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Stormwater Management

March 1, 2017

Dear Resident:

The Borough of New Providence is dedicated to preserving our environment for everyone to enjoy. We are working with the State of New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection (NJDEP) to ensure that our waterways remain clean and safe. Every resident should do their part to keep New Providence's waterways as clean as possible. This letter is meant to inform you of the Stormwater Management activities of the borough, and to let you know how you can help.

On April 1, 2006, Borough Council implemented an ordinance establishing the borough's Stormwater Management Program. This ordinance adopts the various requirements mandated by the NJDEP and regulates the Stormwater Management practices of the borough, in conjunction with the NJDEP. The initial Stormwater Management ordinance establishes a series of requirements for residents and businesses of the borough. The ordinance requires every resident to properly dispose of pet waste deposited on property not owned by that resident. It also prohibits the feeding of wildlife on public property. The ordinance further prohibits dumping of any kind into the Borough's storm sewers and prohibits connections of waste water lines running from private homes or businesses to the storm sewer.

The New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection has a website dedicated to keeping storm water runoff clean to protect our waterways. I recommend that every resident visit the NJDEP website, www.cleanwaternj.org, or the borough's website, www.newprov.org, to see what can be done to prevent polluting stormwater runoff, which eventually finds its way to our streams, rivers and reservoir.

I encourage you to be more environmentally conscious and participate in various river cleanups.

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact the Borough Engineer, Andrew R. Hipolit, at (908) 665-1124.

Very Truly Yours,

Allen Morgan
Mayor

Review Borough Stormwater Ordinance

To see the Stormwater Ordinance, log on to the borough website at www.newprov.org, click on Ordinances on the left hand side, go to the Borough Ordinances website, and then search for Stormwater or Ordinance 2006-8.

Senior Citizen Health Fair

The New Providence Health Department and the New Providence Senior Citizens Club will host the annual Senior Citizen Health Fair on Wednesday, May 17th, 2017, from 8 AM to 11 AM at the DeCorso Community Center, located at 15 East Fourth Street, New Providence.

FREE BLOOD CHEMISTRY SCREENINGS will be available for all New Providence residents who have reached the age of 55 years and who have completed the required in-person pre-registration prior to the Fair. The pre-registration will begin on Monday, April 17th thru Monday, May 16th, between the hours of 11 AM and 1 PM at the DeCorso Community Center. The fair will also offer an array of exhibitors, health screenings and pertinent medical information at NO COST to the attendee, as well refreshments and giveaway items.

All New Providence senior residents are invited and encouraged to attend this comprehensive and informational program in order to take advantage of these services. Funding for this program is provided by the Union County Community Development Block Grant Program.

For additional information please contact the New Providence Public Health Nurse at 908-743-1049, or the New Providence Senior Citizen Coordinator at 908-665-0046.

New Providence Senior Center

March 2, 10am - Dr. Su Wang will discuss Asian Health Issues, Hep B and More. FREE Hep B screenings will be available. Please call (908) 665-0046 to register.

March 6, 8:30am – Join us for a 12 week session of In Control (cardio and weights) exercise class .

March 6, 11am – Join us for a 12 week session of Chair Yoga.

Senior Series with Sue Fieseler.

March 7, 11am -Spice It Up: Discover common herbs and spices that may protect against chronic conditions.

March 14, 11am - Vitamins, Minerals and Supplements: Find out the difference between the three and how they can help you.

March 21, 11am – Hobbies: Learn about different hobbies and how they can help you.

March 29, 11am - Overlook Outpatient Mental Health will discuss Seniors and Depression.

April 20, 11:30 - The Larks will provide a musical performance.

April 26, 11:00 – Open House. Please join us to learn about the wonderful events and activities offered at the Senior Center. Entertainment and refreshments will be provided.

May 17, 8-11am – Annual Senior Health Fair



Poisoning Injuries and Deaths are Preventable – National Poison Prevention Week 2017 –

Each day, 55 children are exposed to potentially poisonous substances and a loved one calls the experts at the NJ Poison Center for help. Last year almost 20,000 children under the age of five (5) required assistance from the NJ Poison Experts because they were exposed to potentially dangerous items such as household chemicals, medicines and vitamins, cigars/cigarettes, liquid nicotine in e-cigarette devices and hookah pipes, coins, magnets, and batteries.

