



## Parents & Guardians: Please Complete Interest Survey for Free Summer Tutoring Program by Tuesday, 5/2

A graphic designed to look like a chalkboard. The title "FREE SUMMER TUTORING PROGRAM" is written in large, yellow, 3D-style letters. Below it, "for eligible Middletown students" is written in a smaller, white font. To the left of the title is a cartoon-style lightbulb, and to the right is a stack of books with an apple on top. A dashed line separates the title from the following text. The text explains that the program will be provided to income-eligible households from July 10th to August 17th, with tutoring on Mondays through Thursdays. It provides the website [middletownnj.org/summertutoring](http://middletownnj.org/summertutoring) for more information and a survey. Below this, a list of five bullet points details the program's features, each preceded by a yellow star. At the bottom, a yellow bar contains the text "Survey responses must be received no later than Tuesday, May 2<sup>nd</sup>".

Middletown Township will be providing free tutoring services to students from income-eligible households from July 10<sup>th</sup> through August 17<sup>th</sup> on Mondays through Thursdays. Visit [middletownnj.org/summertutoring](http://middletownnj.org/summertutoring) to determine if you are eligible for the program and to complete a brief survey.

- ★ For students entering 3<sup>rd</sup> through 8<sup>th</sup> grade for the 2023-2024 school year
- ★ Language Arts and Math lessons based on the New Jersey Student Learning Standards
- ★ Tutoring location will be determined by the number of responses
- ★ Hands-on educational summer activities
- ★ Students will be grouped by grade level

Survey responses must be received no later than Tuesday, May 2<sup>nd</sup>.

Following the Next Generation Support Program's success, Middletown will be providing free tutoring services to students from income-eligible households this summer. The program will be funded through a special allocation of the Community Development Block Grant CARES Act.

Visit [www.middletownnj.org/summertutoring](http://www.middletownnj.org/summertutoring) to determine if you are eligible and to complete a brief survey.

**Naval Weapons Station Earle Commanding Officer Captain**

## Ed Callahan Receives “Key to Middletown”



*Captain Ed Callahan shows off the “Key to Middletown” that Mayor Perry presented him on behalf of the Middletown Township Committee.*

Last Friday, Mayor Tony Perry and the Township Committee were honored to present Captain Edward L. Callahan, Commanding Officer, U.S. Naval Weapons Station Earle with a “Key to Middletown” on the day of his retirement after 40 years of honorable service to the United States Navy. Captain Callahan became the Commanding Officer in July 2020 shortly after the COVID-19 pandemic began. Despite the challenges he faced, he remained a steadfast leader and became an esteemed member of our community.

On behalf of Middletown Township, we thank Captain Callahan and his wife Krista for supporting our events, such as our Memorial Day and Veterans Day parades, connecting with residents, and strengthening the relationship between Middletown and Earle. Please join us in wishing Captain Callahan and his family well as they turn the page to a new chapter and welcoming Captain Kent D. Smith who will now serve as Commander.

**Middletown Celebrates Earth Day!**



*With buckets and grabbers in hand, volunteers march through Lincroft Acres Trails! (Photo courtesy of Middletown Recreation)*

Last weekend, Middletown Recreation and the Middletown Green Team hosted their Earth Day Celebration! Volunteers of all ages helped pick up trash, rake leaves, and even created new trails for the public to enjoy at Lincroft Acres Trails (112 Orchard Hill Drive). Thank you to everyone who participated and made a difference!

## **New Jersey Blind Citizens Association Hosts Successful Spring Artisan Market**



Last Saturday, Township Committeewoman Kim Kratz was proud to support the New Jersey Blind Citizens Association's (NJBCA) annual Spring Artisan Market. Residents were able to support small businesses through diverse vendors, listen to live music, and enjoy free food from ShopRite's Fill The Grill food truck! In addition to all these incredible opportunities, there were also seeing eye puppies in training, local organizations, and opportunities to donate to the NJBCA (18 Burlington Avenue in Leonardo) and shop from its thrift store.

Visit [www.njbc.org](http://www.njbc.org) for more information about the NJBCA.



