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SEPTEMBER 27

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OCTOBER 2, 2022

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Only 13 days until Restaurant Week 2022

Join Mayor Lipani on his video tour of participating restaurants to get a sneak peek and get a sneak peek!

Stay up to date with participating restaurants, menus, and feature videos at hillsborough-nj.org/restaurant-week



9/11 Commemorative Ceremony

Thank you to the Woods Road Firehouse for inviting Mayor Shawn Lipani, and the Township Committee to their 9/11 commemorative ceremony on Sunday, September 11th.

It is our responsibility to continue to commemorate 9/11 and share our stories of that tragic day so that the memories of all those who perished live on.



Pictured: Mayor Shawn Lipani, Committeeman Frank DelCore, Committeeman Robert Britting, and his sons



Pictured: Former Chief Tim Coyle, Former Chief Christian Fulmino, Former Chief Ken Wetzell, and Woods Road Fire Chief Dan Kazar.

POW/MIA Awareness Day - September 16th

At the September 13th Township Committee meeting, Mayor Shawn Lipani and the Township Committee presented a proclamation recognizing September 16th as POW/MIA Recognition Day to recommit to full accountability to the families of the more than 80,000 veterans captured or still missing from wars in which the United States has taken part.

[Read the proclamation.](#)

POW/MIA Recognition Day Ceremony

All are invited to our first annual POW / MIA recognition day - to be held this Friday, September 16th at 9 am at the Municipal Complex in the Garden of Honor. Light refreshments will be served at its conclusion.



Pictured: Committeeman Robert Britting, Mayor Shawn Lipani, Commander Mike Schraufnagel Hillsborough Memorial VFW Post #8371, Committeeman Doug Tomson



Ovarian Cancer Awareness Month

At the September 13th Township Committee meeting, Mayor Shawn Lipani presented a proclamation recognizing September as Ovarian Cancer Awareness Month. Because ovarian cancer often goes undetected until advanced stages, increasing the awareness

of risk factors is critical to fighting this disease, as it is estimated that about 19,880 new cases of ovarian cancer will be diagnosed in the United States this year.

[Read the proclamation.](#)



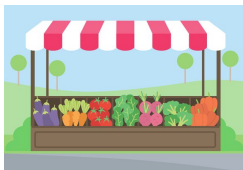
Pictured: Hillsborough employees tie teal ribbons on trees at the Municipal Complex to commemorate Ovarian Cancer Awareness Month.



Pictured: Jim Finkel, Mayor Shawn Lipani, and Susyn Timko.



[Reminder: Credit Card Grant Applications are Due September 30th](#)



Sustainable September

This September, we're giving YOU tips and tricks on how to implement greener, more sustainable practices into your life. Save money, resources, AND the planet!

[Learn More](#)

Last Chance! Survey Closing 9/15/2022

We care about what you think.

Answer this quick survey to let us know how you like to receive Township information so we can serve you better.



HILLSBOROUGH TOWNSHIP
NEW JERSEY



Take Survey

<https://forms.gle/q4fA5Z6vR148WYhn7>

WELCOME TO THE HOME OF Hillsborough Parks and Recreation

HILLSBOROUGH PARKS & RECREATION PRESENTS:

2022 Big Screen Movie
UNDER THE STARS

AT SINGLEY PARK
SEPTEMBER 16TH

40 Foot Screen!!!

ICE CREAM TRUCK ARRIVES
AT 7:00 PM
MOVIE STARTS AT
7:30 PM

FREE!

MOANA



REGISTRATION REQUIRED ONLINE AT
WWW.HILLSBOROUGHNJRECREATION.ORG



2022 Scarecrow Festival

Join us this Fall as we host our 2nd annual Scarecrow Festival! During the month of October, scarecrows will once again 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, Youth Groups & Organizations!

Registration online:

<https://forms.gle/pjmiLQ6Mwm9sus4gs9>

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.

Fantasy-Mythical Creatures-the possibilities are endless!