While most of the cases were managed at home without a visit to the hospital, many did require admission to an intensive care unit and some required surgery. Some people think only medicines and chemicals cause life threatening poisoning situations, however, foreign bodies such as coins, magnets, and batteries should never be overlooked because they can cause serious injury and even death.

The annual observance of National Poison Prevention Week (NPPW), this year is from March 19-25. As we approach spring, New Jerseyans can mark the occasion by “poison proofing” their homes when they spring clean. Go through the house room by room, including sheds and garages, and make sure potentially dangerous items are properly stored.”

The NJ Poison Center is the state’s primary defense against injury and death from poisoning. No matter the reason to call, all people from youngest to oldest are at risk for injury and death from poisonings, even pets. It is a good idea to program the number **(1-800-222-1222)** into your cell phone. Ask your friends and family to do the same.

If you believe your child, pet, or anyone else has ingested something that could be harmful, call the NJ Poison Experts at **1-800-222-1222**. If someone is unconscious, not breathing, seizing/convulsing, bleeding profusely, difficult to arouse/wake up, etc. call 911 immediately, otherwise call the poison center. A quick response by both the caller and the poison center expert can make a difference in preventing serious injury and saving lives. Every minute counts in poisoning situations so do not take chances by either waiting until symptoms occur or waste valuable time looking up information on the Internet. **Help is Just a Phone Call Away!**

Youth Police Academy

The Police Department will be holding the 2nd Youth Police Academy this summer with the assistance of the Community Activities Department. The Academy will be held July 24-28, 2017 and is staffed by members of the New Providence Police Department and is designed for rising 5th and 6th graders.

This program intends to develop a close relationship between law enforcement and the young people of the borough in a positive atmosphere focused on learning. In addition to the members of the NPPD, other agencies will educate and inform the program cadets. This program will provide insight on local, state, and federal officers.

- Police Orientated Program
- Variety of physical and educational activities
- Calisthenics
- Military Drill
- Uniform Inspection
- Presentations by Local, State, and Federal Law Enforcement Agencies.

Hands on activities include scenarios involving the cadets, Demonstrations by specialized police units, Graduation Ceremony and Awards.

Registration will be through Community Pass.



New Providence Recreation Summer Youth Programs

Online Registration going on NOW! www.newprov.org/recreation

Summer Youth Programs from New Providence Recreation offer maximum fun at a minimum price for children of all ages! In addition to our signature Playground and Teen Venture camps, the recreation department offers camps throughout the summer to meet just about every need:

- ◆ Police Youth Academy (grades 6-7)
- ◆ Musical Theater Workshop Camp (grades 3-6)
- ◆ Sports Camps
 - Baseball
 - Softball
 - Tennis
 - Multi-Sports
 - Soccer
- ◆ Enrichment Camps
 - Art Camp
 - Mad Science
 - Lego Engineers Camp
- ◆ Chess Camp
- ◆ Swimming Instruction
- ◆ Summer Music



You can mix & match many of these offerings. Please check our website www.newprov.org/recreation for more information on these and other Recreation programs.

5K Race to Save Lives

Join us on Sunday, June 4, 2017 at NJ Sharing Network Headquarters in New Providence, NJ for the 5K Walk & USATF Certified Race. The 5K Celebration of Life is a special time of healing for those whose lives have been touched by organ and tissue donation. NJ Sharing Network invites you to spend a morning with our loving and supportive community, whether you walk, run, volunteer, or simply cheer on the crowd.

The 5K event is a springtime road race, hosted by the New Providence Business Community in partnership with NJ Sharing Network Foundation, for donor families, transplant recipients, family members and friends, medical professionals, living donors and community partners. This fun, family-oriented event will include live music, food and drink, awards, prizes and amazing activities for all ages. To sign up visit <https://www.njsharingnetwork.org/5K>

Recreation Updates:

- **Memorial Day Parade – May 29** – If your group is interested in Marching this year, please contact Bernadette Cuccaro, Director of Community Activities at bcuccaro@newprov.org
- **Oakwood Park** – The lower field at Oakwood Park is scheduled to open in early spring, however, the upper baseball field will be closed through the summer as construction continues. We thank you for your patience during the construction and look forward to providing many more recreational opportunities throughout the Borough for our residents.



