



## Middletown Township Rings in 2023 with Annual Reorganization Meeting



*Mayor Tony Perry discusses the Township Committee's goals for 2023.*

Middletown Township held its annual reorganization meeting on New Year's Day. Rick Hibell and Kevin Settembrino, who were elected in November, were sworn into the Township Committee to serve their three-year terms. Father Jeff Kegley of Saint Mary, Mother of God Church performed the invocation and Middletown's Veterans Affairs Committee Chairman (and 2022 Veteran of the Year) Dennis Beauregard led the Pledge of Allegiance.

The Township Committee selected Tony Perry to serve his fifth consecutive year as mayor. Rick Hibell was chosen to serve as deputy mayor for his third consecutive year. The 2023 Middletown Township Fire Department (MTFD) and Emergency

Medical Services (EMS) chiefs were also sworn in by Mayor Perry. Additionally, Middletown volunteers who were appointed to various boards, commissions, and committees were given their Oath of Office.

Congratulations to everyone and thank you for your dedication to our community!

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

Click [HERE](#) to watch the meeting on the Township's YouTube channel or catch it on our TV channel (Verizon FIOS Channel 26/Comcast Cable Channel 20) every night at 5:00 PM and 8:30 PM through Monday, January 16<sup>th</sup>.

*All photos courtesy of John Vitollo*



*Monmouth County Sheriff Shaun Golden swears in Rick Hibell as the Deputy Mayor of Middletown Township.*



*Tony Perry stands alongside his wife, Alannah, and their children Reagan and Grant as U.S. Naval Weapons Station Earle Commanding Officer Captain Ed Callahan swears him in.*



*Monmouth County Commissioner Director Tom Arnone swears in Kevin Settembrino to the Middletown Township Committee, which he has been a member of since 2010.*



*Mayor Tony Perry swears in Peter Procopio as the 2023 EMS Chief.*

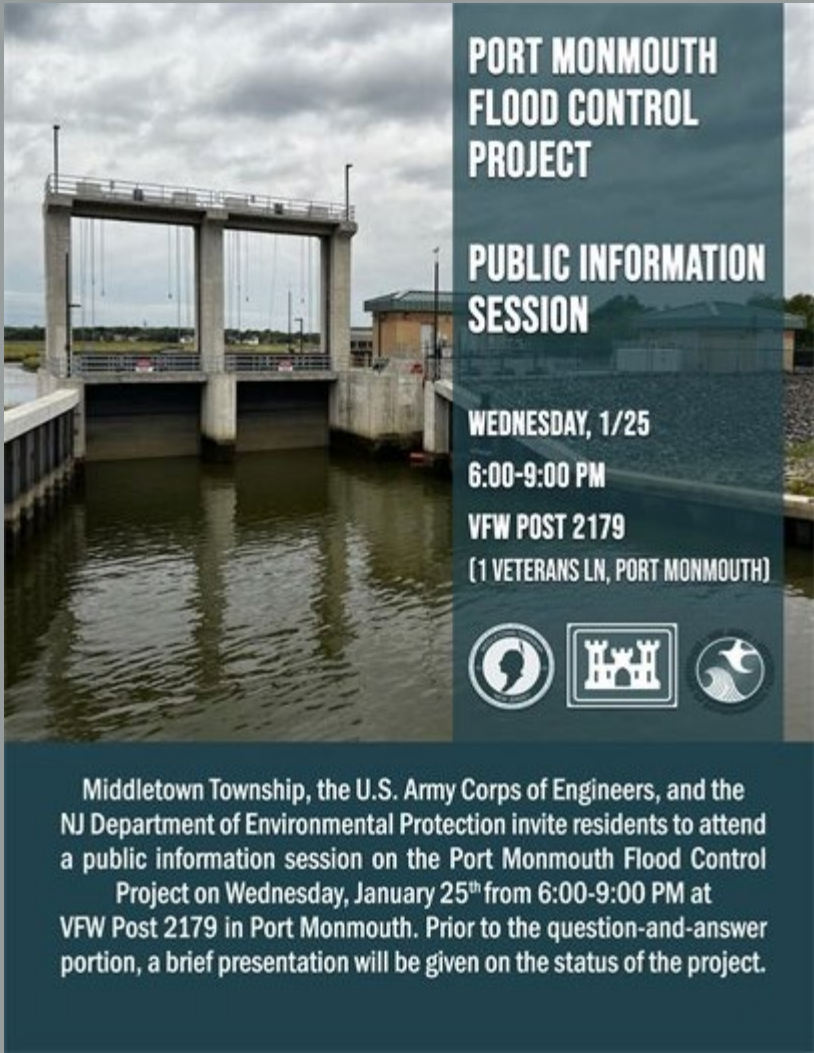


*Mayor Tony Perry, Deputy Mayor Rick Hibell, Middletown Township Police Department (MTPD) Chief Craig Weber, and Deputy Chief John Kaiser pose with the 2023 MTFD chiefs, who were sworn in by Mayor Perry a few minutes earlier.*



