES** | **Rotary** | **Club of Hillsborough**

Hillsborough, NJ, April 1- 30, from 5 AM to 2 PM, Monday through Friday, and 7 AM to 1 PM Saturday and Sunday.

For more information, please contact Ben Green at 908-369-0490 ext. 714, or by email at [bgreen@gscymca.org](mailto:bgreen@gscymca.org).

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## Mary Mother of God 55+ Senior Revue Fundraiser

There will be a 55+ Senior Revue on April 29th and April 30th at Mary Mother of God Church. Featured entertainment includes singers, dancers, comedians, variety acts, and more.

Tickets are on sale after each Sunday Mass and also at the door on the date of the event. Mary Mother of God Church is located at 157 S. Triangle Road. Tickets cost \$20 for adults and \$10 for students. Check or cash only, please.



## Woods Road Golf Outing

The Woods Road Firehouse will be holding its 22nd annual golf outing on June 13th at Royce Brook Country Club.

To register, download the registration form and return it with payment by May 30th. Sponsorship opportunities are also available.



### [Registration and Sponsor forms](#)

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## Rotary Club of Hillsborough Announces Vince Lipani Memorial Golf Outing

The Rotary Club of Hillsborough today announced the opening of registration for the June 20<sup>th</sup> memorial golf outing/fundraiser in honor of former Rotarian and founder of Central Jersey Nursery, Vince Lipani. Mr. Lipani passed away in July 2021 at the age of 81.

The Vince Lipani Memorial Golf Outing will be held on Monday, June 20, at the Royce Brook Golf Club, 201 Hamilton Rd. Hillsborough, NJ, beginning with an 11:00 AM registration, and 1:00 PM shotgun start, followed by a 6 PM dinner. Fees begin at \$100 for dinner only, and for both golf and dinner, at \$225 per individual golfer and \$900 for a foursome. A range of sponsorships is available ranging from \$125 to \$1,200.



Proceeds from the golf outing will be used by the Rotary Club of Hillsborough Foundation to support an annual scholarship, named in Mr. Lipani's honor, for a graduating Hillsborough High School student pursuing post-secondary education.

### [More information](#)

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PROUD TO BE

**Hillsborough Township**

**stigma FREE**



*there is no health  
without  
mental health*



### Former NBA Player Chris Herren's "THE FIRST DAY"

Join us on April 27th for a 47-minute film screening & discussion on youth substance abuse, mental health, and social/emotional well-being



### Hope for Tomorrow Mental Health Fair

On May 6th, stop by the Municipal Building between 5 and 7 pm for a mental health fair. This family-friendly event will feature community resources, music, games & crafts. Sponsored by [borosafe.org](http://borosafe.org)

### BoroSafe T-shirts

Congratulations to Emma Newman for creating the winning design for the 14-and-under category and Greg Andreski for the winning design in the 15-and-over category. T-shirts are now for sale to fundraise for BoroSafe's future endeavors. You can order as many shirts as you want and any combination of the designs.



[Order yours now!](#)

### Girl Scout Spring Registration

Extended Year Membership is open to new members! Now is a great time for new Girl Scouts to register as they are eligible for the extended membership year rates for 2022-2023. Email [info@borogirlscouts.org](mailto:info@borogirlscouts.org).



## Support Project Graduation



May 1st Dodgeball Tournament  
[Register now](#)



[Order your Senior Lawn Sign](#)



## Upcoming Meetings and Events

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

April 27, 2022

6:00 pm Municipal Utilities Authority Meeting

7:00 pm Former NBA Player Chris Herren's "THE FIRST DAY"

April 28, 2022

12:00 pm Neshanic Garden Club Spring Luncheon

4:00 pm Free Covid Booster Clinic

7:30 pm [Cancelled] Planning Board Business Meeting

April 30, 2022

10:00 am National Take-Back Initiative

May 1, 2022

All Day Property Tax Payment Due

11:00 am Project Graduation Dodgeball Tournament

May 2, 2022

6:30 pm Economic & Business Development Commission - Regular Meeting

May 4, 2022

6:00 pm Credit Card Advisory Committee

6:00 pm Eliminating the Stigma

7:00 pm Board of Adjustment

7:00 pm Recreation and Parks Committee Meeting

May 5, 2022

6:00 pm Open Space Advisory Committee

7:00 pm Fire Commissioners Work Meeting

7:30 pm Planning Board Meeting

May 6, 2022

5:00 pm Hope for Tomorrow Mental Health Fair

May 7, 2022

12:00 pm 4th Annual Mark Matisak Cornhole Tournament at Manville-Hillsborough Elks Tuesday



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



Somerset County Press Releases

*Latest News from Somerset County:*

- The Spotted Lanternfly is Hatching, and Somerset County Wants Your Help to "Stomp Them

Out!"

- Somerset County Park Commission to Give Away Trees at Arbor Day Event

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

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

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