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#### A message from Mayor Bernstein...

Unfortunately, Bergen County is presently in the high-risk category for COVID-19. Additionally, the numbers are slightly on the rise in Allendale. At the end of February, out of an abundance of caution, our Borough Hall was closed for 2 days due to some potential exposures. All Borough Hall staff worked remotely during that time. Thankfully, I am happy to report everyone is healthy and Borough Hall has reopened, but I cannot stress enough to everyone how important it is that we all remain vigilant. As such, and we have been saying this from day one, it is so important, especially now since we are so close to hopefully seeing this pandemic behind us, to continue wearing masks, even outdoors, maintaining a social-distancing and washing our hands.

We know that one of the challenges of the vaccine rollout has been technological hurdles to make appointments for some of our residents, especially our seniors. At the end of January, the State of New Jersey set up a call center to serve these residents. Unfortunately, on February 10th, the call center's ability to take those reservations was halted due to an apparent lack of training that resulted in mistakes in booking appointments. At our last council meeting, we passed a resolution calling on the Governor to allocate appropriate resources and training so that this hotline can again serve our community, especially our most vulnerable. I want to thank the members of the Council for their support on this important resolution that will be sent to the Governor.

On a positive note, our nation received encouraging news recently that Johnson & Johnson has been given approvals for their COVID-19 vaccination to begin being administered. We are hopeful that these vaccines will make their way to New Jersey's and Allendale's residents soon. We continue to reach out to the County to offer Allendale as a distribution site for the vaccine. Unfortunately, the County has not accepted our offer yet, but we will continue our efforts and look into other avenues to help our residents get access to vaccines. Please stay posted for more information as we continue to look for ways to get all of our residents vaccinated.

I am also pleased to report that Bergen County Executive Jim Tedesco and the Board of Commissioners have announced that the County has partnered with EZ RIDE to provide seniors age 60 and over with rides for COVID-19 vaccinations at Bergen New Bridge Medical Center. Rides will be provided through companies such as Lyft and Uber under a program known as Ryde4Life, which is part of the EZ Ride network. The program will be coordinated through the Bergen County Division of Community Transportation and the Division of Senior Services that will work together to approve applications submitted by residents for service.

To schedule a ride, seniors can call the Bergen County Division of Community Transportation at 201-368-5955. Seniors interested in accessing the Ryde4Life program must have a working cell phone with them during the transportation service and must apply for the ride 24 hours in advance of their appointment.

I encourage everyone to visit our COVID-19 Information Hub on our website, <u>www.allendalenj.gov</u>, to get the most up-to-date information on the pandemic, who is eligible to be vaccinated, and a complete list of vaccination locations.

As winter comes to an end, and the spring season starts, I am excited about our future. We have been through a lot as an Allendale community. All of our experiences have made us stronger. Let's continue to work together, while remaining vigilant, in creating a better Allendale.

Get In Touch. . . Stay Connected. .
WWW.ALLENDALENI.GOV

#### GARBAGE & RECYCLING REMINDERS

- West Garbage
- West Bulk
- West Recycling

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#### **March 2021**

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1 WG	2 EG	3 EB	4 ER	5	6
7	8 WG	9 EG	<b>10</b> WB	11 WR	12	13
14	15 WG	16 EG	17	18 ER	19	20
21	22 WG	23 EG	24 M	25 WR	26	27
28	29 WG	30 EG	31			

- 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 <a href="mailto:TatianaMarquis@AllendaleNJ">TatianaMarquis@AllendaleNJ</a>. gov at least 3 WEEKS in advance.
- 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 2:00 pm **SUNDAYS CLOSED** 

#### GARBAGE

- Household kitchen, office and bathroom Container One: trash
- Styrofoam

#### **BULKY TRASH**

- Furniture
- Carpeting
- Non-metal items
- Windows/mirrors/pane glass must be taped with an "X"
- Artificial Holiday Trees

