

# GLOUCESTER COUNTY TODAY

ALL THE NEWS YOU NEED AND MORE FROM GLOUCESTER COUNTY

## FREE WILLS IN GLOUCESTER COUNTY

**Gloucester County's free wills program is offered to our veteran and senior population at no charge.**



Commissioner Denice DiCarlo, liaison to the Office of Veterans Affairs

The Gloucester County Office of Veterans Affairs can provide a free simple will to individuals 59 years of age and younger. The Division of Senior Services will provide a free simple will to veterans and residents 60 years of age and older.

**If you are a veteran 59 years of age and younger, please contact our Veteran's Affairs Office at (856) 401-7660.**

**If you are a veteran or senior 60 years of age and older, please contact our Division of Senior Services at (856) 384-6900.**

## EARTH DAY CELEBRATION

Non-profits are welcome to join Gloucester County and Gloucester County Improvement Authority for the annual Countywide Clean Up in celebration of Earth Day on Saturday, April 23!

Participating groups will receive \$500 for their service. Every year, our Countywide Clean Up has anywhere from 250 to 400 people participating. This year's host is West Deptford Township and the meeting point will be Riverwinds Community Center at 8 a.m.

Interested groups must complete the application below and send it to the Gloucester County Improvement Authority at 503 Monroeville Rd. Swedesboro. You can also visit our website at [gcianj.com](http://gcianj.com), email [jhamilton@gcianj.com](mailto:jhamilton@gcianj.com) or call (856) 373-5504.

**Fill out application at <https://bit.ly/3CdJ5rh> or scan the QR code:**



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## BEAT THE MOSQUITOES THIS SEASON

The Gloucester County Mosquito Control Division is working to enhance the public's health and welfare by safely reducing mosquito populations and to maintain control of the potential for the transmission of mosquito-borne diseases.

In order to better assist residents with mosquito control, the Mosquito Control Services has created a form for individuals to receive assistance from Gloucester County.

After filling out the form, county employees will visit your home to spray registered insecticides from the US Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) and the NJ Department of Environmental Protection.

**Fill out the form below or call our offices at (856) 307-6400.**

**Fill out form at <https://arcg.is/1SzLfc> or scan the QR code:**



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***Please note:** By filling out the request for treatment, residents consent to automated notifications from Gloucester County. These notifications are sent prior to service being provided.*

## SERVING OUR VETERANS

**Did you know veterans are eligible for a Veterans ID card?**

Veterans with their original honorable discharge DD-214 can register with the Gloucester County Clerk's Office or the Gloucester County Store to receive a Veterans ID card to be used for discounts at many restaurants, hotels, stores, and other businesses.

You may be eligible if you meet **both** of the requirements listed below.

**You must have:**

- Served on active duty, in the Reserves, or in the National Guard (including the Coast Guard), and
- Received an honorable discharge

**For more information, please contact the Gloucester County Veterans Affairs Office at (856) 401-7660 or email [veterans@co.gloucester.nj.us](mailto:veterans@co.gloucester.nj.us).**

♻️ Please recycle our newsletter after use- thank you for doing your part! ♻️

The County of Gloucester complies with all state and federal rules and regulations against discrimination in admission to, access to, or operations of its programs, services, and activities. In addition, the County encourages participation of people with disabilities in its programs and activities and offers special services to all residents 60 years of age and older. Inquiries regarding compliance may be directed to the County's ADA Coordinator at (856) 384-6842/ New Jersey Relay Service 711.

## FORECAST CALLS FOR A KITTEN SHOWER!

The Gloucester County Animal Shelter will host its Annual Kitten Shower on April 30<sup>th</sup>!



From 12 p.m. to 3 p.m., the GCAS will celebrate the impending arrival of new kittens with games, music, food, and of course - kittens!

"We are approaching the peak of Kitten Season, so donations are critical to provide our foster families the food and supplies they need as well as care for kittens at the shelter," said Director Frank J. DiMarco.

**For more information, please visit [www.gloucestercountynj.gov](http://www.gloucestercountynj.gov), call the shelter at (856) 881-2828, or email us at [gcas@co.gloucester.nj.us](mailto:gcas@co.gloucester.nj.us).**

## DONATE OR RECEIVE FREE MEDICAL SUPPLIES

**Unwanted or unneeded medical equipment, incontinence supplies, and nutritional supplements have life-changing power when they are passed along.**

The Gloucester County Division of Senior Services accepts donations of gently used equipment, unopened nutritional supplements, and incontinence supplies. Items we received are offered free of charge to county seniors in need.