*Committeewoman Kratz and  
NJBCA Executive Director  
Sarah A. Toma (Photo courtesy  
of NJBCA)*

## CareOne at Middletown Celebrates Official Renaming

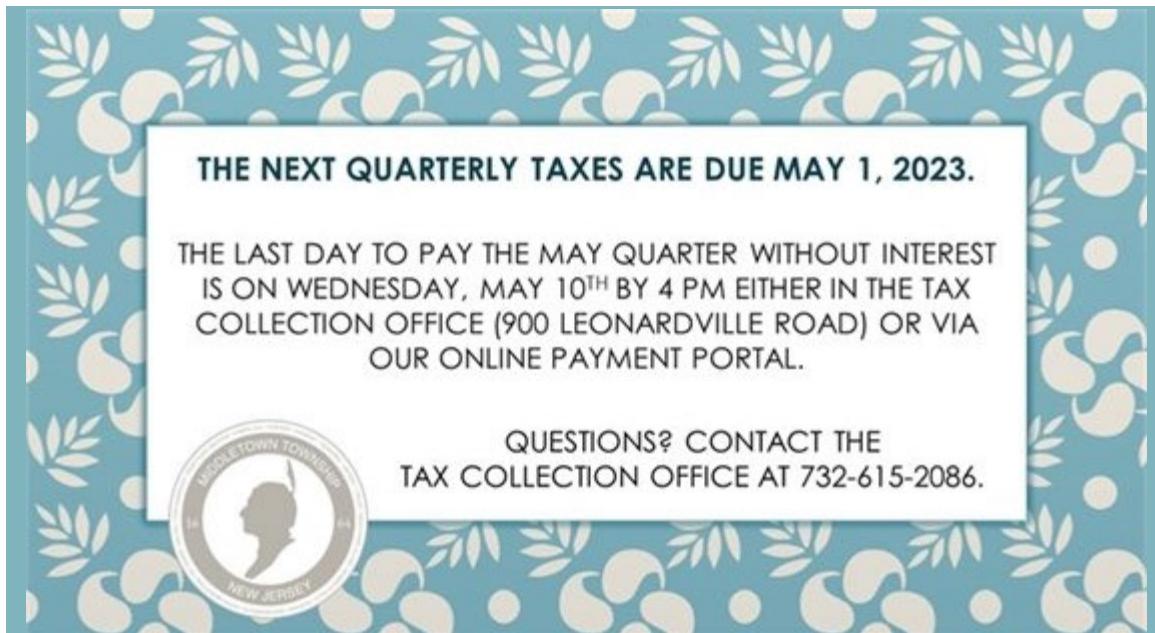


*Committeewoman Kratz was excited to pet a pony at CareOne at Middletown's renaming ceremony!*

Yesterday, Committeewoman Kim Kratz joined CareOne at Middletown (1040 NJ-36) for its renaming celebration! It was previously named CareOne at King James. CareOne is a nursing facility that provides specialty programs and long-term care to address patients' unique health needs.

*Click [HERE](#) for more information about CareOne at Middletown.*

**Quarterly Property Taxes Due Monday, 5/1**



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



## **Township Committee to Host Meeting on Monday, 5/1 at 7 PM**

The Middletown Township Committee Workshop Meeting will be held on Monday, May 1<sup>st</sup> 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](http://www.middletownnj.org/tcmeeting). If prompted, please enter your name and email address to join. To call in to the meeting, dial 1-408-418-9388. The event access code is 2349 696 0409 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.*

**Dispose of Unwanted Medication Safely at the Project Medicine Drop Box**

The Middletown Municipal Alliance wants to help you

## DISPOSE OF UNWANTED MEDICATION SAFELY

Dispose of unused medication from:

- DEATH OF LOVED ONE
- PAST SURGERIES OR DENTAL WORK
- VETERINARY MEDICATION

Please Note:

- NO NEEDLES
- NO SYRINGES
- NO LIQUIDS

PLEASE REMOVE  
PRESCRIPTION  
LABELS.

FOR MORE INFORMATION, CALL THE MIDDLETOWN MUNICIPAL ALLIANCE AT 732.615.2277 OR VISIT [WWW.MIDDLETOWNNJ.ORG/MUNICIPALALLIANCE](http://WWW.MIDDLETOWNNJ.ORG/MUNICIPALALLIANCE).



