

# **Senior Connect**

# The Township of Lawrence



Jan. 14, 2022

## A message from the Senior Center:

Lillian LaSalle, Executive Director Telephone: (609) 844-7049

Please be advised:

Senior Center Programs, Events and Activities have been canceled until January 31st

The Mercer County Nutrition Program drive thru lunch is still available at the Senior Center.





#### Township of Lawrence, NJ

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### Meet the New Mayor - John Ryan

I have been a Lawrence Township resident for 37 years. My wife Linda and I have raised three beautiful daughters, Rebecca, Megan, and Hannah. Along with our daughters, we have two amazing grandsons, Asher and Elijah. I retired from UPS four years ago after 28 years of service as a tractor trailer driver. I was a proud member of Teamsters Local 177 and a Shop Steward for many years. I was selected to fill a vacancy on Council in 2019, then elected by the residents in 2020 to a four year term, all while serving on numerous boards and committees. As Mayor you will find someone who always comes prepared and willing to go the extra mile for the residents of Lawrence. I am also someone who is accessible and straight forward. I look forward to serving



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# Get your 2022 Municipal Calendar!



Township of Lawrence, NJ

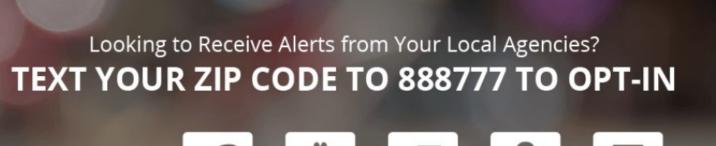
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The 2022 Municipal Calendar is available and you can pickup a copy at the Municipal Building. You can also print a copy from using this link: https://www.lawrencetwp.com/.../Cal.../2022CalendarFinal.pdf





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# **JANUARY VACCINE CLINICS**



#### <u>CURE Insurance Arena - Gate A, South Broad Street entrance, Trenton.</u> Appointments can be made through NJVSS- NJ Vaccine Scheduling System, covidvaccine.nj.gov, or call 1-855-568-0545. (*J&J, Moderna, and Pfizer available*) PEDIATRIC & ADULT vaccines available.

Tuesday, Jan. 4, 10 am – 6 pm Thursday, Jan. 6, 9 am – 5 pm Monday, Jan. 10, 9 am – 5 pm Tuesday, Jan. 11, 10 am – 6 pm Wednesday, Jan. 12, 9 am – 5 pm Monday, Jan. 17, 9 am – 5 pm Tuesday, Jan. 18, 10 am – 6 pm Monday, Jan. 24, 9 am – 5 pm Tuesday, Jan. 25, 10 am – 6 pm Wednesday, Jan. 26, 9 am – 5 pm Thursday, Jan. 31, 9 am – 5 pm Tuesday, Feb. 1, 10 am – 6 pm

930 Spruce St., Lawrence, heated tent next to Trenton Farmers Market

Wednesday, Dec. 29, 9 am – 4 pm

Mercer County Office Park gymnasium, 1440 Parkside Ave., Ewing

Wednesday, Jan. 5, 11 am – 7 pm Friday, Jan. 7, 9 am – 5 pm Friday, Jan. 14, 11 am – 7 pm Wednesday, Jan. 19, 11 am – 7 pm Wednesday, Feb. 2, 11 am – 7 pm

### POP UP CLINICS IN MERCER COUNTY:

Thursday, Jan. 6, 4 pm – 6 pm, Mercer County Park Festival Grounds (trailer), Old Trenton Rd, West Windsor. Sunday, Jan. 9, 10 am – 5 pm, Hollowbrook Community Center (trailer), 320 Hollowbrook Drive, Ewing. No pediatric vaccine (ages 5-11). Thursday, Jan. 13, 3:30 – 7:30 pm, 1867 Sanctuary (trailer), 101 Scotch Road, Ewing. No pediatric vaccine (ages 5-11).

The J&J, Moderna and Pfizer vaccines, including booster shots, are available at all of the above clinics.





