

# Lawrence Township



## 2025 Municipal Calendar



# Lawrence Township Council



**Council Member**  
Christopher Bobbitt

**Council Member**  
Jim Kownacki

**Mayor**  
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**Council Member**  
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# January 2025

<u>Sunday</u>	<u>Monday</u>	<u>Tuesday</u>	<u>Wednesday</u>	<u>Thursday</u>	<u>Friday</u>	<u>Saturday</u>
Dog Licenses Due This Month			1 <b>New Year's Day</b> Municipal Offices Closed NO Trash Collection	2	3	4 Make Up Trash Collection for 1/1 <b>Colonel Hand March</b>
5	6 Recycling Collected	7  Council Meeting	8	9	10	11
Zone 1 Yard Waste Collection						
12	13	14	15 Zoning Board Mtg.	16	17	18
Zone 2 Yard Waste Collection						
19	20 <b>Martin Luther King Day</b> Municipal Offices Closed Recycling Collected Trash Collected	21  Council Meeting	22	23	24	25 <b>Free Rabies Clinic</b>
Zone 3 Yard Waste Collection						
26	27	28	29	30	31 Bulk Waste Collected	
Zone 4 Yard Waste Collection						



# Recreation Department



The Lawrence Township Recreation Department provides a variety of recreational and leisure opportunities for residents. Some of the activities include summer camps, swim team, art programs, adult volleyball and special events throughout the year. The Recreation Department is open from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday, excluding holidays. Please call the Recreation Department at (609) 844-7067 for additional information.

## Programs and Activities

Adult Exercise Classes	Pool Memberships
Adult Volleyball	Safety Town
Adult Walking Club	Summer Camps
Art Classes	Swim Lessons
Community Gardens	Tennis Lessons
Cornhole	Track
Hula Hoop Exercise	Yoga
Lawrence Lightning Swim Team	Youth Basketball
Nature Center Camp	Youth Wrestling
Pickleball	



*Lawrence Nature Center 481 Drexel Ave, Lawrence, NJ*



## Township Parks

- Carson Woods
- Central Park
- Colonial Lake Park
- Drexel Woods
- Eldridge Park
- Gilpin Park
- Hamnett Park
- Hero Dog Park
- Loveless Nature Preserve
- Mercer Meadow
- Shipetauken Woods
- Stonicker Park
- Turtleback Park
- Veterans Park
- Village Park

## Special Events

- Colonel Hand March
- Egg Hunt
- Valentine's Day Walk
- Memorial Day Parade
- Independence Day Fireworks
- 9/11 Memorial Service
- Community Day
- Veterans Day

## Township Athletic Fields

### Baseball/Softball Fields in Central Park

Colavita Field  
Carroll Field  
Grant Field  
Hughes Field  
Pezzicola Field

### Softball Fields in Village Park

Betty Leedom Field  
Gatterdam Field

### Football Field in Central Park

Elvin Bethea Field

### Soccer/Lacrosse Fields

Armory Fields  
Twin Pines - Steven J. Groeger Fields  
Mooch Myernick Training Facility at  
Village Park  
Zimmer Field in Central Park



*Captain Lawrence Playground  
Central Park*



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# February 2025

<u>Sunday</u>	<u>Monday</u>	<u>Tuesday</u>	<u>Wednesday</u>	<u>Thursday</u>	<u>Friday</u>	<u>Saturday</u>
						<b>1</b> Property Taxes Due
<b>2</b>	<b>3</b> Recycling Collection  Planning Board Mtg	<b>4</b>  Council Meeting	<b>5</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>8</b>
Zone 1 Yard Waste Collection						
<b>9</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>12</b> <b><i>Lincoln's Birthday</i></b> Municipal Offices Closed Trash Collected	<b>13</b> <b><i>Valentine's Day</i></b> <b><i>Candle Light Walk</i></b>	<b>14</b>	<b>15</b>
Zone 2 Yard Waste Collection						
<b>16</b>	<b>17</b> <b><i>President's Day</i></b> Municipal Offices Closed Trash Collected Recycling Collected	<b>18</b>  Council Meeting	<b>19</b>  Zoning Board Mtg.	<b>20</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>22</b>
Zone 3 Yard Waste Collection						
<b>23</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>28</b> Bulk Waste Collected	
Zone 4 Yard Waste Collection						

# Ecological Center/Grass Clippings

## Joseph H. Maher Jr. Ecological Center

The Joseph H. Maher, Jr. Ecological Center located at 3701 Princeton Pike (just south of Fackler Road) is open to residents (proof of residency is required), Monday through Friday from 7:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. (except holidays) and 7:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. each Saturday (closed December through March). Lawrence Township residents may pick up screened leaf mulch and wood chips at no charge. Residents may also bring brush, branches, tree parts (no stumps), leaves and grass to Ecological Center for disposal. Landscapers, contractors and businesses are prohibited.

For additional information, please contact the Public Works Department at (609) 587-1894.



