

Updates from the Council

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Wednesday, September 2
[Environmental Commission](#)
7:30 PM
Council Chambers

Thursday, September 3
[Development Review](#)
[Committee](#)
7:00 PM
Council Chambers

Wednesday, September 9
[Rent Control Board](#)
7:00 PM
2nd Floor Conference Room

Thursday, September 10
[Complete Streets Oversight](#)
[Board](#)
12:00 PM
2nd Floor Conference Room

Thursday, September 10
[Historic Preservation](#)
[Commission](#)
7:30 PM
Council Chambers

Township & Council to Commemorate 25th Anniversary of September 11



(9-11 Memorial at Watchung Plaza)

Montclair Township, the Mayor, and Council will hold a 25th Anniversary September 11 Remembrance Ceremony on **Friday, September 11 at 8:45 a.m. at the 9-11 Memorial in Watchung Plaza** to honor the Montclair residents who lost their lives on September 11, 2001.

The ceremony will include remarks from local officials and 9/11 responders, the reading of the names by Mayor Dr. Renee Baskerville, a moment of silence, the traditional ringing of the fire bell, musical selections, and participation by the Montclair Police and Fire Honor Guard.

[Click here to see the program brochure.](#)

Friday, September 11
Commemoration - 25th
Anniversary of 9/11

8:45 AM
Watchung Plaza

Monday, September 14
Planning Board

7:00 PM
Council Chambers

Tuesday, September 15
Council Meeting

5:30 PM
Council Chambers

Wednesday, September 16
Zoning Board of Adjustment

7:00 PM
Council Chambers

Thursday, September 17
Civil Rights Commission

7:00 PM
2nd Floor Conference Room

Wednesday, September 23
Housing Commission

7:00 PM
2nd Floor Conference Room

Thursday, September 24
4th Ward Safety Meeting

6:00 PM
Corner of High St & Orange Rd

Monday, September 28
Planning Board

7:00 PM
Council Chambers

Tuesday, September 29
Council Meeting

5:30 PM
Council Chambers

Wednesday, September 30
Shuttle Bus Committee
Community Meeting

7:00 PM
Council Chambers

Upcoming Community Meetings - Have Your Say!

4th Ward Street Safety Meeting

September 24 | 6:00 PM

Corner of High St & Orange Rd

Join Township officials for a discussion about street safety at the intersection of Irving Street, High Street, and Orange Road, one of the busiest traffic areas in the 4th Ward. [Click here](#) for more information



Shuttle Bus Community Meeting

September 30 | 7:00 PM

Council Chambers, Municipal Building

The Shuttle Bus Subcommittee will share an update on its work exploring a local shuttle bus program, including findings from the town-wide community survey and potential shuttle bus concepts. Your feedback will help inform next steps. [Click here](#) for more information.



Mayor Baskerville to be Honored at NJ Federation of Democratic Women Essex County Luncheon

Mayor Dr. Renee Baskerville has been selected as an honoree at the Essex County Chapter of the New Jersey Federation of Democratic Women's 2nd Annual "***When Women Lead, Change Follows***" Luncheon. The Mayor invites the community to attend and join in celebrating her recognition. **When:** Saturday, October 17, 12:00 - 4:00 PM **Location:** The Hanover Manor, East Hanover [Click here](#) to register and purchase tickets.



4th Ward Councilor Aminah Toler and Congresswoman McIver Meet with Residents at 340 Orange Road

On Friday, August 21, 4th Ward Councilor Aminah Toler joined Congresswoman LaMonica McIver and residents at 340 Orange Road for a community conversation focused on issues affecting seniors, including property taxes, Medicaid, and access to senior services. Also participating were Christian, manager of 340 Orange Road, and Maurice Brown, retired Essex County Senior Services Director.

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Township News & Events

MUNICIPAL
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STREET SAFETY NEWS

Maple Avenue Safety Improvements Completed for Back to School

Just in time for the new school year, recent improvements on Maple Avenue are complete.

