



Middletown and T&M Associates Host Successful Community Meeting about Route 36 Corridor Redevelopment Project



Local residents and business owners line up for the Q&A.

Last night, Middletown Township held a public information session about the Route 36 Corridor Redevelopment Project. Mayor Tony Perry opened the meeting by addressing the packed room at VFW Post 2179 in Port Monmouth. Attendees included residents, business owners, and members of the Township Committee, Planning Board, and Zoning Board of Adjustment.

Mayor Perry expressed the Township's desire to get input from property and business owners within the redevelopment investigation study area about what they envision the Route 36 corridor to look like. Township Administrator Tony Mercantante then gave an overarching view of what this project would entail and introduced Stan Slachetka who was representing T&M Associates and is handling the redevelopment investigation study. Community members were invited to ask questions throughout the presentation, as well as view the boards of the areas along the corridor that will be part of the project. If you would like to view the boards in person, please feel free to drop by the Planning Department on the first floor (middle floor) of Town Hall at 1 Kings Highway.

There will be future Planning Board Hearings and community meetings and anyone is welcome to attend. Please visit www.middletownnj.org/rt36 to view the presentation, review the digital versions of the boards, and watch the meeting. Additional hearing and meeting dates and information will be posted on this page, so please check back for updates. We also encourage community members to

follow Middletown Township on its various social media platforms for notifications ([Facebook](#), [Instagram](#), [Twitter](#), and [YouTube](#)).

Middletown Animal Control Co-Hosts TNR Public Information Session with Monmouth County SPCA



Monmouth County SPCA Executive Director Ross Licitra addresses the crowd of residents.

On Wednesday, residents came to Town Hall to participate in a public information session about instituting a TNR (Trap-Neuter-Return) Program in Middletown. Middletown Animal Control partnered with Monmouth County SPCA and Homeward Bound Adoption Center to host this educational event. Monmouth County SPCA Executive Director Ross Licitra spearheaded the conversation in which he explained the benefits, rules, and regulations of TNR.

TNR is a humane solution to minimizing the number of feral cats in our area, who typically live together in a colony. It involves trapping stray cats, sterilizing and vaccinating them to prevent diseases and overpopulation, and returning them to where they were found. Once they are returned, colony caregivers regularly visit them and provide food and shelter. Some residents signed up to be colony caregivers at the event!

Thank you to everyone who attended and showed interest in the program.

**Township Committee to Host Meeting
on Monday, 3/20 at 7 PM**



The Middletown Township Committee Regular Meeting will be held on Monday, March 20th at 7:00 PM in the courtroom at Town Hall (1 Kings Highway). The meeting is open to the public.

The meeting will also be made available to watch or listen to by visiting www.middletownnj.org/tcmeeting. To call in to the meeting, dial 1-408-418-9388. The event access code is 2332 109 5477 followed by #. Enter 2023 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](#) for more information and to see the agenda.



Happy St. Patrick's Day!

Mayor Tony Perry, Committeeman Ryan Clarke, and Deputy Police Chief John Kaiser were thrilled to walk in Rumson's Annual St. Patrick's Day Parade last weekend. The trio felt "lucky" to join local elected officials as they celebrated Irish heritage and proudly represented Middletown.

Middletown PBA 124 and Hazlet PBA 189 Host Climb With a Cop Fundraiser for Special Olympics of NJ




Mayor Tony Perry, Deputy Mayor Rick Hibell, and Committeewoman Kimberly Kratz were proud to join members of the Hazlet Township Committee to support our local police officers and SONJ!

On Saturday, Middletown PBA 124 and Hazlet PBA 189 came together at their annual Climb with a Cop fundraiser. This year, 73 community members stopped by Gravity Vault (37 Kanes Lane in Middletown), climbed with local police officers, and helped raise almost \$7,000 for the Special Olympics of New Jersey (SONJ).

Thank you to everyone who attended!

Spring 2023 Brush Collection to Begin Next Week



MIDDLETOWN TOWNSHIP

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS & ENGINEERING

52 KANES LANE

MIDDLETOWN, NJ 07748

PRESORTED STANDARD

US POSTAGE PAID

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POSTAL CUSTOMER

SPRING 2023 BRUSH COLLECTION SCHEDULE

*COLLECTION START DATES ARE APPROXIMATE AND WEATHER-DEPENDENT.

COLLECTION ZONE <small>TO FIND YOUR BRUSH COLLECTION ZONE, VISIT WWW.MIDDLETOWNNJ.ORG/ZONEMAP.</small>	START DATE <small>PLEASE HAVE YOUR BRUSH AT THE CURB BY THIS DATE.</small>	COLLECTION RANGE <small>BRUSH MAY BE COLLECTED AT ANY POINT DURING THIS DATE RANGE. PLEASE LEAVE BRUSH OUT AT THE CURB UNTIL ZONE IS COMPLETE.</small>
E,G	MARCH 20	MARCH 20-APRIL 2
I,K	APRIL 3	APRIL 3-APRIL 16
J,L	APRIL 17	APRIL 17-APRIL 30
A,B,C,D	MAY 1	MAY 1-MAY 14
F,H	MAY 15	MAY 15-MAY 28

RESIDENTS MAY BRING BRUSH AND LEAVES TO THE MIDDLETOWN RECYCLING CENTER (52 KANES LANE) FREE OF CHARGE.

