

MAIL LIST
September 18, 2026

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Mari Margiotta <mmargiotta@closternj.us>

49 Union Street, Closter - Single Family Major Renovation

1 message

Gerardo Osorio

To: "mmargiotta@closternj.us" <mmargiotta@closternj.us>

Thu, Sep 3, 2026 at 3:11 PM

Cc: Joseph Scott Jezequel <sjezequel@closternj.us>, Rose Mitchell <rmitchell@closternj.us>, Investments JPN <[REDACTED]>

RE: Request for sidewalk and curb installation waiver
49 Union Street
Closter, NJ 07624
Block: 205
Lot: 8

Good afternoon Mrs. Margiotta,

Pursuant to the Borough of Closter's municipal ordinances, I am writing to formally request a waiver from the requirement to install sidewalks and curbs at the above-referenced property. The project is currently under construction phase where the foundation and framing have been completed.

The enforcement of the sidewalk and curb installation requirement at this location presents practical challenges due to the specific conditions of the property and its immediate surroundings. I respectfully request this waiver based on the following reasons:

- Lack of Existing Infrastructure: There are currently no continuous sidewalks or curbs on our section of Union Street, nor on the immediately adjacent neighboring properties. Introducing an isolated segment of sidewalk would not connect to an existing pedestrian network.
- Topographical and Environmental Constraints: The street frontage features a severe slope presenting a major challenge for the regrading of the front yard. As of now, all the houses front yard on Union street slope directly to the road.

Enclosed with this email, please find supporting documentation, including the most current approved set of drawings, topographic survey, photos of the existing conditions of the adjacent houses and (1) photo of our project under construction for your use and reference.

I kindly request that this matter be scheduled for a public hearing before the Mayor and Council at your earliest convenience. I am prepared to present these details and answer any questions you may have at that time.

Thank you in advance for your assistance.

Respectfully,

Gerardo Osorio
Principal



c. 917.710.5682

e. [REDACTED]









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Laura Rametta <lrametta@closternj.us>

Library news September 14, 2026

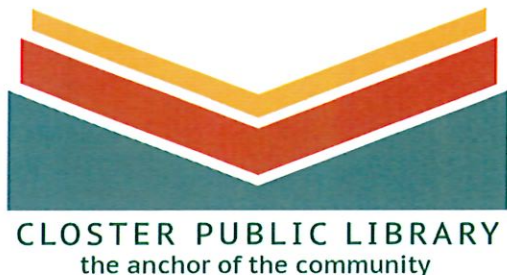
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Closter Public Library <circulation@closter.bccls.org>

Reply-To: cltrcirc@bccls.org

To: lrametta@closternj.us

Mon, Sep 14, 2026 at 8:03 AM



September 14, 2026

MAYOR'S COMMITTEE FOR THE ARTS CONCERT SERIES

Windgate Chamber Group

Saturday September 19, 2pm

Storm King Mountain is a mountain on the west bank of the Hudson River just south of Cornwall-on-Hudson, New York.

Together with Breakneck Ridge on the opposite bank of the river it forms "Wey-Gat" or Wind Gate, the picturesque northern narrows of the Hudson Highlands

The Windgate Chamber Group will present a concert of Baroque wind trios



BELSKIE LIBRARY ART WALL

Paintings by Barry Shiff

September 7 - October 18

Barry Shiff was born in Brookline, Massachusetts, raised in Boston, and you can still hear the New England twang in his speech. He moved to New Jersey in 1978,



and stayed. His interest in art started early in his childhood, and he still tells the story of his delight with a small set of colors he received as a gift from his sister. He received his fine art training from the Museum School of Fine Arts in Boston and he studied life drawing with Don La Cedra at the Copley Society. He is an accomplished artist who works primarily in oil and watercolor.

To play the painting as an online jigsaw puzzle, [click here](#).

