



EASTAMPTON NEWS

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Eastampton News provides information, helpful tips and reminders related to Eastampton Township and the surrounding areas. The Township is continually working to help keep residents informed about our community.



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Municipal Offices are closed on Tuesday, July 4th in Observance of Independence Day. Offices will reopen on Wednesday, July 5th at 8:30 am.

TRASH COLLECTION CORNER

Due to Independence Day on Tuesday, July 4th the Vista's/Lakeview trash will be collected on **Monday, July 3, 2023.**

HOLIDAY CORNER

As we approach the **July 4th** holiday weekend, we wanted to send out a message to our residents in regards to fireworks. We encourage the residents of Eastampton Township to enjoy the holiday weekend in a responsible way while celebrating and spending time together. We understand that some will take it upon themselves to engage in setting off fireworks at their own residences.

We would like to remind everyone of **Township Ordinance 343-1**. *It shall be unlawful for any person to make, continue or cause to be made or continued any loud, unnecessary or unusual noise or any noise which either annoys, disturbs, injures or endangers the comfort, repose, health, peace or safety of others within the limits of the Township.* Respectfully, **Title 21** (Explosives and Fireworks) of **New Jersey State Code**, specifically **21:2-6 Dangerous fireworks prohibited**, states: *it shall be unlawful to manufacture, sell, transport, or use dangerous fireworks within the state. "Dangerous fireworks" include:*

- Toy torpedoes containing more than 5 grains of an explosive composition.
- Paper caps containing more than .35 grain of explosive composition.
- Firecrackers or salutes exceeding 5 inches in length or 3/4 inch in diameter.
- Cannons, canes, pistols or other devices designed for use otherwise than with paper caps.
- Any fireworks containing a compound or mixture of yellow or white phosphorous or mercury.
- Any fireworks that contain a detonator or blasting cap.
- Fireworks compositions that ignite spontaneously or undergo marked decomposition when subjected for 48 consecutive hours to a temperature of 167 degrees Fahrenheit.
- Fireworks that can be exploded en masse by a blasting cap placed in one of the units or by impact of a rifle bullet or otherwise.
- Fireworks, such as fuses, containing a match tip, or head, or similar igniting point or surface, unless each individual tip, head or igniting point or surface is thoroughly covered and securely protected from accidental contact or friction with any other surface.
- Fireworks containing an ammonium salt and a chlorate.

We ask that everyone please be considerate of your fellow neighbors and their animals. Many residents have young children and animals that may become anxious and frightened at the sound of fireworks. Please also remember that fireworks are dangerous explosive devices that can lead to severe injuries and even lead to death. On behalf of the Township of Eastampton we wish you a happy and healthy **4th of July**. Please enjoy it responsibly!



MEETING CORNER

The Township Council meeting will be held on **Monday, July 17th at 7:00 pm.**

The Land Use Planning Board meeting will be held on **Wednesday, July 19th at 7:00 pm.** The meetings will be held in the Council Room at the Manor House.

RESIDENT CORNER

Municipal Master Plan Survey

Eastampton Township is updating the municipal Master Plan to guide the community's future growth, development, and preservation for maintaining a high quality of life. The Master Plan will be based on a refreshed community vision, and an online survey was prepared to obtain invaluable public input for updating the community's vision.

Eastampton Township needs your help! You are invited to provide your input by taking the online survey. Please know the survey is extensive, and does take some time to complete because it covers numerous issues important to the Township of Eastampton. To take the survey please click on the following link:

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/HCBRK8F>

The survey will be available from **June 12, 2023 to July 12, 2023**, and the results will be posted on the Eastampton Township website. Thank you for taking the time to complete the survey, and for helping to guide the future growth and development of our community.

VOLUNTEER FOR TOWNSHIP BOARDS AND COMMITTEES.

The Land Use Planning Board is a nine-member board and meets the 3rd Wednesday of the month at 7:00 pm. in the Council Room of the Eastampton Municipal Building located at 12 Manor House Court.

