

MAIL LIST
January 16, 2026

	Date	From	Pertains to:	Agenda/Committee/ Liaison
1.	12/29/2025	Belskie Museum of Art & Science Inc.	Requesting Permission to Serve Wine	Mayor and Council Borough Administrator
2.	1/6/2026	Art/Del Pazcoguin	Gratitude for Mr. AJ Martin, the DPW Crew, and Mr. Jim Oettinger	Mayor and Council Borough Administrator
3.	1/9/2026	County of Bergen	Commissioner Resolution 1-26 Regarding the Work Session/Public Meeting Schedule	Mayor and Council Borough Administrator
4.	1/13/2026	Verp and Leddy, L.L.C.	Municipal Court Judge Re-Appointment	Mayor and Council Borough Administrator
5.	1/15/2026	NJLM	Mayor's Newslines January 2026 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • President's Note • Action List: January • 250th Celebrations • League Learning • Newly Elected, Re-elected, & Experienced Municipal Officials Orientations • Meet Your New Board Member • Share Your Stories: Winter Issue Articles Sought 	Mayor and Council Borough Administrator

6.	1/14/2026	NJLM	<p>Weekly Roundup</p> <p><u>State Issues</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Governor Murphy Delivers Final State of the State Address • LFN 2026-01 Outlines Changes to Legal Notice Publication Requirements • Bills on the Governor’s Desk • Bills Signed Into Law • Preserve New Jersey Grants Available • Governor Murphy Restores Jury Service Rights to Previously Convicted • DEP Accepting Applications for Seasonal Employment <p><u>Federal Issues</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Federal Budget Deadline Approaching <p><u>Also of Interest</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • NJEDA Hosts Garden State CPACE Webinar • Show Off Your City 2026: Apply Today • <i>NJ Municipalities</i> Blog: Middletown Prepares for Red, White, & You Parade and Celebration • Celebrate Your Municipality During Local Government Week 2026 	Mayor and Council Borough Administrator
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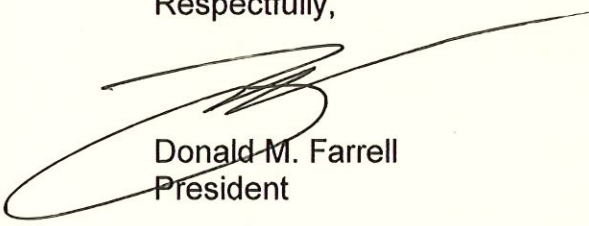
December 29, 2025

Mayor & Council
Borough of Closter
295 Closter Dock Rd
Closter, New Jersey 07624

Dear Mayor & Council:

The Belskie Museum hereby requests permission to serve wine at its monthly opening receptions and special events during calendar year 2026.

Respectfully,



Donald M. Farrell
President

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January 6, 2026

Mayor John Glidden and Council Members
295 Closter Dock Rd
Closter, NJ 07624

Hello Mayor John Glidden and Council members,

We would like to extend our sincere greetings and best wishes for a peaceful and prosperous New Year.

We would like to express our gratitude for your dedication in maintaining the beauty and safety of our town. Your organization operates efficiently, and all departments collaborate seamlessly, which we commend.

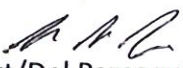
In particular, we would like to acknowledge the efforts of Mr. AJ Martin, superintendent of DPW, and his crew. Their installation of stone barriers on our property, which is situated at a busy intersection prone to accidents and collisions, is a commendable achievement. This task is often overlooked, and their dedication deserves recognition.

Additionally, we would like to highlight the contributions of Mr. Jim Oettinger, the head of the Tree Shade Commission. His installation of two beautiful trees exemplifies his commitment to exceeding expectations and following through on his words.

The collaborative efforts of these departments have been remarkable. Their enthusiasm for assisting residents like us is infectious, and their primary focus remains the safety of all. We are proud to be a part of this community.

Once again, we express our gratitude for your leadership.

Sincerely,


Art/Del Pazcoguin
60 Durie Ave
Closter, NJ

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Mari Margiotta <mmargiotta@closternj.us>

Commissioner Resolution

1 message

Barca, Thomas <TBarca@bergencountynj.gov>

Fri, Jan 9, 2026 at 2:46 PM

Please find attached legislation related to the Board of Commissioners January 7^d Meeting

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RESOLUTION

1-26 Resolution regarding the Work Session/Public Meeting Schedule

Also attached is the Calendar approved by the resolution.

