

Fredon Facts & Features

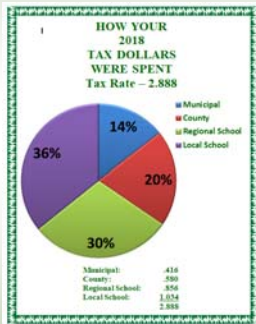
Monthly Township Updates

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Budget Season Is Here

Get Involved in Your Community!

There are many contributors to the amount of taxes you pay to the Township, and perhaps most surprisingly the portion of your taxes that go directly to the municipality to fund roads, services, fire protection, emergency medical services, recreation programs, facilities and employees is the smallest at only 14% of your tax dollar. Included in the 14% is a required non-spending appropriation entitled "Reserve for Uncollected Taxes", which makes up 4% of the municipal portion of your tax bill. Budgets for the upcoming year are being discussed and planned for at the County, Fredon School and Kittatinny Regional High School, along with the municipality, so take the time to attend some meetings at the local, regional and county levels and get involved!



American Red Cross Program Survey

Fredon Township is requesting your help regarding your interest in programs being presented for residents by the American Red Cross. We all need to be as prepared as possible should a disaster strike. That disaster can be anything from a power outage or flood, all the way through to a large scale disaster like a Superstorm Sandy. The American Red Cross offers preparedness presentations, focused on local hazards, giving guidance and sharing tips as to how you as individuals and families can be better prepared should any disaster strike.

The American Red Cross offers a variety of programs that provide information on emergency preparedness such as:

- Red Cross Ready Program – “Get a kit. Make a Plan. Be informed.”
- Home Fire Safety Campaign
- Service to Armed Forces & their families
- Pillowcase Project
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- Lifesaving Skills – CPR/AED & First Aid
- Babysitter’s Training
- Blood Drives
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Additionally, the Township would like to establish a volunteer team of individuals who, in the aftermath of an emergency (such as last winter’s snowstorm and subsequent power outages) would check on our senior and housebound neighbors.

Please respond to fredonclerk@embarqmail.com and indicate which program(s) would be of interest to you and your family. Please also let us know if you would like to be involved in the volunteer !

RECYCLING SCHEDULE

Recycling pick-up takes place on the **first** and **third** Monday of each month. Please place recyclables out for the scheduled day regardless of any holidays. Place containers (not plastic bags) out on the **Sunday night before** the scheduled pick-up day. More information on single stream recycling can be found on the web site [here](#).

Upcoming Recycling

Monday March 4th 5 AM

Monday March 18th * 5 AM

Electronic Waste Days

March 30 May 11 July 20 October 19

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Examples include computers, printers, televisions, vcrs, cellphones, stereo equipment, and other electronic media devices.

Limits up to 5 units for free/per vehicle. Scale charge for larger quantities.



HELP WANTED! POLL WORKERS!

The Sussex County Board of Elections needs poll workers! The day is long, the pay is \$200.00 for each election. New Poll worker classes are scheduled for March 29, March 30, April 9, April 11, April 23, and April 27. Please call 973-579-0950, Ext #4 or email to SussexPWInfo@gmail.com for more information.

Fredon Township Launches Recycle Coach



For residents looking to reduce their household waste and become better recyclers, look no further than the Recycle Coach platform—now available in Fredon Township.

Residents can access Recycle Coach from their desktop computers, mobile devices, or through digital assistants like Amazon Alexa and Google Home. By leveraging the power of voice technology, the platform makes it easy for people to get local disposal information for thousands of household items when they need it. And the best part: it's absolutely free.

With Recycle Coach, residents can:

- Stay organized with custom curbside collection and events calendars
- Receive collection reminders and real-time updates on service disruptions
- Become recycling experts with a comprehensive "What Goes Where?" search tool, including local disposal information and collection requirements for common and uncommon items
- Take the "What Type of Recycler Are You?" quiz for useful recycling tips and tricks
- Use the problem-reporting tool, equipped with geolocation, to notify municipal customer services about issues like missed collections

The service takes the guesswork out of recycling, empowering residents to make smarter disposal decisions and take an active approach to reducing household waste. For Fredon Township, this can help increase recycling rates and decrease contamination in the community's recycling stream.