There are two vacancies on the Land Use Planning Board, with the members to be appointed by Township Council. To apply please complete a Citizen Leadership Form at the following link:

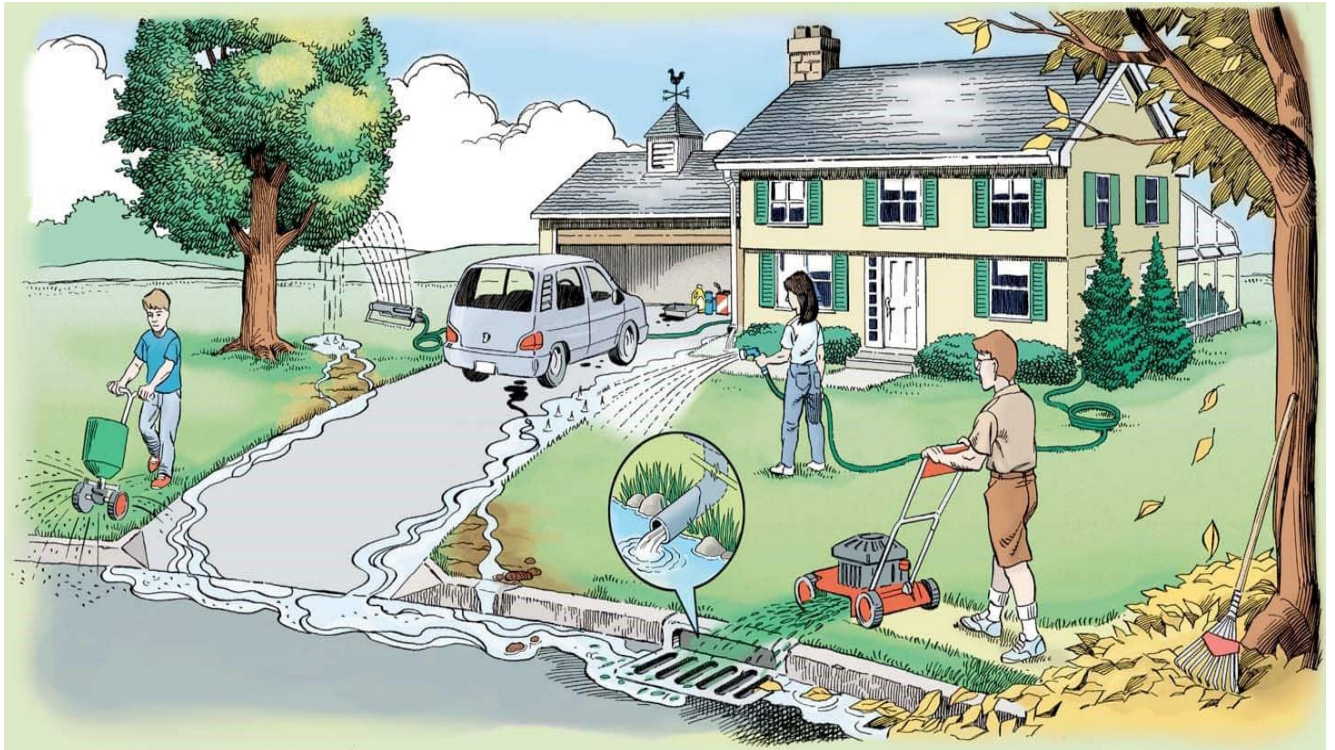
[citizen leadership form application for board committee.pdf \(eastampton.com\)](#)

RECYCLING REJECTIONS

Eastampton Township has been notified by Burlington County Recycling regarding rejection of non-acceptable items in residents' recycling collection. Some common rejections are: Styrofoam, loose trash and trash in bags, recycling is bagged in plastic bags, yard waste, large piles of boxes, construction materials, metal poles, wood, plastic wrap, pizza boxes and TV's. Please note the residents' address and reason for rejection are submitted to Eastampton Township. **Burlington County reserves the right to refuse to collect from addresses that continue to place rejected materials in their recycling.**

STREET SWEEPING

The Township would like to thank everyone that moved vehicles and portable basketball hoops in preparation of the street sweeping the week of June 19th. We collected **17.25 tons of debris** from the Township roadways!



PREVENT STORMWATER POLLUTION

We need your help to reduce the following major pollutants in stormwater that are reaching our streams and creeks. Check out these tips to see what you can do to help prevent stormwater runoff and water pollution.

Oil and engine fluids - Oil and engine fluids left on roads and driveways are washed away during rain and flood events. These chemicals are highly toxic to aquatic plants and animals. It only takes four quarts, or about one oil change, of used motor oil to foul 1 million gallons of water. Fix leaks and absorb automotive fluid spills with kitty litter before sweeping the litter into the trash bin.

Soap and residues from car washing - When you wash your car in a driveway, dirty water and soap ends up in storm drains, bringing pollutants with it. Soap and vehicle residues can severely damage fragile aquatic ecosystems. Wash your car on the lawn or at a commercial car wash. If you don't have a grassy spot or a wash bay connected to sanitary sewer, the next best way to protect waterways is to redirect all that dirty water away from the storm drain where it can be absorbed into the ground. Choose biodegradable soaps by looking for the [EPA Safer Choice](#) label.

