

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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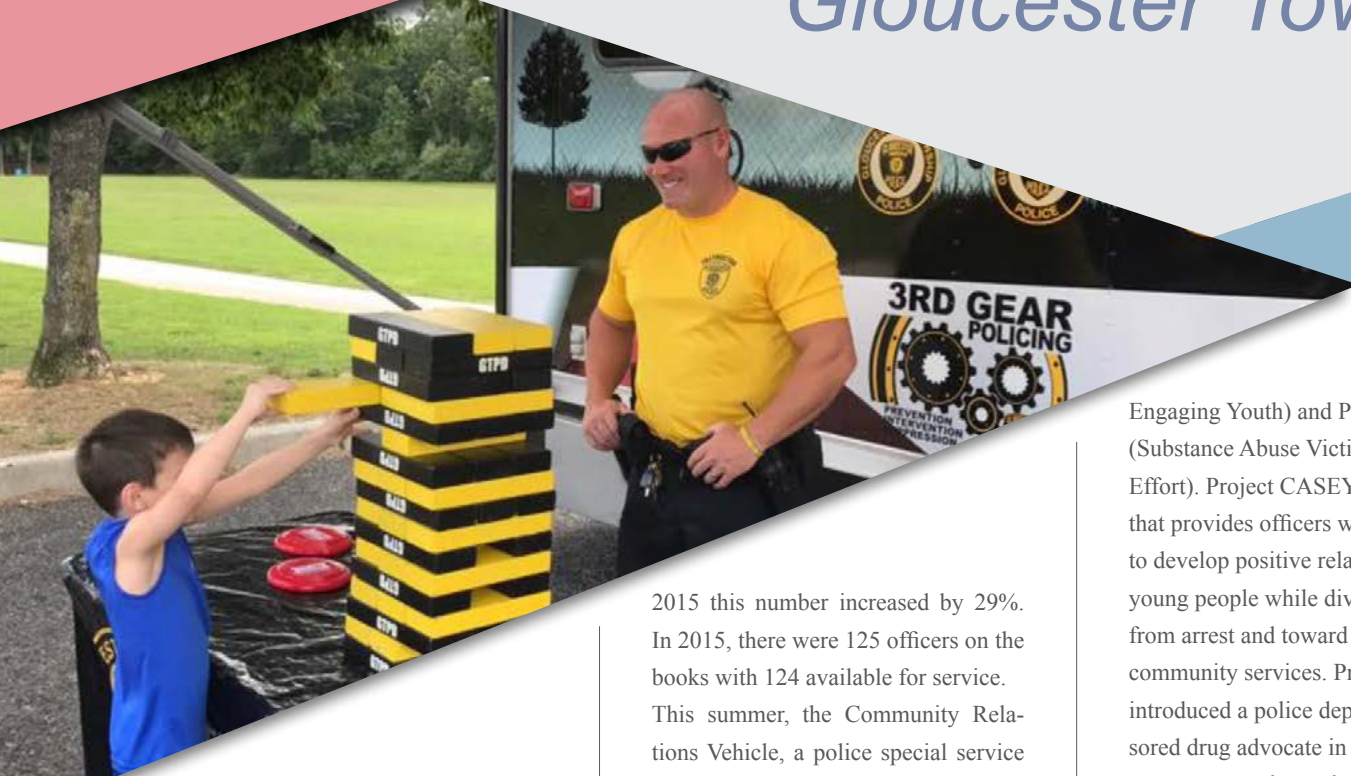
Learn more about how to recycle and what you can recycle!

Gloucester Township: A Safe Place to Live, Work, and Play!

When it comes to the safety and security of Gloucester Township residents, Mayor David Mayer and the Gloucester Township Police Department ensure that the protection of citizens is at the top of their priority list. Striving to reduce non-violent and violent offenses, juvenile delinquency, domestic violence and substance abuse, Mayor Mayer and Police Chief Harry Earle created a multi-pronged approach to community policing that has since resulted in a 34% reduction in the crime rate between the years of 2010 and 2015.