#### METAL

Anything that is least 75% metal





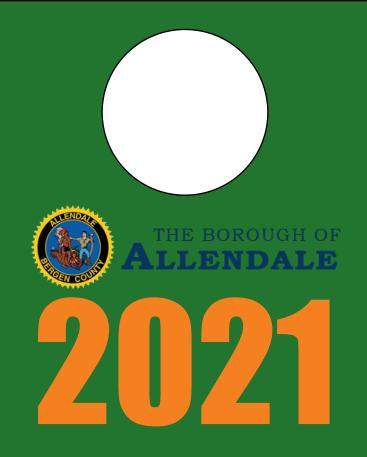
#### RECYCLING

- Newspapers and inserts
- Junk mail, envelopes, office, notebook, construction paper
- Smooth and corrugated cardboard
- Glossy magazines and catalogs
- Soft covered books and telephone books
- Non-metallic wrapping paper and greeting
- Shredded paper
- Brown grocery bags

#### Container Two:

- Food and beverage containers
- Plastic containers with a recycling code 1, 2, 5, 7
- Aluminum cans, foil
- Aseptic packaging (ex: soup, milk
- Metal cans and empty aerosol cans
- Green, clear and brown glass bottles and jars
- \*\* Please note that there are 2 separate trucks that pick up recyclables.

Compost Center Will Reopen April 10th



# COMPOST PERMIT

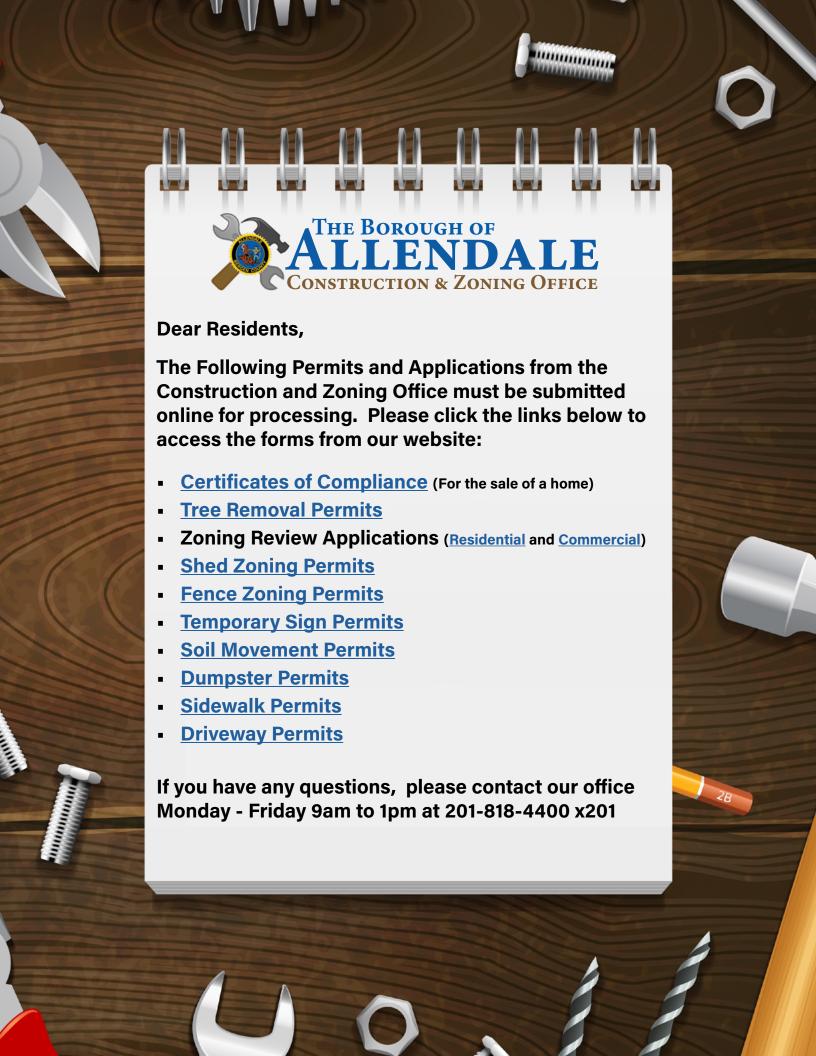
STARTING MARCH 15<sup>TH</sup> AT 9AM
THE 2021 COMPOST PERMITS WILL
BE AVAILABLE FOR PURCHASE