ADULT ART PROGRAM

We need your input

Please fill out our survey

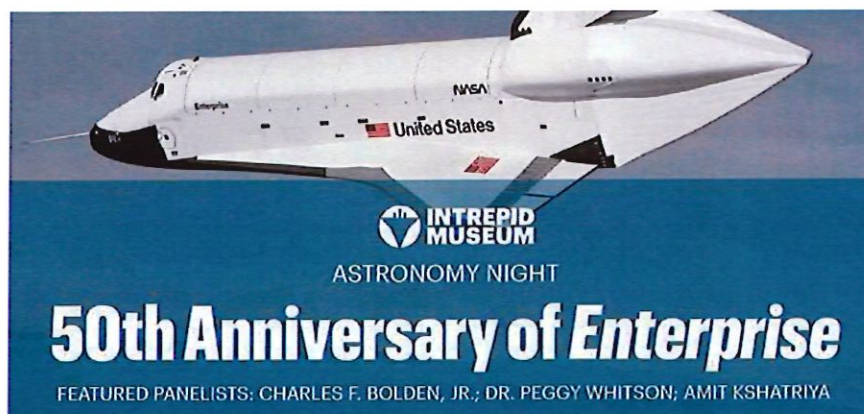
We're exploring the possibility of offering an art class for adults at the library, taught by local artist Barry Shiff, whose work is currently on display on the Belskie Art Wall. Barry has shared a couple of class options, and we'd like to hear which one interests you most. Please take a few moments to complete our short survey and let us know how likely you would be to participate. Your feedback will help us choose a class that appeals to our patrons and plan a program that you'll enjoy.

[Click the picture to fill out the Survey.](#)



RESOURCES

Museum Passes



Astronomy Night 50th Anniversary of Enterprise

Thursday, September 17 | 5:30pm–9:00pm | Space Shuttle Pavilion and Flight Deck

Celebrate 50 years of Space Shuttle Enterprise at a special Astronomy Night exploring the past, present and future of human spaceflight.

The evening will feature a live, onsite broadcast of our featured panel for Astro Live, hands-on interactives with the NYC Star Trek Away Team and Museum educators, and telescope viewing on the flight deck with observers from the Amateur Astronomers Association, weather permitting.

Contact the library to borrow the Intrepid Pass.

RETURNING THIS WEEK

Advanced ESL Conversation

Mondays 10-11:30am, starting September 14

The Advanced Conversation ESL classes will resume on Monday, September 14, 2026, at 10 am. Classes will focus on conversation about topics of general interest, movies, articles, and personal experiences. Vocabulary expansion and improved pronunciation are important goals and grammar will be addressed as needed.



Contingent on the enrollment numbers, we may add a second class on Wednesdays from 1-2:30 PM.

[Click here to register.](#) Call or [email](#) the library for more information.

NEW PROGRAM



Chair Pilates

Tuesdays 12pm

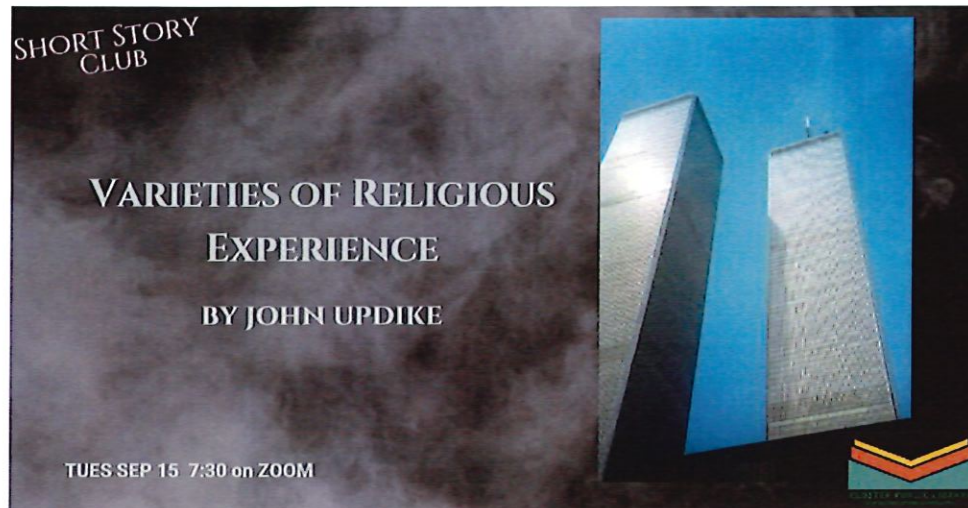
This Pilates inspired workout is suitable for people who have difficulties getting down on the floor and prefer the support of a chair.

