



MUNICIPAL OFFICES WILL BE CLOSED ON
FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 11TH IN OBSERVANCE OF



Veterans Day

WE HONOR AND THANK THOSE WHO HAVE SERVED.



**Deadline to Nominate a Middletown Veteran for Inaugural
"Veteran of the Year" Award is Friday, 11/11**



The Middletown Veterans Affairs Committee
is now accepting nominations for the
2022 VETERAN OF THE YEAR
All nominations must be received no later than
Friday, November 11th. Please visit
www.middletownnj.org/voty for more information.

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

Click [HERE](#) to complete a nomination form.

Middletown Township and VFW Post 2179 Host 65th Annual Veterans Day Parade



Marchers walk along the 2.3-mile route to show their appreciation for our veterans!

Last weekend, Middletown Township and VFW Post 2179 partnered to host its 65th annual Veterans Day Parade, which stepped off at Bayview Elementary School and ended at VFW Post 2179. This year's theme was "For Those Who Fought For Our Tomorrows".

The event began with an invocation by the Chaplain of VFW Post 2179 and the Chaplain of Auxiliary 2179. Following the invocation were the opening remarks and

Pledge of Allegiance directed by Robert Lasowski. The Naval Weapons Station Earle Color Guard (along with one of the station's Harbor Security Boats), Grand Marshal, Buddy Poppy Queen and King, and VFW Post 2179 Commander and Auxiliary 2179 led the parade alongside honored guests, including the Middletown Township Committee, Middletown Township Police Department Chief R. Craig Weber, Naval Weapons Station Earle Commander Ed Callahan, members of the Middletown Board of Education, Monmouth County Sheriff Shaun Golden, Monmouth County Commissioner Director Tom Arnone, Monmouth County Surrogate Maureen Raisch, Assemblywoman Vicky Flynn, Assemblyman Gerry Scharfenberger, and Congressman Chris Smith.

The parade continued with Middletown High School North and South's marching bands, antique cars, local VFW Posts, VFW Riders, American Legion Post 515, Vietnam Veterans of America Chapter 721, Middletown Elks 2179, and local scout troops. Emergency personnel vehicles, including our First Aid and Rescue, Fire Department, Police Department and Explorers, and Office of Emergency Management followed. The parade concluded with a lunch at Post 2179.

Thank you to everyone who participated in our parade and, most importantly, thank you to our veterans for their service! It was an honor to come together as a community and thank our nation's heroes.

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



NJDEP to Place Port Monmouth Floodgate into "Spring Mode" Due to Impending Rain

Due to the impending rain and predicted tide heights from the remnants of Hurricane Nicole, the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection (NJDEP) will be placing the Port Monmouth Road floodgate into "Spring Mode" at approximately 5 AM on Friday, November 11th. The floodgate will stay in "Spring Mode" until further notice.

Click [HERE](#) to read our community advisory for more information.

Click [HERE](#) to view a list of flood-prone streets.

Westminster Presbyterian Church Honors Veterans with Annual Field of Flags Ceremony



Mayor Perry speaks about the importance of honoring our nation's heroes.

On Saturday, Westminster Presbyterian Church held its annual Field of Flags ceremony. Committeewoman Kimberly Kratz and MTPD Chief R. Craig Weber were proud to attend the event and support both Mayor Tony Perry and Middletown Veterans Affairs Committee Chairman/ Vietnam veteran Dennis Beauregard who spoke at the event.

Suzi's Sweet Shoppe Celebrates 25 Years of Business



Mayor Perry, Committeewoman Kratz, and Assemblyman Scharfenberger pose in front of the delicious desserts as Suzi's Sweet Shoppe employees show off their proclamations!

Last weekend, Suzi's Sweet Shoppe (1100 NJ-35) invited patrons to its store in honor of its 25th anniversary! Combining its love for family, community, and chocolate, Suzi's Sweet Shoppe has established itself as a fixture in the township.

Mayor Tony Perry, Committeewoman Kimberly Kratz, and Assemblyman Gerry Scharfenberger celebrated this "sweet" occasion by presenting proclamations from both Middletown Township and the New Jersey General Assembly.

Visit www.suzisweetshoppe.com and support this great small business!