Thomas Barca

Clerk

Board of Commissioners

One Bergen County Plaza

Fifth Floor

Hackensack, NJ 07601


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2 attachments

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BERGEN COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

2026 SCHEDULE OF PUBLIC MEETINGS AND WORK SESSIONS

JANUARY – DECEMBER

ALL WORK SESSIONS AND PUBLIC MEETINGS ARE “REGULAR MEETINGS” OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS AND ANY ACTION MAY BE TAKEN AT ANY SUCH MEETING.

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 7, 2026	4:30 PM REORGANIZATION MEETING (CALABRESE CAUCUS ROOM) AND 6:00-7:00 PM OATHS OF OFFICE (PUBLIC MEETING ROOM)
WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 14, 2026	4:30 PM – WORK SESSION MEETING
WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 21, 2026	4:30 PM – WORK SESSION MEETING 7:00 PM - PUBLIC MEETING
WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 28, 2026	4:30 PM – WORK SESSION MEETING
WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 4, 2026	4:30 PM – WORK SESSION MEETING 7:00 PM - PUBLIC MEETING
WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 11, 2026	4:30 PM – WORK SESSION MEETING
TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 17, 2026	4:30 PM – WORK SESSION MEETING 7:00 PM – PUBLIC MEETING
WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 25, 2026	4:30 PM – WORK SESSION MEETING
WEDNESDAY, MARCH 4, 2026	4:30 PM – WORK SESSION MEETING 7:00 PM – PUBLIC MEETING
WEDNESDAY, MARCH 11, 2026	4:30 PM – WORK SESSION MEETING
WEDNESDAY, MARCH 18, 2026	4:30 PM – WORK SESSION MEETING 7:00 PM – PUBLIC MEETING
WEDNESDAY, MARCH 25, 2026	4:30 PM – WORK SESSION MEETING
TUESDAY, MARCH 31, 2026	4:30 PM – WORK SESSION MEETING 7:00 PM – PUBLIC MEETING
WEDNESDAY, APRIL 8, 2026	4:30 PM – WORK SESSION MEETING
WEDNESDAY, APRIL 15, 2026	4:30 PM – WORK SESSION MEETING 7:00 PM – PUBLIC MEETING
WEDNESDAY, APRIL 22, 2026	4:30 PM – WORK SESSION MEETING
WEDNESDAY, APRIL 29, 2026	4:30 PM – WORK SESSION MEETING
TUESDAY, MAY 5, 2026	4:30 PM – WORK SESSION MEETING 7:00 PM – PUBLIC MEETING

WEDNESDAY, MAY 13, 2026	4:30 PM – WORK SESSION MEETING
WEDNESDAY, MAY 20, 2026	4:30 PM – WORK SESSION MEETING 7:00 PM – PUBLIC MEETING
WEDNESDAY, JUNE 3, 2026	4:30 PM – WORK SESSION MEETING 7:00 PM – PUBLIC MEETING
WEDNESDAY, JUNE 10, 2026	4:30 PM – WORK SESSION MEETING
WEDNESDAY, JUNE 17, 2026	4:30 PM – WORK SESSION MEETING 7:00 PM – PUBLIC MEETING
WEDNESDAY, JUNE 24, 2026	4:30 PM – WORK SESSION MEETING
WEDNESDAY, JULY 1, 2026	4:30 PM – WORK SESSION MEETING 7:00 PM – PUBLIC MEETING
WEDNESDAY, JULY 8, 2026	4:30 PM – WORK SESSION MEETING
WEDNESDAY, JULY 15, 2026	4:30 PM – WORK SESSION MEETING 7:00 PM – PUBLIC MEETING
WEDNESDAY, JULY 22, 2026	4:30 PM – WORK SESSION MEETING
WEDNESDAY, JULY 29, 2026	4:30 PM – WORK SESSION MEETING
WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 5, 2026	4:30 PM – WORK SESSION MEETING 7:00 PM – PUBLIC MEETING
WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 12, 2026	4:30 PM – WORK SESSION MEETING
WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 19, 2026	4:30 PM – WORK SESSION 7:00 PM – PUBLIC MEETING
WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 26, 2026	4:30 PM – WORK SESSION MEETING ⁸
WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 2, 2026	4:30 PM – WORK SESSION MEETING 7:00 PM – PUBLIC MEETING
WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 9, 2026	4:30 PM – WORK SESSION MEETING
WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 16, 2026	4:30 PM – WORK SESSION MEETING 7:00 PM – PUBLIC MEETING
WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 23, 2026	4:30 PM – WORK SESSION MEETING
WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 30, 2026	4:30 PM – WORK SESSION MEETING
WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 7, 2026	4:30 PM – WORK SESSION MEETING 7:00 PM – PUBLIC MEETING
WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 14, 2026	4:30 PM – WORK SESSION MEETING