Striving for Safety in Gloucester Township

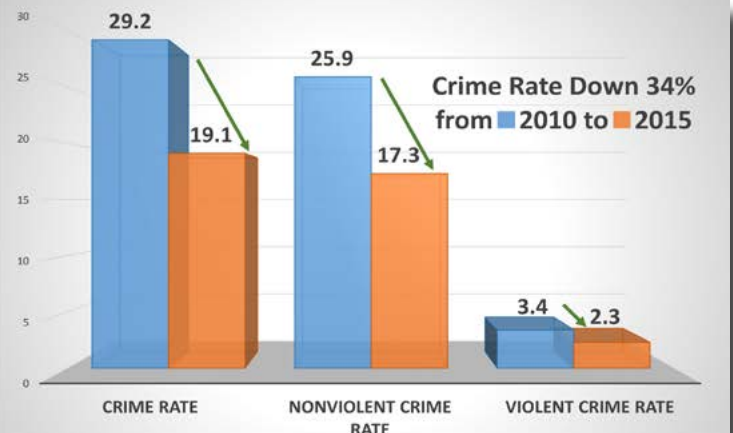
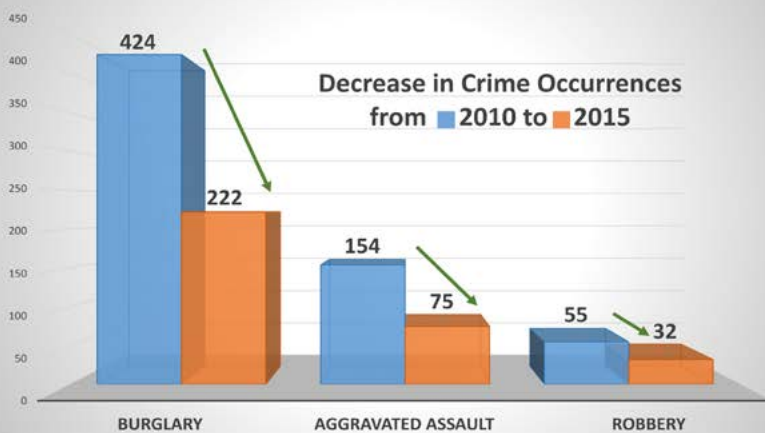


Integrating additional Police Officers on the streets, establishing a Community Relations Bureau within the Police Department, and adding Patrol Units to Township parks are just a couple of the initiatives taken to meet community needs and demonstrate the true promise of community policing. In 2010, the GTPD had 102 officers on the books with 96 available for assignment due to training and other commitments, such as military deployment; however, by

2015 this number increased by 29%. In 2015, there were 125 officers on the books with 124 available for service. This summer, the Community Relations Vehicle, a police special service vehicle equipped with video games and other activities for children also made its debut at community events and in neighborhoods. This vehicle is intended to bring the community and police together and give children the opportunity to interact with officers in a positive way.

Along with these initiatives, there have been many programed introduced to combat recidivism including Project CASEY (Community Action Steps

Engaging Youth) and Project SAVE (Substance Abuse Victimization Effort). Project CASEY is a program that provides officers with resources to develop positive relationships with young people while diverting them from arrest and toward appropriate community services. Project SAVE introduced a police department sponsored drug advocate in our municipal court room and was the first program of its kind in the state of New Jersey. "We continuously aim to keep the residents of Gloucester Township safe by introducing new and innovative policing strategies like our SAVE counselors and our unique Family Resource Center. Gloucester Township's goal is to continue to improve the safety and security of all of our residents," says Mayor David R. Mayer.



*A crime rate is calculated by dividing the number of reported crimes by the total population; the result is multiplied by 100,000 (general population).

Prepayment of 2018 Property Taxes



Chris Christie issued Executive Order No. 237 regarding the prepayment of property taxes, in response to the implementation of the federal Tax Cuts and Jobs Act. Taxes may be received and credited as payments at any time, even before due dates. Due to Executive Order No. 237 and all relevant tax collection statuses, all municipalities must accept all prepayments of property taxes for the 2018 year.