VFW Post 2179 Hosts Patriotic Rosary



Mayor Tony Perry, Committeewoman Kim Kratz, and Assemblyman Gerry Scharfenberger were honored to support the event. Photo courtesy of Patricia Molloy

VFW Post 2179 held its "Patriotic Rosary for the Consecration of Our Nation" ceremony on Saturday. The event was led by several speakers, including Mayor Tony Perry who read the "Second Glorious Mystery".

Intertribal Council of AT&T Employees Place Historical Markers, with Middletown's Support, to Honor Lenape Native American Trails in Monmouth County

The Intertribal Council of AT&T Employees (ICAE), a federally-recognized 501(c)(3) nonprofit, has officially placed historical markers along several of the Monmouth County portions of the Lenape Great Navesink to Minisink Trail. The signs are located near the entrance to the AT&T Middletown facility on Holland Road, Kings Highway in Middletown, and on Crawfords Corner Road at Holmdel Park.



Photo courtesy of Doug Ward

The Lenape were Native Americans who used the trail for seasonal migration, travel, and trade, and the trail served as a foundation for some of the earliest roads in New Jersey.

Middletown Township and Mayor Tony Perry, the Middletown Township Historical

Society, and the Middletown Landmarks Commission, along with other organizations, provided significant support and partnership.

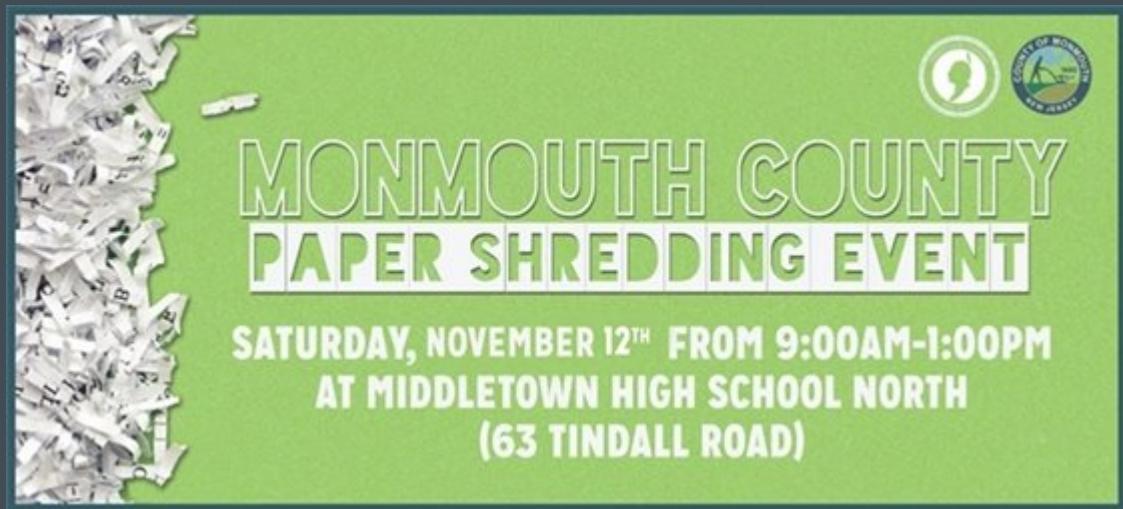
Click [HERE](#) to read ICAE's full press release.

Watch the Wednesday, November 9th Middletown Township Committee Special Workshop Meeting



Click [HERE](#) to watch the meeting on the Township's YouTube channel.

Free Paper Shredding Event at Middletown High School North on Saturday, 11/12 from 9 AM - 1 PM



Monmouth County will be holding its annual paper shredding event in Middletown on Saturday, November 12th from 9 AM - 1 PM at Middletown High School North.

Middletown residents may shred up to 100 pounds, which is equivalent to four office paper boxes or four large sized trash bags. All paper will be shredded on location in the mobile truck, and the event will end either once the mobile truck is full or at its scheduled end time. Large binder clips must be removed from documents, but staples and paper clips can remain.

Click [HERE](#) to read the County's press release with more information.

Give Back this Giving Season with Social Services' Holiday Food Drive & Adopt-a-Family Program

HELP FAMILIES IN NEED THIS HOLIDAY SEASON THROUGH MIDDLETOWN'S



WHAT TO DONATE



All types of canned/non-perishable foods and personal hygiene products are welcome throughout the year, but especially around the holidays. Another way to help during this season of giving is to donate a turkey or ham, especially the free ones you may earn through supermarket promotions, to a family in need.



