



# THE BOROUGH OF ALLENDALE

## *Happenings*

NOVEMBER 2021



A monthly electronic newsletter  
to keep residents informed.  
Please encourage friends and  
neighbors to sign up for Constant  
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### **A message from Mayor Bernstein. . .**

Election Day marks the beginning of November. On that day, we come together to perform our civic duty and vote for those we believe will lead us and represent us into the future. I want to thank every resident who came out and voted this year. I also want to congratulate everyone who put their name on the ballot. Win or lose, I know the time, hard work, and sacrifice it is to run. A special congratulations to Liz Homan on her reelection and Susanne Lovisolo on her election to the Council. I look forward to working with them and the rest of the members of the Council as we start 2022. Allendale will hold its Reorganization Meeting on January 3<sup>rd</sup> at 7:00 p.m. at Borough Hall.

I want to thank all the residents of Allendale who voted on the sale of the Allendale Water System to SUEZ. The referendum passed by an overwhelming majority. Thank you to Councilwoman Liz Homan for all of her hard work on this issue. More information about the next steps can be found in this issue of The Allendale Happenings.

As we talk about civic duty, on November 11th, we celebrate Veterans Day and honor all those who have served in the military, defending our freedoms we all hold so dear. Please join me, our Council, and members of VFW Post 12148 on November 11<sup>th</sup> at 11am as we hold a ceremony at Memorial Park to honor all those who have worn the uniform.

Thanksgiving is a truly special and a uniquely American holiday. One that brings us together with family and friends to celebrate and be thankful for what we have. After all that we have been through over the last few years, I think this will be a special day indeed. A reminder that our administrative offices will be closed on November 26<sup>th</sup> and 27<sup>th</sup> in observance.

On behalf of the Borough, I wish you and your families a safe, healthy, and enjoyable Thanksgiving!

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**Ari Bernstein**  
Mayor

**Liz Homan**  
Council President

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Councilman

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Councilman

**Steve Sasso**  
Councilman

**Jim Strauch**  
Councilman

**Amy Wilczynski**  
Councilwoman



# THE BOROUGH OF **ALLENDALE**

Both the Water Committee and the Mayor & Council are pleased that the overwhelming majority of Allendale voters agreed with our confidence that SUEZ will be the best steward of our water system in the future. Today's challenges with PFAS contamination and emerging contaminants, along with future regulations, will be managed by a company whose main focus and expertise is water. This is a benefit to all Allendale residents.

There were many reasons for our support of this sale, the main ones being:

- 1. SUEZ's TECHNICAL KNOWLEDGE** - SUEZ has a full team of experts with the experience to manage and improve the system today and, more importantly, SUEZ has the expertise to understand and plan for tomorrow's emerging contaminants and regulations.
- 2. SUEZ's COMMITMENT TO INFRASTRUCTURE** - SUEZ has committed to tens of millions of dollars worth of improvements, the most essential of which is the building of a PFAS treatment plant, estimated to cost \$7 million, which SUEZ will manage integrating into our present distribution system. SUEZ has also committed to many other upgrades to make our aging system run more efficiently.
- 3. THE POSITIVE ECONOMICS** - The proposed rate plan from SUEZ has substantially lower rate increases than Allendale would require over the next 5 years for the same investment. The \$18 million cash offer is financially beneficial to all Allendale residents and, by statute, will be used to pay off all current municipal debt. The additional monies will be budgeted through the standard budgeting process.

The Purchase Agreement executing the sale still requires approval by the Board of Public Utilities (BPU). We are hopeful for the closing of the sale to occur in May/June 2022, at which time SUEZ will take ownership of the system. Until that time, Allendale and SUEZ will continue to work together implementing temporary PFAS treatment at our New Street facility and our currently closed West Crescent well.

Should residents have any questions please reach out to [lizhoman@allendalenj.gov](mailto:lizhoman@allendalenj.gov)

Thank you – Mayor Bernstein & The Allendale Borough Council

PLEASE JOIN



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&

**VFW POST 12148**

as we honor and thank those who  
have served in the military.

