

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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Project SAVE Statistics

Learn more about the GTPD's Alcohol and Drug Counseling Program, Project SAVE, and its successes since 2019.



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Congratulations!

Nine graduates of Timber Creek HS get accepted into the Armed Forces



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Gloucester Premium Outlets Now Open!

The Gloucester Premium Outlets have now re-opened for limited shopping.

Gloucester Township stands against Racism in a Peaceful March

Here in Gloucester Township we not only strive to be a community where everyone is safe and welcome, but we also honor the right of each individual to be heard. On Saturday, June 13th, residents, our Gloucester Township Police Department, and Mayor David Mayer joined forces and participated in a peaceful march against racism.

"In Gloucester Township we are dedicated to making our community a safe place for all of our residents to live, regardless of race or national origin. We are proud



of the mutual respect that is shared between our officers and our citizens. During this time, I extend my deepest condolences to those in pain and offer my support as we make a commitment to continue to do better as a community," says Mayor David Mayer.

See more photos [here](#). (Photos by Dave Gruen)



Project SAVE: Substance Abuse Visionary Effort

The Gloucester Township Police Department is proud to announce the successes of Project SAVE. Project SAVE has reported that 478 municipal referrals to our SAVE addiction counselor were made between January 2019 and May 2020. Of those referrals, 383 came from our Gloucester Township Police Officers interacting with our community members seeking help from addiction. Every officer has pocket referral cards that they carry with them at all times. Other referrals come from our Municipal Court Staff. This means 383 people received addiction treatment services because of the community policing efforts of our Gloucester Township Police Officers.



Gloucester Township created Project SAVE in 2014 to help people overcome their addictions with treatment, instead of continuing through the revolving door of the arrest and addiction. Project SAVE was designed to intervene in the early cycle of addiction and uses certified Alcohol and Drug counselors to help people who are seeking treatment for addiction-related illnesses, have overdosed, or for those who have committed minor drug-related offenses, theft offenses, or shoplifting.

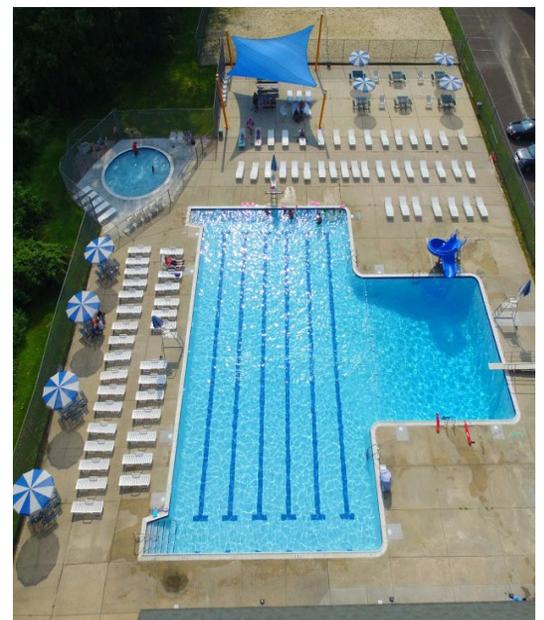
Many drug offenders are repeat offenders who support their addictions by shoplifting, or by committing burglaries and thefts. Without programs like Project SAVE, only 15% of drug offenders get professional help and 77% will be arrested again. Project SAVE's mission is to intervene to break this cycle and to treat addiction as a disease. The goal of Project SAVE is to reduce crime through treatment and intervention. Project SAVE has been successful in achieving these goals and making our community even safer.

The SAVE Program is a key program in the Gloucester Township Police Department strategy of addressing the problems of our community by intervention. If you or a family member is suffering from the scourge of addiction call 856-302-7051. To learn more about Project SAVE go to the Gloucester Township Police website at <https://gtpolice.com/programs/juvenile-family-services/project-save/>

A Message from the Recreation Dept Regarding the Community Pool:

It is with our deepest regret that we announce that Gloucester Township Municipal Pool will not be opening at this time. We know all of us are eager to get back into the water this summer; however due to the strict restrictions outlined in the current executive order, it is not feasible for us to safely and fairly operate the municipal pool. There are over 2,500 members that attend our pool every summer; and because of the current guidelines that limit us to just one hundred bathers, it poses extreme challenges and limitations to our residents and staff.

Please keep in mind that this decision was made with the best interest and safety of both the pool users and our employees. Also, be advised that Gloucester Township will be monitoring the situation, and in the case that those restrictions are relaxed or completely lifted later in the summer, we will revisit the decision of opening the pool to our residents.



CONGRATULATIONS!

Congratulations to the Timber Creek Graduates of the Class of 2020 who got accepted into the Armed Forces. Good luck and stay safe! Gloucester Township is proud of you!



Amanda Abdou
United States National Guard



Keyauri Pooler
United States Air Force



Brendon Middleton
United States Navy



Dylan Steele
United States Air Force



Ashley Nieves
United States Air Force



Zachary Gage
United States Marine Corps



Christopher Scherer
United States Air Force



Edward Moore
United States Air Force



Amanda Abdou
United States National Guard



Class of 2020 Graduation Parades

With the help of police departments, parents, fire departments, Black Horse Pike Regional School District Board of Education, and town mayors, the 2020 graduates will be able to enjoy parades in their honor!

Dates (Rain or Shine):

Highland - June 22nd

Timber Creek - June 23rd

Triton - June 24th

To get more information, guidelines and parade routes click the button below:

[MORE INFO](#)

If you would like to participate in the parades, please fill out the survey below:

[Go to Survey](#)

Gloucester Premium Outlets Are Now Open!



The Gloucester Premium Outlets are now re-open for limited shopping!

Their temporary hours will be:

Monday-Saturday 11:00 am - 7:00 pm

Sunday 12:00 pm - 6:00 pm

Please follow social distancing recommendations and wear a mask while shopping.



An update from Gloucester Township Senior and Community Services

Since the beginning of the pandemic Gloucester Township Senior and Community Services Coordinator Debi Carr and her volunteers have been working hard to ensure that the seniors in our community got everything they needed when they needed it.

They have been picking up meals for the seniors three days a week, dividing and separating them for our senior families so that they get their breakfast, lunch, fruits, snacks and drinks. They then have been providing a no-contact delivery to our seniors' doorstep.

They have also delivered wheelchairs, walkers and other mobility-assisting equipment to anyone who needed it. They have been doing everything they could to keep our senior community home and safe.

Debi would like to thank each and every one for their generous donations as well as her amazing team of volunteers who have been so incredibly selfless, reliable, and helpful during such unprecedented times.

"I would like to extend my deepest gratitude to our Community Service staff and volunteers for everything they have been doing for our most vulnerable citizens these past months. We are such a strong and resilient community because of the people who put others' needs before their own even during the hardest of times. They figure out how to overcome any challenges and operational difficulties to keep doing their job of providing an essential assistance to wellbeing of our citizens," said Mayor Mayer.

Special thanks to Mike Trant and the Timber Creek High School Football team for donating boxes of goodies with food and essentials to senior families back in April during the nation-wide shortage of essential items in stores across the country.

If you or someone you know need any assistance, please do not hesitate to call Debi Carr at 856-228-9015 or Mayor's office at 856-374-3514



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,



GLoucester TOWNSHIP
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