

# Middletown Minutes

## Official Township E-Newsletter



### Middletown Night Was a Home Run for Community Spirit!



*Mayor Tony Perry was "pitch perfect" at Middletown Night! Photo courtesy of Jersey Shore BlueClaws*

Middletown Night at the Jersey Shore BlueClaws game was a blast! Over 400 residents came out last Friday night to show their community spirit and cheer on the local team. Mayor Tony Perry was honored to throw the first pitch to kick it off!

Thank you to Middletown Recreation for organizing this fun event and to everyone who attended!

**Middletown Introduces Free Tutoring Program:  
Please Complete Student/Tutor Surveys by Friday, 8/12**



Visit [www.middletownnj.org/ngsp](http://www.middletownnj.org/ngsp) for updates and information about the program.

Click [HERE](#) if you would like free tutoring services.  
Click [HERE](#) if you are interested in becoming a tutor.

## Lincroft Fire Company Celebrates New Engine



*Members of the Township Committee, MTFD, and Lincroft Fire Company join family and friends to gather around the new fire truck!*

Earlier this week, Mayor Tony Perry and Committeeman and Ex Fire Chief Ryan Clarke joined Lincroft Fire Company (601 Newman Springs Road) at



a dedication ceremony for the company's new fire truck, Engine 201! Middletown Township Fire Department (MTFD) Chaplain Derrick Doherty blessed the fire truck before Mayor Tony Perry and Lincroft Fire Company President Bill Verange christened the brand new vehicle with champagne!



*Fun fact: Engine 201 weighs 49,000 pounds and is 34 feet long!*

Middletown is committed to making upgrades, like adding Engine 201, to keep our first responders and community safe!

## Join the MTPD at National Night Out on Tuesday, 8/2 from 5 - 8 PM



National Night Out will be celebrated at Middletown High School North (63 Tindall Road) this year on Tuesday, August 2<sup>nd</sup>! The Middletown Township Police Department (MTPD) will be on site to meet the public, give demonstrations, and have fun. Activities include fingerprinting, K-9 demonstrations, police equipment displays, impaired driving simulator, inflatables, giveaways, food and more!

We hope to see all our residents at this FREE, family-friendly event!

Click [HERE](#) for more information.

## Middletown Hiring Class III Special Law Enforcement Officers: Apply by Monday, 8/1



The Township Committee recently approved a shared services agreement with the Board of Education to hire Class III Special Law Enforcement Officers (S.L.E.O.s) to work in our public schools to enhance security. The deadline to apply is Monday, August 1<sup>st</sup>.

### Applicants must:



Possess a Police Training Commission (PTC) S.L.E.O. III Certification or be eligible for a waiver



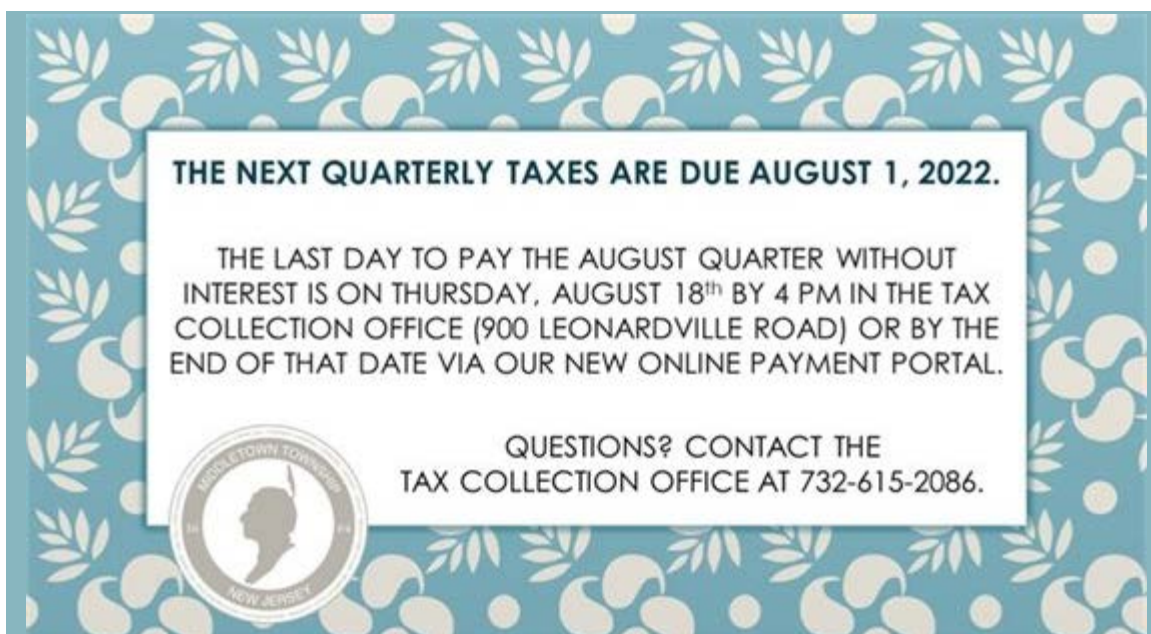
Be a retired police officer who has previously served as a duly qualified, full-time law enforcement officer in any municipality, county, agency of this state, bi-state agency, or federal agency, with a break in service not exceeding three (3) years

