

# 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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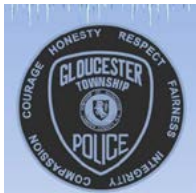


## Gloucester Township named one of the most livable communities by the US Conference of Mayors

Gloucester Township received Honorable Mention at the 2018 City Livability Awards Program during The U.S. Conference of Mayors' 86th Annual Meeting in Boston, June 8-11.

The award recognizes mayoral leadership in developing and implementing programs that improve the quality of life in America's cities, focusing on the leadership, creativity, and innovation demonstrated by the mayors. Winners are selected by a panel of former mayors and awards are given to mayors and their respective cities: a First-Place Award, Outstanding Achievement Award, and Honorable Mention. This is the 39TH year in which cities have competed for the award, which is sponsored by the Conference of Mayors and Waste Management, Inc., the nation's largest environmental solutions provider.

"Our City Livability Awards Program gives us the chance to express our pride in cities' mayoral leadership in making urban areas cleaner, safer, and more livable," said Tom Cochran, CEO and Executive Director of the Conference of Mayors. "We are grateful to Waste Management for its many years of support for the City Livability Awards Program, and for the opportunity to showcase the innovation and commitment of mayors and city governments across the country." (continued on Page 2)



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## GTPD Operation "FREE"ze

Learn how the children of our community can earn a coupon for a free Rita's water ice.



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## GT Relay for Life

Relay for Life returned to Gloucester Township this past weekend and was a smashing success raising over \$45,000 for the American Cancer Society!



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## Challenger MTB Race

Due to the overwhelming success of last year's event, the Mountain Bike Race will take place at Camden County College this weekend!





# Gloucester Township Awarded at the United States Conference of Mayors (continued)

Susan Moulton, Waste Management's Senior Corporate Director of Public Sector Solutions, presented the City Livability awards during the annual luncheon in Boston, MA. "Through the City Livability Awards, Waste Management is immensely proud to honor US Mayors who are committed to strengthening our communities and enhancing the lives of their residents across the nation," said Susan. "For more than 29 years, Waste Management has sponsored the Awards, because the work these Mayors do to keep our communities safe, healthy, and vibrant aligns directly with our commitment to community vitality by providing innovative, safe and sustainable recycling and waste services."

Gloucester Township received Honorable Mention for the Project SAVE (Substance Abuse Visionary Effort) Program. Project SAVE focuses police efforts and practices beyond the "first arrest" and instead combines policing initiatives into a more flexible and productive practice involving prevention and intervention. One of the most significant initiatives associated with Project SAVE, the SAVE Advocate, entails having a drug and alcohol professional in the Gloucester Township Municipal Court. Gloucester Township was the first in the state to add a professional licensed alcohol and drug counselor to its court. Since the implementation of Project SAVE in June of 2014, the SAVE Advocate has offered services to a total of 158 subjects. Of these 158 people involved in substance abuse, 131 (82%) have engaged in the project - meaning that they have participated in some level of treatment. Additionally, of these 131 people, 24 (18%) have fully completed treatment, which may consist of either in-patient or outpatient treatment. Seventeen (17) of the 24 (71%) have remained arrest free since completing the Project SAVE Program.

"We are honored to receive an award from the U.S. Conference of Mayors, an organization that provides mayors with leadership and management tools that allow us to be even more effective as leaders and promotes the development of an effective national city. We continuously aim to keep the residents of Gloucester Township safe by introducing new and innovative policing strategies like our SAVE advocates. Our Project SAVE Program has been a tremendous success and we are proud to have been recognized for our efforts on a national level," says Mayor David Mayer.

*Congratulations to our Township for getting such a prestigious award!*

## Get Ready to "FREE"ze With the GTPD

Starting June 4th, Gloucester Township police officers will be on the lookout for kids who are committing good deeds. This could range from helping another person to wearing a bike safety helmet. If officers catch our young residents doing something good for our community we want them to get ready to "FREE"ze because our officers will be handing you a coupon for a FREE Rita's Water Ice!

We know we have wonderful kids on our community and we can't wait to reward them for the good things they are doing every day!



GTPD OPERATION  
"FREE"ze

Officers will be on the lookout for kids committing **GOOD DEEDS** this summer! If we catch you doing something good for the community June 4<sup>th</sup>–July 31<sup>st</sup>....

Get ready to "FREE"ze with  
A coupon for a "FREE"ze Rita's Water Ice!



*Thank you Rita's Water Ice on Blackwood Clementon Rd. for donating the free water ice coupons*



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# 2018 Gloucester Township Relay For Life



Since its inception in 2010 GT Relay For Life has raised over **\$525,000** for the American Cancer Society. This year's event has brought in **\$47,000** in fundraising so far! There were 27 teams this year, 260 registered participants and 42 registered survivors. GT Relay For Life was the only relay left in Camden County, so they invited the surrounding communities and became Relay For Life of Camden County in 2017! If you'd like more information or would like to get involved, please reach out to Alex Basseches at [alex.basseches@cancer.org](mailto:alex.basseches@cancer.org)



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Featuring a guest appearance by Minion Dave  
RAIN DATE: JUNE 22

Join us this Friday, June 15th at Veterans Park for another one of Gloucester Township's FREE Movies in the Park! This month's movie is sponsored by Republic Bank and Ronald L. Damore, D.D.S. There will be food, games, and a guest appearance by Minion Dave! The movie will begin at dusk. We hope to see you there!

## Mayor for a Day!

Congratulations to another one of our winners of the 2018 Mayors Young Student Alliance Poster Contest, Elena Hicklen! Elena is a fifth grader in Mr. Santiago's class at Loring Flemming Elementary School. Elena's class received a pizza party with Mayor Mayer on Wednesday and will get the privilege of being "Mayor for the day" this summer!

*Congratulations Elena!*







Mainstage's 30th Anniversary year of Summer Stage begins next Tuesday, June 19th as it welcomes the Children's Theatre (grades 6 -12), Video Film Production (grades 8 -12), and Technical Theatre (ages 13-18). The Apprentice (4th and 5th grade) and Kids Stuff Campers (2nd and 3rd grade) begin June 25th and Broadway Babies (kindergarten and 1st grade) will begin July 2nd. There are still spots available in these programs, particularly for the younger ages.

This exciting season of Children's Theatre includes performances of The Little Mermaid, Jr, Camp Rock, Mary Poppins, Jr., and Magic Up Our Sleeves Musical Revue. The Broadway musical show will be The Addams Family musical. Mainstage will also present a special 30th Anniversary Show on July 21st. The organization is looking for alumni to participate and to help with planning special anniversary activities including a movie night, family barbeque, happy hour, and after-show party. If you are interested in assisting, please email:

[annemarieweaver@mainstage.org](mailto:annemarieweaver@mainstage.org).

# CHALLENGER MTB RACE



Due to the overwhelming success of last year's event, the Challenger Mountain Bike Race will be returning to Gloucester Township this Saturday, June 16th! The race is part of a series of ten Cross Country races in the Mid-Atlantic Super Series and will take place at Camden County College. Come out and enjoy the fun atmosphere of this event whether you are a pro bike rider or just a spectator!

[CLICK HERE](#)

## 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](mailto: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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