Litter - During storms, rainwater carries litter from our streets and sidewalks into storm drains, which lead directly to the nearest stream. Litter can be toxic as it breaks down and can suffocate turtles, birds and other aquatic life. Place trash and recyclables in the appropriate bins.

Pet waste - Pet waste can contain harmful bacteria or parasites that can last up to 10 years. If these organisms get into our stormwater, they can spread disease to wildlife, other pets, and even people. Scoop the poop in your yard and on walks with your pet.

Household hazardous wastes and products - Household hazardous wastes include leftover cooking oil, paint, batteries, drain openers, and much more. If these products are improperly used, stored, or disposed of, they can be released into stormwater and cause great environmental harm. Properly dispose of household hazardous waste on special collections at Gloucester County Improvement Authority.

Fertilizers - As rainwater flows across land, it picks up fertilizers and carries them to storm drains, which lead to the nearest stream. Nutrients from fertilizers feed algae blooms, which can make our lakes and ponds ugly and smelly. When the algae die and decompose, the oxygen level in the water drops, killing aquatic organisms. Test your soil before fertilizing and choose native plants that require less fertilizer to thrive.

Pesticides, herbicides and insecticides - These chemicals are designed to kill a variety of pests. During storms, rainwater washes these chemicals from plants and the soil and into the storm drains. When pesticides are released into the environment, they can kill or severely harm native plants, animals and insects. Use the least toxic pesticides and herbicides and follow label directions. Learn how to prevent pest problems and weed problems without pesticides and herbicides.

Yard waste - Throwing or blowing yard waste (leaves, tree branches, etc.) into the gutter or street adds to stormwater pollution and can clog storm drains, possibly increasing localized flooding. Compost, mulch leaves and grass clippings back into your lawn or bag yard waste for collection. Sweep driveways and sidewalks instead of hosing them down.

Soil erosion and sediment – Sediment is the loose sand and other soil particles that settle at the bottom of a body of water. Soil and sediment caused by erosion settles in storm drains and clogs them, possibly increasing localized flooding. Sediment that is carried through the storm drain destroys natural habitats in streams, prevents natural vegetation from growing and can kill aquatic organisms. Reduce sediment runoff by seeding bare spots.

Only rain down the drain – Remember that stormwater that enters the drain flows untreated into our local waterways. Never dump anything down storm drains or in streams. Direct downspouts away from paved surfaces; consider installing a rain barrel or rain garden to capture stormwater on your property. Treat pool water before draining and do not drain it directly into the street.

PLEASE KEEP GRASS CLIPPINGS OUT OF THE STREET

Residents and landscapers are reminded to keep grass clippings out of the street and the Township's storm drains. Blowing grass and other yard debris into the sidewalk, street, or storm drainage system is a violation of the Township's littering and storm water ordinances.

Grass clippings, leaves, and other lawn debris can clog storm drains, resulting in street and private property flooding. Also, storm drains flow directly to local waterways untreated. Grass clippings add unnecessary nutrients, which help feed harmful algal blooms. In addition to environmental harm, you may be creating a safety hazard. When blown into the street, clippings can create a slippery and dangerous surface for traveling motorcyclists and bicyclists.

Using a mulching mower puts clippings back into the turf and keeps the nutrients where they belong. Should you choose to use a discharging mower, please be sure to point the blower toward your property (away from the street) to prevent clippings from leaving the lawn. When finished mowing, please be sure to use a blower, broom, or rake to clean up any grass clippings or debris that have inadvertently made their way into the street, sidewalk, or storm drain. We appreciate your cooperation.



BRUSH RECYCLING SCHEDULE

Public Works will begin brush collection in April through November. The schedule may be modified at any time due to personnel, equipment and inclement weather.

- Please ensure brush is out **prior to 6:00 am.**
- Every street will be collected only one time. The Public Works Department cannot return to pick up brush placed curbside midweek, and the brush will not be collected if your street has already been done.
- To prevent piles from sitting curbside for long periods of time **and contributing to stormwater pollution** please **do not place brush curbside more than one week prior to pick up.**
- Brush should be no larger than (8) eight inches in diameter, and must be four (4) feet or longer.
- Brush should be piled curbside so as to not block view or traffic, with all cut ends facing the same direction. For ease of loading all cut ends should be facing away from traffic, as brush will be fed into the chipper cut ends first.
- All vines, bamboo, and root balls must be removed. **Mixed materials will not be collected.**
- Public Works will not collect large piles of brush as a result of any large landscaping projects or commercially cut brush. Disposal must be provided by the contractor or removed at the homeowner's expense. This service is provided to assist resident's dispose of small amounts of brush and tree limbs.
- Brush resulting from lot clearing and/or tree removal by a contractor or done by the owner themselves shall be the responsibility of the property owner and shall not be collected by Public Works. Disposal must be provided by the contractor or removed at the homeowner's expense.
- Small sticks, vines, and small shrubs can be disposed of through bulk pickup, as long as they are tied in bundles weighing less than 50 pounds and are no longer than three (3) feet in length.