At last week's Operation Take Back, the Middletown Township Police Department (MTPD) collected approximately 62 pounds of prescription medication. The Middletown Municipal Alliance wants to remind residents that they can also dispose unwanted medication safely at our Project Medicine Drop Box, which is located in the MTPD's lobby (1 Kings Highway) and available 24/7.

Thank you to everyone who participated in Operation Take Back!

**Middletown Recreation is Hiring for Middletown Preschool: Apply Now!**



The image is a composite of two parts. The left side is a graphic for 'Middletown Preschool'. It features a sun icon with two children playing, the text 'Middletown Preschool' in a stylized font, and a large, colorful 'Preschool' word where each letter is a different color (yellow, red, green, blue). Below this, the text 'We're Hiring! Lead Preschool Teacher' is displayed. To the right of this text is a photograph of a woman in a purple cardigan and a young child in a blue graduation cap and gown. The right side of the image shows a group of children in a classroom setting, with one woman in a pink shirt interacting with them.

**Middletown Preschool**

We're Hiring!  
Lead Preschool Teacher

\$15-18/Hour - Part-Time  
Tonya Keller Community Center  
CPR Certified + Experience Required

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 for Middletown Recreation's Open Recreation After School Program**



Open Recreation is back at the Tonya Keller Community Center (50 Bray Avenue)! Residents can join Middletown Recreation for free homework help, play time, and a light snack. Registration is required.