The completed work includes **enhanced crosswalks, new pavement markings, narrowed lanes, large buffers to protect pedestrians, new crossing signage, speed humps, and permeable pavers** that allow rainwater to drain directly into the ground instead of running off into storm drains.



See a Safer Street in Action: Vision Zero Demonstration Projects

As part of the Vision Zero Montclair Safety Action Plan, the Township will be testing potential street safety improvements at three locations this October using temporary materials such as paint and traffic cones. Residents can experience the changes firsthand and provide feedback on what works and what could be improved.

Check out the flyer on the following page for demonstration project dates, locations and details.

SEE A **SAFER STREET** IN ACTION & **PROVIDE FEEDBACK**

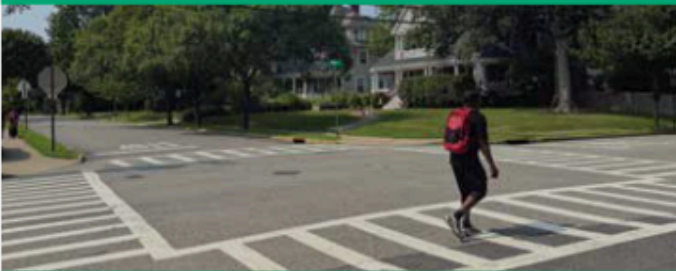


Park Street Gordonhurst Ave to Bellevue Ave



Friday, October 16 - Sunday, October 18, 2026
(Rain Date: Friday, October 22 - October 24, 2026)

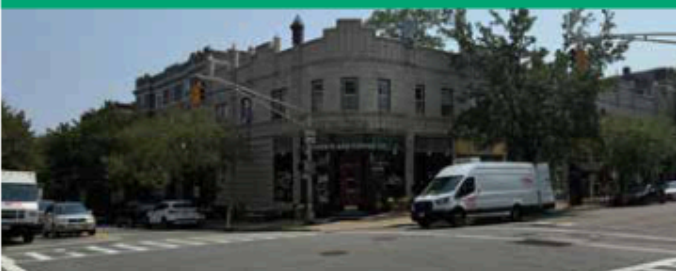
Cedar Ave at High St Near Nishuane Elementary School



Friday, October 30, 2026
(Rain Date: Tuesday, November 10, 2026)

2:00 PM - 6:00 PM

Claremont Avenue at N Fullerton Street Near Paper Plane Coffee Co



Saturday, October 31, 2026
(Rain Date: Saturday, November 7, 2026)

11:00 AM - 3:00 PM

What is a Demonstration Project?

A demonstration project uses temporary materials like paint and traffic cones to bring potential street safety improvements to life. It will give you a chance to experience the changes firsthand and share feedback on what works and what could be improved.

¿Qué es un Proyecto de Demostración?

Un proyecto de demostración usa materiales temporales como pintura y conos de tráfico para mostrar cómo se verían las mejoras para la seguridad en las calles. Te dará la oportunidad de experimentar los cambios en persona y compartir tus ideas sobre lo que funciona y lo que se podría mejorar.



Plan &
Design
Planificación
y Diseño



Quick
Installation
Instalación
Rápida



Test &
Observe
Probar y
Observar



Gather
Feedback
Recopilar
Comentarios



Decide Next
Steps
Decidir Próximos
Pasos

About Vision Zero Montclair:

The Vision Zero Montclair Safety Action Plan aims to reduce the number of roadway fatalities and serious injuries to improve safety, mobility, and quality of life for all roadway users, including pedestrians, bicyclists, and people of all ages and abilities.

Sobre Vision Zero Montclair

El Plan de Acción de Seguridad "Vision Zero Montclair" busca reducir los accidentes fatales y las lesiones graves en nuestras calles. Queremos mejorar la seguridad, la movilidad y la calidad de vida de todas las personas que usan las calles, incluyendo peatones, ciclistas y vecinos de todas las edades y capacidades.