We are using all of the same Pilates fundamentals and principles to improve posture, muscle tone, balance and joint mobility as well as relieve stress and tension.

As you age, you lose mobility because of physiological changes. With chair pilates you will practice positions that challenge your body's orientation to gravity and you can practice movements that put the least amount of stress on your joints, while at the same time stabilizing your range of motion, and making you stronger. For maximum benefit please bring one or two pound weights to class.

[Contact the library for more information.](#)

REGULAR PROGRAMS



Short Story Club

Tuesday September 15 7:30pm on Zoom

Varieties of Religious Experience by John Updike. Email [Julia](#) for more information and the Zoom link.



PENGUIN CLASSICS

ALEXANDRE DUMAS

THE BLACK TULIP

Adult Book Club

Wednesday September 16 3pm

The Black Tulip by Alexandre Dumas

Read The Second Mrs. Astor by Shana Abe for the October meeting.



Monday

10-11:30am- Advanced ESL - [Click here to register.](#)

Conversation

7-8pm - Tech Help

Tuesday

10-11:30pm - 1to1 ESL tutoring

Wednesday

6-7 pm Yoga/Meditation

Thursday

10-11:30am - 1to1 ESL tutoring

12:30-2pm - Knitting and Craft
4:30 Zumba on Zoom

Saturday

1:30-2:30 - Intermediate ESL - [Click here to register.](#)
2-3pm Tech Help

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ONLINE**

As ever, please contact the library:

Ruth and **Deborah** for general questions

Vida for Kids N Young Adults question

Tim for Reference questions and issues with electronic media

Julia for the short story club

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Bergen County's POW MIA Recognition Day Ceremony

1 message

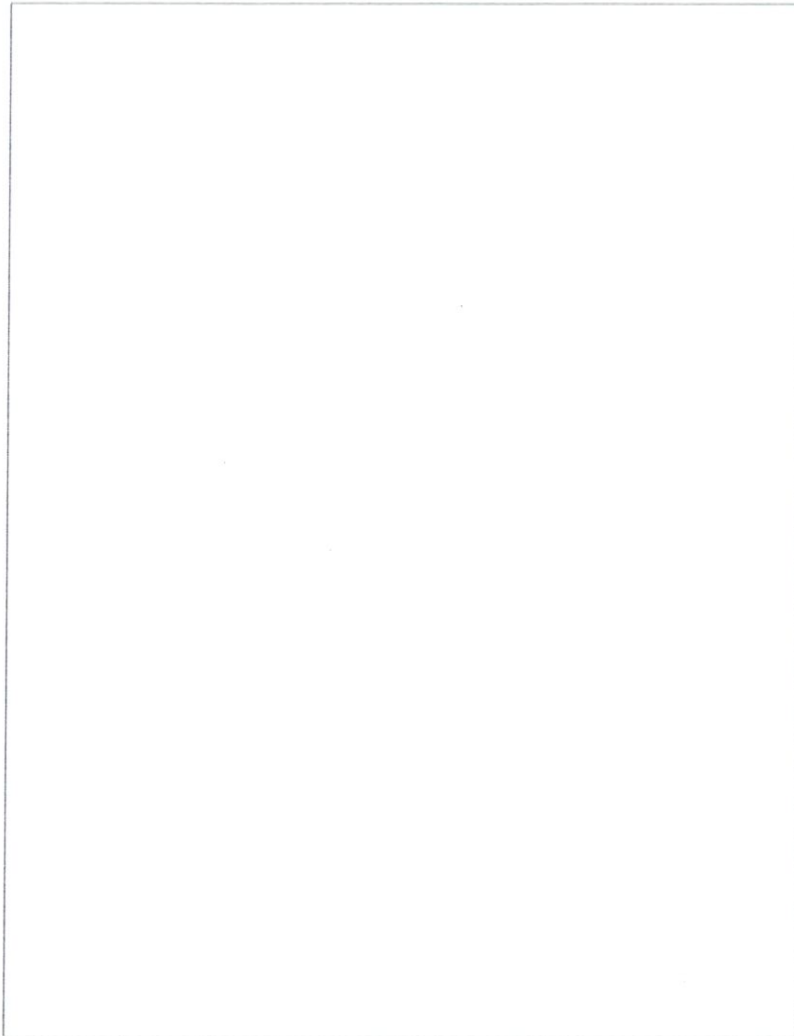
Sands, Derek <DSands@bergencountynj.gov>