To arrange a donation or if you are in need of equipment, please call (856) 686-8330 or email [seniors@co.gloucester.nj.us](mailto:seniors@co.gloucester.nj.us).

## FIND YOUR DREAM JOB AT THE AMERICAN JOB CENTER

**The Gloucester County Board of Commissioners and the Workforce Development Board has free career services at the American Job Center.**

"Thousands of businesses throughout South Jersey have job opportunities," said Deputy Director Heather Simmons, liaison to the Department of Economic Development. "The Gloucester County Workforce partners are ready to help with a range of career related services."

The American Job Center is located on the campus of Rowan College of South Jersey, 1480 Tanyard Rd. in Sewell. Our free services include:

- Job search assistance
- Resume reviews and interview skills
- Career counseling
- Training grants for unemployed and underemployed individuals
- In-person and virtual job fairs and recruitment events

Looking for weekly job listings? Check out the Workforce Development Board website by scanning the QR code below.



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**For more information, please call our offices at (856) 384-6930 or email [ecdev@co.gloucester.nj.us](mailto:ecdev@co.gloucester.nj.us).**

## SENIOR HEALTH & FITNESS DAY

On Tuesday, May 17, the Gloucester County Division of Senior Services will host Senior Health and Fitness Day, a free breakfast and health fair, at Auletto Caterers in Deptford from 9 a.m. to noon.

Commissioner Jim Jefferson, Liaison to the Department of Health and Human Services, said, "Free screenings will be provided during the health fair including diabetes, cholesterol, blood pressure, balance, eye, glaucoma, hearing, and feet screenings. Seniors will also be able to learn more about chiropractic care and massage therapy."

**This event is FREE of charge and open to all in-county seniors.**

**\*Registration is required and will begin on April 6.\***

**To reserve a seat for breakfast, contact the Division of Senior Services at (856) 384-6900 or email [seniors@co.gloucester.nj.us](mailto:seniors@co.gloucester.nj.us).**

*Please note that tickets are limited and offered on a first come, first served basis.*

**HEY SENIORS!** Mark your calendar for these upcoming events:

**May 10- Public Hearing 9:30am at Deptford Senior Center**

**June 14 & 15- Spring Fling Tickets on Sale: May 18**

**September 20- Senior Picnic Tickets on Sale: August 17**

**December 6, 7, 13 & 14 Tickets on Sale: November 1**

**For more information, please call (856) 384-6900.**

## HOUSING REHABILITATION PROGRAM

The County has helped low and moderate-income homeowners renovate their homes through emergency repair and deferred payment loan programs. The purpose of the Housing Rehabilitation Program is to bring owner-occupied dwellings up to local and state building codes, as well as to provide a more livable and suitable environment for the homeowners, increase property values, and serve as a catalyst for neighborhood revitalization.

**Read more about how you can take advantage of these assistance programs by contacting our offices at (856) 384-6930 or emailing [ecdev@co.gloucester.nj.us](mailto:ecdev@co.gloucester.nj.us).**

**Learn more at <https://bit.ly/3vGFwTs> or scan the QR code:**



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## GLOUCESTER COUNTY INTERN SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM (ISP)

**Four years of experience and the potential for a Bachelor's Degree at NO cost**



Each year, the Gloucester County Board of Commissioners awards up to 25 full tuition and fee scholarships to high school seniors choosing to attend RCSJ.

"Many students graduate with debt and the price of education deters many from pursuing a degree. Gloucester County and Rowan College of South Jersey

are committed to keeping education affordable and accessible for all," said Commissioner Lyman Barnes, liaison to Education.

Students not only receive a full scholarship but also benefit from professional work experience consistent with their interests and abilities.

**Here is what some of our interns had to say:**

"Being in ISP has enhanced my studies, made my choice of major more definitive and allowed me to remain debt free."

"My experience in ISP has opened the door to exploring career opportunities within my major. I have no doubt the experience will be an asset in my future job search."