*2022 EMS Chief Floyd Goldstein holds the Bible as Mayor Tony Perry swears in Brian McKittrick as the 2023 EMS Deputy Chief.*

**Port Monmouth Flood Control Project  
Public Information Session Set for Wednesday, 1/25**



**PORT MONMOUTH  
FLOOD CONTROL  
PROJECT**

**PUBLIC INFORMATION  
SESSION**

**WEDNESDAY, 1/25**  
**6:00-9:00 PM**  
**VFW POST 2179**  
**[1 VETERANS LN, PORT MONMOUTH]**

Middletown Township, the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, and the NJ Department of Environmental Protection invite residents to attend a public information session on the Port Monmouth Flood Control Project on Wednesday, January 25<sup>th</sup> from 6:00-9:00 PM at VFW Post 2179 in Port Monmouth. Prior to the question-and-answer portion, a brief presentation will be given on the status of the project.

The poster features a background image of a large concrete flood gate structure over a body of water. On the right side, there is a dark blue vertical banner containing the event details. At the bottom of this banner are three circular icons: a profile of a person, a castle, and a wave. The text is in white, bold, sans-serif font.

## **Christmas Trees Will Be Collected In North Zone Next Saturday, 1/14**





A circular poster with a green background of pine branches. At the top is a recycling symbol with a Christmas tree inside. The text reads: **CHRISTMAS TREE COLLECTION DATES**  
**NORTH ZONE: SATURDAY, JANUARY 14<sup>TH</sup>**  
**SOUTH ZONE: SATURDAY, JANUARY 21<sup>ST</sup>**  
**TREES CAN ALSO BE RECYCLED IF BROUGHT TO THE MIDDLETOWN RECYCLING CENTER (52 KANES LANE) DURING BUSINESS HOURS (THURSDAY THROUGH MONDAY 8:30AM-4:30PM)**  
At the bottom is the Middletown Township logo, which includes a recycling symbol and the text "MIDDLETOWN TOWNSHIP" and "PUBLIC WORKS & ENGINEERING".

**MIDDLETOWN TOWNSHIP IS PROUD TO RECYCLE ALL CHRISTMAS TREES INTO WOOD MULCH WHICH WILL BE AVAILABLE TO RESIDENTS FOR FREE IN THE SPRING.**

**PLEASE HELP MAKE THE RECYCLING PROCESS EASIER BY REMOVING ALL ORNAMENTS, WIRES, AND PLASTIC BAGS FROM YOUR OLD CHRISTMAS TREES.**

## Renew Your 2023 Parking Permit Today!



## 2023 Parking Permit Renewal

Parking permit renewal for the 2023 calendar year has begun. Visit [middletownnj.org/parkingpermits](https://www.middletownnj.org/parkingpermits) for information about how to renew or purchase a parking permit either online or in person.

Click [HERE](#) for more information.

## Remember to Renew Your 2023 Dog License Before Tuesday, January 31<sup>st</sup>!

### **Attention All Dog Owners:** **2023 Dog License Renewals Beginning 1/1/2023**

Look out for your dog license renewal paperwork in the coming weeks. It will be mailed and emailed to you (if you have an email address on file). Please review the paperwork for instructions on how to complete the process. Renewals should be submitted either online or via mail between January 1<sup>st</sup> and January 31<sup>st</sup>. Late fees begin February 1<sup>st</sup>.



**Questions? Please call Animal Control at 732-615-2097  
or visit [middletownnj.org/petlicensing](https://middletownnj.org/petlicensing).**

All dog licenses expire on December 31<sup>st</sup> of each year. Renewals should be submitted either online or via mail between January 1<sup>st</sup> and January 31<sup>st</sup>. Late fees begin February 1<sup>st</sup>.

Click [HERE](#) for more information about our pet licensing policy.