BRUSH IS ACCEPTED YEAR-ROUND AND LEAVES CAN BE DROPPED OFF BETWEEN NOVEMBER 1ST - JUNE 1ST.

BRUSH AND LEAF DROPOFF BY LANDSCAPERS IS CURRENTLY SUSPENDED.

VISIT WWW.MIDDLETOWNNJ.ORG/COLLECTION FOR MORE INFORMATION.

Visit www.middletownnj.org/brush for a Q&A about curbside brush collection and information about regular brush disposal.

Middletown Recreation is Hiring for Middletown
Preschool: Apply Now!



Middletown Preschool is urgently hiring for the Lead Preschool Teacher of the PreK 3-year-old class. Know someone who would be a great fit? Sharing is caring, so please help Middletown Recreation spread the word!

Click [HERE](#) to apply.

**Register Now for Middletown Recreation's
Specialty Summer Camps**



SPECIALTY SUMMER CAMPS

REGISTRATION
NOW
OPEN!



SNAPOLOGY

6-10 YO

PORICY PARK

WEEKS: 6/19, 6/26, 8/14

\$185 (R)



US SPORTS INSTITUTE

5-11 YO

CROYDON HALL

WEEKS: 6/26, 8/14

\$199 (R)



MARINE SCIENCE

K-8TH GRADE

IDEAL BEACH

WEEK 1: 6/20 \$365 (R)

WEEK 2: 6/26 \$425 (R)

MIDDLETOWNNJ.ORG/CAMP

Middletown Recreation encourages residents to register for specialty summer camps! These fun camps wrap around Recreation's traditional camps and are run by third-party companies. Register today for hands-on experiences like creating with Snapology, playing sports with US Sports Institute, and learning about marine science with New Logic!

Click [HERE](https://www.middletownnj.org/camp) for more information.

Help Neighbors in Need by Donating to Social Services' Easter Basket Drive by Friday, 3/31

EASTER BASKET DONATIONS


Middletown Social Services is collecting Easter grass, candy, and gift cards to create baskets for those in need in our community. Please also consider donating the free ham you can earn through supermarket promotions.

Donations should be dropped off at 180 Main Street in Port Monmouth by Friday, March 31st. Please call Social Services at 732-615-2085 before dropping off donation items to ensure someone is there to receive them.



Questions? Call Social Services at 732-615-2085. We kindly request that donations be dropped off by Friday, March 31st.

**Give Back by Donating Blood at Lincroft Fire Company on
Tuesday, 4/4 from 12:30-6:30 PM**

A graphic for a blood drive. On the left, the words "BLOOD DRIVE" are written in large, bold, white letters on a blue background. To the right, a man in a blue jacket and cap sits next to a white dog. Text above the dog says "Help accident victims like Jeff." Below that, a red box contains the words "DONATIONS SAVE LIVES".

BLOOD DRIVE

Help accident victims like Jeff.

DONATIONS SAVE LIVES


Tues. April 4 12:30-6:30




Lincroft Fire Company
601 Newman Springs Rd., Lincroft

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

A square QR code used for appointment booking.

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

 **New Jersey Blood Services**

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

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

Please help our community by stopping by Lincroft Fire Company (601 Newman Springs Road) on Tuesday, April 4th to donate blood! Appointments are suggested and can be made by either calling 800-933-2566 or via New York Blood Center's website.

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

Apply for MTPD'S DVRT by Friday, 4/14

Middletown Township Police Department Seeks Domestic Violence Response Team Volunteers

Apply Now!

The Middletown Township Police Department (MTPD) is currently recruiting volunteers to serve as advocates on the Middletown Domestic Violence Response Team (DVRT). In affiliation with 180 Turning Lives Around (180), and with the assistance of the response team volunteers, MTPD continues to make this free, 24/7 confidential service available to victims of domestic violence in the aftermath of a highly emotional and traumatic experience.

180 will be conducting the mandatory 40-hour training course for new DVRT volunteers in April and May. Deadline to apply is Friday, April 14th.

Want to Apply?

Contact Lt. Anthony Gigante, Middletown Township Police Department, DVRT DVLO at 732-615-2075 or visit 180nj.org.



Click [HERE](#) for more information.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Sun.	Mon.	Tue.	Wed.	Thu.	Fri.	Sat.
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Listen to Live Music at the MAC's March Music Cafe on Sunday, 3/19 from 4-6 PM



Join the Middletown Arts Center (MAC) on Sunday, March 19th from 4-6 PM for its monthly music cafe, featuring local singer-songwriters Marc Tappan, Rob Mcleod and Rich Adams, Jenny Cat, and Stu Coogan! 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](#) for more information about the showcase's artists and click [HERE](#) to donate to the MAC.