The Gloucester Township Tax Office will be accepting prepayments for 2018 property taxes on Thursday, December 28, 2017 and through our drive-thru window on Friday, December 29, 2017.

Join us for the 2018 MLK Day of Service!

Please join Mayor David Mayer, Township Council, Gloucester Township Public Schools, and Friends and Neighbors on January 15th by volunteering your time to fulfill Dr. King's dream of helping others. As Dr. King once said, "Life's most persistent and urgent question is: "What are you doing for others?" Be a part of fun and worthwhile service projects that have a lasting impact on our entire community.



GLoucester TOWNSHIP
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SCHOOL IS OUT, MAINSTAGE IS IN!



Come join us at our Festival of Fantasy Camp, where all things magical begin! Campers will be able to create their own adventures by learning skills in storytelling, music, and movement! Join us for this one day magical experience, a great place to be when school is out.

Monday, January 15th, 2018

Hours: 9:00 am - 4:00 pm
(before and after care available)

Amount: \$50 for program
\$10 flat rate for before/after care

Coupon Code: A DAY OF FUN
(saves \$10, only good until one week before camp)

Where: Academy Hall
27 S. Black Horse Pike, Blackwood, NJ

To register, click below:

[REGISTER NOW](#)



Attention: Dog & Cat Owners!

The Clerk's Office will be issuing new and renewal dog and cat licenses beginning January 2nd. Please note that any license renewed after March 31st will incur a \$15 late fee. We will need to see a copy of an updated Rabies certificate. You can obtain your dog or cat license in person or by mail. Hours for licensing are Monday - Thursday, 8:00-5:00 pm.

For Mail-Ins: Township of Gloucester - Dog Licensing
PO Box 8
Blackwood, NJ 08012

Please include a self-addressed stamped envelope along with a check made payable to: Township of Gloucester

Spayed or Neutered Fee - \$21.00
Non-Spayed or Neutered Fee - \$24.00



DON'T FORGET TO RECYCLE!

All residents are reminded that recycling is mandatory statewide. By removing recyclables from the regular trash flow, we help save our environment and save tax dollars that would otherwise be spent on trash disposal fees.

How to Recycle

Recycling carts are collected every other week at curb side. Compress and flatten recyclables to maximize space. Cardboard must be broken down and placed vertically in cart so that the cart can be emptied properly. Please note that the lid must be closed in order to be picked up. *For any oversized cardboard that cannot be broken down, call The GTMUA for a scheduled pick-up (856-227-5665).

What to Recycle

Glass Containers - must be clear, brown, or green glass, but do not include: auto glass, ceramics, drinking glasses, window glass, mirrors and light bulbs.

Metal Containers - refers to aluminum, tin or bi-metal food and beverage containers, but do not include: aerosol cans, coat hangers, paint cans, pots, pans or scrap metals.

Plastic Containers - that only display the plastic class #1, #2, #4, #5, & #7 recycling triangle on them.

Residential Paper - most residential paper, but does not include: foil or wax coated cardboard, napkins, paper cups, plates, shredded paper, tissues and towels.

INTERESTED IN A LAW ENFORCEMENT INTERNSHIP?

The Gloucester Township Police Department has an Internship Program to offer college students, who are interested in a law enforcement career. The objective of the program is to provide a meaningful educational and work experience to the selected interns, as well as present an opportunity to assess the police profession first hand.

Our internship offers students an opportunity to observe and experience various units of the police department such as the Community Relations Bureau, Traffic Services Bureau, Administrative Services Bureau, Investigations Bureau and the Patrol Bureau. Students will learn about the department's staffing, mission, activities, records, and services. Internships are composed of both observation and administrative research work.

A qualifying applicant must be a student at a nationally accredited college or university taking a course that requires the student to complete an Internship at a police agency and the following:

- Be 18 years or older, unless approved by Chief of Police
- Satisfactorily pass a background check
- Be of good moral character, maintaining and conforming to the high standards of professional and personal conduct

If you would like to participate or have questions regarding an internship, please contact the GTPD Community Relations Bureau at (856) 228-4011

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,



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