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

Click [HERE](#) for information about how to apply.

## Next Quarter Property Tax Payment Due Monday, 8/1





The next quarterly taxes are due August 1, 2022. The last day to pay without interest is August 18, 2022. Any payment received after 4 PM on Thursday, August 18<sup>th</sup> in the Tax Collection Office (900 Leonardville Road) or by the end of that day online will accrue interest from the statutory due date of Monday, August 1<sup>st</sup>.

Click [HERE](#) for more information about how you can pay.

## Keep Up with the Ongoing Progress of the Middletown Recycling Center Upgrades!



The Middletown Recycling Center (52 Kanes Lane) will be closed for renovations until Thursday, August 11<sup>th</sup>. While construction is taking place, limited items are being accepted at the recycling drop-off site at the Middletown Train Station (located in the parking lot off Middletown-Lincroft Road). Visit [www.middletownnj.org/recyclingcenter](http://www.middletownnj.org/recyclingcenter) to see what is and isn't being accepted.

As of **Thursday, July 28<sup>th</sup>**, new concrete pads for dumpsters have been poured. Safety railings and new gates are being installed. The area for the new salt dome structure has been cleared. The contractor continues to grade the site in preparation for asphalt paving.

Improvements to the Middletown Recycling Center will include increasing access and efficiency to the recycling drop-off bins, improving traffic circulation, allowing room for the expansion of recyclable commodities in the future, and ensuring ADA compliance to both the Middletown Recycling Center and Administrative Building.

Click [HERE](#) for more information about the renovations.

Click [HERE](#) for construction updates.

## North Zone Bulk Collection Delayed through Sunday, 7/31

**BULK COLLECTION IN NORTH ZONE EXPERIENCING DELAYS**

DUE TO STAFFING ISSUES AT SOLTERRA, THE TOWNSHIP'S GARBAGE CONTRACTOR, BULK COLLECTION IN THE NORTH ZONE HAS BEEN DELAYED.

PLEASE KEEP YOUR BULK ITEMS AT THE CURB AS CREWS WILL CONTINUE TO WORK THROUGH SUNDAY, JULY 31<sup>ST</sup> UNTIL ALL ITEMS ARE COLLECTED.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR PATIENCE.

GET THE  APP TO RECEIVE UPDATES ON GARBAGE, RECYCLING AND BULK COLLECTION CHANGES VIA TEXT OR EMAIL.



Click [HERE](#) for more information about Recycle Coach.

Click [HERE](#) to download Recycle Coach from the Apple App Store.

Click [HERE](#) to download Recycle Coach from the Google Play Store.

