



*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!*

# United States<sup>®</sup> Census 2020

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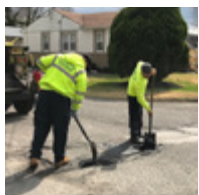
April 2, 2020



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### Summer Camp & Pool Registration

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### Thank You, GTPW Department!

Thanks to GTPW for all that they are doing for our community during this time.



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### Reminder from GTMUA

GTMUA reminds residents what should NOT be flushed down the toilet.

Yesterday, April 1, 2020 was Census Day for the 2020 Census. The Census is mandated in the U.S. Constitution to take place every ten years, but this year the country is conducting the Census during the coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic. Fortunately, the census has never been easier to complete, and residents can complete their census online, by mail, or by phone, all from their home without violating social distancing measures.

Why is it important for the Census to go forward in the face of this crisis? The Census provides critical data that lawmakers, business owners, teachers and many others use to provide daily services, products, and support for our community. Every year billions of dollars in federal funding goes to hospitals, fire departments, schools, roads, and other resources based on Census data, and now, in the midst of the COVID-19 crisis, the importance of having a complete and accurate count for our state, our county and our town is greater than ever.

This is our once-in-every-ten-years chance to help each other when it comes to federal government resources and the redrawing of congressional and state election districts. If you have not already, be sure to reach out to your family members, your friends and neighbors, your co-workers and community organization members, your faith-based community and everyone you know and ask them to complete the 2020 Census.

For more information about the 2020 Census, including how to complete it online, by phone or by U.S. Mail, please click below.

[TAKE THE CENSUS](#)

# GTPD, BLACKWOOD FIRE COMPANY, & AMR EMS SURPRISE RESIDENT ON HIS 4TH BIRTHDAY

Staying positive during the trying times of this national emergency can be difficult, however this story is bound to bring a smile to your face.

On Sunday, March 29th, the Gloucester Township Police Department, Blackwood Fire Company, and AMR EMS joined his friends and family and surprised young resident, Liam, on his 4th birthday as they drove by his house and honked in celebration.

We wish Liam a happy birthday and hope that this made his day extra special under the unique circumstances!



The advertisement features the Gloucester Township logo on the left and the Citibot logo on the right. Below the logos is a smartphone displaying a text message conversation. The text on the phone screen reads: "Hello, I am Citibot. For city information, please type Search. To report an issue, please type the issue. Example: Street Sign, Trash Pick-up, etc. To just type a message to send via a message and we will respond. Have a great day!". Below the phone is a graphic of colorful buildings. The text in the center reads: "Gloucester Township introduces Citibot: a text messaging tool for citizens to communicate with their local government in an easy and efficient manner! SIMPLY TEXT 'HELLO' TO (856) 644-6414".

## NEED TO REPORT A STREET LIGHT OUTAGE, POTHOLE, OR MISSED TRASH PICK-UP?

Have a question for Gloucester Township? Citibot makes it easier to connect with your local government, especially while the municipal offices are closed. Get answers to your questions or make citizen requests. It's as simple as sending a text message! To use Citibot in Gloucester Township, simply send a text message with the word "hello" to (856) 644-6414

# SUMMER CAMP & POOL REGISTRATION POSTPONED UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE!

The Gloucester Township Recreation Center's 2020 Summer Camp Registration that would normally begin on May 26th for residents (and June 1st for non-residents) has been postponed. A new registration date is to be determined.

2020 Gloucester Township Community Pool Registration that would normally begin on May 4th has also been postponed. A new registration date is to be determined.

*Please stay safe and stay tuned for updates!*



# THANK YOU TO OUR GLOUCESTER TWP PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT!



As the Gloucester Township Municipal offices remain closed to prevent the spread of COVID-19 in our community, we'd like to take the time to thank our Public Works Department who has continued to work hard to perform essential services in our community. This includes road maintenance, waste removal, and the cleaning and sanitizing of Township properties like our Gloucester Township Police Department, where our officers must report to work everyday to protect our community. We thank you for all that you do to keep our community running during the coronavirus pandemic!

## *Local Business: Shana's Wild Fig* Provides Curb-Side Lunch for Gloucester Township Police Officers

Shana's Wild Fig, a local business in the downtown Blackwood section of Gloucester Township, provided the Gloucester Township Police Department (GTPD) with a curb-side lunch on Wednesday, April 1st to show their gratitude for the officers who are risking so much every day to protect our community.

"We love our local businesses who are thinking of us during these trying times," GTPD officers said on Wednesday.

Huge thanks to Shana's Wild Fig for their kindness and feeding our officers! We hope that our residents continue to support all of the local businesses that have stayed open to offer take-out only options during this time.



# SEWER REMINDER FROM GTMUA:

Residents are asked to not flush the following items

down their toilets:

- Paper towels
- Hand sanitizer wipes
- Baby and adult wipes
- Clorox disinfecting wipes



Flushing the above items down your toilet can cause damage to your pipes resulting in sewer back-ups into your home as well as damage to the sewer system itself. These items do not disintegrate easily and should be disposed of in your regular trash.

## FACEBOOK LIVE TOWN HALL

Small business owners and residents are invited and encouraged to join a [Facebook Live town hall event](#) for information on navigating the impacts of the Coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic. Date to be determined next week.

A panel will be responding to questions submitted via Facebook's live chat function and a submission form available online. If you would like to submit a question in advance, please complete the form: [bit.ly/CCSmallBizTownHall](https://bit.ly/CCSmallBizTownHall)

## STAY UP-TO-DATE ON LATEST COVID-19 INFO AND CANCELLATIONS!

We ask that you please continue to stay up-to-date on the latest COVID-19 information as well as the changes and cancellations happening daily in our township.

**To do so you may monitor:**

- Our social media platforms:

[Facebook](#), [Twitter](#) & [Instagram](#)

- <https://glotwp.com/news/covid19/>

- <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-nCoV/index.html>

- <https://covid19.nj.gov>

## 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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