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

<u>WWW.ALLENDALENJ.GOV</u>

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

THE COMPOST SITE WILL REOPEN APRIL 10<sup>TH</sup>, 2021





#### WHO IS ELIGIBLE FOR VACCINATION NEXT?

Beginning Monday, March 15, the following categories are eligible for vaccination:

- Educators, including support staff, in pre-K through 12th grade settings
- Childcare workers in licensed and registered settings
- Public and local transportation workers, including bus, taxi, rideshare, and airport employees; NJ TRANSIT workers; and Motor Vehicle Commission staff
- Public safety workers who are not sworn law enforcement or fire professionals, including probation officers and fire safety inspectors
- Migrant farm workers
- Members of tribal communities
- Individuals experiencing homelessness and those living in shelters, including domestic violence shelters

#### Additionally, beginning on *Monday*, *March* 29, frontline essential workers in the following categories are also eligible for vaccination:

- Food production, agriculture, and food distribution
- Eldercare and support
- Warehousing and logistics
- Social services support staff
- Elections personnel
- Hospitality
- Medical supply chain
- Postal and shipping services
- Clergy
- Judicial system

#### For the complete list of those who are currently eligible, please **CLICK HERE**

#### COVID-19 VACCINE LOCATIONS FOR ELIGIBLE RECIPIENTS

You can <u>register for a vaccine on the NJ Vaccine Scheduling System</u> and you will be notified when an appointment is available to you in the system.

If you are eligible but have not yet been notified about available appointments in the NJ Vaccine Scheduling System, you may also make an appointment directly with many of the designated vaccination sites across the state listed in the spreadsheet at the link below.

Please note that this spreadsheet includes both locations that can be contacted directly as well as locations that are only available for appointments through the NJ Vaccine Scheduling System - these sites list <a href="https://covidvaccine.nj.gov/">https://covidvaccine.nj.gov/</a> as the Facility Website.

#### **List of Vaccine Locations & Registration Links - CLICK HERE**

#### STAYING UP TO DATE:

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

Allendale COVID-19 Information Hub: <a href="https://allendalenj.gov/covid-19-information/">https://allendalenj.gov/covid-19-information/</a>

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

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

The County of Bergen in Partnership with Bergen New Bridge Medical Center announce

# Regional Community Drive-Thru COVID-19 Testing

Hosted by

### Bergen Community College-Lot A 400 Paramus Road, Paramus, NJ

#### **MARCH DATES**

Tuesday, March 2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday, March 4<sup>th</sup> Saturday, March 6<sup>th</sup> Tuesday, March 9<sup>th</sup> Thursday, March 11<sup>th</sup> Tuesday, March 16<sup>th</sup> Thursday, March 18<sup>th</sup> Saturday, March 20<sup>th</sup> Tuesday, March 23<sup>rd</sup> Thursday, March 25<sup>th</sup>

## Check-in begins at 8AM Testing begins promptly from 8:30AM-12PM

#### Bring:

- Identification
   (driver's license/ID card, social security card, passport or birth certificate
- Proof of Bergen County Residency, School ID, or Employment with Municipal or County government (copy of lease, driver's license, utility bill, work ID)
- Insurance card, if applicable

## COVID-19 Nasopharyngeal Diagnostic PCR Test

Results available in 48 hours.

#### Registration:

- No walk-ups available
- You MUST PRE-REGISTER!
- To register, please visit: BergenCovidTesting.com





now, more than ever, it's important to stay vigilant in the fight against COVID-19

#### **W**EAR A **M**ASK

# Wash Your Hands & Avoid Contact With Your Face Keep Social Distance

#### Wearing a mask in public



#### helps reduce the spread of germs.













We should **ALL** wear a cloth or disposable mask to protect each other.

