



## Middletown Hosts Groundbreaking Ceremony for Veterans-Only Affordable Housing Complex in Belford



Members of the Middletown Township Committee, Veterans Affairs Committee, and Middletown Housing Authority at the ceremonial groundbreaking on Tuesday.

Middletown Township hosted a groundbreaking ceremony on Tuesday for the veterans-only affordable housing complex that will be located in the Campbell's Junction section of Belford. The three-story building will have 12 rental units deemed solely for the honorable individuals who have served our nation.

Members of the Township Committee, Veterans Affairs Committee, Monmouth County Board of Commissioners, Middletown Housing Authority, Bayshore Village Senior Citizen Housing Corp, Township staff, and community came together to celebrate the beginning of this project. Mayor Tony Perry opened the ceremony by

reflecting on how the idea came to life when he passed the empty lot two years ago and dreamed of making it a home for our veterans. Middletown Veterans Affairs Committee (VAC) Chairman Dennis Beauregard then spoke about the dire need for affordable housing.

According to the Housing Assistance Council, 5.2 percent of New Jersey's veterans live in poverty. "Veterans need more support," Beauregard said. "Middletown's 100 percent veterans-only affordable housing complex is an important example of how we can assist those who have already sacrificed so much for our country and ensure that veterans are treated with the dignity and respect we deserve."

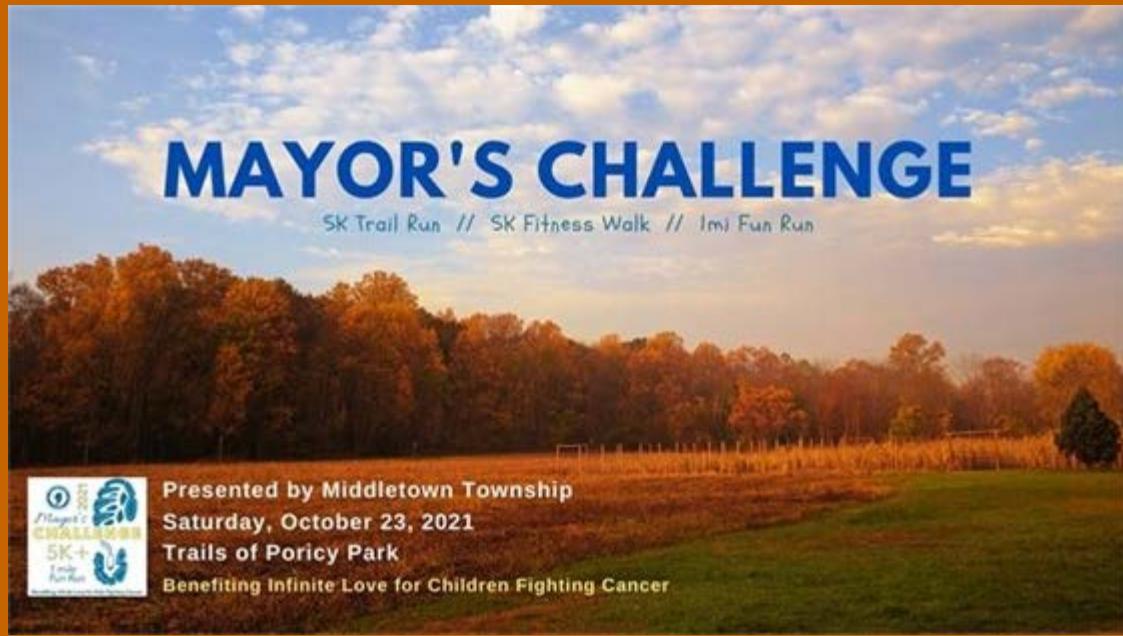
Monmouth County Commissioners Tom Arnone and Lillian Burry also spoke words of support for this project and presented a proclamation on behalf of the County. Middletown Housing Authority Chairman Richard Kolber then discussed the next stages of the project, including finding a developer. They will also be handling the application process.