COVID-19 VACCINE BOOSTER CLINIC AT LAWRENCE COMMUNITY CENTER

# THURSDAY JANUARY 20, 2022 1:00PM-3:00PM

295 EGGERT CROSSING ROAD LOCATED IN THE GYM AT THE BACK OF THE COMMUNITY CENTER

> J&J, Moderna, & Pfizer available. Free, no insurance, or ID required. BOOSTERS AVAILABLE.

Moderna at least 6 months after primary series, 18+ years old. Pfizer at least 6 months after primary series, 16+ years old. J&J at least 2 months after first dose, 18+ years old.

### BY APPOINTMENT ONLY.

1. Book an appointment via this <u>link:</u> https://forms.gle/heSUgaPQZwGqT7hPA OR

2. Call for an appointment: The Lawrence Health Department (609) 844-7089

REGISTRATION ENDS AT 2:30PM CLINIC CLOSES AT 3:00PM LIMITED SPACE FOR WALK-INS.

### **Free At-Home Covid Tests**

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### NO-COST COVID TESTING FOR ALL NEW JERSEY RESIDENTS

New Jersey and Vault Medical Services have teamed up to offer at-home COVID-19 saliva testing for any person who believes they need to be tested, with or without symptoms, at no cost.



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### HOW IT WORKS



The State of New Jersey is proud to offer fast and accurate COVID-19 saliva testing, at no cost, to any person who feels they need a test.

- Order your test from Vault. The test kit will arrive at your home via expedited shipping.
- Log on to your patient flow for next steps. Zoom supervision is required, you will be prompted to <u>log into Vault's virtual waiting room</u>. Wait times for a clinician are generally 15 minutes or less. Wait times are longest over the noon hour. **You must not eat, drink, smoke, or chew anything for 30 minutes before your testing session.**

Ship your sample to the lab using a prepaid UPS package.

Get your result 24 to 48 hours after your sample arrives at the lab.

# Visit this website to sign-up: https://learn.vaulthealth.com/nj/

# Be Thankful for Safety Tips

Use these tips to keep safe this holiday season!



Get vaccinated against the flu and COVID-19.



Wear a mask indoors if unvaccinated. Wear a mask in crowded indoor spaces and in high risk settings regardless of vaccination status.



Celebrate with persons who are vaccinated, outdoors, or in places with good ventilation.



Get tested for COVID-19 if you have symptoms or are a close contact.



Stay home if you feel sick!

Visit the new <u>Traveler's Health</u> website if you plan on traveling over the holidays.





# Project Healthy Bones

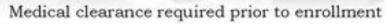
# JOIN OUR FREE 24-WEEK EXERCISE PROGRAM

### **TUESDAY'S 1:30PM-3:00PM** LAWRENCE SENIOR CENTER

✓ Do you want to improve strength, balance and flexibility?
✓ Are you 60 years of age or older?
✓ Are you at risk of or living with osteoporosis?
✓ Do you want to learn more about your bone health?

### **REGISTER/CONTACT INFO:**

Please Call Maria Sergio ICGMC Project Healthy Bones Program Coordinator 609-393-9922



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### Yard Waste Collection: FAQs

Lawrence Township Brush Collection

### Most Commonly Asked Questions



How large can my yard waste pile be at the curb? Your total pile size can be 12' long, 3' high and 4' from the edge of the curb; please do not obstruct traffic. Any pile exceeding 12' in length will not be collected.

When can I place my brush at the curb for collection? Brush will be collected according to your zone schedule. Do not place brush at the curb until the weekend before your zone collection week. See our website for your zone at www.lawrencetwp.com or call the Public Works Department at (609) 587-1894.

How <u>thick</u> can my tree branches be for collection? Tree trunks and limbs in excess of 6" in diameter will not be collected.

How long should the branches be for collection? Limbs shall be cut in lengths of 3' or less.

Can I place a tree stump in the road for collection? No, tree stumps are the homeowner's responsibility.

**Can I place grass in the road for collection?** No, grass shall be bagged and placed in your blue cart for collection. Cutting it and leaving it on your lawn is always the best option. Residents may drop off grass clippings at the Ecological Facility (3701 Princeton Pike, Mon-Fri 7:30 a.m. –2:30 p.m.).