Mon, Sep 14, 2026 at 11:06 AM

To: "Sands, Derek" <DSands@bergencountynj.gov>

Cc: "Razzaq, Sidra" <SRazzaq@bergencountynj.gov>, "Pellicano, Breanne" <BPellicano@bergencountynj.gov>, "Dorsett, Craig" <CDorsett@bergencountynj.gov>

Good morning - Please join Bergen County Executive Jim Tedesco, the Bergen County Board of Commissioners, and Bergen County's Division of Veterans Services for Bergen County's POW MIA Recognition Day Ceremony on **Friday, September 18, 2026, at 12:30 PM** in the Piazza of One Bergen County Plaza, Hackensack.



Derek Alan Sands *(he/him/his)*

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BERGEN COUNTY EXECUTIVE
JAMES J. TEDESCO, III
AND THE
BERGEN COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
TOGETHER WITH THE
DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES, DIVISION OF VETERANS SERVICES
CORDIALLY INVITE YOU TO

POW/MIA RECOGNITION DAY CEREMONY



FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 18, 2026
12:30 PM

BERGEN COUNTY ADMINISTRATION BUILDING
THE PIAZZA AT ONE BERGEN COUNTY PLAZA
HACKENSACK, NJ 07601

PLEASE CALL (201) 336-6325 OR EMAIL: [VETERANS@BERGENCOUNTYNJ.GOV](mailto:veterans@bergencountynj.gov)
FOR MORE INFORMATION OR TO REQUEST SPECIAL ACCOMMODATIONS

JAMES J. TEDESCO, III
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Baylor Massacre Memorial Ceremony – Sunday, September 27

1 message

Sands, Derek <DSands@bergencountynj.gov>

Tue, Sep 15, 2026 at 11:37 AM

To: "Sands, Derek" <DSands@bergencountynj.gov>

Cc: "Dorsett, Craig" <CDorsett@bergencountynj.gov>, "Knight, Colin" <cknight@bergencountynj.gov>, "Purcell, Denise" <DPurcell@bergencountynj.gov>, "Krouse, Cheryl" <CKrouse@bergencountynj.gov>, "Pellicano, Breanne" <BPellicano@bergencountynj.gov>, "Razzaq, Sidra" <SRazzaq@bergencountynj.gov>

Dear Bergen County Elected Officials and County Partners:

As part of Bergen County's Bergen250 initiative, County Executive Jim Tedesco and the Bergen County Board of Commissioners invite you to join us for a special Baylor Massacre Memorial Ceremony on Sunday, September 27 at 1:30 p.m. at the historic Baylor Massacre Burial Site in River Vale.

Hosted in partnership with the Borough of River Vale, the Sons of the American Revolution, and the Daughters of the American Revolution, this ceremony will honor the Continental soldiers who fought and died at this site during the American Revolution and recognize the important place the Baylor Massacre holds in Bergen County's history.

Baylor Massacre Memorial Ceremony

Sunday, September 27, 2026

1:30 p.m.

Baylor Massacre Burial Site

[486 Rivervale Road, River Vale, NJ 07675](#)

This will be the first of three annual ceremonies at the historic site leading into September 2028, when we will commemorate 250 years since the Baylor Massacre.

As we continue Bergen250 programming throughout the County, we look forward to bringing our communities together to recognize Bergen County's important role in the American Revolution, preserve the stories of those who came before us, and ensure that history is passed on to future generations.

We hope you will join us for this special ceremony and help distribute the attached event flyer to your related distribution networks.

