

# SENIOR CONNECT DECEMBER 2024

## Lawrence Police Chief Christopher Longo Announces Retirement After 25-Year Career

Lawrence Township Police Chief Christopher Longo has announced his retirement effective January 1, 2025, concluding a distinguished 25year career that began at the department as a police dispatcher in 1999. A Lawrence High School graduate from the class of 1993, Longo steadily advanced through the ranks from patrol officer to his current role as chief, which he has held since 2022.

"Serving the Lawrence Township community as the Chief of Police has been the biggest honor of my 25 year career," said Longo, who led the department during its centennial celebration. Under his leadership, he focused on strengthening community relationships and enhancing police services. "I am satisfied that those goals have been accomplished under my leadership," he noted.



During his tenure, Longo earned numerous accolades, including the 2016 Supervisor of the Year award, five Commendable Service awards, a Meritorious Service award, and a Life Saving award. He also pursued extensive professional development, completing programs at the FBI-Mid Atlantic Law Enforcement Executive Development Program and the New Jersey Association of Chiefs of Police Police Executive Institute. Most recently, he received his Public Managers Certification from Rutgers University in 2024. Municipal Manager Kevin Nerwinski commended Longo's service to the community: "I thank Chris for his excellent leadership of the LTPD. He leaves the department well situated to continue with the good work and build upon all of his accomplishments over the past several years as Police Chief."

### VRENCE WNSHIP ITIZENS POLICE CADEMY

## Lawrence Township Police Department Citizens Academy Graduates

Chief Longo would like to congratulate all of our Citizen "Cadets" who have successfully graduated from the -Lawrence Township Police Department CITIZENS ACADEMY-! After 9 weeks of hard work and dedication, they have gained invaluable knowledge about our patrol operations, use of force, K9 operations, traffic enforcement, investigative operations, search and seizure, and so much more!

Last night, they were all presented with their "Certificates of Graduation!" A special thank you to Lt. RJ Laird for organizing this amazing academy and to all of our instructors who made this event a huge success! Your commitment to educating and connecting with the community is truly appreciated. We look forward to seeing even more cadets next year! Please join us in congratulating our graduates!! Thank you for being part of this

incredible experience



### **Community Blood Drive** Lawrence Township Police Dept.

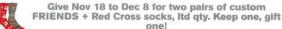
Large Training Room 2211 Lawrenceville Road Lawrenceville, NJ 08648

### Monday, December 2, 2024 2:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.

Please visit RedCrossBlood.org and enter: Lawrenceville PD Community to schedule an appointment.

Maximize your blood donation. Help more patients. If you are an eligible type O, B - or A - donor, consider making a Power Red donation. Red blood cells are the most commonly transfused blood component.

Give Nov 18 to Dec 8 for two pairs of custom



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Schedule your blood donation appointment today! 1-800-RED CROSS | RedCrossBlood.org | Download the Blood Donor App

**DID YOU KNOW?** 

Lawrence Township has a Safe Exchange Zone, located in the area

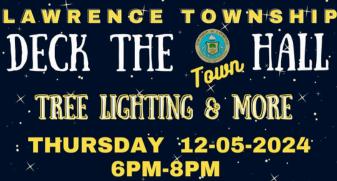
of the Municipal and Police parking

lots of the Municipal Complex located at 2207 Lawrenceville Road

Lawrence Township NJ, for conducting in-person transactions

involving a Lawrence Township

resident that have been facilitated on-line or other market places.



LAWRENCE TOWNSHIP MUNICIPAL BUILDING 2207 LAWRENCE ROAD.