The ceremony concluded with local veterans, dignitaries, and Township officials picking up shovels and breaking ground for a complex that will soon become a home for our heroes.

*Click [HERE](#) to view photos from the event.*

*Click [HERE](#) for upcoming updates about the project and how to apply.*

## Run (or Walk!) for a Cause in Third Annual Mayor's Challenge on Saturday, 10/23 at Poricy Park



Join Middletown Recreation for its third annual Mayor's Challenge, with all proceeds benefiting local non-profit [Infinite Love for Kids Fighting Cancer](#). Come to Poricy Park (345 Oak Hill Road) on Saturday, October 23<sup>rd</sup> for either a 5K Fitness Walk, a family-friendly 1-mile Fun Run, or gear up for the 5K Race - the choice is yours!

The schedule is as follows:

8:45 am: 5K Fitness Walk

9:00 am: 1mi Fun Run  
9:30 am: 5K Race

Please keep in mind that this trail run includes single track, bridges, woods, and many hills. The course is not suitable for strollers. Registration includes a long sleeve shirt (while supplies last), bib with timing chip, and a medal.

*Click [HERE](#) to view the trail map and to register.*



## Middletown Township Committee to Host In-Person and Virtual Regular Meeting on Monday, 10/18

The Middletown Township Committee Regular Meeting on Monday, October 18, 2021 at 7:00 PM will be open to the public and made available live through Webex Event Center.

If you will be participating remotely, you can do so by [clicking this event link](#). To call in to the meeting, dial 1-408-418-9388. The event access code is 2331 839 1333 followed by #. Enter 2021 if a passcode is required.

Prior to the Township Committee Meeting, the event link will be published on the Township's Facebook page. The recording of the meeting will be aired on the Township's TV channel (Verizon FiOS Channel 26/Comcast Cable Channel 20) and YouTube channel.

*Click [HERE](#) to view the meeting agenda.*

*Click [HERE](#) to read the full press release.*

## TOWNSHIP EMAIL SERVER DOWN

The Township's email server is currently down. If you need to reach Township employees, please use the staff directory. Visit [middletownnj.org/directory](http://middletownnj.org/directory) for contact information.

We apologize for the inconvenience and thank you for your continued patience.

[Click on the graphic to access the Township's staff directory.](#)

## COVID-19 Testing Site at Middletown Train Station Re-Opens Friday, 10/22 from 10:00 AM - 2:00 PM

PCR Test Only  
Results in 2-3 days

Visit [www.middletownnj.org/covid19](http://www.middletownnj.org/covid19)  
next week for pre-registration information.

### Where to Cast Your Early Vote for the November 2021 General Election



#### WHEN

Saturday, 10/23  
through Sunday, 10/31

#### WHERE

Croydon Hall Senior Center  
Assembly Room  
(900 Leonardville Road)

#### TIME

10 AM - 8 PM.  
Monday through Saturday  
10 AM - 6 PM, Sunday

Voting booths are open to all Monmouth County residents.  
For other polling locations, visit [monmouthcountvotes.com](http://monmouthcountvotes.com).

### October is Make a Difference Month in Middletown!

We ask that residents help make a difference by participating in our

## FOOD AND CLEANING SUPPLIES DRIVE



Middletown Social Services is collecting non-perishable  
food, cleaning supplies, personal items, and paper products.

Bring donations to the following locations: Middletown Police Lobby  
(1 Kings Highway), Senior Center (900 Leonardville Road), and  
Social Services (180 Main Street)

Questions? Call Social Services at 732-615-2085.

## Upcoming Events

Sun.