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



Register for MTPL's Considering Homeownership Program on Tuesday, 5/2 at 7 PM

# CONSIDERING HOME OWNERSHIP

presented by  
Anthony Cullen, M&T Bank



**Tuesday, May 2 at 7pm**

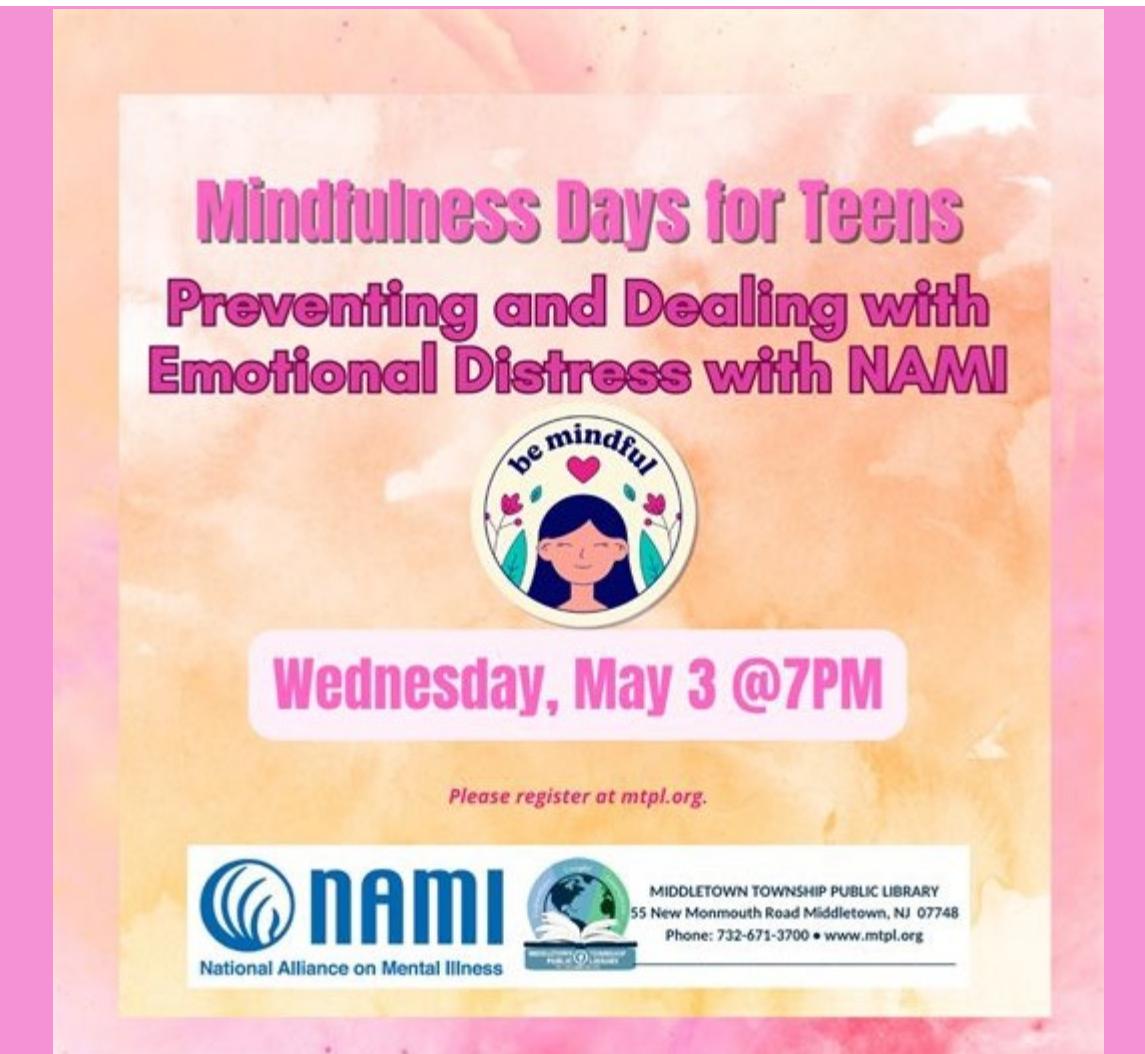
**Computer Lab**

**Please register online @ [mtpl.org](http://mtpl.org)**

Buying a home involves some major decisions, which can be both exciting and intimidating - but don't worry, the Middletown Township Public Library (MTPL) is here to help! The MTPL's Considering Homeownership program, featuring Anthony Cullen of M&T Bank, is designed to help familiarize you with the home buying process. You will learn how to prepare for a mortgage, understand the terms of a loan, review the one-time and ongoing costs associated with home ownership, and explore methods to build your personal and financial readiness.

*Click [HERE](#) to register.*

**Kick off Mental Health Awareness Month with MTPL's Mindfulness Days for Teens on Wednesday, 5/3 at 7 PM**



**Mindfulness Days for Teens**  
**Preventing and Dealing with**  
**Emotional Distress with NAMI**

*be mindful*

**Wednesday, May 3 @7PM**

*Please register at [mtpl.org](http://mtpl.org).*

**NAMI**  
National Alliance on Mental Illness

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

May is Mental Health Awareness Month! Join one of MTPL's Mindfulness Days for Teens, starting with NAMI's program on Wednesday, May 3<sup>rd</sup> at 7 PM in the library's Computer Lab (55 New Monmouth Road).

*Click [HERE](#) to register.*

### **'A Weekend in Old Monmouth' Historic Tour Returns Next Weekend**

The Monmouth County Historical Commission is proud to announce that the 2023 "A Weekend in Old Monmouth" tour will take place on Saturday, May 6<sup>th</sup> from 10 AM to 5 PM and on Sunday, May 7<sup>th</sup> from 12-5 PM with three new locations to visit, including the Grover House (930 West Front Street) in Middletown!



Additional Middletown locations include the All Saints Memorial Church, Joseph

Murray Farmhouse, Marlpit Hall, Old First Church, and Taylor-Butler House.

