

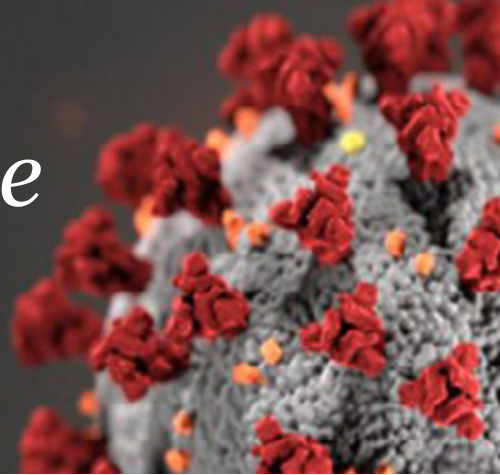
March 19, 2020

*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!*



# Public Notice



## IMPORTANT GLOUCESTER TOWNSHIP UPDATE



GLOUCESTER TOWNSHIP  
OFFICIAL WEBSITE



### PAGE 2 2020 Census: Respond At Home!

Census invitations are hitting mailbox-  
es across the country this week.



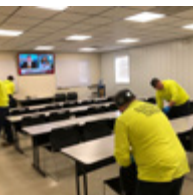
### PAGE 3 325th Anniversary Update

Please read an update regarding  
Gloucester Twp's 325th Celebration.



### PAGE 4 GTPD Encourages Online Reporting

Take advantage of online reporting at  
GTPolice.com.



### PAGE 5 GTPW Sanitizes Parks & Buildings

GTPW Department has been diligently  
sanitizing parks and buildings in town.

Gloucester Township Municipal offices will remain closed for a period of one week starting Monday, March 23rd in an effort to protect employees and the public and to prevent the spread of Coronavirus in the community. The Township will be evaluating the reopening of the Municipal Offices on a week-to week basis.

“During these unprecedented times we have to do what it takes to protect our employees and public. At this time our priority is maintaining of emergency personnel such as Police Department and Public Works for public safety and security. This involves closing our civilian operations due to the fact that Police and other offices share the same building. We appreciate everyone’s cooperation and understanding during this national emergency situation,” said Mayor Mayer.

**While the below municipal offices are closed to the public, should you need any assistance please email the following contacts:**

- Mayor’s Office (email [mayor@glotwp.com](mailto:mayor@glotwp.com), 856-374-3514)
- Tax Collector ( email [Sandra Ferguson sferguson@glotwp.com](mailto:Sandra.Ferguson@glotwp.com) )
- Tax Assessor (email [Chuck Palumbo cpalumbo@glotwp.com](mailto:Chuck.Palumbo@glotwp.com) )
- Finance (email [Christie Ehret cehret@glotwp.com](mailto:Christie.Ehret@glotwp.com) )
- Municipal Clerk (email [Nancy Power GTClerk@glotwp.com](mailto:Nancy.Power@glotwp.com) )
- HR and Payroll (email [Carla Geppi or Renee Taylor cgeppi@glotwp.com](mailto:Carla.Geppi@glotwp.com), [rtaylor@glotwp.com](mailto:rtaylor@glotwp.com))
- Vital Statistics (email [Renee Taylor rtaylor@glotwp.com](mailto:Renee.Taylor@glotwp.com) )
- Community Development and Planning (email [Kenneth Lechner klechner@glotwp.com](mailto:Kenneth.Lechner@glotwp.com) )
- Construction (email [Bernie Shepherd bshepherd@glotwp.com](mailto:Bernie.Shepherd@glotwp.com) )
- Communications (email [Regina Caristo rcaristo@glotwp.com](mailto:Regina.Caristo@glotwp.com) )