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
lenzoe@hillsboroughpd.org

Crows on Display
October 2nd - 30th

Registration open to Hillsborough Residents

Businesses
Organizations &
Youth Groups

Voting & Prizes!
Vote 10/3 - 10/23

Use the QR code to register now!



Registration ends on September 18th

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Hillsborough
Township

Department Updates & Other News

There is Still Time to Register Your Scarecrow for the 2nd Annual Scarecrow

Festival

There is still a little time to register your Scarecrow for our 2nd annual Scarecrow Festival! Some will be inspired by famous...

Final Tax Bills for 2022 Will be Mailed on 9/27

The final tax bill for November 2022, February 2023 and May 2023 property taxes will be mailed on September 27th. Included i...

Mayor Thanks Community for Supporting Rotary Fair

Mayor Lipani extends his thanks to all those who supported the Annual Rotary Fair this year. It was a great success! The Ma...

Governor Murphy Visits Hillsborough

Earlier this month Governor Murphy was in Hillsborough to announce investments in resilient communities on the one-year anniv...

School is Back in Session - School Bus Safety Reminder

Now that school is in session - just a reminder from our Police Department regarding school bus safety tips - Never pass a st...

Help Hillsborough Put a Stop to Illegal Dumping

It is still illegal to litter and illegally dump items along roadways, parks, parking lots, open space or really ANYWHERE. P...

Work to Begin on Amsterdam Drive Phase 2

DeSantis Construction, Inc. from Somerset, New Jersey was awarded the contract for the second phase of Amsterdam Drive (from ...

Permit Tracking and Inspections Confirmations Available Online

Hillsborough Township uses an online tracking and request system called SDL to offer a convenient way for citiz...

Upcoming Recreation Events

There's still time to register for some of our 2022 Fall Activities. Our Recreation Department offers programs for a variety...

Health Dept. Update - Radon Kits and Upcoming Vaccination Clinics

The Hillsborough Health Department has free radon test kits available for residents. Hillsborough Township, like all of Some...

Social Services Update

Residents living in the Royce Brook neighborhood participated in the second annual Christmas in July fundraiser. "The Grinch...

More department updates

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



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

- **Plumbing Inspector**
- **Building Inspector**

The Township of Hillsborough is an equal opportunity employer.



Healthy Hillsborough

Public Health

Updates from the Health Department

Who is eligible for a COVID-19 vaccine or booster in New Jersey? How many doses of a COVID-19 vaccine should I get?

New COVID Boosters and Flu Vaccines

Thursday, September 22
3-6 PM

Hillsborough Municipal Building, 379 S. Branch Rd.

Sign up at <https://bit.ly/flucovid922>
or call 908-369-5652.



You are eligible for the new COVID booster 2 months after your most recent vaccine dose.

The new bivalent Pfizer and Moderna boosters target the Omicron variant and the original COVID virus.

This updated booster offers stronger protection against severe illness and death from Omicron variants.

You can get the COVID and flu vaccines at the same time.

Vaccines available:

- New bivalent COVID booster for ages 12 and up
- Flu vaccine for ages 5 and up, including senior flu vaccine
- Pediatric COVID booster for ages 5-11

Please bring your:

- COVID vaccine card
- Insurance/Medicare card (We do not accept HMOs for the flu vaccine. Insurance is not needed for the COVID vaccine but all plans are accepted if you have it.)



Hillsborough Township
Health Department



Nuevas Vacunas de Refuerzo Contra COVID-19 y Para la Influenza/Gripe

Jueves, 22 de Septiembre
3-6 de la tarde

Edificio del Municipio de Hillsborough, 379 S. Branch Rd.

Regístrese en el siguiente enlace:
<https://bit.ly/flucovid922>
o llame al 908-369-5652.



Usted es elegible para la nueva vacuna de refuerzo contra COVID 2 meses después de su vacuna más reciente.

La nueva vacuna bivalente de Pfizer y las vacunas de refuerzo de Moderna se apuntan en la variante de Omicron y el virus original de COVID.