**VETERANS DAY**



**CEREMONY**

**THURSDAY,**

**NOVEMBER 11<sup>TH</sup> @ 11AM**

**MEMORIAL PARK**

All military service members are encouraged to arrive  
15 minutes early.

Contact: SVC Anthony Bailey, District 2 NJVFW  
bailey33@optonline.net



The Allendale Woman's Club will again be offering *Luminary Bags* to line your walkway or driveway on

## New Year's Eve

Each flame-resistant paper bag will include two LED lights and sand ready for placement at 7:00 pm on New Year's Eve.

(Please note: Bags MUST NOT be placed on Borough property such as streets or sidewalks. Thank you.)

Bags are \$5 per bag for fewer than 10 or 10 bags for \$40. Additional bags may be purchased in multiples of 5 or 10 at a discounted rate of \$4 per bag.

Orders will be taken beginning November 15.

Pick up: Saturday, December 18, 10 am to noon,  
at Borough Hall

To order, visit our website:

[www.allendalewomansclub.org](http://www.allendalewomansclub.org)

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ALLENDALE INVITE YOU TO A

# CHANUKAH

CELEBRATION



**PUBLIC MENORAH LIGHTING**

**MONDAY • NOVEMBER 29 • 6:00 PM**

**OUTSIDE ALLENDALE BOROUGH HALL  
500 WEST CRESCENT AVENUE**

LATKES, DONUTS & GELT | MUSIC | CHILDREN'S PRIZES  
JOIN TOGETHER WITH YOUR FAMILY AND NEIGHBORS

# Quick Notes...

## Playground Update

Exciting News...Phase 2 of the playground project will commence soon! We will be installing additional playground equipment in the next few weeks and anticipate another soft opening in the spring, weather pending. Thanks again to the families who helped pick out the equipment. The playground will need be closed during the construction.

## 220/230 West Crescent Update

230 West Crescent- (the back building) was recently painted and newly paved. It will be rented out to companies with small warehouse needs in the near future.

220 West Crescent-(the front building). The borough has not closed on this parcel yet. The buyer is finalizing construction costs for the housing and municipal building.

## *Goody Bags for Our Seniors*

If you did not receive a goody bag last year and would like to be on the list, please contact: [amywilczynski@allendalenj.gov](mailto:amywilczynski@allendalenj.gov)

## Allendale Green Team

The Allendale Green Team continues to focus on sustainable and responsible methods to reduce waste and promote energy efficiency in our community. Please send your questions regarding these topics to [AllendaleGreenTeam@gmail.com](mailto:AllendaleGreenTeam@gmail.com). We can also assist in identification of ways to recycle items that are not collected through the municipal recycling program. Your suggestions and participation are always welcome.

# Orange & Rockland

## REPORT A STREET LIGHT OUTAGE

If you wish to request a streetlight repair or request a new light, please call O&R at 1-877-434-4100 or fill out the form on-line by [CLICKING HERE](#)

To help us guarantee timely repair, please provide detailed information. The best detail you can give us? The 10-digit number on the yellow metal tags on the utility pole. Can't do that? Tell us the names of cross streets and intersections. Or give the location of a pole in relation to a house number or landmark.

### 2018 HOMESTEAD BENEFIT

Applications for the 2018 Homestead Rebate Program were mailed by the State with an anticipated delivery date of September 17th. The deadline for filing the application is November 30, 2021. With few exceptions, all applications must be filed online or by phone. Checkout <https://www.nj.gov/taxation> and select Property Tax Relief Programs or call 877-658-2972 for additional information.

For **Emergency Notifications** please register to receive updates from [SWIFTREACH](#)

### Storm Drain & Leaves

With the arrival of Fall, we would like to thank our residents for being mindful about clearing fallen leaves from storm drains in front of their homes. Even with regular street sweeping, clogged storm drains may cause flooding and possible icy conditions during storms.