For more Information, please visit:
Para más información, por favor visite:
<https://bit.ly/montclair-safety-action-plan>



SHARE YOUR THOUGHTS



**The Complete Streets Department
wants to know what you think about Church
Street being closed to cars:**

**Scan the QR code
or visit**

<https://forms.gle/fF4sQCEi9YMbKr5Z8>



**Learn More
montclairnjusa.org/streets**

**Contact
streets@montclairnj.gov
+1 (973) 509-4933**

Deputy Fire Chief Michael Lizza Retires After 25 Years of Service



The Township of Montclair congratulates Deputy Fire Chief Michael Lizza on his retirement following more than 25 years of dedicated service to the Montclair Fire Department and the community.

Deputy Chief Lizza began his career with the department in 2001 and rose through the ranks, serving as Firefighter, Lieutenant and Captain before being promoted to Deputy Chief in 2024. Throughout his career, he contributed his leadership, experience and commitment to generations of Montclair firefighters and residents.

The Township thanks Deputy Chief Lizza for his many years of service and wishes him and his family a happy and fulfilling retirement.



Another Successful “National Night Out” in Montclair



Montclair residents came together with local police officers, firefighters, EMS personnel and community partners for another successful National Night Out on August 4 at Lackawanna Plaza.

The annual event featured family-friendly activities, demonstrations and community resources while providing an opportunity for residents to meet and connect with Montclair’s first responders.

Missed it or want to relive the evening? [Click here](#) to watch the National Night Out recap from Montclair TV34.

New Youth Programs from the Montclair Police Athletic League

The Montclair Police Athletic League (MPAL) is offering several new programs designed to help young people build skills, confidence and connections through recreation, leadership and hands-on learning.

- **E-Sports/E-Gaming Club** — Ages 10–14; supervised gaming focused on teamwork, sportsmanship and strategic thinking.
- **Money Matters: Financial Literacy for Kids** — Ages 12–18; practical lessons on budgeting, saving, banking and responsible money management, offered in partnership with Flagstar Bank.
- **MPAL Content Squad** — Youth storytelling and media program focused on leadership, confidence and communication skills.
- **Youth Advisory Council** — Ages 13–20; participants work with the Police Chief and command staff to share youth perspectives and strengthen community-police connections.
- **Basic Self-Defense for Girls** — Ages 10–14; teaches awareness, boundary-setting and basic defensive techniques.
- **Montclair PAL Tennis Club** — Ages 10–14; introductory tennis instruction focused on basic skills, coordination, confidence and sportsmanship.

Interested? View full program details at the MPAL registration page: [Click here to view programs and register](#)



NJSave

Information Session

Join Assemblywoman Bagolie's Office, Lifelong Montclair, and the Division of Aging Services to learn how to apply for NJSave and access its benefits!



September 16, 2026

11:30am – 12:30pm

**Wally Choice
Community Center**
45 Maple Ave
Montclair, NJ 07042



**Register your interest by
scanning the QR Code or
calling 973-744-3278**

TOPICS COVERED

- Contents of the application
- Program Benefits
- County Offices on aging
- Community-Based Services
- NJ's "GetSetUp" Partnership that offers free live classes for NJ residents ages 60 and older

CONTACT US



Property Tax Relief Programs

Did you know? New Jersey has multiple tax relief programs for homeowners, mobile home owners, and renters.

- **Senior Freeze:** Property tax reimbursement. Available for seniors 65 and older or disabled homeowners (*permanently receiving Social Security Disability or Railroad Retirement disability payments in 2025*). [Click here](#) to learn more.
- **Affordable New Jersey Communities for Homeowners and Renters (ANCHOR):** Homeowner and renter benefits. Do not need to be age 65 and older. [Click here](#) to learn more.
- **Stay NJ: Senior tax credit program.** Stay NJ benefits are calculated after ANCHOR and Senior Freeze benefits are determined.

You can file online here: propertytaxrelief.nj.gov

The deadline to apply is November 2, 2026.