Visit our Online Payment and Business Center

Want to pay your taxes? Get a pet license? Reserve a meeting room or playing field? You can do all of that and more right from the comfort of your home! The borough website boasts an expanded Online Payment & Business Center where you can make a variety of payments and requests. Log onto www.newprov.org and scroll down the left side until you see the Online Payment & Business Center. Hover your mouse over that tab and you'll see a fly-out menu with various payment options and requests:

- ✓ Pay Your Property Taxes
- ✓ Pay for Recreation Classes
- ✓ Pay Your Tickets Online
- ✓ Pay for Resident Parking Permit
- ✓ Pay for Pet Licenses
- ✓ OPRA Requests
- ✓ Facility Usage Request
- ✓ Other

The online payment modules are secure and easy to use. Simply click on the task you'd like to do and follow the online instructions.

The borough website is a great source of information. You can sign up for Code Red emergency updates; read Special Notices and News of what's happening in the borough; contact borough personnel or reporting problems; get Recreation program and class schedules; and find garbage and recycling information. You can also learn about the various departments and committees in the borough, find job openings, and much, much more.

"Our goal is to keep our residents well informed," said Borough Administrator Doug Marvin. "We all lead such busy lives these days. We are continually updating our website so that our residents and visitors can quickly and easily find the information or answers they are seeking without having to take time to call our offices or stop by the Municipal Center."

You can also access the borough website from your smart phone – just type www.newprov.org in your phone's browser!



Twelve Free Things You Can Do at the New Providence Library

1. Stream music.
2. Download free magazines on your iPad or other device.
3. Knit something beautiful at the knitting and crocheting group.
3. Learn how to download free e-books to your device.
4. Kids can read their own picture books and kid-approved graphic novels on TumbleBooks.
5. Borrow a Museum Pass to the Morris Museum, the Imagine That Museum or the Stickley Museum.
6. See a free movie every Tuesday.
7. Enjoy a live concert featuring professional entertainers.
8. Stay current with today's Star Ledger, NY Times, Barron's or Wall Street Journal.
9. Enjoy a lively baseball discussion.
10. Read the S&P Outlook, Kiplinger's, and Money Magazine to sharpen your business knowledge.
11. Explore Ancestry.com to find out more about your family's history.
12. Borrow a Book Kit for your reading group.

For more information, go to www.newprovidencelibrary.org or call 908-665-0311.



We Need You!

New Providence is a beautiful community where residents share concern for the overall attractiveness of our town. Over the winter months, debris, litter and trash generally accumulates in various areas of town. While our DPW crews are dispatched to clean up, they cannot attend to every space. If you notice garbage or debris around town, especially near storm drains, streams, or wooded areas, please help out and pick it up. If we all work together, we can keep our town clean and attractive for our residents and visitors. Thank you!

Spring Cleaning for Your Health

It will soon be time to open up the windows and doors and let in the fresh air! Your home has kept you cozy and warm all winter long, but this airtight warm home may be a source of irritating particles and a contributor to harming your or your family's health. The closed windows and doors that are important in keeping you warm have prevented air circulation and ventilation, which experts say is a major cause of indoor air pollution. The Environmental Protection Agency has warned that indoor air pollution is two to five times worse than outdoor air pollution and can aggravate asthma and many allergies. The good thing is that indoor air pollution can be fixed.

Your kitchen has served you and your family well all winter long but it can be a source of carbon monoxide pollutants. Check your stove and burners to make sure that they are working well and not emitting too much carbon monoxide. If you suspect a problem, call your manufacturer or professional to get them serviced. Thoroughly clean the kitchen exhaust fan filter with warm soapy water, and rinse and let it dry before replacing. This is a perfect time to do safety checks on all your home appliances; also check home smoke detectors and carbon monoxide detectors and replace the batteries if necessary.

Get your air conditioner or central air unit in good working order for the spring and summer season by cleaning and servicing them if necessary. If you have a central air system, replace the filter every three months, and if

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you have the electrostatic kind, clean it. Hire a professional to inspect the system once a year and have the duct or venting system cleaned and checked every five years.