My best,

Derek Alan Sands *(he/him/his)*

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9-27-26 Baylor Massacre Commemoration Ceremony.pdf

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Bergen County Executive
James J. Tedesco, III
and the
Bergen County Board of Commissioners
Together with the
Bergen County Department of Parks
Division of Cultural and Historic Affairs
In partnership with the Township of River Vale
Invite you to the

Anniversary of the Baylor Massacre Commemoration Ceremony

**Sunday, September 27, 2026
1:30 PM**

**Baylor Massacre Burial Site
486 Rivervale Road
River Vale, NJ 07675**



Join us as we commemorate the Baylor Massacre with a day of remembrance, learning, and community.

Meet historical reenactors, explore the story of the events of September 1778, and celebrate the enduring legacy of the soldiers who stood for our nation's independence.

For more information or if you require special accommodations, please contact Natalie Geroski at NGeroski@BergenCountyNJ.gov or call (201) 336-7310.



James J. Tedesco, III
Bergen County Executive

Bergen County Board of Commissioners

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Bergen County's Hispanic Heritage Month Celebration

1 message

Sands, Derek <DSands@bergencountynj.gov>

Wed, Sep 16, 2026 at 11:06 AM

To: "Sands, Derek" <DSands@bergencountynj.gov>

Cc: "Pellicano, Breanne" <BPellicano@bergencountynj.gov>, "Razzaq, Sidra" <SRazzaq@bergencountynj.gov>, "Dorsett, Craig" <CDorsett@bergencountynj.gov>

Good morning local officials and county partners:

Please join Bergen County Executive Jim Tedesco and the Bergen County Board of Commissioners, together with Bergen County's Latino American Advisory Board, as we celebrate Hispanic Heritage Month on **Tuesday, September 22, 2026, at 5:30 PM** in the Moses Center at Bergen Community College, [400 Paramus Road, Paramus](#).



Derek Alan Sands (*he/him/his*)

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IN PARTNERSHIP WITH BERGEN COMMUNITY COLLEGE & THE BERGEN COUNTY LATINO AMERICAN ADVISORY BOARD
PROUDLY PRESENT BERGEN COUNTY'S

HISPANIC HERITAGE MONTH CELEBRATION

Tuesday, September 22, 2026
5:30 PM

The Moses Center
400 Paramus Road, Paramus, NJ

Join us as we celebrate Hispanic Heritage Month with
food, dancing, music and exciting guest speakers!



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Mari Margiotta <mmargiotta@closternj.us>

Request for Public Event - CIC

1 message

Leslie Weatherly <lweatherly@closternj.us>

Wed, Sep 16, 2026 at 11:54 AM

To: Mari Margiotta <mmargiotta@closternj.us>

Cc: Laura Rametta <lrassetta@closternj.us>, Michael Lee [REDACTED], Victoria Amitai <vamitai@closternj.us>

Hi Mari, hi Laura,

Please place the attached request from the CIC to hold the annual Tree Lighting event on the agenda of the September 23rd M&C meeting.

Thank you,

Best,

Leslie Weatherly

Offices of Mayor & Borough Administrator

Borough of Closter

295 Closter Dock Road

Closter, NJ 07624

201-784-0600 x 304

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Closter Events on Public Property Activity Request 2026 - Tree Lighting.doc

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Email: sevans@closternj.us

EVENTS on PUBLIC PROPERTY **Activity Request for Mayor & Council Approval**

*The Request for Activity Form must be submitted to the Borough Clerk for Mayor & Council review
one month in advance of the event.*

*No Action (advertising/promoting/purchasing) should be taken until you have
received notification of the approval or denial of the Council.*

Date: September 16, 2026

Name of Entity: Closter Improvement Commission (or)
Department
(please print)

Contact: Michael Lee / L Weatherly Phone x304

Email address:

Proposed Activity: Annual Tree Lighting

Date of Activity: 12/06/26 Rain Date: Time of Event: 4-6pm

Location of Request: Closter Borough Hall Front , Lewis St. Senior Ctr.

Is Activity/Event open to the public? N/A Is there a fee? N/A

Are you a Registered 501(c)3 Organization? Yes No

If yes, please provide a copy of your registration with this application

Number of Attendees anticipated: 250

Description of event to be held: Family crafts, tree lighting, etc.