## Spotted Lanternflies Have Returned: Tips for How to Prevent the Spread and Report Sightings to NJDA

Now that summer is here, spotted lanternflies are back! The spotted lanternfly is a serious invasive pest that feeds on sap from over 70 different plant species. Spotted lanternflies can negatively impact our agriculture, economy, and everyday life through the honeydew they excrete, which eventually turns into mold.





The Middletown Health Department advises residents to kill and **report them to the NJDA** when spotted. The Middletown Health Department also encourages residents to utilize the NJDA's checklist for spotted lanternfly quarantine areas, in an effort to stop the spread.

*Click [HERE](#) to read the NJDA's checklist.*

*Click [HERE](#) for instructions on how to report a sighting to the NJDA.*



## **New Jersey American Water Issues Mandatory Odd/Even Watering Notice for Residential Customers**

Given the consecutive days of hot, dry weather in Monmouth and Ocean Counties, New Jersey

American Water (NJAW) is asking customers in this region to restrict outdoor water use to odd/even days until further notice to help ease the demand on water supplies.

If your street address is an even number, please water only on even numbered dates. If your street address is an odd number, please water only on odd numbered dates. NJAW will issue a follow up communication when this restriction is lifted.

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

## **Shadow Lake Management Program Treatment Notice: Tues., 8/16 and Tues., 9/13**



Middletown is continuing its Shadow Lake Management Program in an effort to improve the lake's water quality, as well as its recreational and aesthetic value. SOLitude Lake Management is planning to apply Clearcast treatment on Tuesday, August 16<sup>th</sup> and Tuesday, September 13<sup>th</sup>.


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

*Click [HERE](#) to view a PDF of the original notice with more information.*

## UPCOMING EVENTS


Sun.	Mon.	Tue.	Wed.	Thu.	Fri.	Sat.
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### Register for Recreation's Specialty Summer Camps!




**SPECIALTY  
SUMMER  
CAMPS**


A GREAT  
ADDITION TO OUR  
TRADITIONAL  
CAMPS!



**SNAPOLOGY**  
6-12 YO  
PORICY PARK



**US SPORTS  
INSTITUTE**  
5-11 YO  
CROYDON HALL



**MARINE SCIENCE**  
K-8TH  
IDEAL BEACH

**REGISTER TODAY!**

Only a few spots remain for Recreation's specialty summer camps in August, so register TODAY! Explore STEAM with Snapology, multi-sports with the US Sports Institute, or marine science with New Logic.

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

**Register for Recreation's Inaugural Middletown Soccer Showdown on Monday, 8/29 and Wednesday, 8/31**



A promotional poster for the Middletown Soccer Showdown. The background is green with a grass texture and confetti. At the top, a string of international flags (France, Spain, United Kingdom, Argentina, Brazil, etc.) is displayed. In the center, the text "MIDDLETOWN SOCCER SHOWDOWN" is written in large, bold, white and yellow letters. Below the title, a soccer ball is shown hitting a goal net. To the right of the ball, the dates "AUG 29TH & AUG 31ST" are listed, with "5-8:30 PM RECREATION" and "5-8:30 PM TRAVEL" below them. A yellow banner indicates the cost is "\$45/team". A location box lists "Normandy Park" and "625 Nutswamp Rd, Middletown". At the bottom, a white banner provides the registration link: "Registration & More Info: middletownnj.org/soccer".