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 21, 2026	4:30 PM – WORK SESSION MEETING 7:00 PM – PUBLIC MEETING
WEDNESDAY OCTOBER 28, 2026	4:30 PM – WORK SESSION MEETING
WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 4, 2026	4:30 PM – WORK SESSION MEETING 7:00 PM – PUBLIC MEETING
TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 10, 2026	4:30 PM – WORK SESSION MEETING 7:00 PM – PUBLIC MEETING
TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 24, 2026	4:30 PM – WORK SESSION MEETING
WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 2, 2026	4:30 PM – WORK SESSION MEETING 7:00 PM – PUBLIC MEETING
WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 16, 2026	4:30 PM - SINE DIE MEETING (PUBLIC MEETING ROOM)

REGULAR MEETINGS, WORK SESSION - SHALL BE HELD IN THE CALABRESE CAUCUS ROOM.
REGULAR MEETINGS, PUBLIC MEETNG - SHALL BE HELD IN THE PUBLIC MEETING ROOM

ALL MEETINGS ARE HELD AT ONE BERGEN COUNTY PLAZA, 5th FLOOR, HACKENSACK, NEW JERSEY, OR AT SUCH OTHER LOCATIONS AS THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS SHALL DIRECT OR THE CLERK TO THE BOARD SHALL FROM TIME TO TIME NOTICE.

NOTE: ANY ACTION MAY BE TAKEN AT ANY MEETING, WHICH INCLUDES ALL WORK SESSION MEETINGS AND PUBLIC MEETINGS. THE BOARD RESERVES THE RIGHT TO CONDUCT ANY MEETING ELECTRONICALLY, REMOTELY, VIRTUALLY, OR IN HYBRID FORM AS PUBLIC CONDITIONS MIGHT REQUIRE, ALL IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS ACT. (OPMA)

Lara Pollitt, Clerk to the Board

Bergen County Board of County Commissioners



COUNTY OF BERGEN

ONE BERGEN COUNTY PLAZA
HACKENSACK, NJ 07601

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Resolution: 01-26

Agenda: 1/7/2026

County Commissioner

Meeting Date: 1/7/2026

Purpose: WORK SESSION/PUBLIC MEETING SCHEDULE

Prepared By: EJF/lp

Sponsored by Vice Chairwoman Silna Zur, seconded by County Commissioner Ortiz, and passed by the following vote:

Yes: 7 - Chairman Tanelli, Vice Chairwoman Silna Zur, Chair Pro Tempore Voss, County Commissioner Amoroso, County Commissioner Marte, County Commissioner Ortiz, and County Commissioner Sullivan

I, Lara Pollitt, Clerk, Board of County Commissioners, certify that this is a true copy of Resolution No. 01-26, passed by the BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS on 1/7/2026.

Attest:

Lara Pollitt



COUNTY OF BERGEN

ONE BERGEN COUNTY PLAZA
HACKENSACK, NJ 07601

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Resolution: 01-26

Agenda: 1/7/2026

**BERGEN COUNTY
BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
RESOLUTION**

RESOLVED, that the “Regular Work Session Meetings”, of the Board of County Commissioners of Bergen County be held at 4:30 P.M. on Wednesdays of each week in the Gerald A. Calabrese Caucus Room, One Bergen County Plaza, Hackensack, New Jersey, unless otherwise designated by the Clerk of the Board of County Commissioners and be it further

RESOLVED, that the “Regular (Public Meetings)” of the Board of County Commissioners of Bergen County be held at 7:00 P.M. on the first and third Wednesdays of each month at the Commissioner’ Public Meeting Room, Administration Building, One Bergen County Plaza, Hackensack, New Jersey, or at such other public place in Bergen County as shall be determined by Resolution adopted by the Board of County Commissioners at a regular meeting preceding such Meeting, all in accordance with the schedule attached, or as amended as necessary from time to time.

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January 9, 2026

VIA EMAIL AND REGULAR MAIL


Mayor and Council of Borough of Closter
Attn: James Winters, Borough Administrator
295 Closter Dock Road
Closter, NJ 07624
boroadmin@closternj.us

Re: Municipal Court Judge Re-Appointment

Dear Mayor Glidden and Members of the Council,

I would like to personally thank you for my reappointment as your Municipal Court Judge and your continued confidence in my abilities to continue to provide fair and equitable service to Closter and all those who come before me. It is both a privilege and honor to continue as your Judge.