**Township of Lawrence**  
**Mulch Delivery Program**

Free delivery to your driveway  
Lawrence Township Residents Only  
April 8 thru April 26

Natural Ground Wood Chips  
(limit 9 yards per household)

3 yards for \$33.00  
6 yards for \$66.00  
9 yards for \$99.00

Place your order

Lawrence Township Ecological Facility  
3701 Princeton Pike  
or  
Department of Public Works  
240 Bakers Basin Road  
609-587-1894

Order Form – [www.lawrencetwp.com](http://www.lawrencetwp.com)

This program will assist us with the dispersion of wood chips from our Ecological Facility back into the community. The program ends when our supply ends

# Brush Pickup/Bulky Waste

## Yard Waste Collection Rules

For collecting vegetative materials, the Township is divided in 4 zones (see attached map). Vegetative materials will be collected in ZONE 1 during week of the 1st Monday, ZONE 2 during week of the 2nd Monday, ZONE 3 during week of the 3rd Monday, ZONE 4 during week of the 4th Monday. Guidelines to follow are:

1. Vegetative materials shall be placed at the front yard curb, or edge of the street or road in the front yard manner convenient for the township collector and that does not impede pedestrians and motorists from safely traversing the streets and sidewalks.
2. Vegetative materials shall only be placed at the street the Saturday or Sunday immediately preceding the week in which the zone is to have collection.
3. Vegetative material shall be placed in an area of the street/road edge less than 4 feet from the edge of the pavement.
4. Vegetative materials shall be piled not greater than three feet (3') in height and twelve feet (12') in length.
5. Trees, or segments thereof, and branches greater than six inches (6") in diameter may not be disposed of through municipal curbside collection. Tree stumps are prohibited.
6. Trees, or segments thereof, branches and twigs shall not exceed three (3') in length.
7. Residents are prohibited from adding, or allowing the addition of, their vegetative materials to other piles or collections located in the front yards of neighboring or adjacent properties.
8. Brush collection is suspended during the months of November and December of each year to accommodate the Municipal Leaf Collection Program.

Commercial landscapers are required to register with Lawrence Township annually and are responsible for adhering to the regulations in our Township Ordinances.

## Regulations for Bulky Waste Pickup

Bulk waste consists of items to be discarded which are too large to fit into your cart. Large bulk items must be broken down into manageable pieces for disposal.

- Residents are allowed three bulky items the last Friday of each month.
- Do not place bulky items, including wood inside your blue trash cart. All bulk items are to be placed next to your blue cart for collection. Carpeting must be cut into sections not wider than 5 feet and tied. Weight of bundles shall not be greater than 50 pounds. Each section is considered (1) one bulky item.
- Windows and mirrors must be taped (criss-cross strips).
- Mattresses/box springs must be wrapped in plastic and must cover the entire mattress or box spring.
- Wooden fencing shall be cut into lengths of four feet. Please remove nails or screws that are protruding from the wood. Each section is considered one bulky item.
- All metal items (including ovens, refrigerators, washers, dryers) are collected by appointment only. Please contact the Public Works Department at 609-587-1894 to make an appointment.

## Items Excluded from Bulky Waste Pickup

All Construction Materials	Chemical Containers	Railroad Ties or Treated Lumber
Asbestos Materials	Metal Fence	Refrigerators/Freezers
Asphalt Materials	Pesticide Containers	Roofing Materials
Cement Blocks	Propane or Gas Tanks	Sod

## Grass Clippings

Cut it and leave it- Lawn care experts say the best way to handle grass clippings is to leave them on your lawn. Grass clippings provide a natural and healthy fertilizer. Grass clippings may be disposed of as regular solid waste by putting it in bags in your trash cart. It may not be disposed of in plastic bags at the edge of the road or in containers, other than the township carts. Grass shall not be placed loose at the curb for brush collection.



# March 2025

<u>Sunday</u>	<u>Monday</u>	<u>Tuesday</u>	<u>Wednesday</u>	<u>Thursday</u>	<u>Friday</u>	<u>Saturday</u>
						1
2	3 Recycling Collected  Planning Board Mtg.	4  Council Meeting	5	6	7	8
	Zone 1 Yard Waste Collection					
9 Set Clocks Ahead Check Smoke Detectors	10	11	12	13	14	15
	Zone 2 Yard Waste Collection					
16	17 Recycling Collected  Planning Board Mtg.	18  Council Meeting	19  Zoning Board Mtg.	20	21	22 MCIA Household Waste Disposal Event
	Zone 3 Yard Waste Collection					
23	24	25	26	27	28 Bulk Waste Collected	29
30	31 Recycling					
	Zone 4 Yard Waste Collection					

# Recycling and Waste Pickup

## Recycling Bucket

Lawrence Township residents may place all acceptable recyclable materials into one container. Single stream recycling collection facilitates decrease of collection vehicles on the road and lowers vehicle emissions. Residents may continue to utilize their yellow and green buckets. Cans, bottles, glass, newspapers, magazines, etc., can be placed all together in either bucket. Please continue to use the yellow and green buckets to help identify the recyclable material. Please feel free to visit the Mercer County Improvement Authority website at [www.mcia-nj.com](http://www.mcia-nj.com) for more information or call Public Works Department at (609) 587-1894.

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## Disposal of Covered Electronic Devices

1/1/11, NJ DEP banned disposal of covered electronic devices including TVs, computers, monitors & laptops. Don't place these items in your blue cart. They MUST be recycled! Visit [www.state.nj.us/dep](http://www.state.nj.us/dep) & click "recycling" for additional resources. Call Public Works at (609) 587-1894 for assistance. Lawrence's drop-off for these items is Public Works. Each Wednesday residents can recycle "covered electronic devices" at Public Works 240 Bakers Basin Rd, 8:00 am to 4:00 pm. Visit the office at Public Works for assistance.

