

WORKS

GTWorks is Mayor David R. Mayer's weekly newsletter that informs residents of the current projects and events happening in Gloucester Township.

From the Police Department to Public Works to the Department of Recreation, we want you to stay In the Know of the latest news in our community!

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Happy Veterans Day!

Mayor David R. Mayer and Council wish all of our Veterans a Happy Veterans Day!



Congratulations Black Horse Pike Regional School District!

Congratulations to the Black Horse Pike Regional School District who was recognized as one of seven school districts in the state for being a Lighthouse District!

Lighthouse Districts are those who illuminate the path toward economic growth and student success. Through the Lighthouse District Initiative, the New Jersey Department of Education is highlighting districts that have achieved academic growth in English language arts and mathematics with diverse student groups. The Lighthouse Districts have demonstrated student academic progress as a result of setting high academic standards, using assessment data to identify each and every student's needs, and working tirelessly to provide the necessary educational supports.



November is National Runaway Prevention Month



Being a parent or guardian isn't easy. The Gloucester Township Police Department wants to raise awareness for National Runaway Prevention Month.

In 2012, the Gloucester Township Police Department created Project MARRS (Mission at Risk Response Strategies) which is a comprehensive approach to missing persons and runaway youth. MARRS acknowledges that today's missing child is tomorrow's victim - a victim often of drug abuse and violence. A study of 239 juveniles reported as missing to the Gloucester Township Police Department found that juveniles leave the

home because they are witnessing substance abuse and violence or are even the victims of violence and sexual abuse. Failing to address this issue is failing to prevent young people from becoming criminals and leaving them in a vulnerable atmosphere. MARRS redefined the department's procedures and now carefully screens every juvenile who has left home (run-away) and then returns. The components of MARRS identifies early at risk youth and offers both the services associated with Project CASEY (Community Actions Steps Engaging Youth) and also notifies school officials of every juvenile who has left home so that they may be offered in-school services.

COMMON REASONS THAT YOUTH BECOME HOMELESS OR RUN AWAY:

1

Family problems: Many youth run away, and in turn become homeless, due to problems in the home. In some cases, youth are asked to leave the home because the family is unable to provide for their specific mental health or disability needs. Some youth are pushed out of their homes because their parents can't afford to care for them.

2

Transitions from foster care and other public systems: Youth who have been involved in the foster care system are more likely to become homeless at an earlier age and remain homeless for a longer period of time.

3

Economic problems: Some youth become homeless when their families fall into difficult financial situations resulting from lack of affordable housing, difficulty obtaining or maintaining a job, or lack of medical insurance or other benefits.

[CLICK HERE
for more info](#)

Five Guys Fundraiser!

Please join the Gloucester Township Scholarship Committee at the Five Guys of Deptford between 5 pm - 8 pm on any of the following dates:

Wednesday, 11/29; Thursday, 12/7; Thursday, 12/28

10% of all sales will go to the Gloucester Township Scholarship Committee, which provides scholarship money to High School seniors who live in our Township and plan to continue their education.



GLOUCESTER TOWNSHIP
JOIN THE EXCITEMENT

Gloucester Township Welcomes Home Camden County Metro Officer O'Hanlon



On Saturday, November 4th, Gloucester Township welcomed home Camden County Metro Police Officer, Patrick O'Hanlon, who was shot in the thigh at close range after a struggle with a suspect on November 1st in Camden, NJ. We thank Officer O'Hanlon for his service to all of us and we wish him a speedy recovery!



JOB OPPORTUNITY!

The Gloucester Township Police Department is looking for a *Part-Time School Traffic Guard*
\$10.99 / hour

Applicant must have the ability to:

- Regulate and direct the movement of school children at a street intersection, paying particular attention to their safety.
- Must pass a criminal background check and maintain such security clearance throughout employment.

Click below for an application.

*Police Support Application must be completed.



Save the Date!

Blackwood Fire Christmas Parade

Saturday, December 2nd at 6:00 pm


Join the Blackwood Fire Company at their Annual Christmas Parade. Come back to the Fire Station after the parade and meet Santa! For more information please call (856) 227-7798.



Mayor David R. Mayer and Council
invite you to visit historic
Gloucester Township

Gloucester Township was one of the original Townships that comprised old Gloucester County and has a rich history that dates back to our nation's pre-revolutionary war past. With twenty historical landmarks, please visit the Township of Gloucester and experience its proud heritage!

For more information and tour dates visit
www.GloTwp.com



Holiday Season is Approaching!

Does your child want to write to Santa this holiday?

Santa Letters

Send your letters to us & we will make sure Santa replies!
Include your child's name & address

Mail to:
Santa Claus - North Pole
PO Box 8
Blackwood, NJ 08012



Deadline: December 15, 2017

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HAPPY VETERANS DAY

"Veterans Day is a day to honor all of those who have served. On this day we remember all of our Veterans and their families who have made so many sacrifices for our Nation's freedom."

Mayor David R. Mayer and Council wish all of our Veterans a happy Veterans Day!

HONOR THOSE WHO SERVED



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FROM MAYOR DAVID R. MAYER AND COUNCIL

Let's Keep In Touch!

As your Mayor, I'm eager to hear from you should you have questions or concerns; so please do not hesitate to call my office at (856) 374-3514 or email me at dmayer@glotwp.com

I'd like to thank you for choosing our beautiful Gloucester Township your residence and for making our community a great place to live, work and play!

Sincerely,

David R. Mayer



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