

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!

Gloucester Township Helps During the COVID-19 Pandemic

May 7, 2020



PAGE 2 Important Update Regarding Taxes

Taxes are extended through the end of June 1st, no penalties.



PAGE 3 GT Rec Center Camps Canceled

After careful consideration, all 2020 summer camps have been canceled.



PAGE 4 Public Works Reminder

Public Works reminds residents to bag leaves & keep grass, leaves & brush seperate. During the month of April 2020, Gloucester Township has continued its efforts to eradicate the scourge of addiction by providing and administering Project SAVE, even during this terrible pandemic. Gloucester Township Police Officers provided 374 Project SAVE referral cards to those who are in need, while the Gloucester Township Municipal Court staff made an additional 75 referrals to Project SAVE. Out of these 449 referrals, 90 people were enrolled in life saving addiction services though the Gloucester Township Project SAVE Program. This means that 90 people have been given the opportunity to recover from the misery of addiction in the month of April because of the Gloucester Township Project SAVE Program.

The Gloucester Township Police Family Resource Center has also adjusted to the COVID-19 pandemic and has been providing support services to families and juveniles in need. The Gloucester Township Police Department's Licensed Counselor, Alyssa Scolari, LAC, has continued to support those in need of her services by engaging in remote TeleHealth counseling services. Alyssa is in regular contact with Officers of the GTPD Juvenile Family Services Bureau so they can continue to provide services necessary to effect positive change in the lives of juveniles in our community. She has worked with our school counseling partners, DCPP, and others to provide support to those families and kids who are having difficulty with the quarantine situation which has been brought upon us.



"During these unprecedented and trying times, we are so fortunate to have such a strong police department and other frontliners who have been working tiressly to ensure the wellbeing of our residents during the pandemic. These men and women prove themselves every day by putting others' lives before their own. They are our everyday heroes and are always there for us – so don't hesitate to reach out if you or someone you know needs help," said Mayor Mayer.

Gloucester Township Police Chief David Harkins stated, "While the COVID-19 pandemic has presented significant challenges to public safety, the men and women of the Gloucester Township Police Department have stepped up and overcome these challenges. Not only serving on the front lines of public safety, but adapting so as to provide quality of life services to our Gloucester Township community. I couldn't be prouder to serve with them." While these strange times have been difficult, Gloucester Township will continue to serve and provide hope to our community.

If you or someone you love is in need of assistance from the Gloucester Township Police Family Resource Center or from Project SAVE, please go to www.gtpolice. com for more information.



Happy National Nurses Day to all of our healthcare heroes! Your thoughtfulness and dedication are reflected in the job that you do. Who could have imagined the critical importance of nurses in our society would be brought into focus so clearly by the COVID-19 pandemic? Every day, the media highlights the threatening conditions nurses and other care providers are facing and how staff shortages may impact the healthcare system's ability to save lives. Although life as we know it may have changed, the core character of our nurses has not. Happy National Nurses Day!

HAPPY TEACHER APPRECIATION WEEK!



Happy Teacher Appreciation Week to all of our amazing Gloucester Township teachers! "*Teachers affect eternity ; no one can tell where their influence stops.*" - Henry Brooks Adams

Did you know that school resources until the year 2030 are determined by the 2020 Census? It is not too late to complete the 2020 Census at www.census.gov.

Don't let Gloucester Township be under-counted!

IMPORTANT INFO REGARDING TAX PAYMENTS

- Taxes are extended through the end of the day Monday, June 1st (no penalties)

- PTR (Property Tax Reimbursement forms) are due by November 2nd and may be mailed to Township of Gloucester P.O. Box 8 or placed in the Township Drop Box located outside the Municipal Building.





GT RECREATION CENTER CAMPS CANCELED

Governor Murphy announced this week that all public and private schools will remain closed for the remainder of the school year through June 30, 2020. This decision was based on guidance from the Department of Health and the Department of Education. As of now, schools cannot safely open. Gloucester Township Recreation Center's Summer Camps utilize our local schools for camp locations. After careful review, Gloucester Township has decided to

cancel our Summer Camps for 2020. This also includes the GTPD Junior Police Academy. The health and safety of our community, children and staff remain our utmost concern.

Congratulations to our 2020 Scholarship Recipients!

Congratulations to a all of our 2020 scholarship recipients! These students were randomly selected through a lottery drawing to receive a \$1,000 college scholarship from our Gloucester Township Day Scholarship Committee: *Joseph Abate, William Anskis, Ariyona Blake, Porsha Bryant, Jillian Burns, Theresa Byers, Julias Cani, Tara Collins, Summer Coyle, Anh Dang, Shannon DeCicco, Brandon DiBattista, Leia DiNuova, Joseph Foschini, Zachary Gage, Joseph Gallagher, Ryan Gibbs, Alyssa Giordano, Macy Hooker, Gregory Iannelli, Kerrigan Jackson, Scott Juliano, Alexander Klyne, Max Kricun, Leah Langill, Jewel Lewis, Haley Lyons, Allison Makowski, Gianna Maldonado, Michael Marchese, Michael Marioni, Claire McDermott, Kiara McEachern, Ky Syrah Muhammad-Robinson, Isabella Ohrenich, Jayce Overton, Anil Ozbas, Kevin Pogozelski, Taylor Rastelli, Taylor Redd, Ethan Rego, Alexandria Ritchie, Troy Smith, Alyssa Soler, Rebecca Ulrich, Kiley Weldon, Jenna Whelan, Jake Wilson, Matthew Woods, Amir Zia.*

"The Gloucester Township Scholarship Committee is an amazing organization that has been giving back to our community for the past 34 years. Over 1,300 scholarships have been awarded over the years totaling over \$1,200,000. Congratulations to this year's recipients. We wish you luck and success in your college careers," said Mayor David Mayer.



REMINDER TO RESIDENTS FROM GTPW:

- Leaves must be bagged for pick up by GTMUA
- Please keep grass/leaves/brush seperate for pick-up
- Public Works yard is open for drop-off from 8:00 am 4:00 pm, Monda Thursday

- Public Works Building is closed to the public. Please call (856-228-3144) or email publicworks@glotwp.com for inquiries

MUNICIPAL HALL TO RE-OPEN TO EMPLOYEES ONLY

On Monday, May 11th, Gloucester Township Municipal Offices will re-open to employees only. Please note that Municipal Hall will still be closed to the general public. In order for government to continue to function, municipal departments will be be working in shifts on a reduced schedule to limit exposure. All employees will be required to practice social distancing and wear face coverings.

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,

Jain R. Mayer