Next, go room by room in your home to de-clutter and remove any unused items that can be a safety hazard. Vacuum all of your upholstery, including the backs of couches and chairs where there may be dust, dander and even mold hiding. If throw pillows can't be washed according to the manufacturer's tag then spin them in the dryer on the no heat air dry cycle to "dust" them. Also vacuum, rotate or flip mattresses; wash comforters, mattress pads, bed skirts and pillow covers.

Now make a checklist of chores and get organized; it can be helpful in avoiding unnecessary trips back and

forth! Assemble cleaning tools and cleaning products. Be careful when using cleaning products and remember never to mix them. The combination of certain chemicals, such as ammonia and bleach, can create harmful gases!

Always check the product label when in doubt. To reduce exposure to irritating fumes, cut back on your use of cleaning products, especially when using strong smelling chemicals, and use them in a well-ventilated area. Consider using non-toxic cleaners. For example, vinegar and water is an effective window cleaner; shower doors come out sparkling with white vinegar. Consumer Reports has a list of less toxic cleaners to consider, and can be found on their website at (www.consumerreports.org), search spring cleaning.

Upon completion of spring cleaning, store all household and garden chemicals safely away and out of the reach of children and pets. Chemicals with labels using the words, "Caution, Danger, Poison or Keep Out of Reach of Children" need to be stored safely and securely away from children in cabinets with child-proof locks. Spring activities, such as lifting, climbing, and cleaning, can increase your risk of home injury according to the Home Safety Council, which reports that there are over 10 million unintentional home injuries in the U.S. per year that result in emergency room visits. Additional safety information can be found at the Home Safety Council website at (www.homesafetycouncil.org).

Idling - A Friendly Reminder...

Excessive car emissions from idling are a threat to children's health. In order to protect the health and well-being of our students and the community from harmful vehicle emissions, please

remember to turn off engines (both on and off school property) while waiting to pick up and drop off children. Thank you in advance for your cooperation.



The Co\$T Of Underage Drinking

Underage drinking is a serious public health problem in the United States. Alcohol is the most widely used substance of abuse among America's youth, and drinking by young people poses enormous health and safety risks. The consequences of underage drinking can affect everyone – regardless of age or drinking status. We all feel the effects of the aggressive behavior, property damage, injuries, violence, and deaths that can result from underage drinking.

Life Consequences

Underage drinking can have unforeseen consequences on your children's health, safety, and their futures. Common negative side effects caused by underage alcohol abuse:

- Alcohol poisoning
- Car crashes and other accidents
- Suicide and homicide
- Reduced inhibitions / risky behavior
- Sports performance could be effected resulting in team suspension
- Students may have college admission offers and/or scholarships revoked

Legal and Financial Effects

In addition to being dangerous in general, alcohol abuse by underage persons also has harsh legal and financial implications. Listed below are several notable legal and financial consequences related to underage drinking.

- Providing Alcohol to Minors and Possession of Alcohol While Under the Legal Age will each result in a Disorderly Person's Offense. This entails a fine up to \$1,000, mandatory insurance surcharges, probation, community service, and possible license suspension and jail time.
- Possession of Fake ID is considered an Indictable Offense. This violation would be heard in Superior Court.
- Individuals under the age of 21 caught with alcohol in a motor vehicle, even if not driving, will lose their license for six months.
- Drivers under the age of 21 are held to a zero tolerance standard meaning if ANY alcohol is detected in their system they are violating the law. Penalties include fines, surcharges, loss of license from 30-90 days, 15 to 30 days of community service and required attendance at the Intoxicated Drivers Resource Center.
- A formal Driving While Intoxicated (DWI) charge for drivers under the age of 21 carries the same penalties as drivers over 21. DWI penalties include up to 30 days in jail, fines between \$250 and \$500, license suspension up to 1 year, and surcharges of \$3,000.

Prevention

It can be difficult for parents to form a supportive network in order to protect children. Tolerance results in legal and financial effects, and also has negative impacts on our children's lives. Irresponsibility places our children at risk. However, there are many steps that parents can take to prevent the abuse of alcohol by underage children.