Esta vacuna actualizada ofrece protección mayor contra la enfermedad severa y muerte por las variantes de Omicron.

Usted puede obtener las vacunas contra COVID e influenza/gripe a la vez.

Vacunas disponibles:

- Nueva vacuna bivalente de refuerzo contra COVID para las personas de 12 años en adelante
- Vacuna contra gripe para las personas de 5 años en adelante, incluyendo la vacuna contra influenza/gripe para las personas mayores
- Vacuna pediátrica de refuerzo para las personas entre 5 y 11 años

Favor de traer su:

- Cartilla de vacunación contra COVID
- Tarjeta de seguro médico/tarjeta de Medicare (No aceptamos HMOs para la vacuna contra influenza/gripe. No se necesita tener seguro médico para la vacuna contra COVID y se aceptan todas si tiene seguro.)



Departamento de Salud del
Municipio de Hillsborough



New COVID Bivalent Boosters

Sunday, Sep. 25
10 AM - 12 PM

Hillsborough Municipal Building, 379 S. Branch Rd.

Sign up at <https://bit.ly/booster925>
or call 908-369-5652.



You are eligible for the new booster 2 months after your most recent vaccine dose.

The new bivalent Pfizer and Moderna boosters target the Omicron variant and the original COVID virus.

This updated booster offers stronger protection against severe illness and death from Omicron variants.

Vaccines available:

- New bivalent COVID booster for ages 12 and up
- Pediatric COVID booster for ages 5-11
- First or second COVID dose for ages 3 and up

The vaccine is free, but please bring your:

- COVID vaccine card
- Insurance card (if you have one)
- Medicare card (if you have one)



Hillsborough Township
Health Department



Nuevas vacunas bivalentes de refuerzo contra COVID

Domingo, 25 de septiembre
De las 10 de la mañana
a las 12 de la tarde

Edificio del Municipio de Hillsborough, 379 S. Branch Rd.

Regístrese en el enlace: <https://bit.ly/booster925>
o llame al 908-369-5652.



Usted es elegible para la nueva vacuna de refuerzo contra COVID 2 meses después de su vacuna más reciente.

La nueva vacuna bivalente de Pfizer y las vacunas de refuerzo de Moderna se apuntan en la variante de Omicron y el virus original de COVID.

Esta vacuna actualizada ofrece protección mayor contra la enfermedad severa y muerte por las variantes de Omicron.

Vacunas disponibles:

- Nueva vacuna bivalente de refuerzo contra COVID para las personas de 12 años en adelante
- Vacuna pediátrica de refuerzo para las personas entre 5 y 11 años
- Primera o segunda vacuna contra COVID para las personas de 3 años en adelante

La vacuna es gratis pero favor de traer lo siguiente:

- Cartilla de vacunación
- Seguro médico (si tiene)
- Tarjeta de Medicaid (si tiene)



Departamento de Salud del
Municipio de Hillsborough



PROUD TO BE
Hillsborough Township
stigma FREE

there is no health
without
mental health



Happy Healthy Me is a free 6-week program for Kindergarten students starting on Tuesday, September 27th through Tuesday, November 1st from 4:00 to 4:45 PM at the Hillsborough Municipal Building. This program is designed to enhance young children's self-esteem, communication, and problem-solving skills. [More information and](#)

[registration.](#)

Footprints For Life is a free 6-week program for 2nd and 3rd-grade students starting on Thursday, September 29th through Thursday, November 3rd from 4:00 - 5:00 PM at the Hillsborough Municipal Building. Topics include planning and decision-making, cultural competence, handling peer pressure, conflict resolution, and tobacco/alcohol prevention. [More information and registration.](#)

Guiding Good Choices is a VIRTUAL 6-week program for PARENTS starting on Wednesday, September 28th through Wednesday, November 2nd from 7:00 to 8:00 PM. GGC promotes healthy protective parent-child interactions and addresses children's risk for early substance use. Spanish language support is available. [More information and registration.](#)