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**Location**  
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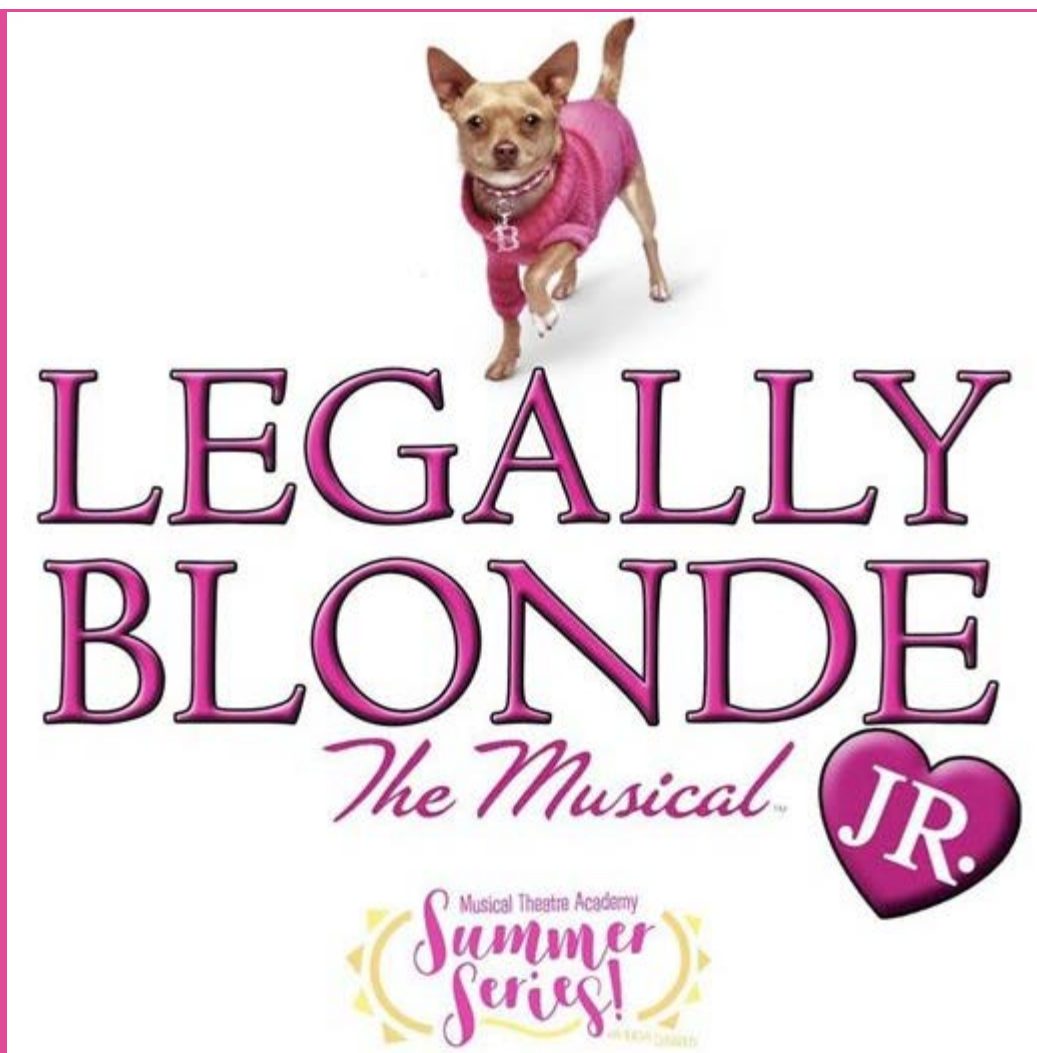
Registration & More Info: [middletownnj.org/soccer](http://middletownnj.org/soccer)

Recreation's inaugural Middletown Soccer Showdown is almost here!

Sign your team up for this double-elimination, 4v4 tournament to be potentially crowned the winner of your division. This year's theme is World Cup - teams are encouraged to dress and represent a different country! All participants receive a commemorative patch. Divisions are based on age (U7-U12), gender (boys and girls) and skill level (recreation & travel).

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

**Purchase Tickets for MAC's "Legally Blonde, Jr." on  
Friday, 7/29 and Saturday, 7/30**



The Middletown Arts Center's (MAC) Musical Theatre Academy is excited to present "Legally Blonde, Jr.", which is a summer camp student production! Campers between the ages of 10 - 12 who participated in the MAC's Acting, Voice, Dance, and Set Design classes are the musical's stars! Performances will be on Friday, July 29<sup>th</sup> at 7 PM and Saturday, July 30<sup>th</sup> at 2 PM and 7 PM.