# *Also affected are the operations of...*

- Municipal Court will be closed for the period of two weeks (email Patricia Carroll pcarroll@glotwp.com )
- Gloucester Township Public Schools and Black Horse Pike Regional School District will be closed for the period of 2 weeks, implementing remote learning
- Camden County Technical School will be closed for the period of two weeks
- Camden County College extended spring break to March 29th. Virtual instruction begins March 30th
- Senior Services will be closed for the period of 2 weeks, including Senior Bus Transportation
- Recreation Center will be closed. All programs are cancelled for the period of 2 weeks. Spring Classes and their registrations are currently postponed until further notice (email Diane Jones dianejones@glotwp.com, Bill Fagan bfagan@glotwp.com, recdept@glotwp.com )
- Point Arial Park will be closed. All programs are cancelled for the period of 2 weeks
- Pre-School will be closed for the period of 2 weeks
- Gloucester Township Library will be closed for the period of 2 weeks
- Council meeting scheduled for March 23rd is postponed to Monday, March 30th (Celebration of Women's History Month is postponed to a later date)
- Little League opening is postponed
- Mainstage Center for the Arts will be closing for the period of 2 weeks. – Please call (856) 302-6485 1pm-5pm, Mon-Thu; or email info@mainstage.org
- The SPKN Egg Hunt & More held at the Recreation Center on March 28th is cancelled
- The Easter Bunny Brunch held at the Recreation Center on April 4th is cancelled
- Shred Day on April 4th is cancelled
- The Gloucester Township Business Breakfast on April 9th is postponed
- Gloucester Township Day Scholarship Committee 5k Run is rescheduled for June 13th
- Gloucester Township Historic Committee Events for April and May are cancelled
- All 325th Anniversary Celebration events are cancelled

# *Useful Information, Resources, and Links...*

Gloucester Township Police Department and Department of Public Works will continue operations as usual. Public Works yard is open 8:00 am - 4:00 pm.

Trash pick-up and recycling will continue following normal schedule.

- Report a concern: this includes reporting a fallen tree, a pothole, trash or recycling issue and more. Simply text the word "hello" to (856) 644-6414
- Pay Taxes/Sewer bills: You can mail in a check or pay online: [Click here](#)
- Pay traffic tickets: [Click here](#)
- Forms: Residents can access and download a variety of community development forms online and then fax those forms to the department: [Click here](#)
- Monitor event changes and cancellations: [Click here](#)
- Police matter: **IF YOU HAVE A POLICE EMERGENCY, PLEASE CALL 911.** If you have a police non-emergency that requires immediate police assistance, please call 856-228-4500. [Click here](#) to file Incident report, Alarm registration, Property check – for more information please go to [www.gtppolice.com](http://www.gtppolice.com)
- **MEALS AVAILABLE FOR CAMDEN COUNTY SENIORS IN NEED!** [Click here](#). Healthy residents interested in volunteering can call (856) 374-6396

Residents are encouraged to monitor our website as well as social media channels for further information and updates.

We apologize for any operational inconvenience as we continue to work with County, State, and Federal government on this national emergency situation.

## **CENSUS INVITATIONS ARE HITTING MAILBOXES THIS WEEK!**

*Did you know the 2020 Census is easy to complete at home?*

### **Respond via Phone | Online | Mail**

The 2020 Census counts every person living in the United States as well as the five US territories. The census provides critical data that is used to provide daily services, products, and support for you and your community. Every year, billions of dollars in federal funding go to schools, fire departments, roads, senior services, job training and many other resources based on census data. A complete and accurate count is critical for our community because the result of the 2020 Census will affect community funding, congressional representation, and much more. For more information, please visit: [2020census.gov](http://2020census.gov)



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**2020**



# GLOUCESTER TOWNSHIP'S 325TH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION UPDATE:

With new recommendations for social distancing emerging daily, many large and small-scale events are being cancelled in communities across the country. Due to the many challenges we face in planning the Gloucester Township 325th Anniversary events under the unique circumstances of this national emergency, we have decided that it's in everyone's best interest to postpone the 325th celebration indefinitely.

It is with regret that we inform our residents, businesses and organizations that Gloucester Township's 325th Anniversary Celebration has been cancelled due to the current state of the national pandemic and the uncertainty that surrounds it. This includes:

- The 325th Anniversary Parade on May 2nd
- The Time Capsule Burial on June 13th
- The World Record Attempt on September 12th

This decision was a difficult one; however, it was made with consideration of the health and safety of our employees, the celebration committee, and, of course, our community in mind.

Thank you for your understanding at this critical time.

Please stay safe and continue to monitor Centers for Disease Control and Prevention: <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-nCoV/index.html> and the municipal website, [www.GloTwp.com](http://www.GloTwp.com).

## FREE Meals for Camden County Seniors available!

Senior and disabled residents, as well as neighbors and families of those in need can call (856) 858-3220. Healthy residents interested in volunteering call (856) 374-6396.

