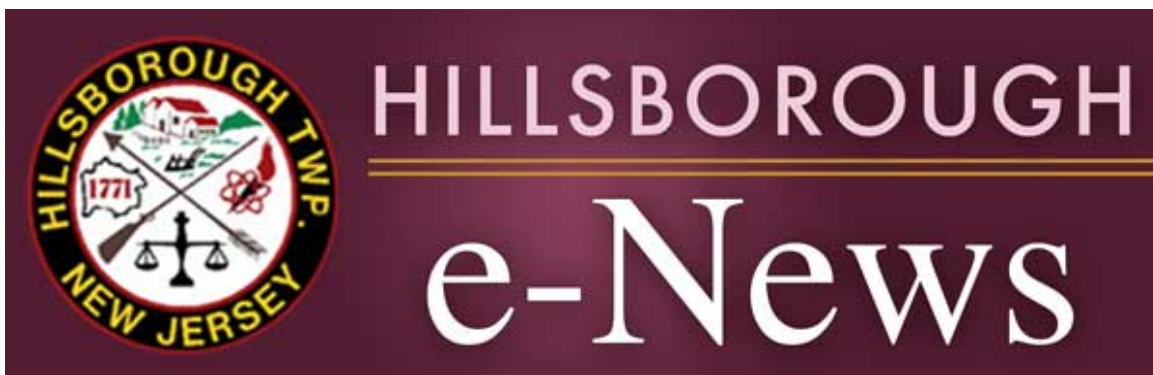SHARE:

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Special Bulletin:
COVID-19 UPDATE AND TOWNSHIP NEWS

Friday, May 1, 2020

Township News

Mayor Tomson Announces 2020 Road Paving Plan

Hillsborough Township moves forward with the 2020 road paving plan with the next phase of infrastructure improvements announced at Tuesday's April 28th Township Committee meeting. Hillsborough Township bonded in late 2018 for and began the much needed infrastructure improvements last year. "We are continuing on with our road paving plan for 2020," announced Mayor Doug Tomson. To see the entire Press Release which includes the list of roadways..
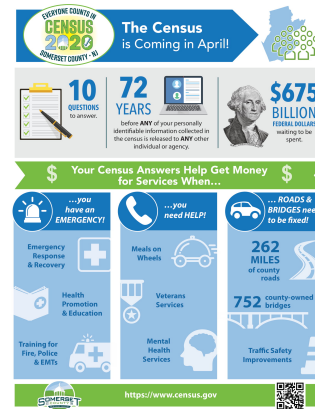
Township Committee Proclaimed April as Alcohol Awareness Month

At the April 14th meeting, the Township Committee proclaimed April as Alcohol Awareness Month. Alcohol Awareness Month is a public health program organized by the National Council on Alcoholism and Drug Dependence as a way of increasing outreach and education regarding the dangers of alcoholism and issues related to alcohol. To see the entire article .

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.

The dates for completing the Census has been extended due to the COVID-19 health emergency .

COVID-19 Hillsborough Reported Case Update

As of 5/1/2020 – 3 pm	Cases	Deaths
Somerset County	3,182	273
New Jersey	121,190	7,538
United States	1,031,659	60,057

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.

Age Range	# of Positive Cases
0-9	2
10-19	8
20-29	24
30-39	21
40-49	39
50-59	50
60-69	45
70-79	19
80-89	29
90-99	10
100+	1
Total Cases	248
Official Recovered	116
Deceased	27
Long Term Care / Assisted Living Facilities *	
Confirmed Cases	122
Confirmed Deceased	37

* 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

Somerset County and Hunterdon County, in collaboration with Raritan Valley Community College
Next week, the testing site will be open from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. on Tuesday, May 5th, and Thursday, May 7. T esting will be by appointment only and a valid doctor's prescription is required.

STAY H🏠ME.
STAY SAFE. SAVE LIVES.
www.co.somerset.nj.us/covid19status

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:
Those residents wishing to still make cash payments, Hillsborough Township will accept Cash Only Tax Payments. Residents are encouraged to mail in tax payments,