**\*Currently accepting applications for the 2022-23 academic year**

**For more information including criteria and our application, visit [www.RCSJ.edu/ISP](http://www.RCSJ.edu/ISP) or contact Amy Mulholland, Director of ISP at (856) 853-3380 or via email [awarlin-mulholland@co.gloucester.nj.us](mailto:awarlin-mulholland@co.gloucester.nj.us)**

## PARKS PROGRAMMING THIS SPRING

Recreational programming can change the way people interact with the environment! By providing the community with ways to get involved and stay invested in our environment, parks programming provides benefits to the health and wellbeing of our residents.

This spring, Parks and Recreation, Certified Gardeners and the Office of Land Preservation will be holding our annual events and we hope to see you there!

**MAY 7**

**Garden Expo & Plant Sale at Scotland Run Park**

**MAY 15**

**Colonial Tea & Garden Tours at Red Bank Battlefield**  
Pre-registration is required.

**JUNE 5**

**Flower Show at Red Bank Battlefield**

**JUNE 26**

**Family History Day**

**Vintage Baseball Demo at Red Bank Battlefield**

**For more information on our programming, please visit our website at [www.gloucestercountynj.gov](http://www.gloucestercountynj.gov), email [parksandrec@co.gloucester.nj.us](mailto:parksandrec@co.gloucester.nj.us) or call (856) 251-6710.**



## GET READY FOR GLOUCESTER COUNTY SUMMER KICK-OFF!

Gloucester County is holding a kick-off to summer on June 11, 2022. We'll have vendors, games, food, and more at James G. Atkinson Park from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Stay tuned for exciting updates and announcements!

**We hope to see you there!**

**If you are a vendor interested in participating in our event, please fill out the vendor application below or contact our offices at (856) 251-6710 or email [gcparksandrec@co.gloucester.nj.us](mailto:gcparksandrec@co.gloucester.nj.us).**

**Register as a vendor here:**



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## GLOUCESTER COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

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## HONORING OUR VETERANS



Director Frank DiMarco, Commissioner Denice DiCarlo, Bob Jonas, Director of Gloucester County Veterans Affairs, and Tony Isabella, Director of Gloucester County Habitat for Humanity presented the Gloucester County Service Medal to Sergeant Leo Harris from Glassboro, NJ.

**Sergeant Leo Harris began his military career in 1945 and served until 1970. Thank you for your service!**

**If you are a veteran in need of services, please contact the Office of Veterans Affairs at (856) 401-7660 or email [veterans@co.gloucester.nj.us](mailto:veterans@co.gloucester.nj.us).**

## FOR WEEKLY UPDATES FROM GLOUCESTER COUNTY, SUBSCRIBE TO OUR DIGITAL NEWSLETTER



Receive a weekly wrap-up of all things happening in Gloucester County straight to your inbox every Friday. Scan the QR Code, email [socialmedia@co.gloucester.nj.us](mailto:socialmedia@co.gloucester.nj.us) or call (856) 853-3271 to subscribe.

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## FREE VACCINES AVAILABLE WITH GLOUCESTER COUNTY

FREE COVID-19 vaccinations are available through the Health Department. Don't hesitate to get yours today at the Gloucester County Health Department 204 E. Holly Avenue, Sewell 08080.

Appointments are preferred. Register today at: [www.covidvaccine.nj.gov](http://www.covidvaccine.nj.gov) or call our COVID-19 hotline at (856) 218-4142.

## GLOUCESTER COUNTY CLEAN COMMUNITIES PROGRAM

Gloucester County Clean Communities Program is designed to help your organization to earn money through cleaning up designated areas. Our program allows young adults and adults to participate in the Adopt-a-Road sites and cleaning of County Highways while grades K-8 can participate in an Adopt-a-Spot, which gives our children a chance to gain "ownership" on their school grounds.

To adopt any area, you must make a commitment of two years. The county will provide the necessary safety equipment to clean the chosen areas. Each group must provide at least 10 people for a clean-up (1 adult for every 5 students).

All non-profit organizations are eligible upon submitting your application. You must supply our office with your non-profit organization number and proof of insurance.

This mini-grant from the GCIA / Clean Communities Program works on a first come basis. To assure your organization of receiving this grant, apply today!

**For more information, visit [www.gcianj.com](http://www.gcianj.com), call (856) 478-6045 or scan the QR code below.**



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