Acceptable items:

- Computers
- Televisions
- Laptops
- Printers (Ink Cartridges and Paper not Permitted)
- Monitors

## MERCER COUNTY CURBSIDE RECYCLING INFORMATION

### SINGLE STREAM RECYCLING



All recyclables must be in official buckets and at the curb by 7:00 a.m. • No items in plastic bags will be collected

If collection day falls on a holiday Christmas/New Year's Day/Memorial Day/Fourth of July/Labor Day/Thanksgiving collection will be the following Saturday

### ACCEPTED MATERIALS

Mixed Paper, Office Paper, & Window Envelopes  
Corrugated Cardboard (flatten boxes and/or cut into manageable bundles)  
Telephone Books & "Soft" Cover Books  
Hard Cover Books (hard cover must be removed)  
Glass Food & Beverage Jars/Bottles (all colors)  
Aluminum & Metal Beverage Containers  
Pet Food Cans  
Milk Jugs & Plastic Beverage Bottles  
Detergent & Shampoo Containers  
Juice Boxes & Juice/Beverage Cartons  
Plastics with #1 or #2 Symbols



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### MATERIALS NOT ACCEPTED

Plastic Bags  
Pizza Boxes  
Light Bulbs  
Aluminum Foil/Baking Pans  
Styrofoam  
Drinking Glasses, Dishes & Broken Window Glass  
Ceramics & Pottery  
Aerosol Cans  
Motor Oil & Anti-Freeze Containers  
Clothes Hangers  
Bandage Tins & Cookie Tins  
Carbon & Waxed Paper  
Tissue Paper, Napkins, Paper Plates & Paper Towels  
Plastics with #3 - #7 Symbols



FOR MORE INFORMATION CALL 609-278-8086 OR VISIT [WWW.MCIANJ.ORG](http://WWW.MCIANJ.ORG)



# April 2025

<u>Sunday</u>	<u>Monday</u>	<u>Tuesday</u>	<u>Wednesday</u>	<u>Thursday</u>	<u>Friday</u>	<u>Saturday</u>
		1  Council Meeting	2	3	4	5 Ecological Center Saturdays Resume
6	7  Planning Board Mtg	8	9	10	11	12 Easter Egg Hunt MCIA Document Shredding Event
Zone 1 Yard Waste Collection						
13	14 Recycling Collected	15 Sewer Payment Due  Council Meeting	16  Zoning Board Mtg	17	18 <b>Good Friday</b> Municipal Offices Closed Trash Collected	19 <b>Stream Cleanup</b>
Zone 2 Yard Waste Collection						
20	21  Planning Board Mtg	22	23	24	25 Bulk Waste Collected	26
Zone 3 Yard Waste Collection						
27	28 Recycling Collected	29	30			
Zone 4 Yard Waste Collection						



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# **Independence Day Fireworks**

**Tuesday, July 1, 2024**

Free and open to the public



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# May 2025

<u>Sunday</u>	<u>Monday</u>	<u>Tuesday</u>	<u>Wednesday</u>	<u>Thursday</u>	<u>Friday</u>	<u>Saturday</u>
				1 Property Taxes Due	2	3
4	5  Planning Board Mtg	6  Council Meeting	7	8	9	10
	Zone 1 Yard Waste Collection					
11	12 Recycling Collected	13	14	15	16	17
	Zone 2 Yard Waste Collection					
18	19  Planning Board Mtg	20  Council Meeting	21  Zoning Board Mtg	22	23	24 <b>Memorial Day Parade</b> Make-up Trash Collected for 5/26
	Zone 3 Yard Waste Collection					
25	26 <b>Memorial Day</b> Municipal Offices Closed NO Trash Collection NO Recycling	27	28	29	30 Bulk Waste Collected	31 Recycling Make-Up For May 26
	Zone 4 Yard Waste Collection					



## Personal, Commercial and Specialty Insurance

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## Explore what's possible

### WHY CHOOSE RIDER?

- » 60+ undergraduate majors to choose from
- » 21 NCAA Division I athletic teams
- » 99% of students receive Rider-funded scholarships and financial aid
- » Professional career-preparation experiences including internships, guided research and field work
- » Connection to a powerful world-wide alumni network

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# June 2025

<u>Sunday</u>	<u>Monday</u>	<u>Tuesday</u>	<u>Wednesday</u>	<u>Thursday</u>	<u>Friday</u>	<u>Saturday</u>
<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>  Planning Board Mtg	<b>3</b> Primary Election	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>7</b>
	Zone 1 Yard Waste Collection					
<b>8</b>	<b>9</b> Recycling Collected	<b>10</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>14</b> <b>MCIA</b> Household Waste Disposal Event
	Zone 2 Yard Waste Collection					
<b>15</b>	<b>16</b>  Planning Board Mtg	<b>17</b>  Council Meeting	<b>18</b>  Zoning Board Mtg	<b>19</b> <b>Juneteenth Day</b> Municipal Offices Closed Trash Collected	<b>20</b>	<b>21</b>
	Zone 3 Yard Waste Collection					
<b>22</b>	<b>23</b> Recycling Collected	<b>24</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>27</b> Bulk Waste Collected	<b>28</b>
	Zone 4 Yard Waste Collection					
<b>29</b>	<b>30</b>					

# Solutions to Stormwater Pollution

## *Easy Things You Can Do Every Day To Protect Our Water*

### A Guide to Healthy Habits for Cleaner Water

**P**ollution on streets, parking lots and lawns is washed by rain into storm drains, then directly to our drinking water supplies and the ocean and lakes our children play in. Fertilizer, oil, pesticides, detergents, pet waste, grass clippings: You name it and it ends up in our water.

Stormwater pollution is one of New Jersey's greatest threats to clean and plentiful water, and that's why we're all doing something about it.

By sharing the responsibility and making small, easy changes in our daily lives, we can keep common pollutants out of stormwater. It all adds up to cleaner water, and it saves the high cost of cleaning up once it's dirty.

As part of New Jersey's initiative to keep our water clean and plentiful and to meet federal requirements, many municipalities and other public agencies including colleges and military bases must adopt ordinances or other rules prohibiting various activities that contribute to stormwater pollution. Breaking these rules can result in fines or other penalties.



