



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 25-year 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."



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





GIVE SOMETHING THAT
Means Something

GIVE BLOOD

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 FRIENDS + Red Cross socks, ltd qty. Keep one, gift one!



Schedule your blood donation appointment today!

1-800-RED CROSS | RedCrossBlood.org | Download the Blood Donor App

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LAWRENCE TOWNSHIP
DECK THE TOWN HALL



TREE LIGHTING & MORE

THURSDAY 12-05-2024
6PM-8PM

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



Santa Claus arrival ★ **Tree Lighting**



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



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 RECREATION



CATEGORIES

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/HOVCB2FXRDG1EYCES](https://forms.gle/HoVCB2FXRDG1EYCES)

JUDGING WILL BE OPEN UNTIL **WINNERS WILL BE**
NOON ON DECEMBER 17TH **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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LAWRENCE TOWNSHIP'S
GROWTH & REDEVELOPMENT
COMMITTEE

SMALL BUSINESS NETWORKING EVENT

10 December 2024
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?

- Small Business Owners
- New Business Founders
- Anyone interested in Starting or Growing a Business

Free and Open to Anyone
Learn more ...
<https://link.localawrence.com/smb2024>





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. Retractable leashes or leashes longer than six (6) feet in length are not acceptable leashes to use while in public.

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 pet's 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.

Lawrence Township Health Department

JULY 2024



DEPT. OF PUBLIC WORKS

COLLECTION GUIDELINES

NOVEMBER AND DECEMBER

- Leaf collection ONLY
- 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?



Public Health
Prevent. Promote. Protect.

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:

- ✓ Name
- ✓ Date of Birth
- ✓ Phone Number
- ✓ Email Address
- ✓ Home Address



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

December 2024

1	2	3	4	5	6	7
	Planning Board Meeting	Township Council Meeting	Trails, Open Space & Stewardship Advisory Committee	Recreation Advisory Committee Meeting		
8	9	10	11	12	13	14
	Recycling Historic Preservation Committee	Public Safety Committee Growth and Redevelopment Committee Meeting	Senior Executive Committee			
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
	Planning Board Meeting	Township Council Meeting	Zoning Board Meeting	Diversity, Equity and Inclusion Committee		
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
	Recycling Shade Tree Advisory Committee	Lawrence Alcohol and Drug Alliance Meeting Environmental Resources & Green Advisory Committee Meeting	No Trash Collection Municipal Offices Closed - Christmas		Bulk Item Collection - New Schedule	Make-up Trash Collection
29	30	31	1	2	3	4
			Trails, Open Space & Stewardship Advisory Committee	Recreation Advisory Committee Meeting		

January 2025

29	30	31	1 Trails, Open Space & Stewardship Advisory Committee Meeting	2 Recreation Advisory Committee Meeting	3	4
5	6	7	8 Senior Executive Committee	9	10	11
12	13 Historic Preservation Committee	14 Growth and Redevelopment Committee Meeting	15	16 Diversity, Equity and Inclusion Committee	17	18
19	20	21	22	23	24	25 Free Dog/Cat Rabies Clinic
26	27 Shade Tree Advisory Committee	28 Lawrence Alcohol and Drug Alliance Meeting Environmental Resources & Green Advisory Committee Meeting	29	30	31	1