AREA 1
BEGINS THE FIRST FULL WEEK OF THE MONTH

VISTA'S/LAKEVIEW

Bedford Court	Durham Terrace	Lakeview Terrace	Stafford Court
Berwick Court	Essex Court	Lancashire Drive	Stonegate Drive
Brook Run Road	Farmdale Road	Meadow Lane	Suffolk Court
Buckingham Drive	Gloucester Court	Northumberland Drive	Surrey Court
Cambridge Court	Hampton Drive	Nottingham Way	Tollhouse Road
Carol Court	Jennifer Street	Oxford Court	Warwick Road
Cedar Mill Lane	Juniper Street	Parkview Drive	Worcester Court
Darby Circles	Kent Court	Prince William Court	York Circle
Dawn Drive	Kingsley Road/Court	Shelter Rock Road	

AREA 2
BEGINS THE SECOND WEEK OF THE MONTH

EASTAMPTON FARMS

Ariel Drive	Elderwood Drive	Mahogany Court	Willowbrook Way
Aspen Court	Elm Tree Lane	Manor House Court	Woodcrest Drive
Butternut Court	Honey Locust Lane	Mulberry Lane	Woodhurst Court
Cedarwood Court	Jessica Way	Peachtree Court	Woodhurst Drive
Chestnut Drive	Knotty Oak Court	Poplar Court	Woodstone Court
Christopher Lane	Laurelwood Lane	Red Bud Court	
Cypress Drive	Liat Drive	Red Oak Court	
Dewberry Drive	Linden Tree Lane	Rochelle Drive	

CARRIAGE PARK

Bennington Lane	Danbury Court	Newbury Lane	Westover Court
Carriage Drive	Kensington Drive	Nottingham Way	Wexford Court
Chelsea Road	Knightsbridge Road	Strathmere Road	Windham Drive
Coventry Road	Manchester Road	Wellington Court	

RYAN HOMES/SHARBELL/OTHER AREAS

Ella Lane (Ryan Homes/Sharbell)	Monmouth Road	Powell Road	Woodlane Road
Jacksonville Road	Oak Street	Smithville Road	Parker Blvd. (Ryan Homes/Sharbell)
Mill Creek Road **	Oxmead Road	Star Drive (Ryan Homes/Sharbell)	Dunham Lane
Gordon Road	Park Road	Maple Road	East/West Railroad Ave.

AREA 3 BEGINS THE FOURTH WEEK OF THE MONTH

GORDON HEIGHTS/FENIMORE VILLAGE/PRIVATE ROADS

Birch Land	Gordon Road	Joe Road	Paducah Road **
Dunham Lane	Hardwood Lane	Koa Court	Park Road
East Railroad Ave.	Hys Lane	Lake Drive**	Route 206
Fir Lane	Jade Court	Lee Street	Rusty Lane
Gerber Lane	Jess Court	Limetree Lane	West Railroad Ave.
Goodman Lane	Jill Court	Maple Road	Worthams Lane

VENUE AT SMITHVILLE GREENE (LENNAR)

Beach Drive	Canal Street	Lighthouse Court	Pier Street
Boardwalk Drive	Coliseum Drive	Museum Drive	Tower Blvd.
Bridge Blvd.	Landmark Way	Nature Way	

****DUE TO THE LIMITED ACCESS OF THE PRIVATE ROADS. THE BRUSH CHIPPER WILL ONLY RESPOND WHEN BRUSH IS KNOWN TO BE OUT FOR COLLECTION. ****



ANNIVERSARY CORNER

Eastampton Township, Mayor and Council would like to thank you for your continued years of service!