Featuring

**Trackless Train Ride - Face Painting** Gift for Children - Children's Craft - Cookie Decorating Free Hot Chocolate & Cookies. (while supplies last)

**Performance by LHS Gospel Choir** 



6:30pm

For questions, contact the Lawrence Recreation Department 609-844-7067



BEST INFLATABLE 🔆 BEST CLASSIC DESIGN 🔆 BEST BLOCK CLARK GRISWOLD AWARD 🐇 CHILDREN'S CHOICE AWARD

ACCEPTING ENTRIES UNTIL DECEMBER 9TH COMPLETE TO FOLLOWING FORM HTTPS://FORMS.GLE/HOVCB2PXRDGIEYCEG

JUDGING WILL BE OPEN UNTIL NOON ON DECEMBER 17TH

WINNERS WILL BE ANNOUNCED DECEMBER 18TH

FOR QUESTIONS, CONTACT THE RECREATION DEPARTMENT AT 609 844 7064





The Lawrence Senior Center is open to Lawrence senior citizens, 60 years of age and older, for a wide range of activities, including exercise, health and wellness options, educational talks, intergenerational programming and socialization/recreation opportunities. The Senior Center is located on 30 Darrah Lane East and is open Monday-Friday from 8:30am-4:30pm

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5:45 – 7:30 pm With keynote speaker, Dr. Ron Cook

Department of Management, Rider University, expert in small business management; small firm consulting; starting new ventures; family businesses; business planning.

Lawrence Senior Center 30 E Darrah Lane Lawrence Township, NJ 08648

### WHO SHOULD ATTEND?

all Business Owners e New Business Founders Anyone interested in Starting or Growing a Busine:



Free and Open to Anyone Learn more ...



## ATTENTION! LAWRENCE TOWNSHIP DOG OWNERS

It is NJ State law, as well as a Lawrence Township ordinance that ALL dogs 7 months and older must be licensed . Dog licenses must be renewed each year. A dog cannot be licensed unless it is properly vaccinated. Residents should be aware that if their dog is off a leash in public areas a court summons may be issued, except on their private property or at one of the (2) dog parks in Lawrence Township. <u>Retractable leashes or leashes longer than six (6)</u> <u>feet in length are not acceptable leashes to use while in public.</u>

A license tag helps police, animal control, and shelters quickly identify your pet and get them back to you safely. If your pet is found wandering the streets, a rescue entity can see your pets tag via its license ID number. Dogs that are not licensed tend to be kept at the shelter longer and also require payment to be released.

Contact the Lawrence Township Health Department for more information and assistance at (609) 844-7089 or 7092.







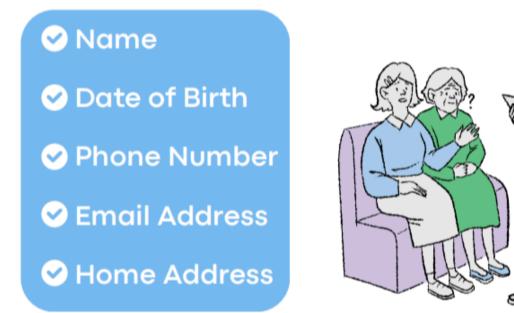
- No brush pickup during these months
- All Zones will be collected on a rolling basis.

# ARE YOU OR DO YOU KNOW A HOMEBOUND LAWRENCE RESIDENT?



Lawrence Township Health Department

If you are a Lawrence Township resident who is homebound and in need of resources, please connect with the Lawrence Township Health Department and provide the following information:



## \*ASK US ABOUT COVID-19 & FLU VACCINES\*

Homebound is defined as the situation where people cannot leave their homes independently without assistance. (National Institutes of Health)



EMAIL THE LAWRENCE TOWNSHIP HEALTH DEPARTMENT AT: lawrencetownshiphealth@gmail.com

CALL US AT: (609) 844-7089

SEPTEMBER 2024

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5	16 Planning Board Meeting	17 Township Council Meeting	18 Zoning Board Meeting	19 Diversity, Equity and Inclusion Committee	20
22	23 Recycling Shade Tree Advisory Committee	24 Lawrence Alcohol and Drug Alliance Meeting Environmental Resources & Green Advisory Committee Meeting	25 No Trash Collection Municipal Offices Closed - Christmas	26	27 Bulk Item Collection - New Schedule
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