### MOVING OUT?

For your final water bill contact



at  
855-367-6708

### Bergen County Addiction Support

201-589-2976

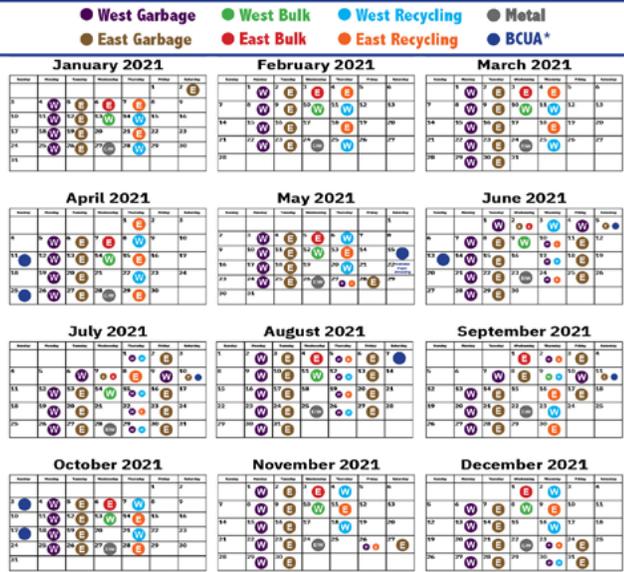
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[Bergen County Mental Health & Community Support Resources](#)

# GARBAGE & RECYCLING REMINDERS



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## CLICK HERE FOR THE 2021 ALLENDALE GARBAGE AND RECYCLING GUIDE

- All items should be put out *starting at 6pm the night before* the scheduled collection.
- Wood pallets are not collected by our garbage contractor. You must make your own arrangements to dispose of them.
- You must schedule a one-time, courtesy move-out pickup with [TatianaMarquis@AllendaleNJ.gov](mailto:TatianaMarquis@AllendaleNJ.gov) at *least 3 WEEKS in advance*. No metal, electronics, or recyclable materials collected.
- Remember to make sure that the lids are securely on top of your cans, especially garbage. This will help keep wildlife at bay.
- Collection containers can be no larger than 30 gallons.
- Bulk Trash must be placed on the curb and **not placed** in the road.
- Food containers being recycled need to be rinsed and cleaned before you dispose.
- Soiled pizza boxes are garbage and **NOT** recyclable.

**Recycling Center**  
 SATURDAYS from 9:00 am until 3:00 pm  
 SUNDAYS from 9:00 am until 1:00 pm

GARBAGE	RECYCLING
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Household kitchen, office and bathroom trash</li> <li>• Styrofoam</li> </ul>	<p><i>Container One:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Newspapers and inserts</li> <li>• Junk mail, envelopes, office, notebook, construction paper</li> <li>• Smooth and corrugated cardboard</li> <li>• Glossy magazines and catalogs</li> <li>• Soft covered books and telephone books</li> <li>• Non-metallic wrapping paper and greeting cards</li> <li>• Shredded paper</li> <li>• Brown grocery bags</li> </ul>
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>BULKY TRASH</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Furniture</li> <li>• Carpeting</li> <li>• Non-metal items</li> <li>• Windows/mirrors/pane glass must be taped with an "X"</li> <li>• Artificial Holiday Trees</li> </ul>	<p><i>Container Two:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Food and beverage containers</li> <li>• Plastic containers with a recycling code 1, 2, 5, 7</li> <li>• Aluminum cans, foil</li> <li>• Aseptic packaging (ex: soup, milk containers)</li> <li>• Metal cans and empty aerosol cans</li> <li>• Green, clear and brown glass bottles and jars</li> </ul>
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>METAL</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Anything that is least 75% metal</li> </ul>	<p>** Please note that there are 2 separate trucks that pick up recyclables.</p>