## MTPD Reminds Residents to Be Vigilant

***DON'T BE AN EASY TARGET...***

***LOCK YOUR CAR DOORS!***



**The Middletown Township Police Department would like to remind residents to lock their cars and take the key fob inside. Thefts of cars and property are often due to keys being left inside vehicles and failure to lock the doors.**


**REMEMBER**

***LOCKING YOUR DOORS IS AN EASY WAY TO PROTECT YOURSELF AND YOUR PROPERTY!***



**Help Our Community By Donating Blood  
at Lincroft Fire Company's Blood Drive on Tuesday, 1/17  
from 12:30 - 6:30 PM**






**NATIONAL  
BLOOD DONOR  
MONTH**

All types make a strong blood supply

# BLOOD DRIVE


**Lincroft Fire Co.**  
**Tues. Jan. 17 12:30-6:30**  
**601 NEWMAN SPRINGS RD., LINCROFT**





Appointments suggested.  
For an appointment call 800-933-2566  
or visit [nybc.org/drive](https://nybc.org/drive) or scan the QR code. Sponsor code is 70286



Donors 76 and over need a doctor's note unless one is already on file.  
16 year olds need signed NYBC parental consent form.

Appointments are preferred however walk-ins will be welcomed if space permits. Please remember to eat, drink, and bring your ID with your name and photo. Mask requirements may change depending on CDC guidelines. Visit [nybc.org/coronavirus](https://nybc.org/coronavirus) for complete COVID-19 safety protocols.

 **New Jersey  
Blood Services**

800.933.BLOOD • [nybc.org](https://nybc.org)     [#njbloodservices](https://nybc.org)

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

*Click [HERE](#) to make an appointment and search sponsor code "70286".*

**Deadline to Apply for ANCHOR Program is Tuesday, 1/31**



**Information mailers about the 2019 Affordable New Jersey Communities for Homeowners and Renters (ANCHOR) Program have been mailed by the state. The deadline for filing the application is Tuesday, January 31<sup>st</sup>. For information, please visit [www.njtaxation.org](http://www.njtaxation.org) and select "ANCHOR" or call the ANCHOR Hotline at 1-888-238-1233.**

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

## UPCOMING EVENTS

Sun.	Mon.	Tue.	Wed.	Thu.	Fri.	Sat.
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**Find the Perfect Preschool at Middletown Recreation's Preschool Fair at the MTPL on Tuesday, 1/10 from 6 - 8 PM**





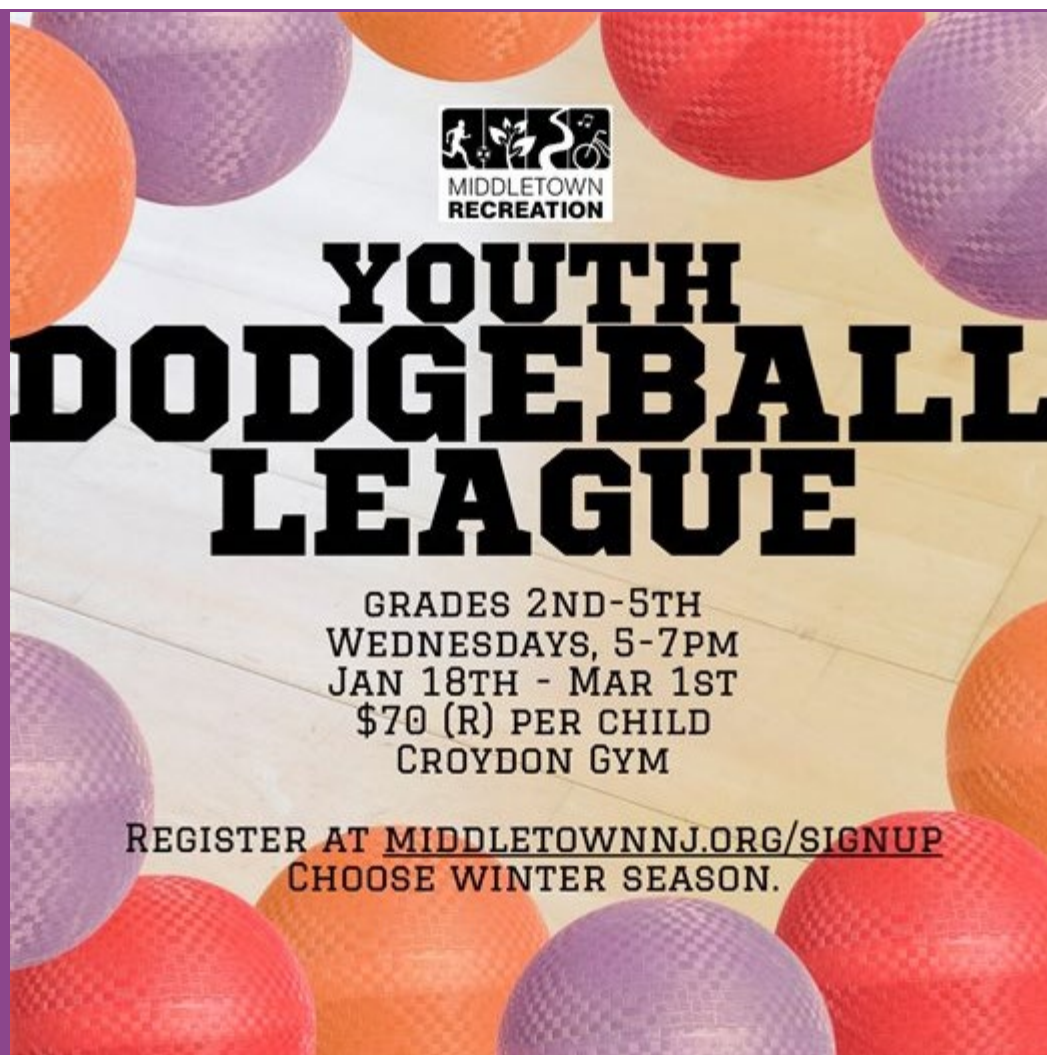
The graphic is a colorful invitation for a Preschool Fair. At the top, it says "You're invited! to explore local preschools at the" in a playful font. Below this, the words "Preschool Fair" are written in large, bold, multi-colored letters. To the left of "Fair" is a logo for "Sandy Hook Child Care Center" featuring a globe and a tree. To the right is a logo for "Middletown Recreation" featuring a lion's head. Below the main title, the date and time are listed: "Tuesday, January 10th 6pm-8pm" and the location "Middletown Library". At the bottom, there are logos for "A Child's Place School" and "King of Kings School".