**"Legally Blonde, Jr."**

Follow the transformation of Elle Woods as she tackles stereotypes, snobbery, and scandal in pursuit of her dreams. When Elle's boyfriend, Warner, dumps her and heads to Harvard University, claiming she's not "serious enough", Elle takes matters into her own hands by crafting a showy song-and-dance personal essay and charming her way into law school. Befriending classmate, Emmett, and spunky hairdresser, Paulette, along the way, Elle finds that books and looks aren't mutually exclusive. As Elle begins outsmarting her peers, she realizes that law may be her natural calling after all.

Click [HERE](#) for more information and to purchase tickets.

Register for MTPL's "Clean Ocean Action Program" on  
Thursday, 8/4 at 11 AM





Local nonprofit Clean Ocean Action will be hosting a "Be the Sea Change" presentation at the Middletown Township Public Library (MTPL) on Thursday, August 4<sup>th</sup> at 11 AM. This educational program will focus on Joel Harper's book *Sea Change* and use its narrative to explore the topic of environmental stewardship through the eyes of a young child as she visits her beach, cleans the debris, and rallies her classmates to join her in keeping their beautiful beach clean.

After reading and interacting with the guest reader, participants will enjoy a coloring sheet to reinforce the themes of the story and learn about Clean Ocean Action's local programs so that they too can "Be the Sea Change".

The program will take place in the library's Community Room (55 New Monmouth Road). Registration is required.