Respectfully yours,


Francis J. Leddy, Jr.

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Mari Margiotta <mmargiotta@closternj.us>

Mayors' Newsline January 2026

1 message

NJLM Mayors Newsline <noreply@civicplus.com>

Thu, Jan 15, 2026 at 1:29 PM

Reply-To: noreply@civicplus.com

To: mmargiotta@closternj.us



NJLM President Mayor Sean
Elwell, Elsinboro

President's Note

Congratulations to all of the new mayors as well as those who are continuing to lead their communities. I hope 2026 is a year filled with success, improvements, and good governance all around.

We'd like to invite you to take time at the beginning of this year to review your plans not only within your own community, but also as part of the League. Please review this year's [League Legislative Priorities](#) and reach out to our legislative team with questions and suggestions.

Topics in the forefront this year will include property tax relief, state health benefits program reform, volunteer engagement, affordable housing, home rule, and land use preemption. Each of these matters impacts municipalities around the state every day, and we can only reach positive outcomes by working together.

As we reorganize our governments and prepare for the year ahead, the League continuously develops and adapts educational programs to serve those serving their communities. This year the Management Workshop Program for professionals has added a webinar option. For in-person team building and training, consider the [Orientation for Newly Elected, Reelected, and Experienced Municipal Officials](#) in East Rutherford and Mt. Laurel.

Together we can maintain a powerful voice and improve policies at the state and federal level on behalf of New Jersey's Municipalities.

Action List: January

1. **Send in Your Photos - Enter the League's photo contest.** Municipalities are invited to [send in photos for the Show Off Your City photo contest](#). Enter images of their tourist attractions, downtown areas, economic development initiatives, parks, city halls, community groups, and new projects. The winning photo will be featured on the cover of the April issue of *NJ Municipalities*, so send over your front-page ready images by February 6.
2. **Prepare for Local Government Week 2026.** We invite you to join in with municipalities across the Garden State during NJ Local Government Week, to engage citizens while celebrating the work of local government. Municipalities are on the front lines of community service and generally receive higher approval ratings than other levels of government. However, many residents are unaware of how these services impact their daily lives. [Download customizable NJ Local Government Week logos](#) and share your plans with the League. Remember to use #NJLocalaGovt when promoting your activities!
3. **[Register for the Orientation](#) for Newly Elected, Reelected, and Experienced Municipal Officials.** This fast-paced orientation is open to municipal officials who are newly elected, re-elected, or experienced and want a refresher. It is designed to quickly bring officials up to date on important municipal issues.
4. **Share your speeches.** In the March issue of *NJ Municipalities* magazine, the League's official publication, mayors from around New Jersey will be featured in our Mayors' Addresses feature. Please send a copy of your reorganization/state of the municipality speech to [Editor Amy Spiezio](#) as soon as possible.

250th Celebrations

Throughout 2026, Morven Museum & Garden in Hamilton (Mercer), home of Founding Father Richard Stockton, will be commemorating the nation's 250th milestone with special exhibitions and new programs. This month, the new speaker series *Generation Declaration* launches, featuring public historians, scholars, and writers sharing lesser-known, surprising, and underrepresented aspects of America's founding document.

From hands-on creative experiences to thought-provoking conversations about history, Morven's programs invite visitors of all ages to kick off the year with enriching, memorable experiences. For the program *Slavery and the Declaration of Independence: The Deleted Clauses* on Sunday, January 25, an expert historian discusses the deleted clauses of the Declaration, notably those that complained about the actions of the English king related to slavery.

[Registration is now open at the Morven website.](#)

League Learning

Newly Elected, Reelected, & Experienced Municipal Officials Orientations

There will be two Orientations for Newly Elected, Reelected, and Experienced Municipal Officials this year.

- [Register for January 31](#), 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. at Westin Hotel, Mount Laurel.
- [Register for February 21](#), 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. at The Park Hotel (formerly Hilton Meadowlands).

This orientation program is fast-paced and designed to quickly bring officials up to date on important municipal issues. The newly elected officials will get a thorough overview of their major areas of responsibility, key contact at the State level, and important sources of information and assistance. Reelected and experienced officials will receive valuable up-to-date reference materials that will guide them to the answers they seek. They will also get the latest information on the most important municipal issues-all while meeting their newly elected peers and the League Staff.