Can my landscaper place yard waste at the curb during the week when he is servicing my property? Landscapers shall be registered with Lawrence Township, this will allow them to understand the rules and regulations. Landscapers must follow all the same rules for collection when working for the homeowner. Landscapers can <u>only</u> place yard waste at the curb for collection the Saturday or Sunday before the proper zone collection.

Can my landscaper bring yard waste to the Township's Ecological Facility? YES, it is FREE... Provide your landscaper a note with your address, name, date, phone number, and signature, and your landscaper can drop off your yard waste for NO CHARGE at the Ecological Facility (3701 Princeton Pike, Mon-Fri 7:30 a.m.-2:30 p.m.). Your landscaper must be registered and follow the same rules for disposal.

### Yard Waste Collection: FAQs

Can my tree landscape contractor remove a tree from my property and place it in the road for disposal? No, your tree service is responsible for disposal. This program is designed for yard waste and trimmings.

**Can I place a pile with my neighbor's pile or have a "community pile"?** No, place your pile in front of your home for collection. Each resident is entitled to a 12' pile and we need to easily identify which property belongs to the yard waste pile.

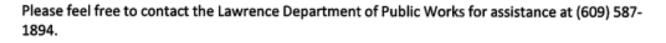
If I have a violation, will you come back and collect the material? The crews are working hard to collect the entire zone during the collection week. Unfortunately, we do not have time to go back to the properties that did not conform to the regulations. The yard waste can be dropped off at the Ecological Facility or removed from the curb until the next zone collection for your area.

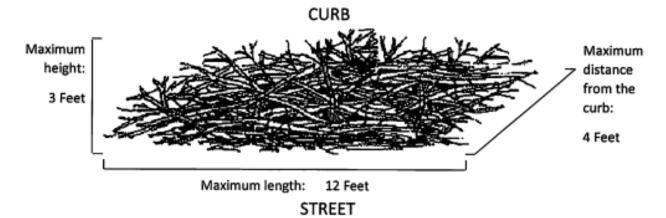
In the spring, can I place leaves out with my yard waste? Yes, you can place leaves out with your yard waste in the spring. Your total pile size is still required to be no larger than 12' long. Place leaves on one side of the pile, this allows the crew to easily examine what is in the pile for collection. Please note, leaf collection is during the months of November and December.

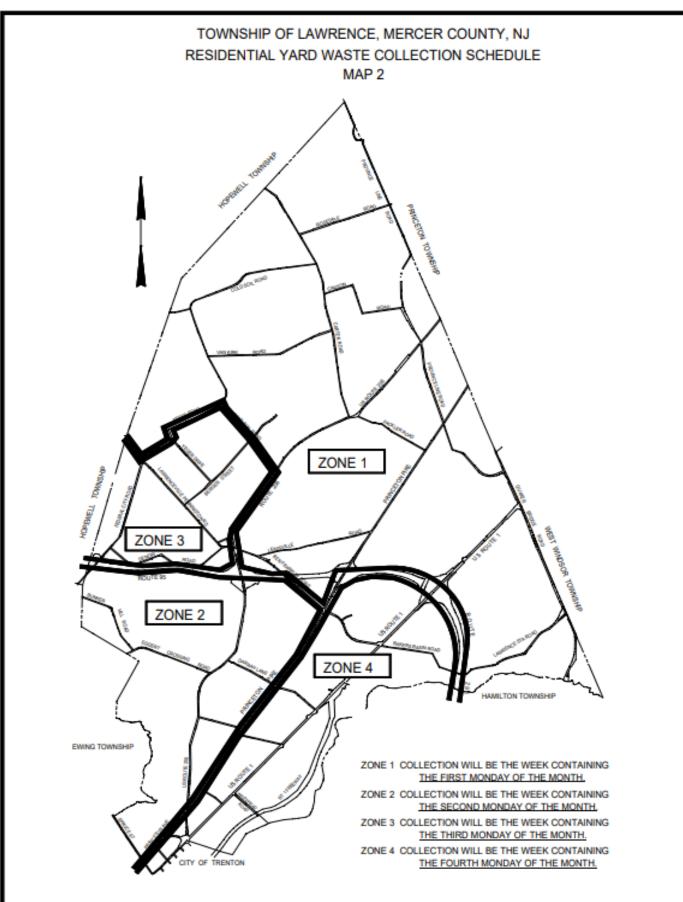
**Can I place dirt in the street from my garden or beds?** No, the Township is not allowed to collect soil, stones, concrete, bricks, mulch, diseased firewood or construction debris from the roadway.