Will vendors be used; if so, provide vendor name and purpose:

_____DJ Mel _____inside Senior Center_____

Note: Following notice of approval of activity, Requestor and/or Vendors will be required to provide a Certificate of Liability Insurance and Hold Harmless Agreement.

Note: Activity Request Form must be submitted by 12 noon on Thursday prior to Council meeting, for discussion. Mayor & Council meet on 2nd and 4th Wednesday of month.



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Overtime Clarification, Liquor License Opinion, PFRS Distribution

1 message

Weekly Roundup <njleague@njlm.org>

Wed, Sep 16, 2026 at 3:33 PM

Reply-To: njleague@njlm.org

To: mmargiotta@closternj.us



Weekly Roundup

September 16, 2026

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State Issues

Assembly Labor Committee Favorably Reports A-5276

On September 14, the Assembly Labor Committee amended and favorably reported A-5276, which clarifies overtime compensation for certain public employees engaged in law enforcement and fire protection activities, and referred it to the Assembly Appropriations Committee.

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

Read more: Assembly Labor Committee Favorably Reports A-5276

ABC Issues an Advisory Opinion on Inactive Liquor Licenses

The Division of Alcoholic Beverage Control issued Advisory Opinion 2026-06 concerning the reissuing of plenary retail consumption liquor licenses as

codified in P.L. 2026, c. 46.

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

Read more: ABC Issues an Advisory Opinion on Inactive Liquor Licenses

PFRS Board Approves a One-Time Distribution to Eligible Retirees

On September 8, the Police and Fire Retirement System (PFRS) Board of Trustees adopted a resolution approving a one-time special distribution to eligible retirees and eligible surviving beneficiaries. This one-time distribution is for eligible police and fire retirees only.

Contacts: Lori Buckelew, Deputy Executive Director, lbuckelew@njlm.org, 609-695-3481, x112, or Erin Knoedler, Legislative Analyst, eknoedler@njlm.org, 609-695-3481, x116.

Read more: PFRS Board Approves a One-Time Distribution to Eligible Retirees

Conference Connections

Conference To-Do List for September

With two months to go before the Annual Conference kicks off November 17, now is a great time to do the groundwork for an excellent experience.

This month, take a moment to:

1. Explore the [Exhibitors List](#) and [Floor Plan](#) to formulate your initial route through the vendors and service providers.
2. Complete your municipality's [Innovation in Governance Award](#) application sharing how your municipality has implemented problem-solving and groundbreaking programs.
3. [Send in photos](#) of your military service for inclusion in a video photo album to be displayed at the Conference
4. Nominate eligible individuals for the [Mayors Hall of Fame](#) and [Elected Officials Hall of Fame](#).
5. Share your [Conference Resolutions/Ideas for Resolutions](#) with the League's legislative team.

6. Review the [Session Schedule](#) to start planning your CEU/training options.
 7. Familiarize yourself with the [Speaker Listing](#) to learn about the experts presenting at the Conference.
 8. Purchase your [Event Tickets](#).
 9. Finalize your [Registration](#) and [Hotel Booking](#).
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Also of Interest

NJ Municipalities Magazine Blog: **Freehold Affordable Housing**

Financing commitments for Willows at Jackson Mills, a new affordable housing development in Freehold Township that is expected to be completed by the end of 2027, were approved by the New Jersey Housing & Mortgage Finance Agency (NJHMFA) Board. [Read about it in this week's NJ Municipalities magazine blog.](#)

Want to share your local story in the blog or print magazine? Please send in your 300- to 1,200-word items and photos.

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

FY2027 Safe Routes to School Grants Available

NJDOT is accepting Safe Routes to School applications for projects that improve walking and bicycling safety for K-12 students. Applications are due November 13, 2026.

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

Read more: [FY2027 Safe Routes to School Grants Available](#)

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Save the Date!

NJ GMIS Cybersecurity Mini Conference

Monday, October 5, 2026
TopGolf, Mount Laurel

Keynote Speaker: Acting ASAC Michelle Lui
Cyber and Counterintelligence Newark Field Office



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