20TH ANNUAL BUSINESS BREAKFAST  
9:00 AM, April 9, 2020  
THE PALACE  
109 N BLACK HORSE PIKE  
GLOUCESTER TOWNSHIP, NJ  
Registration Begins at 8:30 AM

• NETWORK  
• MEET LOCAL BUSINESS OWNERS  
• DISCOVER OPPORTUNITIES  
• JOIN THE EXCITEMENT!

Become a part of the progress happening in our community!

REGISTER ONLINE!  
[www.GloTwp.com](http://www.GloTwp.com)  
856-374-3514

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GLOUCESTER TOWNSHIP  
JOIN THE EXCITEMENT

Thank you to everyone who registered for 2020 Gloucester Township Business Breakfast which was scheduled to take place on April 9th.

Due to suggested social safety precautions and restrictions on large gatherings, the 20th Annual Gloucester Township Business Breakfast has been postponed until further notice. Please stay tuned for more information.

24th Annual GLOUCESTER TOWNSHIP SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEE  
5K RUN & WALK  
4/11/20  
1261 CHEWS LANDING RD  
GLOUCESTER TOWNSHIP, NJ

• 5K RUN/WALK  
• BREAKFAST BUFFET

PARTICIPANTS RECEIVE A T-SHIRT & POST-RACE BREAKFAST BUFFET!

VISIT [GLOTWR.COM](http://GLOTWR.COM) FOR MORE INFO OR SPONSOR OPPORTUNITIES

ALL PROCEEDS FUND COLLEGE SCHOLARSHIPS FOR GLOUCESTER TOWNSHIP STUDENTS

The GTDSC 5K Run has been postponed until June 13th, 2020, same time and same place. Stay tuned for more details!



# GTPD URGES YOU TO TAKE ADVANTAGE OF ONLINE REPORTING AT GTPOLICE.COM



“Police departments around New Jersey have now had to change how they conduct business so that they can keep officers and the public safe from potential coronavirus exposure.

Gloucester Township Police have implemented a new way to file reports and are urging the town’s residents to take advantage of it.

‘I’ve been a police officer for 25 years. There are things that we’re doing that I would never have considered doing,’ says Police Chief David Harkins.

But Harkins says that as the number of COVID-19 cases in the state increase, police departments like his are adapting. He says that it starts by doing what many in New Jersey are doing -- extra sanitizing and social distancing.

‘We’re only going into houses, residences and buildings that we have to,’ Harkins says. ‘Obviously in police work, we have to if there’s a domestic violence situation or some kind of crime or burglary or even a serious medical condition

situation. We’re going in.’

Gloucester Township Police officers are responding to emergency calls as usual but the chief asked that if a resident does have a situation where they just need to file a report, they can do so online or at their kiosk in the building to limit exposure.

Patrolman Erica Marconi describes options online and at the kiosk.

‘It gives you an array of different things that you can report, so identify theft, different types of harassment, criminal mischief, lost property. Reports for insurance purposes -- crashes, anything like that,’ she says.

‘It limits our interaction, personal interaction and it still gets investigated 100%. You’ll still be contacted by an officer who’s going to completely investigate it. If we have to make contact we will,’ Harkins says.”

-Story by [NewJersey.News12.com](http://NewJersey.News12.com)

To see this story, please visit [NewJersey.News12.com](http://NewJersey.News12.com).

Click below to try Gloucester Township Police’s Online Reporting:



## 2-Month Extension For Driver License, Registration, & Vehicle Inspection Renewals

Governor Phil Murphy and Motor Vehicle Commission Chief Sue Fulton announced on Friday, March 13th that there will be a 2-month extension for driver license, registration, and vehicle inspection renewals that are due by May 31st. For more details, including available online services, visit [NJMVC.gov](http://NJMVC.gov)



Gloucester Township Community Shred Day scheduled for April 4th, 2020, at Public Works has been CANCELLED. This decision was made to ensure the health, safety and well-being of our residents and Public Works employees. Please stay tuned for a date of the Fall event.

# Public Works Sanitizes Public Playgrounds & Buildings In Town

Gloucester Township Public Works' employees have been working diligently, making sure they continue to sanitize township locations in hopes to stop the spread of COVID-19 and keep our community safe.

For the safety of our residents, Gloucester Township has closed all playgrounds and public bathrooms. Park locations will remain open as outdoor-only facilities during regular operating hours.

Centers for Disease Control (CDC) have issued suggested social safety precautions for large gatherings: remain six feet away from others, refrain from coming into direct contact with others, and avoid touching any surfaces. Signs with these suggested precautions have been posted in the parks around town.



## 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,