Finding the perfect preschool for your child can be tough, so Middletown Recreation is here to save the day with a FREE Preschool Fair for interested parents and guardians!

Middletown Recreation and the Middletown Township Public Library (MTPL) are bringing preschools across town together in one place for your convenience on Tuesday, January 10<sup>th</sup> at the MTPL (55 New Monmouth Road). Representatives from different schools will be present to speak to you about class options, registration availability, and answer any questions you may have.

Click [HERE](#) for more information and a list of participating schools.

**Register for Middletown Recreation's Youth Dodgeball League: Program Begins Wednesday, 1/18**



Join Middletown Recreation this winter for seven weeks of dodgeball fun! Players will be drafted into teams for the entirety of the season where they will compete to be crowned champion of the league. Space is limited, so sign up today!

Sign into CommunityPass [HERE](#) and choose "Winter Season" to register.

**Register Now for Recreation's Winter Adult Programs**



# WINTER

ADULT PROGRAMS, 18 +

Tuesdays

## Yoga

6:30-7:30pm

Croydon Gym

III: Jan 10-Feb 21

Off 2/14

IV: Mar 14-Apr 18

\$12 (R)

Tuesdays

## Volleyball

7:30-9:30pm

Croydon Gym

Jan 10-Apr 4

Off 2/14

\$5 (R)



Wednesdays

## Basketball

7-9pm

Croydon Gym

Jan 18-Mar 29

\$5 (R)



Register

Sign-Up Online at

[middletownnj.org/signup](https://middletownnj.org/signup)