**As a resident, business, or other member of the New Jersey community, it is important to know these easy things you can do every day to protect our water.**

### Limit your use of fertilizers and pesticides

- Do a soil test to see if you need a fertilizer.
- Do not apply fertilizers if heavy rain is predicted.
- Look into alternatives for pesticides.
- Maintain a small lawn and keep the rest of your property or yard in a natural state with trees and other native vegetation that requires little or no fertilizer.
- If you use fertilizers and pesticides, follow the instructions on the label on how to correctly apply it.



Make sure you properly store or discard any unused portions.

### Properly use and dispose of hazardous products

- Hazardous products include some household or commercial cleaning products, lawn and garden care products, motor oil, antifreeze, and paints.
- Do not pour any hazardous products down a storm drain because storm drains are usually connected to local waterbodies and the water is not treated.

- If you have hazardous products in your home or workplace, make sure you store or dispose of them properly. Read the label for guidance.
- Use natural or less toxic alternatives when possible.
- Recycle used motor oil.
- Contact your municipality, county or facility management office for the locations of hazardous-waste disposal facilities.



### Keep pollution out of storm drains

- Municipalities and many other public agencies are required to mark certain storm drain inlets with messages reminding people that storm drains are connected to local waterbodies.
- Do not let sewage or other wastes flow into a stormwater system.

### Clean up after your pet

- Many municipalities and public agencies must enact and enforce local pet-waste rules.
- An example is requiring pet owners or their keepers to pick up and properly dispose of pet waste dropped on public or other people's property.
- Make sure you know your town's or agency's requirements and comply with them. It's the law. And remember to:

- Use newspaper, bags or pooper-scoopers to pick up wastes.
- Dispose of the wrapped pet waste in the trash or unwrapped in a toilet.
- Never discard pet waste in a storm drain.

### Don't feed wildlife

- Do not feed wildlife, such as ducks and geese, in public areas.
- Many municipalities and other public agencies must enact and enforce a rule that prohibits wildlife feeding in these areas.



### Don't litter

- Place litter in trash receptacles.
- Recycle. Recycle. Recycle.
- Participate in community cleanups.

### Dispose of yard waste properly

- Keep leaves and grass out of storm drains.
- If your municipality or agency has yard waste collection rules, follow them.
- Use leaves and grass clippings as a resource for compost.
- Use a mulching mower that recycles grass clippings into the lawn.



### Contact information

For more information on stormwater related topics, visit [www.njstormwater.org](http://www.njstormwater.org) or [www.nonpointsource.org](http://www.nonpointsource.org)

Additional information is also available at U. S. Environmental Protection Agency Web sites [www.epa.gov/npdes/stormwater](http://www.epa.gov/npdes/stormwater) or [www.epa.gov/nps](http://www.epa.gov/nps)

New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection  
Division of Water Quality  
Bureau of Nonpoint Pollution Control  
Municipal Stormwater Regulation Program  
(609) 633-7021



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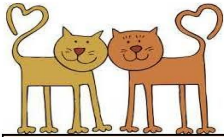
# July 2025

<u>Sunday</u>	<u>Monday</u>	<u>Tuesday</u>	<u>Wednesday</u>	<u>Thursday</u>	<u>Friday</u>	<u>Saturday</u>
		<b>1</b> Fireworks Display	<b>2</b> Fireworks Raindate	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b> <b>Independence Day</b> Municipal Offices Closed NO Trash Collection	<b>5</b> Make-Up Trash Collection For 7/4
<b>6</b>	<b>7</b> Recycling Collected	<b>8</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>12</b>
	Planning Board Mtg					
	Zone 1 Yard Waste Collection					
<b>13</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>19</b>
		Council Meeting	Zoning Board Mtg			
	Zone 2 Yard Waste Collection					
<b>20</b>	<b>21</b> Recycling Collected	<b>22</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>25</b> Bulk Waste Collected	<b>26</b>
	Planning Board Mtg					
	Zone 3 Yard Waste Collection					
<b>27</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>31</b>		
	Zone 4 Yard Waste Collection					

# Cat Licenses

# Health Department

License No. \_\_\_\_\_  
(Office Use Only)



## 2025-2026 CAT APPLICATION

(September 1, 2025 – August 31, 2026)

Owner's Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Telephone #: \_\_\_\_\_ Alternate #: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

E-Mail Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Cat's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Breed: \_\_\_\_\_ Color: \_\_\_\_\_ Microchip #: \_\_\_\_\_

Rabies Vaccination Expires: \_\_\_\_\_ (attach proof of rabies vaccination)

Cat's Sex: ☐ Male ☐ Female Spayed or Neutered: ☐ Yes (attach proof of spay/neutering, if applicable) ☐ No

Are you an active/retired Law Enforcement Officer (including Local/State Prosecutors) or a member of the Judiciary? ☐ Yes ☐ No

ALL CATS (7) MONTHS OF AGE OR OLDER MUST BE VACCINATED FOR RABIES ACCORDING TO NJ STATE LAW, AND MUST BE LICENSED PER LAWRENCE TOWNSHIP ADMINISTRATIVE CODE NUMBER 89-27.

**LICENSE FEES** - \$11.00 if spayed or neutered

\$14.00 if not spayed or neutered

**DELINQUENT FEES** - \$5.00 surcharge plus \$1.00 for each month overdue. Delinquent fees will be assessed effective 11/1/25

**LICENSE FEE \$** \_\_\_\_\_

Return this application with proof of rabies and spaying/neutering certification (if applicable), with the appropriate fee to the address listed below. **CASH or CHECK ONLY** (Make check or money order payable to: Township of Lawrence).