SENIORS ARE INVITED TO:

**CELEBRATE
HISPANIC HERITAGE
MONTH**

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 23RD 2026

DOORS OPEN AT 11:30 AM

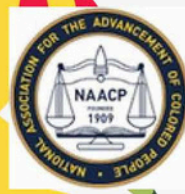
12:00PM:LUNCH

1:00 PM: HISPANIC HERITAGE

DANCE/PARTY

**Wally Choice Center
45 Maple Avenue, Montclair, NJ 07042**

To register: schedulesplus.com/montclair/kiosk



USTED ESTÁ INVITADO A LA
CELEBRACIÓN DEL
MES DE LA HERENCIA
HISPANA

MIÉRCOLES 23 DE SEPTIEMBRE 2026

DESDE LAS 11:30 AM

CELEBRACIÓN DE LA CULTURA HISPANA

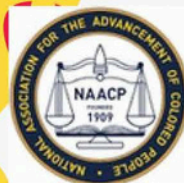
12:00 PM: ALMUERZO

1:00 PM: MÚSICA Y BAILE PARA

CELEBRAR NUESTRA CULTURA

Wally Choice Center
45 Maple Avenue, Montclair, NJ 07042

Registración: schedulesplus.com/montclair/kiosk



★ “All Votes on Deck”

A Panel on American Democracy and the Future of Voting Rights

a forum to help residents understand
and exercise their voting rights



PANEL

Jasmine Metellus

Director of Outreach,
U.S. House of
Representatives, NJ-11

Lauren Albrecht

Senior Director,
Garden State
Equality

Suraj Patel

Attorney, Political
Activist, Professor,
New York University

Christopher Durkin
Essex County Clerk

John Butler

Political Director,
ACLU-NJ

GET YOUR VOTING QUESTIONS ANSWERED!

★ DISCUSSING...

Voting rights in our local area
and within New Jersey

Vote-by-mail and absentee
ballots vs. voting at polling stations

What voting could look like in the
upcoming midterm elections

How to be engaged in
YOUR rights as a citizen

★ SAVE THE DATE

September 22, 2026

Tuesday | 7:00 PM

205 Claremont Ave, Montclair, NJ
Montclair Municipal Building,
First Floor Council Room



YOUR RIGHTS



YOUR VOICE



OUR DEMOCRACY



OUR FUTURE



RECREATION & CULTURAL AFFAIRS

Registration is now open for the Recreation Department's **2026 Fall Programs.**

Youth and adult offerings include flag football, cross country, volleyball, baseball, basketball, tennis, soccer, fencing, cheer, open gym, and more, with programs running from September through November and beyond.

Browse the [Fall Programs Brochure](#) to learn more about each program, then register online through [Community Pass](#).



We are building the library of the future and want to hear from you!

Montclair Public Library has been awarded \$36.6million in tax credits from NJEDA's Cultural Arts and Facilities Expansion project and will be renovating both library branches to better suit our community.



Scan or [click here](#) to take our survey, share your opinion and be entered for a chance to win a \$50 Watchung Booksellers gift card!

ESSEX COUNTY'S RECYCLING DAY

Household Hazardous Waste

Saturday, October 3, 2026

8:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Essex County Public Works Facility
99 W. Bradford Avenue, Cedar Grove, New Jersey

Free to all Essex County Residents. Essex County residents must provide proof of residency at the site.

NOT FOR COMMERCIAL AND INDUSTRIAL FACILITIES.

- ✓ Do not exit vehicle.
- ✓ Items for disposal to be placed in trunk.
- ✓ NO containers will be returned (gas cans, etc.).