Meet Your New Board Member

A new Executive Board member, Jen Blumenstock is the Mayor of the Borough of Garwood, where she leads a community of 5,000 residents with a focus on fiscal responsibility, public safety, and responsive local government. Prior to being elected Mayor, she served two three-year terms as a Garwood Councilwoman, where she championed transparent governance, capital planning, affordable housing development, and park revitalization.



Executive Board Member,
Mayor Jen Blumenstock,
Borough of Garwood

Since taking office as Mayor in 2023, she has delivered meaningful tax relief through expanded shared services, and secured millions of dollars in federal, state, and county grants supporting road paving, safety initiatives, recreation, and long-term planning.

Under her leadership, Garwood has also prioritized public safety, from expanding the Police Department, to improving streets with upgraded crosswalks, enhanced pedestrian signals, and new bicycle lanes.

Sustainability has been one of the cornerstones of Mayor Blumenstock's administration, achieving three consecutive Sustainable Jersey Bronze Certifications, adopting

environmental ordinances, and supporting green infrastructure projects like Garwood's first rain garden. Her commitment to the arts and economic development led to Garwood's certification through the NJ Motion Picture and Television Commission and the creation of the Garwood Partnership for Arts and Culture.

Mayor Blumenstock holds degrees in Political Science and Journalism from Rutgers University and earned a teaching certificate through William Paterson University. She continues to serve the region through a leadership role in the NJ Conference of Mayors and volunteers locally with the Education Foundation of Garwood and the Garwood Lion's Club.

She is married to her husband, Andy, and has two daughters, Lena and Cecelia.

NJ Municipalities Magazine

Share Your Stories: Winter Issue Articles Sought


In 2026, please consider sending in articles, op-eds, and news releases to the League's magazine, *NJ Municipalities*. Every year, the magazine and its [new magazine blog](#) features hundreds of stories from mayors and other local, state, and federal organizations. We hope you will share your strategies, thoughts, and insights with your peers in local government. Interested? Please review our [2026 authors' kit](#) or reach out to editor Amy Spiezio, aspiezio@njlm.org, for more information and to reserve your space.


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State of the State; Bills In Play & Signed Bills

1 message

NJLM Weekly Roundup <noreply@civicplus.com>

Wed, Jan 14, 2026 at 4:29 PM

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To: mmargiotta@closternj.us



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January 14, 2026

State Issues

Governor Murphy Delivers Final State of the State Address

On January 13, Governor Murphy delivered his final State of the State Address before a joint session of the legislature. The Governor's address focused on his eight years as Governor.

[Read more: Governor Murphy Delivers Final State of the State Address](#)

Contact: Lori Buckelew, Deputy Executive Director, lbuckelew@njlm.org, 609-695-3481, x112.

LFN 2026-01 Outlines Changes to Legal Notice Publication Requirements

DLGS has issued LFN 2026-01 regarding the changes to Legal Notice Publication Requirements.

[Read more: LFN 2026-01 Outlines Changes to Legal Notice Publication Requirements](#)

Contact: Erin Knoedler, Legislative Analyst, eknoedler@njlm.org, 609-695-3481, x116.

Bills on the Governor's Desk

While the 221st Legislative Term has concluded, there are 151 bills on Governor Murphy's desk for consideration. He can either sign them, veto them, or leave office without taking action on them, known as a Pocket Veto.

Please read the League's recent [blog post](#) on legislation on his desk of municipal interest.

Contacts: Mike Cerra, Executive Director, mcerra@njlm.org, 609-695-3481, x120, Lori Buckelew, Deputy Executive Director, lbuckelew@njlm.org, 609-695-3481, x112, Paul Penna, Director of Government Affairs, ppenna@njlm.org, 609-695-3481, x110, Sadayah Q. DuRant-Brown, Legislative Counsel, sdurantbrown@njlm.org, 609-695-3481, x137, and Erin Knoedler, Legislative Analyst, eknoedler@njlm.org, 609-695-3481, x116.

Bills Signed Into Law

Earlier this week, before the end of the 221st Legislative Term, Governor Murphy took action on various pieces of legislation. Below is a summary of the bills signed with municipal interests.

For more information, please read the League's recent [blog post](#).

Contacts: Mike Cerra, Executive Director, mcerra@njlm.org, 609-695-3481, x120, Lori Buckelew, Deputy Executive Director, lbuckelew@njlm.org, 609-695-3481, x112, Paul Penna, Director of Government Affairs, ppenna@njlm.org, 609-695-3481, x110, Sadayah Q. DuRant-Brown, Legislative Counsel, sdurantbrown@njlm.org, 609-695-3481, x137, and Erin Knoedler, Legislative Analyst, eknoedler@njlm.org, 609-695-3481, x116.