ADOPT-A-FAMILY



Middletown Social Services is looking for individuals, groups, and businesses to "adopt" underprivileged households during the holiday season. Social Services will provide a small shopping list of items that a child would like, as well as a few ideas for parents. As a "foster" family, we ask that you kindly provide a few of the listed items or gifts cards, in hopes that your adopted family may have a special holiday season. Donations are accepted at Social Services (180 Main Street). Questions? Call 732-615-2085.

There are still families that need to be "adopted" and could use your help! Please call Social Services at 732-615-2085 to be assigned a family.

Click [HERE](#) for a list of food pantry items that are needed.

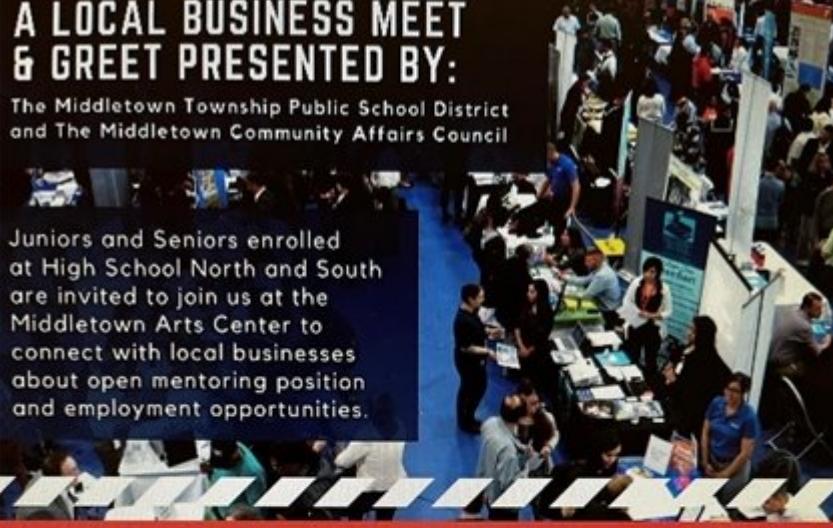
**High School Juniors & Seniors: Save the Date for Local
Business Meet & Greet at MAC on
Tuesday, 12/6 at 6:30 PM**

A LOCAL BUSINESS MEET & GREET PRESENTED BY:

The Middletown Township Public School District and The Middletown Community Affairs Council



Juniors and Seniors enrolled at High School North and South are invited to join us at the Middletown Arts Center to connect with local businesses about open mentoring position and employment opportunities.



DISCUSS YOUR PASSIONS WITH PROFESSIONALS IN THE FIELDS OF:

- Accounting
- Automotive Support
- Banking
- Construction Management
- Culinary Arts
- Electrical Engineering
- Fashion
- Graphic Design
- Fitness, Health, Nutrition, Wellness
- Hotel Management
- Journalism, Photography, Communications
- Landscaping
- Law
- Marketing
- Medical Arts and Physical Therapy
- Parks and Recreation
- Politics
- Real Estate
- Speech Therapy
- Supply Chain Management
- Veterinary Care

**Tuesday, December 6th
6:30 p.m. at
The Middletown Arts Center**



Juniors and seniors enrolled at Middletown High School North or South are invited to a meet & greet at the Middletown Arts Center (36 Church Street) to network with professionals, explore different fields, and learn about career opportunities!

This event will be hosted by the Middletown Township Public School District and Middletown Community Affairs Council on Tuesday, December 6th at 6:30 PM.

If you are a business owner and would like to participate in this networking event, please contact Dr. Patricia Vari-Cartier at cartierp@middletownk12.org by Wednesday, November 30th.

Applications for Congressman Frank Pallone Jr.'s 2023 Youth Advisory Council are Due Friday, 11/18 at 5 PM

CONGRESSMAN FRANK PALLONE JR'S YOUTH ADVISORY COUNCIL

APPLY TODAY!
APPLICATION DUE
NOVEMBER 18TH



QUESTIONS? CONTACT TYLER CATANIA
PALLONE.YAC@mail.house.gov or
732-249-8892

Congressman Frank Pallone Jr. is accepting applications from high school students who live in the 6th Congressional District for his 2023 Youth Advisory Council!