July 15	Brandon Picou	4 years	Police Department
July 19	Kevin Ballinger	23 years	Police Department
July 19	David Pofahl	2 years	Police Department

EVENTS CORNER



Tuesday, July 18th through Saturday, July 22nd. Some of the activities include:

- Animal Costume Parade
- Antique Farm Equipment & Garden Tractor Parade
- Amusement Rides
- Ax Throwing, Women's Skillet Throw, Men's Spike Driving Contest
- Children's Decorated Wagon Contest
- Commercial Exhibits
- Dairy Cow or Pet Show
- Farm Fair Queen Contest
- Musical Entertainment
- Tractor or Draft Horse Pull
- 4-H Exhibits

Visit the 2023 Burlington County Farm Fair website for the Daily Fair Schedule, which includes fireworks on opening night! [Burlington County Farm Fair | Springfield Twp, New Jersey](#)

Smithville Park & Smith's Woods
803 Smithville Road
Eastampton, NJ 08060

Out of the Darkness & Into the Light: Music Photography Collective

June 22 – August 26. Thursday-Saturday, 10:00am-4:00pm, Sunday 12:00pm-4:00pm. Lights dim, and the audience erupts with a deafening roar as the band walks out of fog and darkness. The crowd thrusts forward, and the energy rises like a storm surge, bodies lift into the air and crash down in front of the stage. Poised in the center of all the madness is a photographer capturing the split-second world that lives within the flicker of light and shadow. This exhibit will allow you to glimpse through the lens of a select few that brave the chaos in the crowd.

**Reception: Out of the Darkness & Into the Light: Music Photography Collective
Saturday, July 8th**

Join the artists featured in this exhibit for a reception from 5-7pm.

Introduction to the Art of Book Binding

Monday, July 10th 5:00pm-6:30pm.

In this introductory bookmaking course, students will learn several book structures. Handmade books are perfect for journals, sketch books, scrapbooks, zines, and much more! Making books is meditative, fun, and can be done almost anywhere. Students will go home with several books and be inspired to continue making books. No previous experience required. Instructor: Nicole Eiland. Registration required: [Catalog - Burlington County Parks \(rec1.com\)](https://www.rec1.com)

Young Naturalists: Astronomy Night

Tuesday, July 25th 8:15pm-10:00pm.

Join the West Jersey Astronomical Society for an evening of stargazing! Look through a variety of telescopes at planets, stars, the moon, and galaxies. Learn about constellations and comets and ask questions about our solar system.

Registration required: [Catalog - Burlington County Parks \(rec1.com\)](https://www.rec1.com)



Please join us for **Eastampton's 2023 Community Day and Car Show** on **September 23, 2023!** See the below flyers for more information.

**You're
Invited!**

Please join us!

Eastampton's 2023 Community Day and Car Show

September 23, 2023, at Buttonwood Park

10:00am – 3:00pm

(Rain date: September 30, 2023)

Vendors and community groups are invited to display their wares.

This will be a fun, community-wide event which includes family activities such as Touch a Truck, Bouncy Houses, Face Painting, Food Trucks, Corn Hole Competition and the 2023 Eastampton Car Show

Registration Fee:

Not for Profit: No fee

Eastampton Resident businesses: \$15

All others: \$30.00

Registration deadline September 1, 2023

Space will be 10' x 10'

Tent/Canopy is permitted

(Tables and chairs will not be provided)

For questions or more information, please contact clucas@eastampton.com

Submit Registration Form and fee to:

Eastampton Township

Attention: Recreation

12 Manor House Court, Eastampton, NJ 08060

*Check payable to Eastampton Township w/Recreation in the memo field



SAVE THE DATE!!!!

2023 Eastampton Car Show
Buttonwood Park
7 Knightsbridge Road, Eastampton, NJ 08060

SEPTEMBER 23, 2023

Rain Date: September 30, 2023

10:00 AM-3:00 PM

Registration: 9:00 AM

Registration fee: \$20.00 per car and truck
\$10.00 per motorcycle
Trophies awarded

For more information please contact Deputy Municipal Clerk Christina Lucas at
clucas@eastampton.com

2023 Eastampton Township Community Day

Vendor Registration Form

Event date: September 23, 2023 Rain Date: September 30, 2023	Fee: Not for Profit: No fee Eastampton Resident businesses: \$15 All others: \$30.00	
Location: Buttonwood Park – Knightsbridge Road, Eastampton Township 08060		
Event Time: 10:00am – 3:00pm	Set up: 9:00am	Take down: 3:00pm

Name	Phone
Address	
Business/Group Name	
Describe your business/group and what you intend to display.	

For more information, contact: Deputy Municipal Clerk Christina Lucas at clucas@eastampton.com

Return your registration form to Deputy Municipal Clerk Christina Lucas with the appropriate fee no later than **September 1, 2023**.

I hereby agree to hold harmless the Township of Eastampton and/or its participants, and further agree the Township of Eastampton cannot be held liable for any damages or injuries incurred during this event. I am fully insured and truthfully disclose same.

Signature of Owner: _____

Date: _____