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2021 THANKSGIVING HOLIDAY  
GARBAGE/RECYCLING SCHEDULE

MONDAY 11/22

- West Side Garbage

TUESDAY 11/23

- East Side Garbage

WEDNESDAY 11/24

- East/West Metal

THURSDAY 11/25

- HAPPY THANKSGIVING! (no pickup)

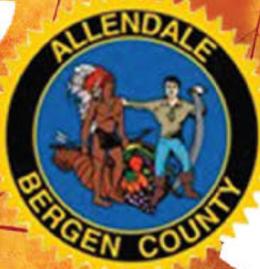
FRIDAY 11/26

- East Side Recycling

- West Side Garbage

SATURDAY 11/27

- East Side Garbage



# THE BOROUGH OF **ALLENDALE**

## **2021 CURBSIDE FALL LEAF PICK-UP**

PLACE CURBSIDE AFTER 6PM THE NIGHT BEFORE THE SCHEDULED PICK-UP WEEK FOR YOUR SIDE OF TOWN  
LEAVES MUST BE IN BROWN BIODEGRADABLE PAPER BAGS ONLY

\*No leaf piles can be left in the street

### **SCHEDULE**

#### **WEST SIDE:**

Week of October 4<sup>th</sup>  
Week of October 18<sup>th</sup>  
Week of November 1<sup>st</sup>  
Week of November 15<sup>th</sup>  
Week of November 29<sup>th</sup>

#### **EAST SIDE:**

Week of October 11<sup>th</sup>  
Week of October 25<sup>th</sup>  
Week of November 8<sup>th</sup>  
Week of November 22<sup>nd</sup>  
Week of December 6<sup>th</sup>

### **COMPOST SITE**

**300 W. Crescent Ave.**

PERMIT REQUIRED\*

**Open through December 12<sup>th</sup>**

**Saturdays 9:00 am to 3:00 pm**

**Sundays 9:00 am to 1:00 pm**

\*PERMITS COST \$30.00 APPLICATIONS CAN BE FILLED OUT ONLINE AT

[WWW.ALLENDALENJ.GOV](http://WWW.ALLENDALENJ.GOV)

The Clerk's Office will contact you to coordinate payment & pickup of your permit

**Note: On Tuesday, October 12<sup>th</sup>  
Borough Hall will be open until 9:00 pm for permit purchase**

Should you have any questions, please call the Clerk's Office  
at: 201-818-4400 x200 Monday through Friday 9:00 am to 4:00 pm



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# 2021 COMPOST PERMIT

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AVAILABLE FOR PURCHASE**

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**HOURS: APRIL 10, 2021 - DECEMBER 12, 2021**

**SATURDAY: 9:00AM TO 3:00PM**

**SUNDAY: 9:00AM TO 1:00PM**



# Packaging Styrofoam Collection Drive



**Postponed due to weather!  
See you on the Rain Date of Nov. 13th!**

**STYROFOAM / EXPANDED POLYSTYRENE  
EPS PACKAGING ONLY**



**NO food containers**



**NO peanuts**

**Contact FREE drop off!  
Mask-Up!**

We will be following state social distancing guidelines at the time of the event, additional instructions will be available on site.

**Save your Styrofoam**  
Don't throw your Styrofoam in the landfill anymore. Bring your clean, white and dry, non-food contact Styrofoam packaging to the drive for recycling.



## Bergen County Styrofoam Collection Drive - Mahwah

**Saturday, October 30, 2021 @ 9am-1pm  
OR till trucks are full**

**First hour for Mahwah Residents ONLY**

**Rain Date: Saturday, November 13th @ 9am-12pm**

Mahwah Township Municipal Building parking lot  
475 Corporate Drive, Mahwah, NJ

Hosts: Mahwah Boy Scout Troop 50 along with the Mahwah Environmental Commission and DPW.