Become a better recycler today by downloading the Recycle Coach app for free at the [iTunes Store](#) and [Google Play](#).

About Recycle Coach

Recycle Coach is a technology company with deep roots in public and private waste management services. It develops a comprehensive digital solution that optimizes collection, waste, and recycling programs. Recycle Coach connects residents with local disposal information on desktop, mobile, or through digital assistants. Serving over 3,000 communities across the U.S., Canada, Australia, and New Zealand, Recycle Coach strives to make the world a greener place by making it easier

Questions?

Contact:

Suzanne Boland, Deputy Municipal Clerk – 973-383-7025, Ext. #21
or
Debra Prommel, Acting Municipal Clerk – 973-383-7025, Ext. #22

*Do you keep missing the Open Houses at the Coursen House?
Are you curious about the exhibits?*



The next Open House will be **Saturday, April 27 from 11 am to 4 pm**. Come see the new farm tool room as well as the Library, Miss Nellie's childhood room and matriarch Miss Phoebe's room. Sample traditional foods cooked in the Walk-In Fireplace. Admission is free; donations are gratefully accepted

It's Garage Sale Time!

Every year the Township receives calls from residents asking questions about ordinance regulations relating to Garage Sales. The following addresses the most frequently asked questions and complaints.

Are Permits required to hold a garage sale?

Fredon Township does not require a permit to have a garage sale, but there are some regulations that must be followed.

Are signs advertising a garage sale permitted?

Yes, but each year this office receives complaints about signs that are not removed following "garage sales." Signs remaining in various locations around town are not only unsightly but also a violation of the sign ordinance. All signs must be removed immediately following the sale.

Is an ongoing garage sale permitted?

Another problem that arose this past year was the "garage sale" that continued over several consecutive weekends. Garage sales are not permitted to operate in the same location on a weekly basis and to do so would require a variance for a business use and a site plan because it is considered a business.



Upcoming

Thursday, March 28th 5P.M.

A representative from Congressman Josh Gottheimer's office will be available to meet with constituents at the municipal building 443 Route 94.

Saturday April 13th

10AM Pancake Breakfast Civic Center

11AM Easter Egg Hunt at Lodestar

Saturday April 27th- 10 AM

10AM- 12 Noon Fredon Rabies Clinic

11Am-4PM Coursens' Courner Open House

6 PM Fredon Rec Dinner and Comedy Show Civic Center

ATTENTION SENIORS

The Sussex County Department of Health and Human Services, Division of Senior Services publishes a monthly newsletter with information on support groups, tips, events, meetings, etc. relevant to seniors. Click here for the March publication <https://www.sussex.nj.us/documents/SeniorTimes.pdf>

The State of N.J. *Senior Freeze*

The program reimburses eligible senior citizens and disabled persons for property tax increases on their principal residence. To qualify, you must meet all the eligibility requirements . (If you do not receive your booklet by March 1, contact our Customer Service Center at 1-800-882-6597 Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, and Friday from 8:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m., and Wednesdays from 10 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. *except State holidays.*

Two Scholarships Available! Application Deadline April 1



The Land Conservancy is now accepting applications for our 2019 Scholarship Program. Two \$7,500 scholarships are available to college students who reside in New Jersey and are pursuing a degree in environmental science, natural resource management, conservation, horticulture, park administration, or a related field. The application deadline is April 1, 2019.

Applications can be downloaded at www.tlc-nj.org or can be obtained by calling (973) 541-1010. Potential candidates must be enrolled in a college or university, be in good standing, have at least 15 credits completed, and have an academic average equivalent to a 3.0 or higher.

"The Land Conservancy has made a long-term commitment to help future environmental leaders in New Jersey," said The Land Conservancy President, David Epstein. "We are excited to meet a new group of passionate students and hope that our scholarships can assist with developing their skills so that they can help New Jersey meet its future environmental challenges."