Family Unity Nights is a free 10-week program for parents and children (7 - 17 years old) starting on Wednesday, September 28th through Wednesday, December 14th at Auten Road School. Dinner begins at 5:30 PM and the program is from 6:00 to 8:00 PM. Family Unity Nights (FUN) helps build positive communication and connections between parents and children through family skill training sessions. [Registration and more information.](#)



Hillsborough Girl Scouts from Troop 65052, in pursuit of their Silver Award, are working on a pet memorial to honor the lost pets from the Hillsborough community at Ann Van Middlesworth Park. The scouts, Kaylin Agaman, Brynn Dandy, and Advika Agarwal, plan to place a bench in the park that will display engraved plaques listing the names, DOB-DOD, and sentiments about the lost pets.

To find out how to make a donation and have your lost pet memorialized, visit the [GoFundMe](#) page. The proceeds of this GoFundMe (after minor memorial expenses) will be donated to Somerset Regional Animal Shelter to help animals in need. Additional information about the project can also be found on the [Boro's Rainbow Pets](#) website.

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](#)

Upcoming Meetings and Events

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

September 15, 2022

7:30 pm Historic Preservation Commission

September 16, 2022

9:00 am POW/MIA Recognition Day

7:30 pm Fall Movie Night - "Moana"

September 19, 2022

7:00 pm Environmental Commission

7:00 pm Youth Services Commission

September 20, 2022

6:30 pm Sustainable Hillsborough Steering Commission - Regular Meeting

September 21, 2022

7:00 pm [Cancelled] Board of Adjustment

September 22, 2022

7:30 pm Planning Board Business Meeting

September 27, 2022

All Day Restaurant Week

7:30 pm Township Committee Meeting

September 28, 2022

All Day Restaurant Week

6:00 pm Municipal Utilities Authority Meeting

September 29, 2022

All Day Restaurant Week

September 30, 2022

All Day Restaurant Week

Somerset County Library System News and Events

Historical Fiction Fridays

Sept. 16 @ 10:30am

"Henna Artist" by Alka Joshi.

<https://sclsnj.libnet.info/event/6184516>

Learn to Use a Sewing Machine

Sept. 19 @ 6pm

A hands-on introduction to machine sewing for complete beginners, including threading the machine, machine features, and sewing safety.

<https://sclsnj.libnet.info/event/6739697>

Coloring and Conversation

Sept. 20 @ 6:30pm

Explore your artistic side by participating in coloring and conversation. <https://sclsnj.libnet.info/event/6612576>

Passport Services

Sept. 21 @ 4pm

SCLSNJ is an officially-designated passport application acceptance facility with passport processing hours set for your convenience. By appointment only. Schedule at <https://sclsnj.org/passports/>

What To Read Next

Sept. 22 @ 6:30pm

Explore the database, NovelList, and find out what to read next.

<https://sclsnj.libnet.info/event/6620382>

Suspense With Susie Book Discussion

Sept. 27 @ 7pm

"Cul-de-Sac" by Joy Fielding.

<https://sclsnj.libnet.info/event/6539769>

Bad Art Night

Sept. 29 @ 6pm

Celebrate the mediocre, the tacky, and the campy during Bad Art Night!

<https://sclsnj.libnet.info/event/6662236>



Somerset County Press Releases

Latest News from Somerset County:

Household Hazardous Waste Drop-Off Event in Branchburg

The drop-off event will be held on Saturday, Sept. 17.

New "Bivalent" COVID Booster Protects Against COVID-19 Viruses

All fully vaccinated County residents 12 and older can receive an updated "Bivalent" booster.

Office on Aging & Disability Accepting Nominations for 2022 Disability Advocates Awards

The deadline to submit nominations is October 3.

Office on Aging Offers Free Farmers Market Vouchers to Eligible Residents Until Sept. 30

Vouchers can be used until Nov. 30.

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

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