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**Enjoy A Live Concert by the VFW Jazz Band at the MTPL  
on Monday, 10/18 at 7 PM**

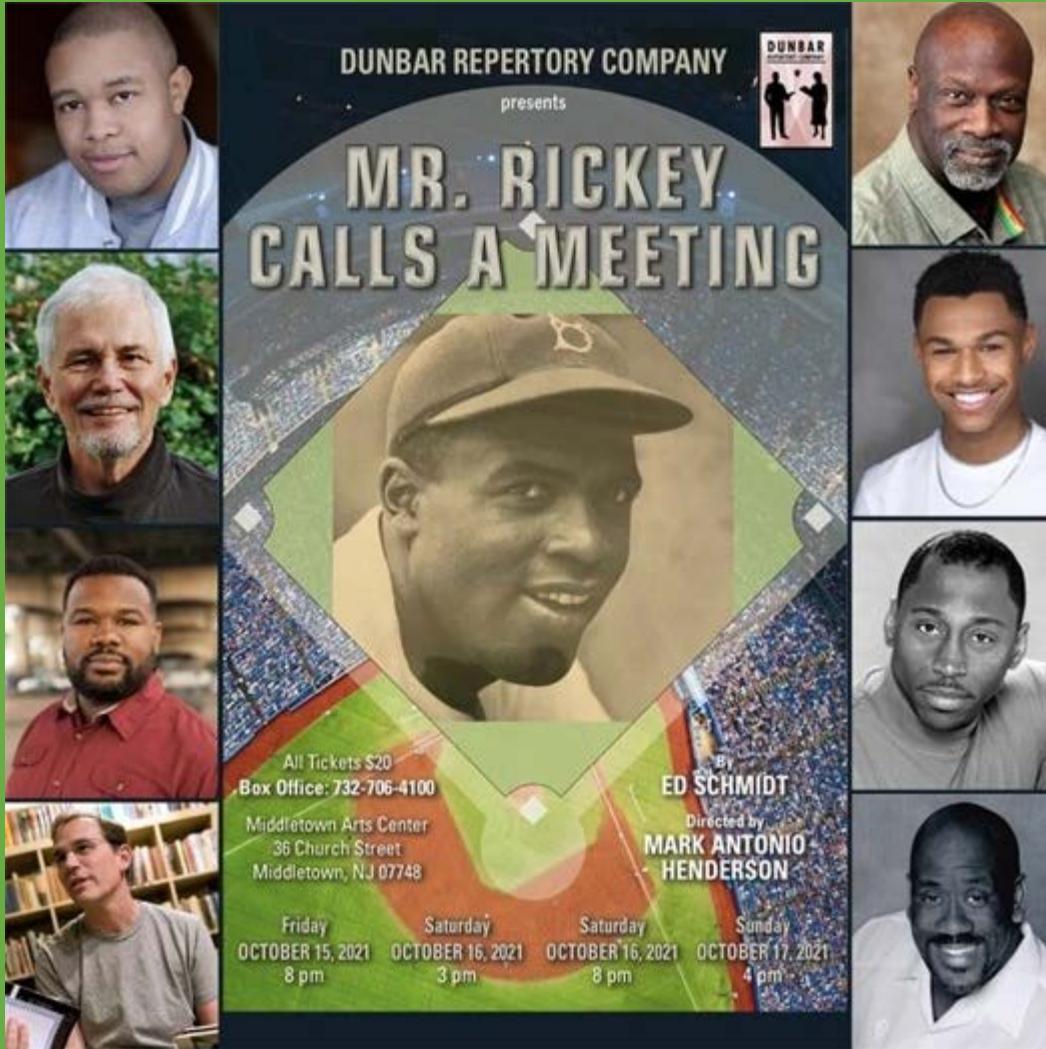


The Middletown Township Public Library (55 New Monmouth Road) is hosting a **FREE** live jazz concert featuring the VFW Jazz Band in the Community Room on Monday, October 18<sup>th</sup> at 7 PM. The concert will pay tribute to military branches.

Attendance is limited to 40 people. Registration is required. Library visitors must follow current health and safety protocols.

**Click [HERE](#) for more information and to register.**

## Watch "Mr. Rickey Calls a Meeting" at the MAC This Weekend (Friday, 10/15 through Sunday, 10/17)



Come by the Middletown Arts Center (36 Church Street) this weekend to watch "Mr. Rickey Calls a Meeting" by the Dunbar Repertory Company! The production's show dates are Friday, October 15<sup>th</sup> at 8 PM, Saturday, October 16<sup>th</sup> at 3 PM and 8 PM, and Sunday, October 17<sup>th</sup> at 4 PM.