place a check in the newly installed lockbox or submit payment online.
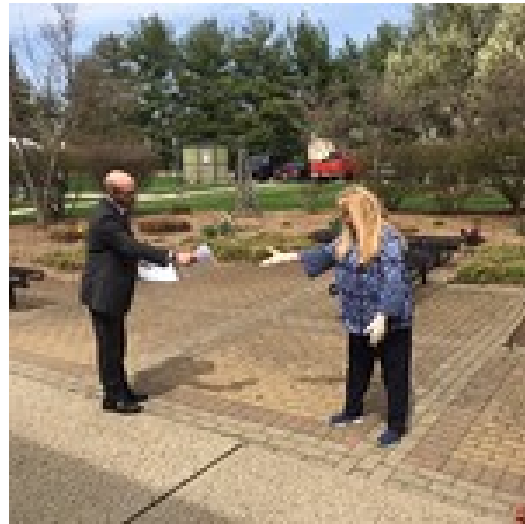
The **Tax Collector** will accept in person, CASH only tax payments at the Municipal Building on specific dates and times. In order to protect both the residents and employees, there are various precautionary measures that have been established in order for this service to be permitted. To view the dates, times and precautionary measures.

Update from the Tax Collector - taxes are due May 1st but the grace period to pay without interest or penalty has been extended until June 1st. Payments received after June 1st will incur interest charges.
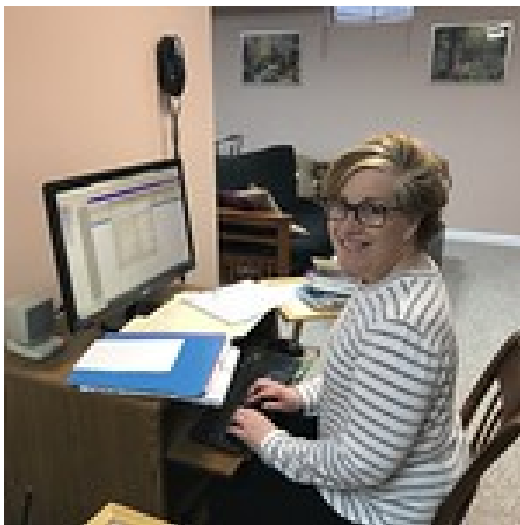
Below are photos of Hillsborough Township Departments delivering the services that you have come to expect from Hillsborough Township.
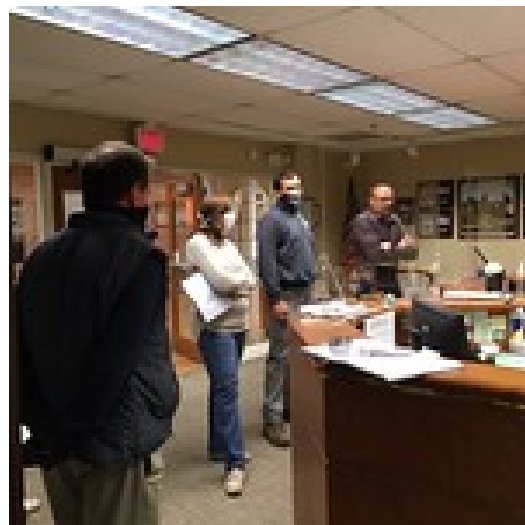

Social Services:
Social Services Assistant Director Cathy Faerber with Samir Lal who donated masks his 83-year-old mother, Shyam Lata Lal, made for clients and seniors of the Community Assistance Network

Health:
Registrar Karen Sowden providing Hillsborough resident with a document while practicing social distancing

Building:
Technical Assistant Donna Daugherty using virtual technology to enter permits

Administration:
Administrator Anthony Ferrera, DPW's Glenn DeAngelis and CFO Nancy Costa

into system

working with vendor on plan to install plexiglass protective shields in the Administration/Clerk's Office.

Updates, Closures and Cancellations

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

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

COVID-19 State Updates & Community Resources

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

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

[Somerset County Library System of NJ (SCLSNJ)](#) offers virtual programs on its [website](#). Below are just two of the programs being offered this May.

[Family Trivia Party: Star Wars May the Fourth](#)
Monday, May 4th from 4:30 pm to 5:30 pm
Celebrate Star Wars Day by testing your trivia skills

[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

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[COMCAST Extends Comprehensive COVID-19 Response Policies to June 30th](#).
For additional information and updates from Comcast related to Coronavirus, visit their [website.](#)

How Can I Help?

[Hillsborough Township Now Accepts Online Donations for the Community Assistance Network](#)
Effective immediately, online donations for Hillsborough Community Assistance Network (C.A.N.) can now be made via the Township [website.](#)

[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. [See list of needed items.](#)

Donate PPE   **Register to Volunteer**

Hillsborough is Open for Business

Which of your favorite Hillsborough locations are **"Open for Business"** ?
Support Hillsborough's Local Businesses!

See the latest version of Hillsborough Open For Business

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

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