**MAIL TO:** Township of Lawrence  
Attn: Municipal Clerk's Office  
2207 Lawrenceville Road  
Lawrence Township, NJ 08648

The Lawrence Township Health Department provides professional, competent, and efficient environmental and public health services to the residents of this community. Under the mandates of the New Jersey State Public Health Practice Standards and the ordinances and policies of the Board of Health, the Health Department promotes and protects the public's health by the use of disease prevention, health promotion and education, inspections, and enforcement activities. The Health Department responds quickly and effectively to the ever-changing priorities of the public health field in order to meet the needs of the community.

For information on upcoming activities please visit [www.lawrencetwp.com](http://www.lawrencetwp.com). You may also sign up for township announcements, including emergency messages on the township website, Facebook, and Twitter.

### SERVICES WE PROVIDE:

#### **ANIMAL CONTROL**

Report, investigate and follow up on all animal bites. Investigate animal nuisance complaints and enforce all State and local laws and ordinances concerning animals. Inspects pet shops, kennels, and shelters to ensure compliance with State laws and regulations prescribed for these establishments.

Free rabies vaccination clinics are offered each year for dogs and cats. Check website for specific dates/locations. Call (609) 844-7092 for more information.

#### **ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES**

Conducts routine inspections of retail food establishments and also responds to individual complaints as well as the monitoring of recalled foods to ensure that only safe products reach the public.

Investigates environmental nuisances concerning insects, rodents, weeds, garbage and debris, and general unsanitary conditions.

Monitors the installation of individual water supplies within the Township and ensures wells no longer in use are properly abandoned.

Installation and operation of individual sewage disposal systems are monitored to ensure proper operation and correction when malfunctions occur.

#### **VITAL STATISTICS**

Maintains records of all marriages, domestic partnerships, civil unions, births, and deaths which occur in Lawrence Township. The services include handling burial permits, marriage applications, and issuing marriage licenses and certified copies. For further information contact the vital statistics office (609) 844-7093.

#### **PUBLIC HEALTH NURSING**

Offers a variety of services that screen for hearing, vision, hypertension, diabetes, Body Mass Index (BMI), and provides preventative counseling and education.

Maintain records on all reportable diseases and complete required surveillance reports. Investigate various disease occurrences and initiate control measures.

Individuals are referred to the Sexually Transmitted Disease (STD) Clinic at the Hamilton Township Division of Health, 2100 Greenwood Ave., Hamilton, NJ for free and confidential treatment and counseling. Call (609) 890-3647 or (609) 890-3884 for additional information.

Flu vaccinations are offered each fall to senior citizens and high-risk individuals.

Immunizations are available for infants and children with no insurance coverage through high school as part of the Child Health Clinics. Clinics are staffed by a pediatrician and trained public health nurses. Check the website or call (609) 844-7094 for more information for specific dates.

#### **COVID-19 RESOURCES**

For detailed information regarding COVID-19 vaccination sites, testing, and updated guidance please check the website or call (609) 844-7089.



# August 2025

<u>Sunday</u>	<u>Monday</u>	<u>Tuesday</u>	<u>Wednesday</u>	<u>Thursday</u>	<u>Friday</u>	<u>Saturday</u>
					<b>1</b> Property Taxes Due	<b>2</b>
<b>3</b>	<b>4</b> Recycling Collected  Planning Board Mtg	<b>5</b> <i>National Night Out</i>	<b>6</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>9</b>
	Zone 1 Yard Waste Collection					
<b>10</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>16</b>
	Zone 2 Yard Waste Collection					
<b>17</b>	<b>18</b> Recycling Collected  Planning Board Mtg	<b>19</b>  Council Meeting	<b>20</b>  Zoning Board Mtg	<b>21</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>23</b>
	Zone 3 Yard Waste Collection					
<b>24</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>29</b> Bulk Waste Collected	<b>30</b> Make-up Trash Collection for 9/1
<b>31</b>	Zone 4 Yard Waste Collection					

# Leaf Pick Up

## Leaf Collection Program

- During the months of November and December the Department of Public Works will provide leaf collection and assign one leaf collection crew to each brush zone.
- Brush Collection will be suspended during this time period. Do not place brush at the curb for pickup.
- Residents should place loose leaves at the curb to be collected.
- Leaves shall be placed ten feet from storm drains. These procedures have been implemented to adhere to the Municipal Stormwater Regulations. This program is intended to give residents a more efficient leaf removal service while protecting the environment.

Please contact the Public Works Department at (609) 587-1894 for any questions or concerns.



# Tree City USA

## Lawrence Township Tree City USA Since 1996

The benefits of trees are well recognized. Trees filter particulates from the air helping to clean it, absorb carbon dioxide and release oxygen; conserve soil and water; moderate temperatures, shelter homes from strong winds, reduce energy bills, increase privacy and help absorb traffic noise. The positive effects of the trees surpass the negative effects, which can be eliminated or reduced by planting and properly maintaining the right tree species.

In 1996, Lawrence Township received the national recognition of Tree City USA by the Arbor Day Foundation. To qualify to be a Tree City USA, a community must meet four standards:

- Tree board or department (Lawrence Township established the Shade Tree Advisory Committee consisting of seven members).
- Community tree ordinance.
- Community forestry program with an annual budget of at least \$2 per capita.
- Arbor Day observance and proclamation.

The Shade Tree Advisory Committee functions include:

- Recommending to Township Council programs of shade tree improvement, planting and replacement along public rights-of-way.
- Advising the Planning Board and Zoning Board on applications in regard to tree issues.
- Recommending to the Planning Board and Zoning Board standards, types and planting specification for shade trees.
- Advising the Township Council on shade tree concerns on public property.