Even if you don't feel sick, germs can spread to others through respiratory droplets produced by breathing, talking, sneezing and coughing.



1. Wear Mask Correctly

- Make sure you can breathe through it
- Your nose and mouth should be covered
- Masks should not be placed on children under 2 years old or people who have trouble breathing



2. Maintain Healthy Habits

- Wash a cloth mask after use
- Avoid contact with sick people
- Wash hands often with soap and water; use hand sanitizer with at least 60% alcohol if soap and water aren't available



3. Keep Social Distancing

- Masks do not replace social distancing
- You may be sick (carrying germs) and not even know
- Masks + social distancing = less community spread of disease





Questions? Call 2-1-1 or text NJCOVID to 898-211







## THE YEARLY HYDRANT FLUSHING PROGRAM IS SCHEDULED TO START ON APRIL 5, 2021

Suez Water will be conducting hydrant testing and flushing throughout town over the next few weeks. Flushing will occur during the hours of 8:00 am through 3:00 pm. We request that customers use minimal water during the flushing in their area to avoid the possibility of drawing sediments into the household plumbing. We regret any inconvenience the flushing program may cause you. If you have any questions or would like more information please contact Suez Water at 855-367-6708

Zone 1 – Anticipated Start Date 4/05, Anticipated Completion Date 4/14

Zone 2 – Anticipated Start Date 4/14, Anticipated Completion Date 4/22

Zone 3 – Anticipated Start Date 4/22, Anticipated Completion Date 5/04

Zone 4 – Anticipated Start Date 5/04, Anticipated Completion Date 5/13

Zone 5 – Anticipated Start Date 5/13, Anticipated Completion Date 5/21

County Roads (Franklin Turnpike, Forest Rd., E. Allendale Ave.) - 3 Days 5/21 to 5/25

#### Please note that these dates are tentative and subject to change.

To cleanse the system, Suez Water systematically open our fire hydrants to increase water flows – allowing us to "flush" any minerals and deposits from the pipes. While flushing the system won't interrupt your water service, when crews are working in your area, you may notice a temporary drop in water pressure or discolored water. This is discoloration is normal. If you are experiencing any discolored water simply let your water run until it is clear.

#### **Customer Tips:**

- Avoid running your tap water and using the washing machine or dishwasher while crews are flushing in your area.
- If discolored water occurs, simply run the cold water for a few minutes until it clear. This will allow the sediment to work its way through your pipes.
- Check for discolored water before using the washing machine or dishwasher. Wait until the water runs clear at the tap before doing laundry or running the dishwasher. NOTE: If your laundry becomes stained, DO NOT PUT YOUR LAUNDRY IN THE DRYER. Rewash clothes immediately using detergent and add a rust remover. Most rust removers can also be used on stained fixtures.

In some cases, slight discoloration might linger for a few hours. This discoloration only affects the appearance of the water and does not affect water quality. No health hazards are associated with discolored water from hydrant flushing.

If water pressure or water volume seems low after flushing has been completed, check your faucet screens for trapped particles.











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WHEN YOUR CARBON
MONOXIDE OR SMOKE
ALARM GOES OFF CALL 911
IMMEDIATELY AND EVACUATE
THE HOUSE! LET US
INVESTIGATE THE CAUSE AND
DETERMINE THAT YOU AND
YOUR FAMILY ARE SAFE TO
RETURN!

HELP US KEEP
ALLENDALE SAFE!
PLEASE CLEAR ANY FIRE
HYDRANTS NEAR YOUR
HOME AFTER A SNOW
STORM SO WE CAN EASILY
AND SAFELY ACCESS
THEM IN AN EMERGENCY!
THANK YOU!