For more information call
973-792-9060 or
www.ecuanj.com

ITEMS ACCEPTED:

Herbicides	Automotive fluids (antifreeze, motor oil, steering fluids, etc.)	Mercury and products containing mercury
Paint thinners and solvents	Darkroom/Photographic chemicals	Gasoline/Kerosene
Oil based paints and stains	Lithium and NiCad batteries	Household cleaning fluids
Chemistry sets	Fluorescent light bulbs and ballasts	Car batteries
Propane tanks (barbecue type)		Fire extinguishers (home)
Pool chemicals		Driveway sealer
		Aerosol spray paints

WE WILL NOT ACCEPT:

Latex paint	Commercial or Industrial Waste	Household batteries (AA, AAA, C, D, 9V)
Unlabeled or Unidentified Materials	Empty Containers	Smoke Detectors and Carbon Monoxide Alarms
Asbestos	Explosives, Munitions, Ordnance or Reactive Materials	
Regulated Medical Waste or Infectious Waste		



"There are some materials that should be removed from our regular waste stream because of their hazardous nature. This collection day provides our residents a place to properly and safely dispose of contaminants, protecting our precious environment for future generations. I encourage residents of all of our communities to come out and participate."

— Joseph N. DiVincenzo, Jr.



Joseph N. DiVincenzo, Jr., Essex County Executive, The Essex County Board of Commissioners and the Essex County Utilities Authority

ESSEX COUNTY'S RECYCLING DAY

Computer & Electronics

Saturday, October 17, 2026

9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

**Essex County Public Works Facility
99 W. Bradford Avenue, Cedar Grove, New Jersey**

**Free to all Essex
County Residents.**
Essex County
residents must
provide proof of
residency at the site.

**COMMERCIAL
AND LARGE
QUANTITY USERS
MAY NOT
DROP OFF ITEMS.**

- ✓ **Do not exit
vehicle.**
- ✓ **Items for
disposal to be
placed in trunk.**

**For more
information call
973-792-9060 or
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ITEMS ACCEPTED:

Computers
Monitors
Printers
Fax Machines
Scanners
Telecom Equipment
Speakers
Televisions
Keyboards
Main Frames
VCRs
Stereos
DVD Players
Toasters
Irons
Old Cellular Telephones

WE WILL NOT ACCEPT:

Smoke Detectors
Carbon Monoxide Alarms



"Recycling computer hardware and electronic devices helps remove lead and other dangerous chemicals from our waste stream, which is important for us and our children. With your participation, we can do our part to protect the environment."
— Joseph N. DiVincenzo, Jr.



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COMMUNITY BULLETIN BOARD

Events and announcements in Montclair submitted by the community

Celebrating 100 Years of Care

1926 2026

NTCC
NEIGHBORHOOD
CHILD & INFANT
CARE CENTER

Celebrating 100 Years
of Community & Child Care Service
at the Neighborhood Center

GALA • BLACK TIE AFFAIR
\$150
PER PERSON
Friday, September 18, 2026
6:00PM – 11:00PM
BROOKSIDE BANQUET HALL
Bloomfield, NJ

PURCHASE YOUR TICKETS & CENTENNIAL JOURNAL HERE

BE PART OF OUR LEGACY
Our 100-Year Commemorative Journal will celebrate our history, honor our community, and highlight the impact we've made together.

PURCHASE AN ADVERTISEMENT TO BE FEATURED IN THE JOURNAL!

QUESTIONS? CONTACT US!

ncicel100years@gmail.com

TOGETHER, WE HONOR 100 YEARS OF CARE, COMMITMENT & COMMUNITY.

MONTCLAIR PUBLIC LIBRARY

ROSTAFI & COMPANY PRESENTS

2PAC REVISITED

Saturday, Sep. 12, 3–5 p.m.
Montclair Public Library
50 South Fullerton Avenue

Followed by a poetry session (6 p.m.) and concert (7 p.m.) at Montclair Brewery.