The Shade Tree Advisory Committee programs include:

- Outreach Program: Power point presentations illustrating the benefits of trees and tree care.
- Memorial Tree Programs: The Memorial Tree Program offers participants unique way to honor a loved one or to remember a special event by donating a tree for public space in the Township. Trees can grow for a century or more making them enduring, living symbol.

The Lawrence Township Shade Tree Advisory Committee encourages residents to plant new trees and to preserve existing ones and welcomes the public to help with its mission. The Committee meets the 4th Monday of the month at 7:00 p.m. in the Municipal Building.

Additional information about The Shade Tree Advisory Committee and programs can be found at the Lawrence Township web site [www.lawrencetwp.com](http://www.lawrencetwp.com).



# September 2025

<u>Sunday</u>	<u>Monday</u>	<u>Tuesday</u>	<u>Wednesday</u>	<u>Thursday</u>	<u>Friday</u>	<u>Saturday</u>
Cat Licenses Due This Month	<b>1</b> <b>Labor Day</b> Municipal Offices Closed No Trash Collection No Recycling	2	3	4	5	<b>6</b> Make-up Recycling Collection for 9/1
	Zone 1 Yard Waste Collection					
7	8	9	10	<b>11</b> <b>9-11 Observance Ceremony</b>	12	13
	Zone 2 Yard Waste Collection					
14	<b>15</b> Recycling Collected  Planning Board Mtg	<b>16</b>  Council Meeting	<b>17</b>  Zoning Board Mtg	18	19	20
	Zone 3 Yard Waste Collection					
21	22	23	24	25	<b>26</b> Bulk Waste Collected	<b>27</b> <b>MCIA</b> Household Waste Disposal Event
	Zone 4 Yard Waste Collection					
28	<b>29</b> Recycling Collected	30				

# Lawrence Senior Center

The Lawrence Senior Center is open to Lawrence Township residents 60 years of age and older. The Senior Center offers a wide range of social, recreational and educational activities as well as a library/lounge where seniors are welcomed to relax, socialize, watch television, play board games or read. Perhaps you will consider participating in the excursions they offer. A nutritious lunch is served by the Mercer County Nutrition Project on Mondays, Wednesdays, Thursdays and Fridays. The Lawrence Township Office on Aging publishes a monthly "Lawrence Senior Activities and Events Calendar" to keep seniors updated on the programs being offered at the Senior Center. The Lawrence Senior Citizen van is available to provide transportation for Lawrence seniors Monday through Friday. Call the Office on Aging at (609) 844-7048 for more information, transport assistance guidelines and to schedule appointments. The Senior Center is open Monday through Friday from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., excluding holidays.



**Lawrence Township Senior Center**  
**30 Darrah Lane East**

## Activities, Classes and Programs

Acrylic Art	Choral Group	Line Dancing	Senior Clubs
Ballroom Dance	Computers	Mahjongg	Silk Painting
Bingo	Exercise	Memoir Writing	Sewing
Bridge Club	Healthy Bones	Pinochle	Tai Chi
Bridge Duplicate	Hula	Poetry	Watercolor
Busy Bees	Italian	Sculpture	Yoga

## Events and Socials

Arts and Crafts Show	Hispanic Heritage Social	Senior Prom
Black History Month	Holiday Luncheon	St. Patrick's Day Social
Chinese New Year	Juneteenth Social	Talent Shows
Fall Social	New Year's Party	Valentine's Day Dance
Flea Market	Older American's Month	Volunteer Appreciation

# Domestic Violence

## What is Domestic Violence?

- An on going pattern of hurtful, manipulative or controlling activities, including physical, sexual, psychological, emotional and verbal abuse.
- Being afraid of your partner or spouse.

## Consider this:

- Domestic violence is the most common form of violence in our society and the least reported crime.
- Domestic violence occurs in all socio-economic groups, all religious groups, all races, all ethnic groups, people of all ages and physical abilities.
- Children who witness domestic violence may display the same emotional responses as children who have been physically and emotionally abused.
- Children whose mothers are battered are at a higher risk of being neglected, abused or injured.
- Studies show that as many as a third of high school and college age youth experience violence in their intimate dating relationships.

If you know someone who is being hurt, you should do the following: believe her/him, keep what she/he tells you confidential, validate her/his feelings and don't blame the victim. If you or someone you know is being hurt, you can get assistance from the Lawrence Township Police Department at (609) 896-1111 or Womenspace (609) 394-9000. They can provide support over the phone, additional information about domestic violence, crisis-counseling, shelter for those who are escaping domestic violence, and information about safety planning.

# October 2025

<u>Sunday</u>	<u>Monday</u>	<u>Tuesday</u>	<u>Wednesday</u>	<u>Thursday</u>	<u>Friday</u>	<u>Saturday</u>
			1	2	3	4 <i>Community Day</i>
5 <i>Community Day Raindate</i>	6  Planning Board Mtg.	7  Council Meeting	8	9	10	11
	Zone 1 Yard Waste Collection					
12	13 <i>Columbus Day</i> Municipal Offices Closed Recycling Collected	14	15 Sewer Payment Due  Zoning Board Mtg.	16	17	18 MCIA Document Shredding Event
	Zone 2 Yard Waste Collection					
19	20  Planning Board Mtg.	21  Council Meeting	22	23 <i>Trunk or Treat</i>	24	25
	Zone 3 Yard Waste Collection					
26	27 Recycling Collected	28	29	30	31 Bulk Waste Collected	
	Zone 4 Yard Waste Collection					

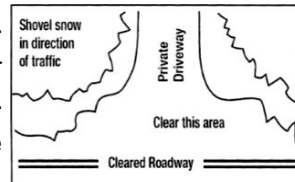


## Snow Removal/Snow Plowing/Street Sanding

During all snow events causing poor road conditions, the Department of Public Works makes roadway safety its top priority. When snowfall begins all high-traffic intersection, curves and hills are salted/sanded first. If time provides all roadways are then serviced similarly. This will melt snow, prevent icing and eliminate the need for plowing in minimal snowfalls. With significant accumulation (3 inches or more) roadways are plowed in priority order as follows:

Trucks will normally make two initial passes down the center of the street to open it for any emergency vehicles. They will return later to widen “curb to curb” so that melted snow will run to catch basins preventing flooding and freezing and also to make room to push snow that falls immediately after the first accumulation.