Applications are due by 5 PM on Friday, November 18th and can be mailed or dropped off at the Congressman's New Brunswick District Office (67/69 Church St., New Brunswick, NJ 08901) or emailed to PALLONE.YAC@mail.house.gov. Students who are selected will serve on the council from January through July.

Council members will have an opportunity to advise the Congressman on matters that affect young adults and provide input in legislative issues. They will be expected to participate in quarterly meetings, share ideas about legislation and youth issues, raise awareness about the Youth Advisory Council and other select events hosted by Congressman Pallone, and perform other duties as assigned.

Click [HERE](#) for a PDF of the application.

Read the Digital Version of *Middletown Matters* Before the Bi-Annual Newsletter Arrives in Mailboxes!



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MATTERS

FALL 2022

READ THE LATEST ISSUE OF THE TOWNSHIP'S OFFICIAL NEWS PUBLICATION:
WWW.MIDDLETOWNNJ.ORG/MATTERS

*Click **HERE** to read a **PDF** of the latest issue of *Middletown Matters*.*



TRAFFIC SAFETY & DETOURS

MIDDLETOWN  TOWNSHIP

- Kings Highway East, between Stillwell Road and Portland Road, is scheduled to be repaved from Monday, November 7th through Tuesday, November 15th, weather permitting. Construction activities will occur between 8 AM - 5 PM. MTPD traffic control officers and staff from the Public Works Department will be onsite to facilitate access. Please obey signage and follow all instructions from traffic control officers so everyone remains safe.

*Click **HERE** to read *Kings Highway East's paving schedule*.
Click **HERE** to view a **PDF** of *Kings Highway East's detour map*.*

- The Rumson-Sea Bright Bridge is currently being replaced. Please visit www.rumsonseabrightbridge.com/travel-advisory regularly for updates.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Sun. Mon. Tue. Wed. Thu. Fri. Sat.

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Middletown Recreation's Santa Ferry is Back in Business!
Registration Begins Monday, 11/14



Middletown Recreation is back on the bay to celebrate Christmas! This yuletide ride features Santa and friends, caroling, entertainment, and a scenic ride around the Statue of Liberty. Resident presale begins Monday, November 14th from 5 - 7 PM at Poricy Park (345 Oak Hill Road). Registration is only in person.

Visit www.middletownnj.org/santaferry for full details.

Dive Into the Past and Learn About Prohibition at the Jersey Shore with the MTPL on Tuesday, 11/15 at 7 PM