### Mr. Rickey Calls a Meeting

In this brilliant and timely play, Joe Louis, Paul Robeson, Bill "Bojangles" Robinson, Jackie Robinson, and Brooklyn Dodgers owner Branch Rickey meet in 1947 to discuss a strategy for dropping a baseball bombshell: promoting a Black player to the major leagues. With baseball's Opening Day one week away, Branch Rickey will call up Jackie Robinson to break the color barrier and play as the Major League's first Black ballplayer. If he does, Robinson will face loud and heated opposition from virtually every owner, manager, and player as the play becomes a powerful vehicle for analyzing issues of race and society that go beyond baseball.

**Click [HERE](#) for more information.**

**Click [HERE](#) to purchase tickets.**

## Register for Dance Classes with the MAC!

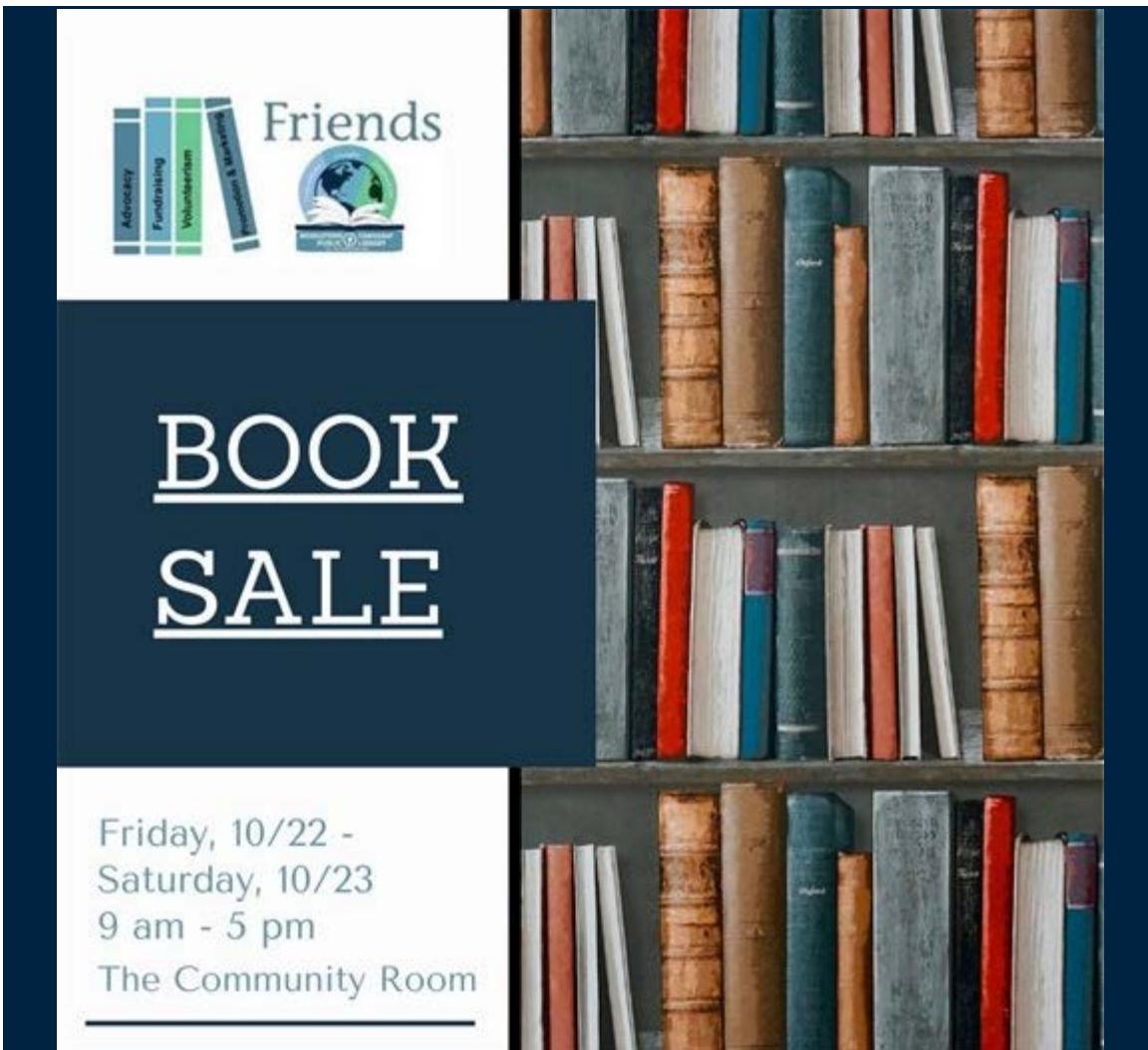


Give Middletown Arts Center's ([36 Church Street](#)) dance classes a whirl this fall! Discover programs in Ballet, Modern Dance, Hip Hop, and more! Classes are pro-rated with several weeks to go. Below are a list of classes:

- **Ballet with Kimberlee Gerstheimer, Saturday, October 16<sup>th</sup> through Saturday, November 27<sup>th</sup> from 10 - 11 AM, ages 7 - 9**
- **Pre-Ballet and Creative Movement with Kimberlee Gerstheimer, Saturday, October 16<sup>th</sup> through Saturday, November 20<sup>th</sup> from 9 - 10 AM, ages 3-6**
- **Modern Dance with Kimberlee Gerstheimer, Tuesday, October 19<sup>th</sup> through Monday, November 29<sup>th</sup> from 6:30 - 7:30 PM, ages 10 - 14**
- **Hip Hop Foundation with Chontelle Gladys, Tuesday, October 19<sup>th</sup> through Tuesday, November 30<sup>th</sup> from 5:15 - 6:15 PM, ages 10+**