This “curb to curb” method often results in snow in your driveway entrance. The illustration shows how to minimize having your driveway blocked. When you clear your driveway or sidewalks, DO NOT throw snow into the middle of the street. This hinders plowing and impedes the safe flow of traffic.



### **Sidewalks:**

After the snow has stopped, property owners or tenants have 24 hours to remove snow and ice from sidewalks as per Ordinance #378, this includes entrances to cross walks. In addition, snow or ice from private properties can not be placed into or upon any street or sidewalk in the township.



## Safe Shopping



As the holidays approach, the Lawrence Township Police Department encourages citizens to remember to practice good crime prevention when shopping and running errands. Here are several crime prevention tips that can be practiced year round:

- Remain alert in parking lots; don't weigh yourself down with so many packages that you aren't aware of your surroundings and personal safety.
- Try to park in well-lit areas if you will be leaving or returning to your vehicle in the evening.
- When shopping, hold on to your purse. Do not leave it in the cart, especially when the cart is unattended.
- When loading your purchases in your vehicle, place purse in the vehicle first, so it is not in the cart while your back is turned.
- Do not leave your purse or other items of value in plain sight inside of your vehicle. Lock your vehicle and place items out of sight or take items with you, even if you are only leaving your car for a few minutes.
- Secure packages in your trunk. However, if they must be left in the vehicle, every attempt should be made to place them in a non-visible location.
- When loading your vehicle, do not place things on top of our vehicle. Many times people forget them and drive off.
- Report suspicious activity to the police immediately.

Let's work together to keep Lawrence Township a safe place to live, work and play by taking away opportunities for crime.

# November 2025

<u>Sunday</u>	<u>Monday</u>	<u>Tuesday</u>	<u>Wednesday</u>	<u>Thursday</u>	<u>Friday</u>	<u>Saturday</u>
						<b>1</b> Property Taxes Due
<b>2</b> Set Clocks Back Check Smoke Detectors	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b> <b>Election Day</b> Municipal Offices Closed Trash Collected	<b>5</b>	<b>6</b>  Council Meeting	<b>7</b>	<b>8</b>
Leaf Collection All Zones						
<b>9</b>	<b>10</b> Recycling Collected	<b>11</b> <b>Veterans Day</b> Municipal Offices Closed Trash Collected <b>Veterans Day</b> Service	<b>12</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>15</b>
Leaf Collection All Zones						
<b>16</b>	<b>17</b>  Planning Board Mtg	<b>18</b>	<b>19</b>  Zoning Board Mtg	<b>20</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>22</b>
Leaf Collection All Zones						
<b>23</b>         <b>30</b>	<b>24</b> Recycling Collected	<b>25</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>27</b> <b>Thanksgiving Day</b> Municipal Offices Closed <b>NO</b> Trash Collection	<b>28</b> Municipal Offices Closed Trash Collected Bulk Waste Collected	<b>29</b> Make-up Trash Collection for 11/27 Ecological Center Saturday Hours End
Leaf Collection All Zones						

# Dog Licenses

# Animal Control Regulations

License No. \_\_\_\_\_  
(Office Use Only)



## 2025 DOG APPLICATION

(January 1, 2025 – December 31, 2025)



Owner's Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Telephone #: \_\_\_\_\_ Alternate #: \_\_\_\_\_  
Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
E-Mail Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Dog's Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Breed: \_\_\_\_\_ Color: \_\_\_\_\_ Microchip #: \_\_\_\_\_  
Rabies Vaccination Expires: \_\_\_\_\_ (attach proof of rabies vaccination) Debarked Dog: ☐ Yes ☐ No  
Dog's Sex: ☐ Male ☐ Female Spayed or Neutered: ☐ Yes (attach proof of neutering, if applicable) ☐ No  
Are you an active/retired Law Enforcement Officer (including Local/State Prosecutors) or a member of the Judiciary? ☐ Yes ☐ No

ALL DOGS (7) MONTHS OF AGE OR OLDER MUST BE LICENSED AND VACCINATED FOR RABIES ACCORDING TO NEW JERSEY STATE LAW

\*RABIES VACCINE MUST BE GOOD THROUGH NOVEMBER 1, 2025

LICENSE FEES - \$11.00 if spayed or neutered

\$14.00 if not spayed or neutered

DELINQUENT FEES - \$5.00 surcharge plus \$1.00 for each month overdue. Delinquent fees will be assessed effective 3/1/25

LICENSE FEE \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Return this application with proof of rabies and spaying/neutering certification (if applicable), with the appropriate fee to the address listed below. **CASH or CHECK ONLY** (Make check or money order payable to: Township of Lawrence).

MAIL TO: Township of Lawrence  
Attn: Municipal Clerk's Office  
P.O. Box 6006  
Lawrence Township, NJ 08648

### IMPORTANT NOTICE

There will be a free **DRIVE-THROUGH** rabies clinic on Saturday, January 25, 2025, from 12:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. at Central Park Garage – Dave Nevius Way – Parking Lot off Eggert Crossing Road. **PLEASE NOTE THAT PRE-REGISTRATION IS REQUIRED ONLINE ONLY FOR EACH PET BROUGHT TO THE RABIES CLINIC.** To register for the rabies clinic, please click the attached link [REGISTER HERE](#).