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

## Pre-Register for Middletown Recreation's & MTPD's Youth Bike Rodeo on Wednesday, 5/17 & Thursday, 5/18

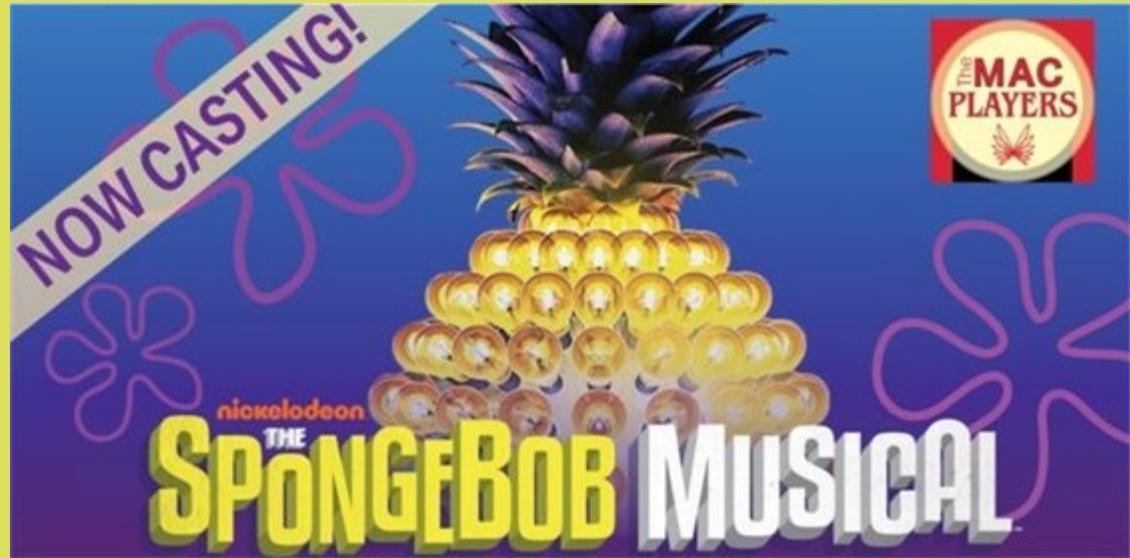


May is National Bike Safety Month, so please join us on Wednesday, May 17<sup>th</sup> and Thursday, May 18<sup>th</sup> from 4-5 PM for some safety fun at the Youth Bike Rodeo part of the Mayor's Wellness Campaign! Members from Middletown Recreation, the MTPD, and Hackensack Meridian Health are teaming up to teach kids from 1<sup>st</sup> to 5<sup>th</sup> grade the rules of the road, how to properly wear a helmet, and other important points.

This great event is free for residents! Pre-registration is required.

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

## Audition for The SpongeBob Musical at the MAC on Monday, 5/8 from 6-9 PM



The MAC Players is now casting for the Middletown Arts Center's (MAC) production of The SpongeBob Musical! Auditions will take place at the MAC (36 Church Street) on Monday, May 8<sup>th</sup> from 6-9 PM. Please email [auditionmac@gmail.com](mailto:auditionmac@gmail.com) to schedule an audition time.

*Click [HERE](#) for more information about the production and available roles.*

## RESOURCES

Staples Announces Free Tech Take Back Program



The Middletown Green Team encourages residents to participate in Staples' Free Tech Take Back, a program that allows customers to bring certain items to Staples stores for recycling. This program will be available until Saturday, June 3<sup>rd</sup>.

Visit [www.staples.com/recycling](https://www.staples.com/recycling) for more information.

## Do You Have an Expired COVID-19 Test?

Before you throw out an expired COVID-19 test, visit [shorturl.at/fmryL](https://shorturl.at/fmryL) to see the extensions of expiration dates for each test brand.



Middletown  
Health  
Department



*Click [HERE](#) to view the expiration dates for each COVID-19 test brand.*

**Earn Extra Money by Becoming a Monmouth County Poll Worker**

# Become a Monmouth County Poll Worker Today!

**EARN EXTRA MONEY...**

**\$300.00** per election for *June Primary* or  
*November General Election*. Must be a  
Monmouth County Registered Voter.

**For More Information Call  
732-431-7802 x7150**

**Report Your Missed Collection**

# WAS YOUR TRASH, RECYCLING, OR BULK NOT COLLECTED?

**LET DPW KNOW!**



Please complete an online form at  
[www.middletownnj.org/missedpickup](http://www.middletownnj.org/missedpickup).

## QUESTIONS?

Please call DPW at  
732-615-2090.