*Click [HERE](#) for more information and to register.*

**Purchase a Book at the Friends of the MTPL Book Sale on Friday, 10/22 and Saturday, 10/23 from 9 AM - 5 PM**



The advertisement features a dark blue header with the text "BOOK SALE" in large, white, underlined letters. Above the header is a graphic of four books with labels: "Advocacy", "Fundraising", "Volunteerism", and "Promotion & Outreach". To the right of the header is a photograph of a bookshelf filled with various books. Below the header, a white box contains the text: "Friday, 10/22 - Saturday, 10/23 9 am - 5 pm The Community Room". The Friends of the Library logo is located in the top left corner of the white box.

**BOOK  
SALE**

Friday, 10/22 -  
Saturday, 10/23  
9 am - 5 pm  
The Community Room

**Friends**  
of the  
Middletown  
Township  
Public Library

Looking for a new book to read? Stop by the Community Room at the Middletown Township Public Library (55 New Monmouth Road) and visit the Friends of the MTPL Book Sale on Friday, October 22<sup>nd</sup> and Saturday, October 23<sup>rd</sup>. The sale will be happening from 9 AM to 5 PM.

*Click [HERE](#) for more information.*

**MTPD Hosts Free Car Seat Safety Checkpoint on  
Wednesday, 10/20 from 2 - 6 PM at  
Old Village Fire Company**



Residents are welcome to come to this **FREE** Car Seat Safety Checkpoint hosted by the MTPD at Station 11 Old Village Fire Company (1340 NJ-35) to ensure your child is in the right car seat and that it is installed correctly.



### MTPD Nixle Advisory:

Starting Monday, October 18<sup>th</sup>, Kings Highway East will be closed from Normandy to Highway 35 for utility maintenance between 7 AM and 4 PM.