Register for MTPL's Virtual Author Talk with
Jernard Wells on Tuesday, 3/21 at 4 PM



Virtual Author Talk Featuring **JERNARD A. WELLS**



Tuesday, March 21 | 4 PM

REGISTER AT [LIBRARYC.ORG/MTPL](https://libraryc.org/MTPL)

Join the Middletown Township Public Library (MTPL) for a talk that will leave you starving for more! The MTPL will be hosting a virtual event on Tuesday, March 21st at 4 PM with award-winning TV host and celebrity chef Jernard Wells to discuss his newest cookbook *Southern Inspired: More Than 100 Delicious Dishes from My American Table to Yours*.

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

**MTPD Hosts Free Car Seat Safety Checkpoint on
Wednesday, 3/22 from 2-6 PM at Old Village Fire Company**



Residents are invited to a **FREE Car Seat Safety Checkpoint** hosted by the Middletown Township Police Department on **Wednesday, March 22nd** 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. The checkpoint will be open from **2-6 PM**.

Car seat safety checkpoints are held every second and fourth Wednesday of the month. Please contact Officer Michael Reuter at 732-615-2046 if you have any questions or concerns.

Celebrate NJ Makers Day at the MTPL on Saturday, 3/25

JOIN US FOR:



**NEW JERSEY
MAKERS
DAY**

SATURDAY, 3/25 10 AM - 3 PM



READ MORE AT MTPL.ORG!

NJ Makers Day is a statewide, single-day event that celebrates, promotes, and introduces "Maker Culture" to all! The MTPL's Community Room (55 New Monmouth Road) will be turned into a state-of-the-art, hands-on children's museum focused on STEAM education (Science, Technology, Engineering, Art, and Math) on Saturday, March 25th from 10 AM - 3 PM.

Click [HERE](https://www.middletownnj.org/CivicSend/ViewMessage/Message/196640) for more information about the many programs being offered.

Buy Tickets for *The Wizard of Oz* at the MAC Happening Next Weekend!



The MAC is proud to present *The Wizard of Oz*, a MAC Children's Theater Education production! Showtimes are on Friday, March 24th at 7 PM, Saturday, March 25th at 2 PM and 7 PM, and Sunday, March 26th at 2 PM. Tickets cost \$10 for adults and \$5 for students and seniors.

Click [HERE](#) to purchase tickets.

Spend Spring Break at Poricy Park

SPRING BREAK



@ PORICY PARK

MON 4/3

**Fossil Hunting
11am-12pm**

TUES 4/4

**Pond Netting
3pm-4pm**

WED 4/5

**Pond Netting
11am-12pm**

THURS 4/6

**Fossil Hunting
3pm-4pm**



Join Middletown Recreation for fun, educational programming this spring break! Come dig up some Middletown history at the Poricy Brook Fossil Beds or discover what's at the bottom of the Murray Pond. Activities only cost \$5 per person, so register via CommunityPass today!

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

RESOURCES



**Register Your School-Aged Children for Free TB Skin Test
(Mantoux) Appointment on Monday, 4/3**

TB Skin Test (Mantoux)

· First Monday of every month: 8:30 am – 9:30 am
PPD administration
(by appointment: middletownnj.org/tbtest)

AND

· PPD read first Wednesday of every month:
8:30 am – 9:30 am

FOR SCHOOL-AGED CHILDREN ONLY
NO CHARGE

Middletown Health Dept.
1 Kings Highway
Middletown, NJ 07748




The Middletown Township Health Department is proud to partner with Monmouth County to offer free TB Skin Tests (Mantoux) on the first Monday of every month, beginning Monday, April 3rd. These tests are only available to school-aged children up to 18 years old.

Appointments for the tests are required and will last ten minutes. The nurse will schedule a follow-up appointment with you after the exam. Test readings will be done on the first Wednesday of every month. You can schedule an exam appointment by visiting www.middletownnj.org/tbtest.

Monmouth County March COVID-19 Clinics


MONMOUTH COUNTY COVID-19 CLINICS



**March
2023**

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


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

- March 1, 4pm-6pm, Asbury Park Municipal Building Lobby, 1 Municipal Plaza, Asbury Park 07712
- March 8, 4pm-6pm, Neptune Senior Center, 1607 NJ-33, Neptune City, 07753
- March 15, 4pm-6pm, Monmouth County Health Dept., 50 East Main Street, Freehold 07728
- March 22, 4pm-6pm, Howell Senior Center, 251 Preventorium Road, Howell 07731

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

Brookdale Community College Clinic **ending March 28** - 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
- **Starting April 4**, Tuesday clinics will continue at Monmouth County Health Dept. 50 East Main Street, Freehold 07728

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION & INQUIRES:
VISIT 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 to find other locations to receive a Pfizer or Moderna booster.

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