Prohibition
at the
Jersey
Shore
with Greg Caggiano

Tuesday, Nov. 15 | 7pm

Community Room

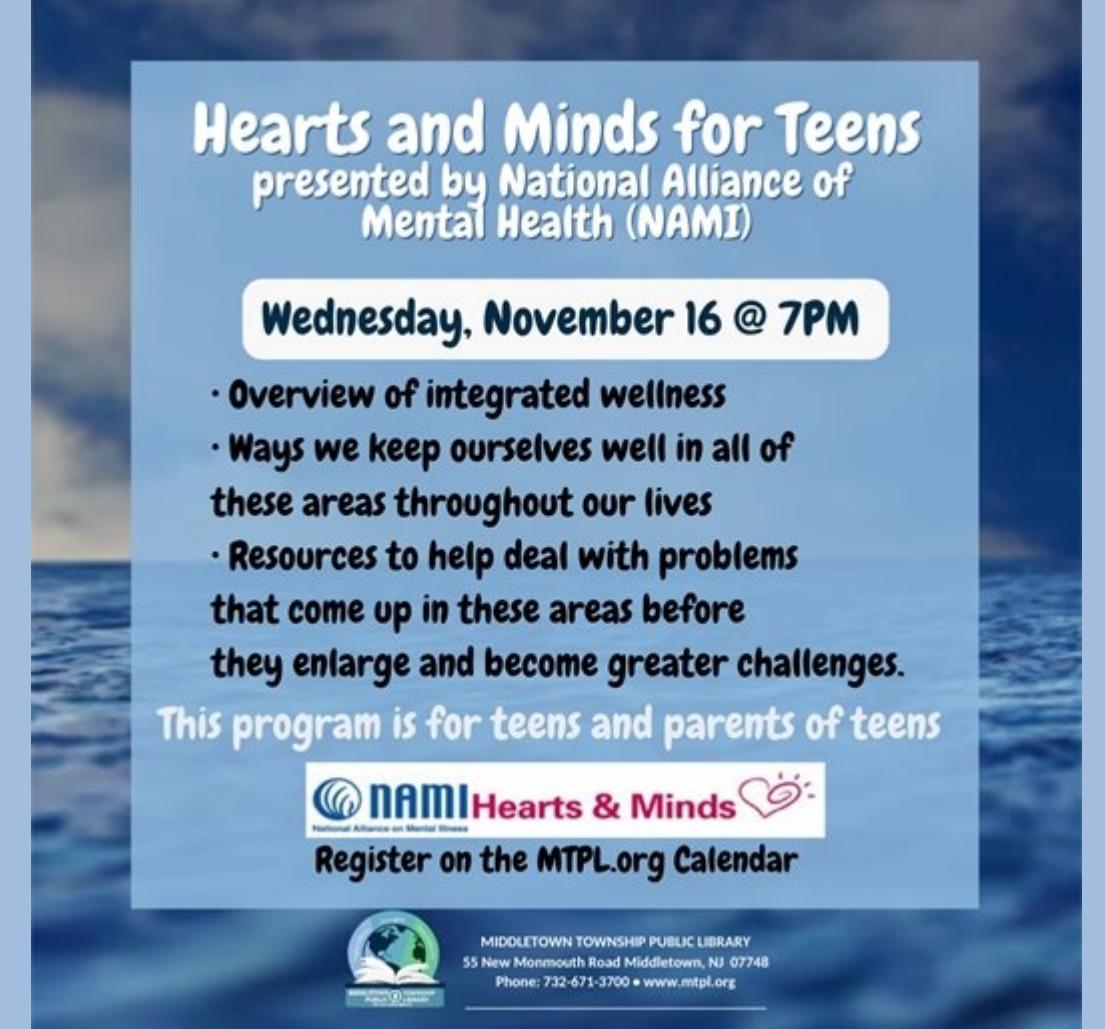
REGISTRATION IS NOT REQUIRED.

MIDDLETOWN TOWNSHIP PUBLIC LIBRARY
55 New Monmouth Road Middletown, NJ 07748
Phone: 732-671-3700 • www.mtpl.org

Stop by the Middletown Township Public Library (MTPL) on Tuesday, November 15th to join historian Greg Caggiano for an in-person presentation on rumrunning and Prohibition in New Jersey, with a focus on the Jersey Shore! Hear stories of mob violence, corruption, local legends, and how towns built up for religious retreats exploded into underworlds of crime.

The program will begin at 7 PM in the Community Room (55 New Monmouth Road). Pre-registration is not required.

Register for MTPL's "Hearts and Minds for Teens" Program on Wednesday, 11/16 at 7 PM



Hearts and Minds for Teens
presented by National Alliance of
Mental Health (NAMI)

Wednesday, November 16 @ 7PM

- Overview of integrated wellness
- Ways we keep ourselves well in all of these areas throughout our lives
- Resources to help deal with problems that come up in these areas before they enlarge and become greater challenges.

This program is for teens and parents of teens

 **NAMI Hearts & Minds** 

Register on the MTPL.org Calendar

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Teens and parents/guardians of teens are invited to the MTPL's "Hearts and Minds for Teens" program on Wednesday, November 16th, presented by the National Alliance of Mental Health at the MTPL's Teen Room.

The program will include an overview of integrated wellness, ways we keep ourselves well in all of these areas throughout our lives, and resources to help deal with problems that come up in these areas before they enlarge and become greater challenges. Registration is required.

Click [HERE](#) to register.

Show Off Your Soccer Skills at Middletown Recreation's Turkey Soccer Shootout on Saturday, 11/19 at 10 AM



Think you've got the best penalty shot in town? Take your best shot at Middletown Recreation's Turkey Soccer Shootout on Saturday, November 19th! Each participant gets five chances to rack up the most points. Top winners in each age range receive a frozen turkey courtesy of Circus Foodtown.