**THANK YOU!**

*Click [HERE](#) to complete DPW's form.*

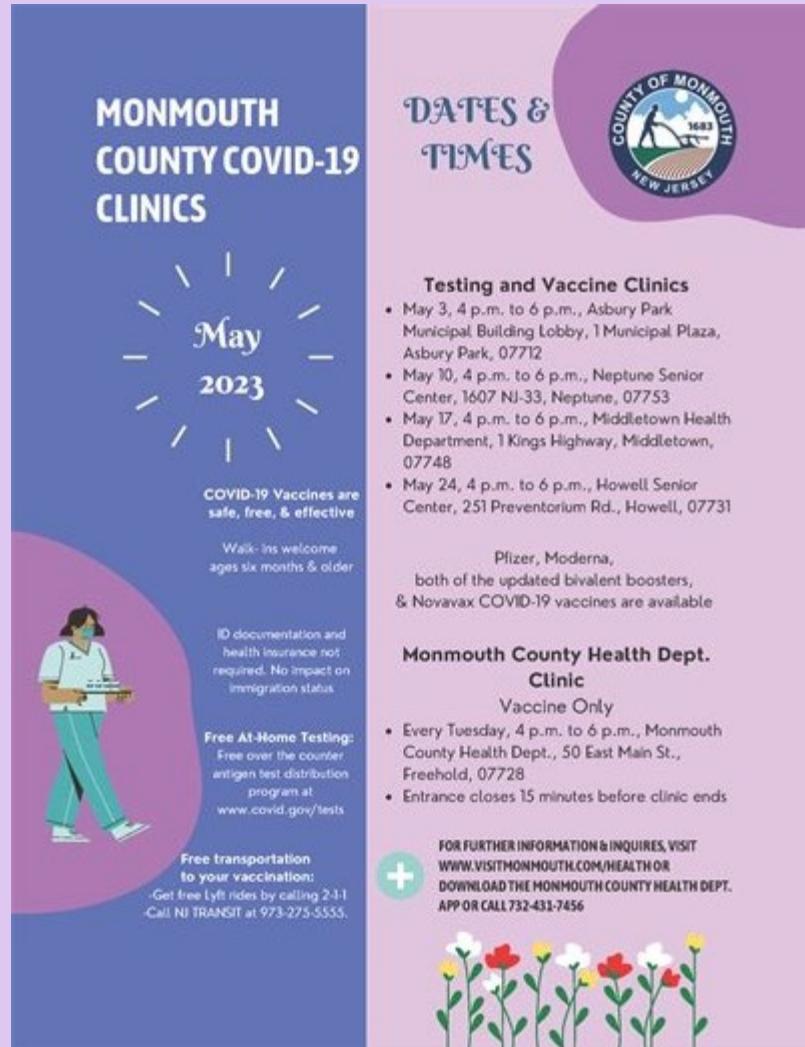
**NJNG Offers In-Person Energy Assistance to Customers through Friday, 6/30**

Last month, New Jersey Natural Gas (NJNG) announced it will provide customers with personal support — at the company's Asbury Park and Lakewood walk-in payment centers — to help access energy assistance grants to pay for their energy bills. On select days through June 30, 2023, representatives from local Community Action Partnership (CAP) agencies will be on hand to help customers determine eligibility for grants and other energy assistance programs and with the application process.



*Click [HERE](#) to read NJNG's press release for more information.*

## Monmouth County May COVID-19 Clinics



**MONMOUTH COUNTY COVID-19 CLINICS**

**May 2023**

**COVID-19 Vaccines are safe, free, & effective**

Walk-ins welcome ages six months & older

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.

**DATES & TIMES**

**COUNTY OF MONMOUTH NEW JERSEY**

**Testing and Vaccine Clinics**

- May 3, 4 p.m. to 6 p.m., Asbury Park Municipal Building Lobby, 1 Municipal Plaza, Asbury Park, 07712
- May 10, 4 p.m. to 6 p.m., Neptune Senior Center, 1607 NJ-33, Neptune, 07753
- May 17, 4 p.m. to 6 p.m., Middletown Health Department, 1 Kings Highway, Middletown, 07748
- May 24, 4 p.m. to 6 p.m., Howell Senior Center, 251 Preventorium Rd., Howell, 07731

Pfizer, Moderna, both of the updated bivalent boosters, & Novavax COVID-19 vaccines are available

**Monmouth County Health Dept. Clinic**

Vaccine Only

- Every Tuesday, 4 p.m. to 6 p.m., Monmouth County Health Dept., 50 East Main St., Freehold, 07728
- Entrance closes 15 minutes before clinic ends

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



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

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

**Click [HERE](#) to access hi-res photos from this e-newsletter.**



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