

Our conference calls with the County resumed this morning. As of 8:00am, there were 33 confirmed cases in Gloucester County. For limited information on the 33 cases, please visit <http://www.gloucestercountynj.gov/documents/COVID19CASESLATESTUPDATE.pdf>.

*In an effort to limit the interaction of the staff of the Borough, the Finance, Construction and Park Departments will be closing to all business at 2:00pm daily starting today 3/26/2020 until further notice. Also, these departments will be closed tomorrow 3/27/2020 and next Friday 4/3/2020. These directives will be re-evaluated on a week to week basis. Please call 856-589-3522 Monday through Thursday, 8:00am to 2:00pm if you have any questions.

*A reminder that the Borough Parks will remain open for passive use only that does not result in groups or gatherings...walking, running, etc. All facilities and playgrounds remain closed to the public. Limited use of the tennis and basketball courts at Shertel Park is permitted at this time. ***If using any park or open areas, please practice proper social distancing and limit any contact to only those with whom you are sheltered at home.***

*Per the Governor's Executive Order No. 110, all child care centers will remain open to serve children of essential workers only beginning 4/1/2020. More information can be found at <https://covid19.nj.gov/faqs/nj-information/general-public/are-child-care-centers-open>.

*The Senior Outreach Coordinator from the Fourth Legislative District has provided the following links and info for our senior residents, but some of these links may appeal to a much broader base of our community. More information can also be found on the "Senior Outreach Committee-Pitman" page here on Facebook.

-National Institute on Aging with information about exercise; as well as, workout videos for seniors: <https://go4life.nia.nih.gov/how-exercise-helps/> & <https://go4life.nia.nih.gov/workout-videos/>

-Online Jigsaw Puzzles: <https://thejigsawpuzzles.com/>

-The Library of Congress digital collections: <https://www.loc.gov/collections/>

*Earlier today, the Public Works Department posted information for the coming week. Please keep in mind that the Public Works yard will be closed Friday 3/27/2020 to limit weekly exposure to our staff and is not open on the weekends. The yard will be open starting Monday from 7:00am until 2:00pm for drop off of yard debris, bulk trash, recycling, and leaves...please see the specific information listed here earlier today. We thank our Public Works Department for keeping up services as best they can through this unprecedented time.

*Information on the NJEDA's new programs to support businesses and workers facing economic hardship can be found at <https://cv.business.nj.gov/>.

Thank you to all residents for continuing to stay at home whenever possible and for only venturing out when necessary for limited periods of time. It is everyone's hope that our sacrifice and diligence now will result in a much better outcome for our community.

Stay well.

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