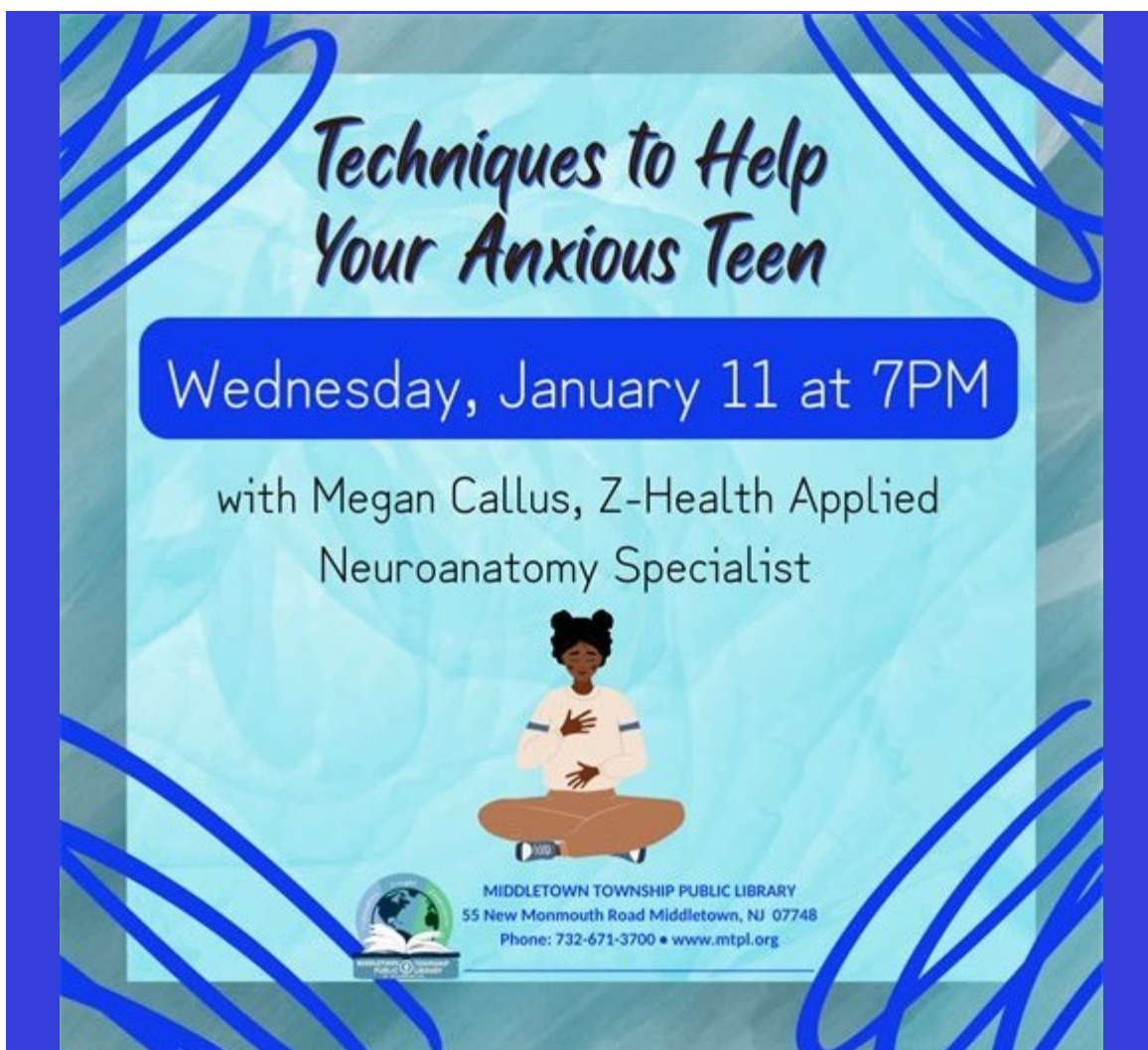
Choose Winter season. Weekly drop-ins welcome.

Stay active and social this new year with Middletown Recreation's adult sports offerings! You can either commit to a full season and save money or join Middletown Recreation for a weekly drop-in.

Sign into CommunityPass [HERE](#) and choose "Winter Season" to register.

Register for MTPL's "Techniques to Help Your Anxious Teen" on Wednesday, 1/11 at 7 PM





Come to the MTPL on Wednesday, January 11<sup>th</sup> to learn techniques to help your child manage their anxiety! Megan Callus, a Z-Health Applied Neuroanatomy Specialist from Boundless Breath NJ, will be leading the program. It will begin at 7 PM and take place in the MTPL's Community Room. Registration is required.

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

**Attend MTPL's Virtual Author Visit with Nev March on  
Thursday, 1/12 at 7 PM**



Virtual Author Visit  
featuring

# NEV MARCH



Thursday, January 12 | 7 PM  
via **zoom**

REGISTER ON [MTPL.ORG](https://www.mtpl.org) FOR ZOOM LINK

Join the MTPL via Zoom on Thursday, January 12<sup>th</sup> at 7 PM for a Virtual Author Visit! Nev March, a New Jersey resident, will be discussing her debut mystery novel "Murder in Old Bombay" and its sequel "Peril at the Exposition." She just finished the third book in the trilogy, which will be published next summer. Nev will also be discussing her writing process and how her books became published. Patrons are encouraged to check out her books at the library!

Nev is the first Indian-born writer to win the Minotaur Books/Mystery Writers of America's Award for Best First Crime Fiction and currently teaches creative writing at Rutgers University.