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

**Middletown Veterans Affairs Committee Invites  
Community to Attend VFW Post 2179's Pig Roast/Luau on  
Sunday, 8/21**

## **PIG ROAST/LUAU**

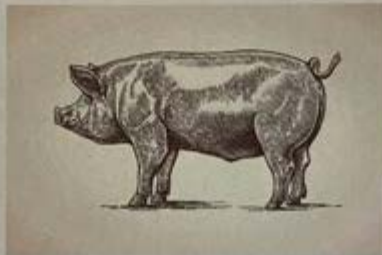
**WHERE: VFW 2179 in Port Monmouth**

**WHEN: Sunday August 21<sup>st</sup>**

**TIME: 12:00-5:00**

**\$25.00 DONATION**

**RAIN OR SHINE**



**Hot dogs, hamburgers, chicken & clams**

**BEER, WINE AND SODA INCLUDED**

**ALSO A DJ FOR ENTERTAINMENT**

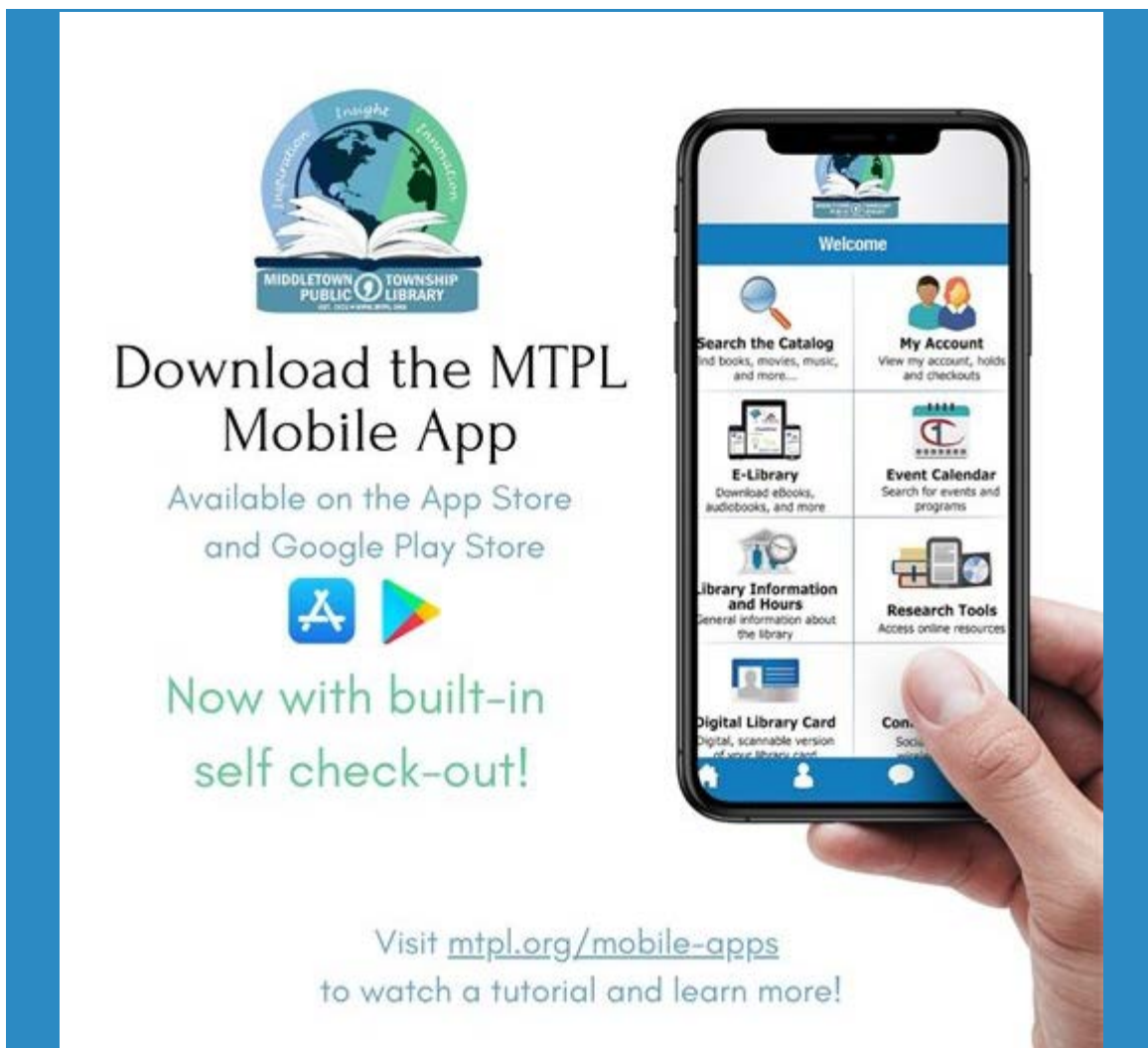
**Tickets available behind the bar or at the door**

The Middletown Veterans Affairs Committee encourages residents and local veterans to get tickets for VFW Post 2179's (1 Veterans Lane) pig roast/luau on Sunday, August 21<sup>st</sup> from 12 - 5 PM! The suggested donation is \$25.

**Get Your Tickets Now for MTPL's Gala on Friday, 10/28**







The graphic features the Middletown Township Public Library logo at the top left, which includes a globe and the words 'Inspiration', 'Innovation', and 'Innovation'. Below the logo, the text reads 'Download the MTPL Mobile App'. Underneath, it says 'Available on the App Store and Google Play Store' with the respective logos. A large green text block states 'Now with built-in self check-out!'. To the right, a hand holds a smartphone displaying the app's interface, which includes a 'Welcome' screen and a grid of icons for 'Search the Catalog', 'My Account', 'E-Library', 'Event Calendar', 'Library Information and Hours', 'Research Tools', 'Digital Library Card', and 'Connect'. At the bottom, a URL is provided: 'Visit [mtpl.org/mobile-apps](https://mtpl.org/mobile-apps) to watch a tutorial and learn more!'.