*Click [HERE](#) to register for Nixle alerts.*

**Pre-Register Now for Free COVID-19 Vaccine & Booster Clinics on Wednesdays at the MTPL**

**Middletown Partners with VNACJ to Provide Weekly COVID-19 Vaccine and Booster Shot Clinics**

**WHERE:** Community Room, Middletown Township Public Library (55 New Monmouth Road)

**WHEN:** Wednesdays, 10:00 AM – 5:30 PM

**SIGN UP:** Use the QR code to pre-register or visit [middletownnj.org/vnacj](http://middletownnj.org/vnacj).




To ensure that there are enough COVID-19 vaccine doses, please pre-register for your appointment at [www.middletownnj.org/vnacj](http://www.middletownnj.org/vnacj). The VNACJ is also offering self-scheduling via that link. You do not need to be a Middletown resident in order to register for this clinic. Those seeking vaccines should bring their ID and insurance card if they have one. Those seeking boosters should also bring their vaccine card.

**Click [HERE](#) to pre-register for or self-schedule your appointment.**

**MONMOUTH COUNTY COVID-19 VACCINE CLINICS**

**DATES & TIMES** 

**OCTOBER 2021**



COVID-19 Vaccines are safe, free & effective

Walk-ins welcome ages 12 & older

ID documentation and health insurance not required. No impact on immigration status

For free transportation to your vaccination, enter "VAXRIDE" promo into your NJ TRANSIT app or call NJ TRANSIT at 973-275-555. Get free Lyft rides by calling 2-1-1

- Sat., October 2- Keansburg- 2-7pm, Keansburg Day, 1 Beachway Ave
- Sat., October 2- Hazlet- 9:30am-4pm, Hazlet Day, Veterans Park, 1764 Union Ave
- Sun., October 3- Asbury Park- 11am-4pm, Our Lady of Mt. Carmel Roman Catholic Church, 1201 Asbury Ave
- Wed., October 6- Marlboro- 9am-12pm, Marlboro Recreation Center, 1996 Recreation Way
- Wed., October 6- Neptune- 4-7pm, Neptune Sr. Center, 1607 NJ-33
  - [This site is available for testing and vaccination](#)
- Thurs., October 7- Howell- 2-4pm, Howell Middle School North, 501 Squankum Yellowbrook Rd
- Wed., October 13- Keyport- 4-7pm, Keyport Sr. Center, 110 2nd St
  - [This site is available for testing and vaccination](#)
- Tues., October 19- Freehold Borough- 4-7pm, Freehold Boro Fire Dept., 49 W Main St
  - [This site is available for testing and vaccination](#)
- Wed., October 27- Asbury Park- 4-7pm, Asbury Park Transportation Ctr., 1 Municipal Plaza
  - [This site is available for testing and vaccination](#)

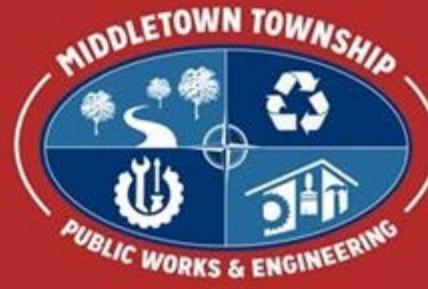
Every Tuesday from 2PM-6PM at Brookdale Community College, 765 Newman Springs Rd., Lincroft Children's Learning Center (CLC). Parking Lots 4 & 5

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION & INQUIRIES, VISIT [WWW.VISITMONMOUTH.COM/HEALTH](http://VISITMONMOUTH.COM/HEALTH) OR CALL 732-431-74566



[Click on the flyer to view it larger.](#)

# NOW HIRING



SEASONAL LABORERS AT THE RECYCLING CENTER

VISIT [WWW.MIDDLETOWNNJ.ORG/JOB](http://WWW.MIDDLETOWNNJ.ORG/JOB)  
OR CALL 732-615-2017 TO APPLY.

This position is ideal for someone who likes to help others, enjoys being outdoors, and doesn't mind a little exercise! Rate of pay is up to \$15.00 per hour.

*Click [HERE](#) for more information and to apply.*

## FALL 2021 LEAF COLLECTION SCHEDULE

COLLECTION ZONE	START DATE
A, B, C, D, J, L	Monday, 11/22
I, G, E	Monday, 11/29
F, K, H	Friday, 12/10

VISIT [WWW.MIDDLETOWNNJ.ORG/COLLECTION](http://WWW.MIDDLETOWNNJ.ORG/COLLECTION) FOR ZONE UPDATES AND MORE INFORMATION.

