GTWorks is Mayor David R. Mayer's weekly newsletter that informs residents of the current projects and events happening in Gloucester Township.

From Police Department to Public Works to Department of Recreation, we want you to stay In the Know of the latest news in our community!

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Mayor David Mayer and Council wish you a happy and safe Halloween! While the township is not banning trick-or-treating, we strongly encourage residents to use their best judgment and to practice recommended safety measures, such as wearing a mask, while going door to door. If you do choose to participate in trick-or-treating, the recommended hours are between 2:00 - 6:00 pm on Saturday, October 31st.

If you are worried about possible COVID-19 exposure, please refrain from participating and/or opening your door to trick-or-treaters. For those who do not want to participate, a sign is available for downloading and printing on the municipal website, <u>here</u>. Gloucester Township suggests placing the sign on your door or any other visible areas on your property to let trick-or-treaters know to avoid approaching your home.

Additional Halloween Celebration Guidance from the New Jersey Department of Health is also available <u>here</u>.







The Gloucester Township Police Department Provides You With The Following Halloween Safety Tips

HALLOWEEN SAFETY TIPS

Remain on well-lit streets and use sidewalks when possible

Carry a flashlight or use reflective tape on costumes Cross at street corners, and never cross alone Put phones away and be alert for cars (especially backing out of driveways!)



Following health department guidelines are not the only tips to follow this Halloween. The Gloucester Township Police Department encourages you to *be safe and be seen* this Halloween!

Always remain on well-lit streets and use sidewalks whenever possible. Carrying a flashlight or adding reflective tape to children's costumes is always a good idea. Always cross at street corners, and never cross alone. Last but not least, put your phone away and be alert for cars.

For more safety tips you can always visit the <u>GTPD's</u> <u>Official Facebook Page</u>!

Fall Leaf Collection to Begin on November 2nd

Public Works will being Leaf Collection on November 2, 2020. Look for signs on the road and don't worry! If you miss your round, they will continue to collect until all leaves are picked up during the fall schedule which ends December 31, 2020. After this date, all leaves must be bagged.

To make this program a success, please adhere to the following:

- Try to keep all leaves unbagged at curbside. If you must use bags, please use PAPER BAGS ONLY.
- Have all leaves out the weekend prior to your week.
- Rake all leaves curbside. Do NOT rake leaves into street if it will block traffic.
- Do NOT mix trash and broken branches with leaves. This clogs the machines and your leaves will not be picked up.
- Do NOT park any vehicles in front of leaves during your pick-up week. They will not be picked up.



Schedule for the first week (11/2-11/5):

Autumn Court, Ballantree, Broadmoor, Catalina Hills, Chews Wyck, Eyers Place, Fernwood, Glendora on the East side of the Black Horse Pike, All Streets off of Somerdale Road, Somer Hill Place, Timberline, White Birch, Wilson Tract, Morgan Estates, Sterling Estates

161 POUNDS OF MEDICATION COLLECTED DURING "TAKE BACK" INITIATIVE



Excellent work by Gloucester Township residents who dropped off 161 pounds of unwanted medication this past Saturday during the Gloucester Township Police/Drug Enforcement Administration's 19th National Take Back Initiative.

If you missed this event, you can always stop by the Gloucester Township Police Department's watch desk to drop off your unwanted prescriptions into the Project Medicine Drop Box. We DO NOT accept liquids or syringes.

Find The Nearest COVID Testing Site



COVID-19 testing is available to everyone in New Jersey. Testing sites have various operating hours and requirements. Please note that most require an appointment in advance.

Visit the link below to locate a testing site near you, learn how to get tested, and find key information about New Jersey's testing program and related resources.



Congratulations, Detective Andricola!



Effective November 1, 2020, Detective Andricola will retire from the Gloucester Township Police Department after 25 years and 3 months of honorable service. Detective Andricola was hired as a police officer on August 14, 1995. He served as a Field Training Officer, a Society Improvement Program Instructor to children, and a Firearms and Tactics Instructor. Detective Andricola was appointed to the Special Response Team on April 6, 1995, and served as a SRT Operator and Designated Marksman/Observer until May 31, 2015. In 2004, Detective Andricola was appointed as the Departmental Range Master and the Supervising Firearms Instructor, and has remained so up until his retirement. Detective Andricola was the Department's first full time Training Officer, and was assigned to the Professional Development Bureau on February 16, 2011.

We congratulate Detective Andricola and wish him a long, healthy, and happy retirement!

Happy National First Responders Day to our Hometown Heroes!



October 28th was designated National First Responders Day in 2017. National First Responders Day is a day to honor the men and women who act first when an emergency is at hand. Gloucester Township wishes all of our hometown heroes a Happy First Responders Day! Thank you for selflessly giving of yourselves day after day.



Last Chance! All entries for the Halloween House Decorating Contest are due by Sunday, November 1st. Pictures can be emailed to mayor@glotwp.com

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