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

Compete in Middletown Recreation's Alumni Game on Saturday, 11/19 at 11:30 AM



Get together with your high school's alumni on Saturday, November 19th for a friendly scrimmage to crown the soccer champs of Middletown - High School North vs. South!

It costs \$5 to play, but Middletown Recreation is also asking participants to bring a nonperishable canned food item for its food drive. All donations received will be given to Middletown Social Services to be distributed to residents in need.

Click [HERE](#) for more information and to sign up!

Celebrate Late Musician Bob Kasper at the MAC's Music Café on Sunday, 11/20 from 4 - 6 PM



Join the Middletown Arts Center (MAC) for a very special Music Café in honor of late singer-songwriter, Bob Kasper, who passed away last October from pancreatic cancer. Bob left the world with great memories and a catalogue of heartfelt songs, and his beautiful soul touched the lives of all who knew him.

Friends and fellow members of the local singer-songwriter scene will gather to celebrate his songs including: Bill Anania, Rudy Baker, Christian Beach, Gorgo Beach, Tim Borkowski, Paul During, Linda Eckman, Shelly Hesson, Al Milewski, Barbara Paskin, Frank Patrouch, Bob Savoy, and George Wirth.

The concert will take place inside the MAC's theater (36 Church Street). The event is free with a suggested donation of \$5.

Click [HERE](#) to read about Bob Kasper's music career.

Traverse Through Poricy Park at Middletown Recreation's Turkey Trot Hike on Wednesday, 11/23 at 2:30 PM



Come stretch your legs before your Thanksgiving feast on Wednesday, November 23rd at 2:30 PM! Join Middletown Recreation to hike the trails of Poricy Park (345 Oak Hill Road) and remember to enjoy the beautiful scenery as you keep your eyes peeled for wildlife!

The hike will be about an hour and roughly 2 miles. Adults are required to stay with all children. This activity is geared more for people ages 5+, but younger hikers are also welcome. The Turkey Trot Hike costs \$5 per person.

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

**HEALTH
RESOURCES**

A graphic for "Health Resources" featuring the text "HEALTH" and "RESOURCES" in white on blue and red rounded rectangles. To the right is a hand holding a smartphone, with a network of dashed lines connecting it to various medical icons: a first aid kit, a stethoscope, a blood pressure cuff, a heart rate monitor, a syringe, and a bandage. The background is dark blue.

Pre-Register for Middletown Health Department's FREE

Flu Shot Clinic for Residents on Monday, 11/21



Middletown Township Health Department is hosting a free flu shot clinic for residents, ages 6 months and older, on Monday, November 21st from 10 AM - 12 PM. Pre-registration and a completed consent form is required. The last day to pre-register is Friday, November 18th.

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

Monmouth County November COVID-19 Clinics

MONMOUTH COUNTY COVID-19 CLINICS

November 2022

Free At-Home Testing:
Visit learn.vaulthealth.com/nj/ for free saliva tests, shipped directly to your home at no cost.

COVID-19 Vaccines
are safe, free, & effective
Pfizer, Moderna, Novavax, & J&J available
Walk-ins welcome ages 6 months & up
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 &
Monmouth County Division of Transportation
SCAT: 732-431-6480

DATES & TIMES



Testing and Vaccine Clinics

- Nov. 2, 4pm-7pm, Asbury Park Transportation Center, 1 Municipal Plaza, Asbury Park 07712
- Nov. 9, 4pm-7pm, Neptune Senior Center, 1607 NJ-33, Neptune City, 07753
- Nov. 16, 4pm-7pm, Monmouth County Health Dept., 50 East Main Street, Freehold 07728
- Nov. 30 4pm-7pm, Howell Senior Center, 251 Preventorium Road, Howell 07731

Brookdale Community College Clinic - Vaccine Only

- Every Tuesday, 2pm-6pm, Brookdale Community College, 765 Newman Springs Rd., Lincroft- Children's Learning Center (CLC) Parking Lots 4 & 5
- There will be no clinic on Nov. 8, Election Day.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION & INQUIRIES, VISIT WWW.VISITMONMOUTH.COM/HEALTH OR DOWNLOAD THE MONMOUTH COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT APP OR CALL 732-431-7456

[Click on the graphic to view the image larger.](#)

Visit www.vaccines.gov/search to find other locations to receive a Pfizer or Moderna booster.

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