A recycling and waste reduction program of the Bergen County Regional Hub Styrofoam-Free Committee.  
Questions, please contact drive hosts at email [enviro@mahwahtwp.org](mailto:enviro@mahwahtwp.org)

# HEALTHY LAWNS = HEALTHY WATER

## WHAT YOU CAN DO:

1. Choose a no phosphorus and slow-release nitrogen fertilizer. Check the first and second number on the package for nitrogen and phosphate content. Formula, 26-0-3, for example, means no phosphate.
2. Apply fertilizer at the spreader setting shown on the bag, to avoid overuse or underuse of product.
3. Return any unused product to the original container for future use.
4. Do not apply fertilizer products if a heavy rain is predicted.
5. Use a drop spreader or a rotary spreader with a side guard to keep fertilizer on the lawn and off driveways, roadways and walkways. Sweep up excess fertilizer from paved surfaces.
6. For a healthier, greener lawn, fertilize after the first lawn cutting in the spring and again in the fall when weather conditions are best for grass to absorb nutrients.
7. Soil tests can help identify what nutrients your lawn needs. Contact your County Extension Agent at <http://njaes.rutgers.edu/county/> for details and other helpful lawn and garden information.
8. For more information visit [www.nj.gov/dep/healthylawnshealthywater](http://www.nj.gov/dep/healthylawnshealthywater)



New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection  
[www.CleanWaterNJ.org](http://www.CleanWaterNJ.org)





# ALLENDALE

OFFICE OF EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT

As the cold weather is upon us, the Allendale Office of Emergency Management would like to convey the following safety tips:

## When you are outside, frostbite and hypothermia are possible so you need to protect yourself.

1. Wear layers of loose-fitting, lightweight, warm clothing.
2. Wear a hat. Try to stay dry and out of the wind.
3. Cover your mouth to protect your lungs from extreme cold.
4. Mittens, snug at the wrist, are better than gloves.

## Ice Safety:

Please visit this informative link <https://www.dnr.state.mn.us/safety/ice/thickness.html>

## To keep pipes from freezing on an outside wall:

1. Let hot and cold water trickle or drip at night from a faucet.
2. Open cabinet doors to allow more heat to get to un-insulated pipes under a sink or near an outer wall.
3. Make sure heat is left on and set no lower than 55 degrees.
4. If you plan to be away: (1) Have someone check your house daily to make sure the heat is still on to prevent freezing, or (2) drain and shut off the water system (except indoor sprinkler systems).

## If Pipes Freeze:

1. Make sure you and your family knows how to shut off the water, in case pipes burst.
2. **NEVER** try to thaw a pipe with an open flame or torch. Use a hair dryer instead.

## Carbon monoxide poisoning is a silent, deadly killer claiming about 1,000 lives each year in the United States.

1. Install a carbon monoxide detector.
2. **NEVER** run generators indoors.

For additional weather related safety tips, please visit <https://www.weather.gov/safety/cold> or contact Michael T. Dillon, Emergency Management Coordinator at [oemdirector@allendalenj.gov](mailto:oemdirector@allendalenj.gov)

**Preparing For Cold Weather**  
NATIONAL WEATHER SERVICE  
OCEANIC AND ATMOSPHERIC ADMINISTRATION  
Houston, TX

**Protect People**  
Make sure to have extra blankets and layers ready in case power goes out. Road conditions may be treacherous, so have water and food supplies ready. Check in with your elderly family and neighbors to see if they need help.

**Protect your Plants**  
Know the temperature thresholds of your plants. If possible, cover your plants before the cold weather sets in to help retain some heat.

**Protect your Pipes**  
Insulated your pipes if possible, and open up the sink cabinets to expose the pipes to heated air. Disconnect outdoor hoses and turn off water to sprinkler systems.

**Protect your Pets**  
Please bring your pets inside.

**Stay Alert**  
Be sure to check in with the latest forecasts, and learn the signs of hypothermia and frostbite.

**Vehicle Preparedness**  
Make sure your car has supplies such as water and blankets in case you get stranded due to icy roads. Check to see if you need to fill up your tank before the cold weather event.