- Be involved in your children's lives and reinforce the importance of individualism. Communicate with them frequently, maintain an open relationship with them.
- Get to know your children's friends.
- Set a good example by not abusing alcohol and not making it available in your home to persons under 21.
- Encourage your kids to participate in healthy and fun activities that do not involve alcohol
- If hosting a party, be a visible chaperone.
- Be aware that an unsupervised house can be a magnet for those looking to drink or use drugs.
- If your child is going to a party, confirm the party's existence and location. Ensure that no alcohol or drugs will be present and that an adult will be chaperoning.

New Providence
ALLIANCE

Spring 2017

**Together we can
make a difference.**

The New Providence Alliance to Prevent Alcohol and Drug Abuse is a volunteer organization consisting of parents, students, senior citizens, business members and representatives from the Borough, the Board of Education and the Police Department.

VOLUNTEER or DONATE TODAY!

2017 Members

Nora Murphy, *Chairperson*

Diane Rispoli, *Coordinator*

Michael Iacovelli, *Secretary*

Lt. Justine Kennedy, *NPPD Liaison*

Sgt. Dennis Carovillano, *NPPD DARE*

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New Providence Alliance Sponsored Programs

The New Providence Alliance strives to educate the community on the dangers of drug and alcohol abuse. We are proud to sponsor the following educational programs:

Prehistoric Pals and Forest Friends: two early elementary prevention programs that explore character building qualities needed by children to make responsible decisions.

D.A.R.E.: a ten-week Drug Abuse Resistance Education program for all 5th graders.

Teen Alternatives: Events for teens, including Middle School and 6th grade dances, featuring Alliance funded DJs.

Red Ribbon Week: A nationally recognized weeklong drug free celebration.

Peer Leadership Training: Onsite training programs for the New Providence Middle School and High School Peer Leaders, which prepares them to lead discussions, activities and workshops for their peers on issues related to stereotyping, prejudice, discrimination and alcohol and drug awareness.

Safety Bug: A simulated drinking and driving hands-on experience.

Project Graduation: An all-night celebration for the high school graduation class in a supervised substance-free environment.

Every 15 Minutes: Two-day program geared toward high school juniors and seniors, which teaches the harsh reality of drinking and driving.

Consent 101 – Program for high school students designed to prevent the perpetration of sexual harassment, dating abuse and sexual abuse.

High School Scholarship Awards: \$1,000 scholarships presented to two graduating New Providence High School seniors who demonstrate leadership qualities, community service, and are positive role models.

Red Ribbon Week in New Providence



On October 19, the New Providence Middle School Peer Leaders assisted the New Providence Alliance in kicking off Red Ribbon Week in New Providence. The students accepted a Proclamation issued by Mayor Al Morgan and tied red ribbons on all the light poles in the business district.



WE NEED YOUR HELP!

Although many of our programs are funded through a grant, much of what the Alliance does is made possible by donations from supportive members of our community.

HOW CAN YOU HELP?

- **Donate your gently used clothing in bins located at the rear of the side lot of the New Providence Rescue Squad on Academy Street.** Your old clothes will be recycled and made available to people who need them, and the Alliance will get money back for hosting the clothing bins. It is a winning situation for everyone involved!
- **Make a monetary contribution to the Alliance.** Please make check payable to: The **New Providence Alliance**, 360 Elkwood Ave, New Providence, NJ 07974.

Yes, I would like to donate: \$10.00 _____ \$15.00 _____ \$25.00 _____ \$50.00 _____ Other _____

Name: _____ Phone: _____

Address: _____ Email Address: _____

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Reminder from the town...

Parking Permits

Annual Resident parking permits expire on March 31. Go to the Online Payment & Business Center tab at www.newprov.org to renew.

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Pet Owners

All dogs and cats in New Providence must be licensed with the borough each year and have up-to-date rabies vaccinations. The deadline to obtain a license was February, 28, 2017. Failure to license is a violation of the Borough Ordinance which may result in a summons and may be subject to fines. Contact the Clerk's Office with any questions: 908-0665-1400 ext.0.



2017 Bulk Collection Dates

June 5 – Zone 2	June 19 – Zone 1A
June 12 – Zone 1B	June 26 – Zone 3

Reminder - The Recycling Center is open the first and third Saturday of each month from 9AM – 1 PM. The DPW Yard is located at 4 Park Place.