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**Read Information about the State's Monkeypox  
Vaccination Regulations**



July 28, 2022

## Monkeypox Vaccination in New Jersey

### Who can get vaccinated?

The vaccine for monkeypox is called JYNNEOS. With the current limited supply of JYNNEOS vaccine in New Jersey, the following residents may be eligible for vaccination\*:

- People who have known contact with someone who tested positive for orthopoxvirus or monkeypox virus within past 14 days  
(Contact your local health department to coordinate vaccination)
- People who attended an event where known monkeypox exposure occurred within past 14 days  
(Make an appointment at a vaccine location) →
- People who identify as gay, bisexual, or men who have sex with men (MSM), and/or transgender, gender non-conforming, or gender non-binary and who have a history of multiple or anonymous sex partners within past 14 days  
(Make an appointment at a vaccine location) →

**\*New Jersey is expecting additional doses from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) and as the State gets additional supply the Department will continue to expand access to the vaccine.**

### HIGH PRIORITY GROUPS

Residents who are eligible for vaccination and who also have a condition that may increase their risk for severe disease should be considered high priority for vaccination, including people who:

- Have a weakened immune system
- Have a history of atopic dermatitis or eczema

### VACCINE LOCATIONS

Appointment only – No walk ins:

- Bergen New Bridge Medical Center, Annex 2 (white tent structure), 230 East Ridgewood Ave., Paramus: [www.newbridgehealth.org](http://www.newbridgehealth.org)
- Cooper Vaccine & Testing Clinic, Cooper University Hospital, 300 Broadway, Camden: 856-958-7100 or <https://my.cooperhealth.org/mychart/authenticate/login>
- Hyacinth AIDS Foundation/Project Living Out Loud!, Jersey City: 201-706-3480
- North Jersey Community Research Initiative (NJCRI), Newark: 973-483-3444, ext. 200
- The Prevention Resource Network, a program of the Visiting Nurse Association of Central Jersey, Asbury Park: 732-502-5100

For more information visit <https://bit.ly/cjnpox>

[Click on the graphic to view the flyer in a larger format. \(PDF\)](#)

With the recent increase in monkeypox cases, the Middletown Health Department would like to [share information from the New Jersey Department of Health](#). Individuals with questions regarding monkeypox symptoms or close contact should contact their healthcare provider. Only a healthcare provider can determine eligibility for monkeypox treatment.

Those who are eligible for the monkeypox vaccine can make an appointment at the Prevention Resource Network, which is part of the Visiting Nurse Association of Central Jersey, in Asbury Park. Please call 732-502-5100 to make an appointment.  
*Please note that vaccine supply is currently limited.*

**Residents Ages 60+ In Need of Food:  
Apply for Fulfill's SENIOR STAPLES Program!**

Know a Senior Who Needs Food?

HUNGER WON'T WIN HERE

fulfill

MONMOUTH & OCEAN

A PART OF THE 21ST CENTURY AMERICA

Fulfill's SENIOR STAPLES Program May Help!

Seniors 60 years of age and over who meet income requirements receive a monthly food box of items like these:

fulfillnj.org

Household Size	MAXIMUM	
	Annual Income	Monthly Income
1	\$17,667	\$1,473
2	\$23,803	\$1,984
3	\$29,939	\$2,495
4	\$36,075	\$3,007
5	\$42,211	\$3,518
for each additional household member add	\$6,136	\$512

All incomes are Gross Income before any deductions.

For assistance:

Please reach out to Kathy Staniero of Middletown Township's Department of Social Services by calling 732-615-2085 or emailing [kstraniero@middletownnj.org](mailto:kstraniero@middletownnj.org).

Senior Staples is a USDA program also known as the Commodity Supplemental Food Program (CSFP). This institution is an equal opportunity provider. Esta institución es un proveedor de igualdad de oportunidades.

[Click on the graphic to view the flyer larger. \(PDF\)](#)

Residents ages 60 years and older who meet certain income requirements can receive a monthly box of food items through Fulfill's SENIOR STAPLES Program! Fulfill is a local food bank that serves Monmouth and Ocean counties.

Interested? Please reach out to Kathy Straniero of Middletown's Social Services Department by either calling 732-615-2085 or emailing [kstraniero@middletownnj.org](mailto:kstraniero@middletownnj.org).

TRAFFIC SAFETY & DETOURS

MIDDLETOWN TOWNSHIP

New Jersey American Water and Asphalt Restoration Enterprise (L&L Paving) will be paving in Port Monmouth from **Monday, July 25<sup>th</sup> through Friday, August 12<sup>th</sup>.**

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