## 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

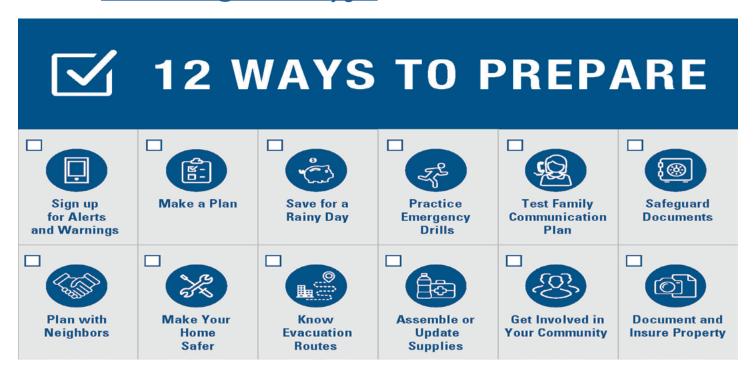


Include your children in planning for an emergency. Teach them how to get help and what to do in different situations. Practice your household disaster plan with your children and quiz them about preparedness information.

#### What Every Child Should Know:

- Family name, address and phone number, and know where to meet in case of an emergency. Children too small to memorize this could carry a small index card that lists emergency information. You could clip it to their shirt or place it in a pocket. Consider laminating this card so it will last longer.
- ✓ Never to touch wires lying on the ground or hanging from poles.
- How to identify the smell of gas. Tell them that if they smell it, they should tell a grown-up or call 911 and go to a safe area outside. Natural gas smells like rotten eggs.
- How and when to call 911. When you call 911 in the borough, the phone is answered at the Allendale Police station. Don't ever be afraid to call 911, we are here to help you and your family.

More information on preparing your children for emergencies can be found at <a href="https://www.ready.gov/kids">https://www.ready.gov/kids</a> or by contacting OEM Coordinator Michael Dillon at <a href="mailto:oemdirector@allendalenj.gov">oemdirector@allendalenj.gov</a>



Bergen County Mental Health & Community Support Resources





# PLEASE BE A GOOD NEIGHBOR CLEAN UP AFTER YOUR

CLICK HERE FOR ORDINANCE

## ALLENDALE PUBLIC SCHOOLS INTEGRATED PRESCHOOL PROGRAM FOR 2021-2022

The Allendale School District is pleased to announce that we will continue to offer an Integrated Preschool (IPS) Program for the 2021-2022 school year at Hillside School. The IPS Program incorporates the education of general education preschoolers with preschoolers with special needs. We will offer one program for 3-year-olds (9:00AM – 11:30AM), and one for 4-year-olds (12:30PM – 3:00PM). In order to be accepted in the IPS programs, children must be 3 or 4 years old by October 1, 2021, and must be bathroom trained. There is an annual tuition payment of \$4,000 for accepted general education students.

Applications for general education students are available on the Hillside School website at <a href="https://www.allendalek8.com/hillside">www.allendalek8.com/hillside</a> under Preschool Lottery on the right side of our homepage, and will be accepted until 3:00PM, Wednesday, March 17, 2021. In the event the District does not have enough "seats" for all of the registered children, we will use a lottery system.

All registrations must be complete in order to participate in the lottery.

Students with special needs are placed in the program through an evaluation process performed by the Department of Special Services.

## Mayor & Council Corner

# Mayor & Council Virtual Meetings

Thursday, March 11<sup>th</sup> at 7:30pm Thursday, March 25<sup>th</sup> at 7:30pm

To join the meeting from your computer, tablet or smartphone. <a href="https://global.gotomeeting.com/join/302918517">https://global.gotomeeting.com/join/302918517</a>

You can also dial in using your phone.

Phone Number: (872) 240-3212

Access Code: 302-918-517

New to GoToMeeting? Get started by clicking below. https://global.gotomeeting.com/install/302918517



Administrative offices remain closed to the public, however, we are working. Please reach out if we can be of assistance.

Borough Phone No. (201) 818-4400

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