Registration is required so patrons can receive the Zoom information.

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

**Enjoy a Movie with Your Family at the MTPL on Saturday,  
1/14 at 2 PM**

# Family Movie SATURDAY



**January 14 at 2pm  
All Ages Welcome!**

**REGISTER AT  
MTPL.ORG**



MIDDLETOWN TOWNSHIP PUBLIC LIBRARY  
55 New Monmouth Road Middletown, NJ 07748  
Phone: 732-671-3700 • [www.mtpl.org](http://www.mtpl.org)

**Want to spend some quality time with your family? Come to the MTPL's Community Room on Saturday, January 14<sup>th</sup> to watch "Lyle, Lyle, Crocodile" at 2 PM!**

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

**Register Now for MAC's Winter 2023 Session:  
Some Classes Begin Next Week!**





It's not too late to register for a class in the Middletown Arts Center's (MAC) winter session! This year's selection features exciting new programs along with your favorite classes in theater, art, dance, and more!

Click [HERE](#) to check out and register for youth classes.  
Click [HERE](#) to check out and register for adult classes.

# RESOURCES

**Recycle Your Fridge/Freezer with JCP&L and Receive \$50**

## Receive \$50 for your old fridge or freezer!



### Receive \$50 by recycling your working fridge or freezer in 3 easy steps:

- 1 Schedule your pick up online by clicking [here](https://energysaveNJ.com/FRIDGE) or by visiting [energysaveNJ.com/FRIDGE](https://energysaveNJ.com/FRIDGE).
- 2 JCP&L will collect your working fridge or freezer and responsibly recycle it.
- 3 You'll **receive \$50** and save money on your electric bill.

Receive \$25 when you recycle an air conditioner or dehumidifier along with a qualifying full-size refrigerator or freezer.

The Department of Public Works & Engineering (DPW) encourages residents to recycle their working fridge or freezer to receive \$50 from JCP&L! You can also recycle your air conditioners or dehumidifiers along with your fridge or freezer and earn an additional \$25. JCP&L will collect the item and recycle it for you. You can either schedule a pickup online or by calling 1-888-740-8005.

Click [HERE](#) for more information and to schedule a pickup online.

## Monmouth County January COVID-19 Clinics

## MONMOUTH COUNTY COVID-19 CLINICS



COVID-19 Vaccines are safe, free, & effective

Walk-ins welcome ages 6 months & up



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

Free At-Home Testing:  
Free over the counter antigen test distribution program at [www.covid.gov/tests](http://www.covid.gov/tests)

Free transportation  
To your vaccination:  
-Get free Lyft rides by calling 2-1-1  
-Call NJ TRANSIT at 973-275-5555.  
-Monmouth County Division of Transportation SCAT: 732-431-6480

## DATES & TIMES



### Testing and Vaccine Clinics

- Jan. 4, 4pm-7pm, Asbury Park Municipal Building Lobby, 1 Municipal Plaza, Asbury Park 07712
- Jan. 11, 4pm-7pm, Neptune Senior Center, 1607 NJ-33, Neptune City, 07753
- Jan. 18, 4pm-7pm, Monmouth County Health Dept., 50 East Main Street, Freehold 07728
- Jan. 25, 4pm-7pm, Howell Senior Center, 251 Preventorium Road, Howell 07731



Pfizer, Moderna  
(including bivalent boosters)  
Novavax & J&J shots are available

### 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
- Entrance closes 15 minutes before end of clinic



FOR FURTHER INFORMATION & INQUIRES:  
VISIT [WWW.VISITMONMOUTH.COM/HEALTH](http://WWW.VISITMONMOUTH.COM/HEALTH)  
DOWNLOAD THE MONMOUTH COUNTY HEALTH DEPT. APP  
OR CALL 732-431-7456

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Visit [www.vaccines.gov/search](http://www.vaccines.gov/search) to find other locations to receive a Pfizer or Moderna booster.

## Free Pack of At-Home COVID-19 Tests Available Through USPS



**Order Free  
At-home  
COVID-19  
Tests  
Through  
USPS**

**All households in the U.S. are eligible to order one pack of at-home COVID-19 tests through USPS. One pack comes with four individual rapid antigen COVID-19 tests. The entire order, including shipping, is free.**

**Visit [special.usps.com/testkits](https://special.usps.com/testkits) to place your order.**

**Click [HERE](#) for more information and to order a pack of COVID-19 tests.**

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