COLLECTION START DATES OF INDIVIDUAL ZONES ARE APPROXIMATE AND WEATHER DEPENDENT.  
PLEASE NOTE THERE WILL BE ONLY ONE COLLECTION IN EACH ZONE.

### LEAF COLLECTION ONLY – NO BRUSH UNTIL SPRING!

DO NOT SET OUT LEAVES AFTER YOUR ZONE HAS BEEN COLLECTED – Violators will be charged up to \$1,250 for a separate individual collection. Do not place material at the curb earlier than 7 days before your zone's start date. Brush, tree stumps, lumber, plywood, fence posts, railroad ties, or garbage will not be collected. Residents can bring leaves to the Middletown Recycling Center (52 Kanes Lane) from Nov. 1<sup>st</sup> until June 1<sup>st</sup>. Brush is accepted year-round.

Visit [www.middletownnj.org/collection](http://www.middletownnj.org/collection) for more information.

## Bulk Collection: Accepted/Not Accepted Items

**ITEMS NOT ACCEPTED IN BULK COLLECTION:**



**ACCEPTED ITEMS:**



**THE FOLLOWING ITEMS ARE NOT CONSIDERED BULK AND ARE NOT RECYCLED AT THE RECYCLING CENTER:**



**THESE ITEMS MUST BE DISPOSED OF AT THE PROPER SOLID WASTE OR RECYCLING FACILITIES.**



**THESE ITEMS MUST BE RECYCLED BY BRINGING THEM TO THE RECYCLING CENTER (52 KINGS LANE) OR BY CALLING 8PM AT 732-652-3590 TO HAVE THEM PICKED-UP CURBSIDE FOR A FEE (YARD WASTE AND STYROFOAM EXCLUDED). PLEASE DO NOT PLACE THESE ITEMS CURBSIDE WITH REGULAR RECYCLING OR RUBBISH.**

UP TO 4 PIECES OF BULK AT 70 LBS MAXIMUM, EACH, ARE PERMITTED FOR BULK DAY. ITEMS MUST BE LESS THAN 8 FEET IN LENGTH.

**WOOD FURNITURE**  
(TABLES, CHAIRS, BENCHES)

**MATTRESSES & BOX SPRINGS**  
(MUST BE WRAPPED IN PLASTIC)

**CARPETING & PADDING**  
(ROLLED AND TAPE IN 3FT SECTION)

**COUCHES**  
(8-FOOT LENGTH MAX)

**DOWNLOAD**  
  
FOR UPDATES SENT VIA TEXT OR EMAIL INCLUDING:  
✓ PERSONALIZED COLLECTION CALENDARS  
✓ EMERGENCY COLLECTION NOTIFICATIONS  
✓ WHAT GOES WHERE LOOK-UP TOOL  
[VISIT  
WWW.MIDDLETOWNNJ.ORG/RECYCLECOACHAPP](http://WWW.MIDDLETOWNNJ.ORG/RECYCLECOACHAPP)  
TO DOWNLOAD ON APPLE OR ANDROID DEVICES

**MIDDLETOWN TOWNSHIP**  
  
PUBLIC WORKS & ENGINEERING

**STILL NOT SURE IF YOUR ITEM IS BULK? EMAIL A PICTURE TO [BULK@MIDDLETOWNNJ.ORG](mailto:BULK@MIDDLETOWNNJ.ORG).**

Please be aware of the following rules regarding what is and is not accepted in bulk collection. For sanitary purposes, please wrap your mattresses and box springs in plastic. Still not sure if your item is considered to be bulk? Email a picture to [bulk@middletownnj.org](mailto:bulk@middletownnj.org).

For more information or to view your collection schedule, download the [Recycle Coach app](#) or visit [www.middletownnj.org/bulk](http://www.middletownnj.org/bulk).

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**Verizon FiOS Channel 26/Comcast Cable Channel 20**

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