Join us for a panel discussion on the life, artistry and Montclair connection of Tupac Amaru Shakur. Featuring:

Michael Eric Dyson
Professor and 2Pac biographer

Hafiz Farid
Award-winning filmmaker

Rostafa
Actor and Musician

CELEBRATING 10 YEARS OF COMMUNITY WORK

NORTHEAST EARTH COALITION

FALL HARVEST FIESTA

SAT. 9/26
6:30 PM

Buffet Dinner
Silent Auction
Live Music

GLEN RIDGE CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH
195 RIDGEWOOD AVE, GLEN RIDGE

\$100 FOR 1 TICKET, \$150 FOR 2 TICKETS

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DOWNTOWN MONTCLAIR

CHURCH STREET FASHION SHOW

WE'RE HAVING A

Featuring designer looks from Bergen American Furs & Fashion, Ft. Gela Welsh, Nadine Hall, and keis to Joi & Free People!

Hair & Makeup by Bangz Salon.

Live DJ • Fashion • Beauty • Downtown Vibes

Hosted by Jeremy Pholwattana of Downtown Montclair

MONTCLAIR CENTER BID

SATURDAY SEPTEMBER 19 7-9 PM

CHURCH STREET DOWNTOWN MONTCLAIR FREE PEOPLE

COMMUNITY BULLETIN BOARD

4TH ANNUAL
FAME FESTIVAL
 FAMILY • ART • MUSIC • ENTERTAINMENT
SEPTEMBER 19, 2026
12-7 PM
A Community of Art, Culture & Family
 KIDS CORNER
 FASHION SHOWCASE
 ART WALK
 LIVE MUSIC
 SOUTH END STORY CIRCLE
 VENDORS



HOSTED BY MONTCLAIR SOUTH END BUSINESS DISTRICT
 WITH THE SUPPORT OF THE MONTCLAIR CULTURAL ARTS ADVISORY COMMITTEE

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BE OUR GUEST
VANGUARD THEATER'S
10 YEAR ANNIVERSARY
GALA
 SEPTEMBER 26TH, 2026



GET TICKETS

COCKTAIL HOUR | 6:00 - 7:00 PM
 DINNER, PROGRAM & SILENT AUCTION | 7:00 - 10:30 PM

THE WOMAN'S CLUB OF UPPER MONTCLAIR
 200 COOPER AVENUE, MONTCLAIR, NJ

DRESS TO IMPRESS!

SOFIA Start Out Fresh™
 Intervention Advocates

16TH ANNUAL



Walk Against Domestic Violence
 With Awareness There Is Hope

Saturday, September 19, 2026 | 9am-1pm
 Canterbury Park, Canterbury Drive
 Montclair, NJ
 In-person or Virtual



Grand Marshal
 Dr. Zakiyah Green
 Domestic Violence Survivor
 and Advocate

Participating in the walk or becoming a sponsor will contribute to ongoing domestic violence awareness & prevention. Walk with us to show your support to victims & survivors in our community.

Registration Begins at 9:00 am | Walk Begins at 10:00 am
 Individual Participant \$20.00 | Team Captain Registration \$45.00
 For more information call (862) 251-6791

Register online at www.supportsofia.org/events
 Checks can be made payable to S.O.F.I.A. | PO Box 674 Montclair NJ 07042
 S.O.F.I.A. is a non profit 501c3 organization

MONTCLAIR HIGH SCHOOL
SPORTS HALL OF FAME

SAVE THE DATE

JOIN US FOR THE
MONTCLAIR HIGH SCHOOL
SPORTS
HALL OF FAME
 INAUGURAL ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION

Honoring Our Past, Inspiring Our Future

Reconnect with teammates, coaches, and friends
 as we celebrate the Hall of Fame legacy.

 **FRIDAY,**
OCTOBER 30, 2026 |  **7-11 PM** |  **HANOVER MANOR**
 16 Eagle Rock Ave
 East Hanover, NJ

Formal invitation to follow



Montclair

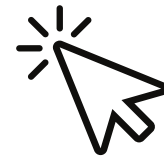
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Sign up and register your e-mail to receive updates from the township, important alerts, and our monthly newsletter.

Scan the QR code OR click the link below.



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Need help signing up? Contact us at
info@montclairnjusa.org