Can I place a wooden playground set or wood fencing out at the curb for yard waste collection? No, please follow rules for trash collection for these items.

Why has the program changed? The collection program rules are generally the same. This municipal program is very popular, and the total amount of material has been rising, creating clogged streets in the Township with large amounts of yard waste debris. The changes are designed to preserve the program for years to come and make the streets of Lawrence safe and beautiful. Please DO NOT place yard waste in the street until the weekend before your zone collection.









### Take the Trolley: The Trolley Age in Mercer County

A Wednesday Night Out Lecture January 26th | 7 pm – 8 pm Hopewell Theater, 5 South Greenwood Ave Free | No Registration Required

#### Join the Hopewell Public Library and Dennis Waters for a lecture on the history of Hopewell's Trolleys.

In the early decades of the 20th century, more than one million passengers rode the two trolley lines connecting Trenton and Princeton each year. But, trolley tracks extended as far as Pennington and Hopewell. The roads were bad, the automobile was not yet dominant, and for a few cents the trolley was the cheapest,

fastest, and generally safest way to get from point A to point B in Mercer County.

Join us on January 26th to learn more about the trolley age in all of its blue-sky ambition and rampant skulduggery, including where you can still see relics of the trolley lines that are still part of the landscape.



Looking north, this intersection of Delaware Avenue and North Main Street was known as Blackwell's Corner. The electric trolley shown here connected downtown Trenton with Pennington and Bopewell.

Dennis Waters spent twelve years as Lawrence Township Historian. He serves as a trustee of the Lawrence-Hopewell Trail, where he manages the "History Along the LHT" project. He received



a Ph.D. in advanced technology from the Watson Engineering School at Binghamton University. His book Behavior and Culture in One Dimension: Sequences, Affordances, and the Evolution of Complexity was published by Routledge in 2021.

**Please visit:** Hopewell Theater, January 26th, to hear the history of the trolleys which used to run right down Broad Street! If you have any questions, give us a shout at **609-466-1625** or **hpl@redlibrary.org.** 

#### COUNTY OF MERCER DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION & INFRASTRUCTURE McDADE ADMINISTRATION BUILDING 640 SOUTH BROAD STREET P.O. BOX 8068 TRENTON, NEW JERSEY 08650-0068 TELEPHONE (609) 989-6209 Fax: (609) 989-8295

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### Virtual Public Information Center

Wednesday January 19, 2022 6:00 PM to 8:00 PM

Improvement of County Route 583 (Princeton Ave), Mulberry St & Rear Entrance of The Trenton Farmers Market

The County of Mercer Department of Transportation and Infrastructure (DOT&I), Division of Engineering will hold a **Virtual Public Information Center (VPIC)** to inform local residents, officials and the community about the **Intersection Improvements of Princeton Ave (CR 583), Mulberry St & Trenton Farmers Market (TFM) Rear Entrance.** You are encouraged to participate by providing comments during the meeting, by mail or e-mail.

#### **Meeting Information**

The VPIC will be held Wednesday, January 19, 2022 from 6-8pm via Zoom.

**Meeting ID:** 835 6636 7585 **Passcode:** 484443

You will have the opportunity to review the design plans, ask questions and share information with Mercer County Staff. Property owners of rental units are advised that tenants are also invited and encouraged to participate.

#### **The Project**

The intersection improvements are the first step at optimizing the Princeton Ave Corridor heading Eastbound toward the Business Route 1 Traffic Circle. It will change the intersection from operating on a 3-Phase cycle to a 2-Phase cycle reducing wait time at the Mulberry St and TFM Rear Entrance traffic light. Additionally, the crosswalk will be revised to allow safer pedestrian travel across Mulberry St.

For further information, please contact: Brian C. Gibson Jr. Principal Engineer - Traffic County of Mercer, Department of Transportation and Infrastructure, Division of Engineering 640 South Broad St Trenton, NJ 08650 P: 609-989-6648 E: <u>bgibson@mercercounty.org</u>

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