**Extreme cold weather is possible, what can you do now to prepare?**

## WHO IS ELIGIBLE FOR A COVID-19 VACCINE IN NEW JERSEY?

Last Updated: 11/04/2021

***Everyone 5 years or older is eligible for a COVID-19 vaccine in New Jersey and encouraged to get vaccinated as soon as possible.***

- All adults (18 and older) are eligible for the two-dose Pfizer, two-dose Moderna or one-dose Johnson & Johnson vaccines.
- All adolescents ages 12 through 17 are eligible for the two-dose Pfizer vaccine.
- All children ages 5 through 11 are eligible for the pediatric two-dose Pfizer vaccine.
- People who are moderately to severely immune compromised are eligible for a third dose of the Pfizer or Moderna vaccines.
- All adults (18 and older) who received a single dose of the Johnson & Johnson vaccine are eligible for a booster dose, at least two months after their shot.
- Adults 65 and older, long-term care residents, adults with underlying medical conditions, and adults who work or live in high-risk settings who received the two-dose Pfizer or Moderna vaccine are eligible for a booster shot at least six months after their second shot.

## COVID-19 VACCINE LOCATIONS FOR ELIGIBLE RECIPIENTS

List of Vaccine Locations & Registration Links - [CLICK HERE](#)

NJ COVID-19 Find Vaccine Appointments (BETA) - [CLICK HERE](#)

### STAYING UP TO DATE:

Stay up to date with the latest information on COVID-19:

New Jersey COVID-19 Information Hub: <https://covid19.nj.gov/>

Bergen County's COVID-19 Information: <https://www.co.bergen.nj.us/health-promotion/2019-novel-corona-virus>



# ALLENDALE FIRE DEPARTMENT

**THE ALLENDALE FIRE DEPARTMENT  
IS ALWAYS LOOKING FOR NEW MEMBERS!**

**WE ARE IN NEED OF MEMBERS TO CONTINUE TO SERVE THE COMMUNITY!**

If you are between the ages of 16 and 18, you are eligible to join as a Junior Member.

Anyone 18 years or older is eligible to join the active department.

**ANYONE INTERESTED IN JOINING EMAIL: [firechief@allendalenj.gov](mailto:firechief@allendalenj.gov)**

**With great pride, the Borough of Allendale congratulates the following members of the Allendale Boy Scout Troop 59 who recently received their Eagle Award, the highest achievement in Boy Scouts.**

## **Eagle Award**

Bradley Cary

Brendan Stock

Michael Richardson



**ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICES HAVE REOPENED TO THE PUBLIC.  
PLEASE REACH OUT IF WE CAN BE OF ASSISTANCE.  
BOROUGH PHONE NO. (201) 818-4400**

***ADMINISTRATION, CLERK'S OFFICE,  
BOARD OF HEALTH, & TAX ASSESSOR'S OFFICE***

**Ron Kistner, Administrative Officer**

RonKistner@AllendaleNJ.gov OR Ext. 501

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MichelleRyan@AllendaleNJ.gov OR Ext. 216 & 200

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JohnGil@AllendaleNJ.gov OR Ext. 211

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***VITAL STATISTICS RECORDS***

Northwest Bergen Regional Health Commission 201-445-7217

***BUILDING DEPARTMENT***

Technical Assistant 201-818-4400 x201

**Anthony Hackett, Construction Official**

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**Linda Garofalo, Land Use Administrator**

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**Alissa Mayer, CFO & Water Collector**

AlissaMayer@AllendaleNJ.gov OR Ext. 205

**Gina Wittmaack, Tax Clerk**

GinaWittmaack@AllendaleNJ.gov OR Ext. 206

***LEE MEMORIAL LIBRARY***

aldcirc@bccls.org OR 201-327-4338

***ALLENDALE MUNICIPAL COURT***

**Rose Novelli-Salyer, Court Administrator**

novellir@ho-ho-kusboro.com OR 201-652-0699

## **MAYOR & COUNCIL**

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