Preserve New Jersey Grants Available

The New Jersey Historic Trust announced a new round of Preserve New Jersey Historic Preservation Fund Grants.

[Read more: Preserve New Jersey Grants Available](#)

Contact: Ciara Bradley, Research Associate, cbradley@njlm.org, 609-695-3481, x128.

Governor Murphy Restores Jury Service Rights to Previously Convicted

Governor Murphy signed Executive Order No. 411 on January 11, which restores jury service rights to more than 350,000 of the State's residents previously ineligible for jury service because of criminal convictions.

[Read more: Governor Murphy Restores Jury Service Rights to Previously Convicted](#)

Contact: Sadayah Q. DuRant-Brown, Legislative Counsel, sdurantbrown@njlm.org, 609-695-3481, x137.

DEP Accepting Applications for Seasonal Employment

The Department of Environmental Protection is accepting applications for more than 800 seasonal positions at New Jersey state parks, forests, and historic sites.

[Read more: DEP Accepting Applications for Seasonal Employment](#)

Contact: Paul Penna, Director of Government Affairs, ppenna@njlm.org, 609-695-3481, x110.

Federal Issues

Federal Budget Deadline Approaching

The federal budget expires on January 31. Congress is working to pass appropriations bills ahead of the deadline, but much work remains.

[Read more: Federal Budget Deadline Approaching](#)

Contact: Paul Penna, Director of Government Affairs, ppenna@njlm.org, 609-695-3481, x110.

Also of Interest

NJEDA Hosts Garden State CPACE Webinar

NJEDA is hosting a webinar on how the Garden State CPACE program financing can drive private investment and sustainability.

[Read more: EDA Hosts Garden State CPACE Webinar](#)

Contact: Ciara Bradley, Research Associate, cbradley@njlm.org, 609-695-3481, x128.

Show Off Your City 2026: Apply Today

Municipalities are invited to send the League photos of their tourist attractions, downtown areas, economic development initiatives, parks, city halls, community groups, and new projects for the 2026 Show Off Your City Photo Contest!

The winning photo will be featured on the cover of the April issue of *NJ Municipalities* and the winner will also receive a free League publication of their choice. Entries will be posted on the League's Facebook page, and some featured in the April issue of *NJ Municipalities*, and possibly other issues.

Photos should be high-resolution JPEG, the bigger the image, the better it would look on a magazine cover, with the ideal size being 7MB or larger.

Deadline: February 6.

[Submit photos using the Show Off Your City submission form](#) or mail a CD or flash drive to 222 West State Street, Trenton, NJ 08608.

Contact: Amy Spiezio, Editor, aspiezio@njlm.org, 609-695-3481, x123.

NJ Municipalities Blog: Middletown Prepares for Red, White, & You Parade and Celebration

Now that we're officially in the year of America's Semiquincentennial, celebration planning is going into high gear. Middletown America 250 and Monmouth NJ 250 have announced plans to partner on "[Red, White & You!](#)", a birthday parade set for Sunday, June 28. This week's [NJ Municipalities blog](#) focuses on the event and the America's Big Birthday Festival following the end of the parade route.

Want to share your local story? Please send in your 300- to 1,000-word items and photos to Editor Amy Spiezio at aspiezio@njlm.org.

Contact: Amy Spiezio, Editor, aspiezio@njlm.org, 609-695-3481, x123.

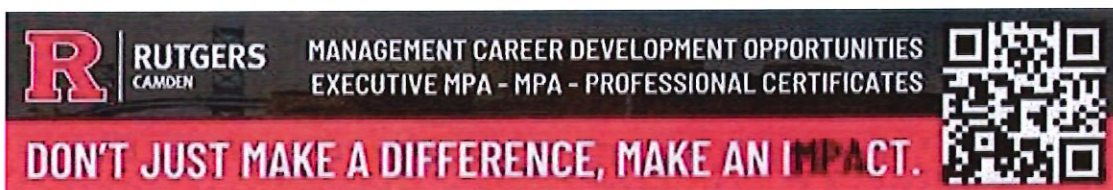
Celebrate Your Municipality During Local Government Week 2026

Please join municipalities across the Garden State for 2026 Local Government Week from April 12-18 to engage citizens while celebrating the work of local government.

[Read more: Celebrate Your Municipality During Local Government Week 2026](#)

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