Registration will close Mon., January 20, 2025 at 5:00 p.m.

All cats must be in carriers and dogs must be on a leash. Retractable leashes are not allowed.

Please notify the Clerk's Office if you no longer have your dog(s) or if you have moved from Lawrence Township (609) 844-7000.

(All applicants wishing to license their dogs in Lawrence Township must be 18 years of age or older)



Stray, lost or problems with dogs and cats should be reported to the Animal Control Officer Monday through Friday during regular business hours 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. at (609) 844-7092. Any emergency problems after regular business hours or any emergencies should be reported to Lawrence Township Police at (609) 896-1111.

In order to keep the open space and playing fields in the parks clean and safe for everyone, dog owners are reminded to adhere to the following township regulations relating to dogs.

All dogs are prohibited from running at large on streets and other public places or on private property, other than that of the owner, or property designated by the township as a dog run unless accompanied by a responsible individual and controlled by a leash not exceeding ten feet in length. The township has designated two dog parks. One in Village Park at the Yeger Drive entrance and a second, the Hero Dog Park on Ohio Avenue.

Any person who has charge of a dog shall be responsible for the prompt and efficient removal and disposal of the feces of the dog from any public place or private entrance.

Please note that violators of these regulations shall be subject to fines as designated in the related ordinances.

For additional information regarding animal control regulations please contact the Health Department at (609) 844-7092.



# December 2025

<u>Sunday</u>	<u>Monday</u>	<u>Tuesday</u>	<u>Wednesday</u>	<u>Thursday</u>	<u>Friday</u>	<u>Saturday</u>
	<b>1</b>  Planning Board Mtg	<b>2</b>  Council Meeting	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b>  <i>Holiday Tree Lighting</i>	<b>5</b>	<b>6</b>
	Leaf Collection All Zones					
<b>7</b>	<b>8</b> Recycling Collection	<b>9</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>13</b>
	Leaf Collection All Zones					
<b>14</b>	<b>15</b>  Planning Board Mtg	<b>16</b>  Council Meeting	<b>17</b>  Zoning Board Mtg	<b>18</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>20</b>
	Leaf Collection All Zones					
<b>21</b>	<b>22</b> Recycling Collection	<b>23</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>25</b> <i>Christmas Day</i> Municipal Offices Closed NO Trash Collection	<b>26</b> Bulk Waste Collected	<b>27</b> Make Up Trash Collection for 12/25
	Leaf Collection All Zones					
<b>28</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>31</b>			

# Lawrence Township Police Department

The Lawrence Township Police Department strives to promote a professional, dedicated, and knowledgeable approach to problems that affect our community.

The mission of the Lawrence Township Police Department is to develop partnerships with the community to improve the quality of life by practicing pro-active and creative problem solving strategies.

We are committed to conducting pro-active policing strategies to reduce crime and the fear of crime in our town.

We also wholeheartedly believe in and are committed to promoting the community oriented policing philosophy.

As a police department we provide many programs that work in conjunction with the community to strengthen our partnership. Some of these programs include:

- Neighborhood Watch, Fire and House Checks [for residents out of town]
- Operation Blue Angel
- Coffee with a Cop
- Community Egg Hunt
- National Night Out
- Trunk or Treat

Anyone who would like information regarding these programs should contact the Chief at (609) 844-7102.

A big part of practicing the Community Oriented Policing Philosophy includes addressing quality of life issues that have an impact on the everyday lives of our Township. By allowing these quality of life issues to fester without being addressed, small problems will eventually grow into larger ones which may lead to the increase in crime in our town. That being said, we would like to remind residents of a few Township ordinances that may be beneficial to the quality of life in our community:

**Motorized Scooters on Public Property:** Motorized scooters and “pocket bikes” are considered motorcycles under the New Jersey motor vehicle law. They may not be registered with the NJ Motor Vehicle Commission. Therefore, it is illegal to operate them on public property, which includes all public roadways, parks and Township property.

Anyone having any questions regarding ordinances can contact the Chief at (609) 844-7102.

Finally, many times residents have questions on how to obtain a Firearms Purchaser Identification Card and/or a permit to purchase a Handgun. For Lawrence Township Residents, you may apply at the Lawrence Township Police Department. You must be 18 years old to purchase a rifle or shotgun, which includes BB pellet and black powder rifles. You must be 21 years old to purchase a handgun. Applications and instructions are available at the Police Records window or on the Township website ([Lawrencetwp.com/police](http://Lawrencetwp.com/police).)

Anyone having further questions regarding Firearms Applications should contact Agent Richard Kulak by calling (609) 844-7112.

**Unregistered Vehicles on Public or Private Property:** Lawrence Township Code, Sections 12-23 and 10-24 prohibits the outside storage of unregistered vehicles on public or private property for one year. A permit may be issued for vehicles that meet certain conditions. For further information, contact Code Enforcement Agent Richard Kulak by calling (609) 844-7112.

**Prohibited Signs:** Lawrence Township Land Use Ordinance, Section 535 prohibits signs from being attached, affixed or painted on trees, fence, utility poles, light posts, attached to other signs, placed upon motor vehicles which are continuously or repeatedly parked in a conspicuous location to serve as a sign. Yard sale signs may be placed on private property but shall not be erected more than seven days prior to such sale. No more than eight signs are permitted and must be removed within 48 hours after sale.





# AROUND TOWN





# TOWNSHIP OF LAWRENCE, MERCER COUNTY, NJ RESIDENTIAL YARD WASTE COLLECTION SCHEDULE

