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Administration Building Holiday Closings:

The Administration Building will be closed on the following dates:

Thursday, November 27 - Thanksgiving Day
Friday, November 28 - Day after Thanksgiving Day
Wednesday, December 24 - Christmas Eve
Thursday, December 25 - Christmas Day
Wednesday, December 31 - New Year's Eve

The Administration Building will be closed starting
Wednesday, December 24, 2025, through Friday, January 2, 2026,
and reopen on Monday, January 5, 2026.



2025 Board of Supervisors

Chairman's Message

Dear Neighbors,

Dear Neighbors,

As we welcome the fall and winter season in Northampton Township, I want to take a moment to reflect on the progress we've made together and highlight a few important reminders as we close out the year.

Our Township departments have been hard at work ensuring that services run smoothly and safely. From stormwater management and recycling programs to emergency preparedness and road maintenance, our staff remains committed to protecting the well-being of every resident. With the change in weather, please take time to review the winter safety and storm readiness tips included in this edition. A little preparation goes a long way during power outages, snow events, and seasonal emergencies.

I'd also like to acknowledge all the volunteers, businesses, and community partners that help make Northampton Township a great place to live. Programs like the Wall of Honor, seasonal cleanups, Parks and Recreation events, and the library's expanded offerings continue to bring our residents together.

As the holidays approach, please stay alert to Township updates regarding trash collection schedules, seasonal yard waste guidelines, and public works operations. Your cooperation helps us maintain efficient services for all.

On behalf of the Board of Supervisors, thank you for your continued support, involvement, and care for our community. We look forward to entering the new year with the same energy, collaboration, and shared purpose that make Northampton Township thrive.

Residents are encouraged to visit the Township's website at www.northamptontownship.com regularly for project updates and to sign up to receive email notifications from the Township.

Wishing you a safe, healthy, and joyful season,
Adam





NORTHAMPTON TOWNSHIP FIRE DEPARTMENT



LITHIUM-ION BATTERIES IN YOUR HOME - SAFETY PRECAUTIONS

Most of the electronics in our homes — smartphones, tablets, power and lawn tools, e-bikes and scooters, laptops, e-cigarettes, headphones, and toys, to name just a few — are powered by lithium-ion batteries. When lithium-ion batteries fail, they can overheat, catch fire, or explode. This can be caused by damage, overcharging, or using the wrong charging equipment.



Safety tips:

- When buying a product that uses a lithium-ion battery, take time to research it. Look for a stamp from a nationally recognized testing lab on the packaging and product, which means that it meets established safety standards.
- Many products sold online and in stores may not meet safety standards and could increase the risk of fire.
- Charge with the manufacturer's equipment only. Using a third-party or aftermarket charger can damage the battery and increase the risk of fire.
- Do not overcharge. Do not leave your device charging unattended or overnight. Unplug the device and charger once the battery is full.
- Charge on a flat, dry surface. Keep charging devices away from flammable materials like a couch, bed, or carpet. Charge in a dry area, away from direct sunlight or liquids.
- Store batteries properly. Keep batteries away from extreme temperatures. Store them in a cool, dry place, ideally between 68°F and 77°F (20°C and 25°C).
- Handle batteries carefully. Avoid dropping, crushing, or puncturing the battery. Physical damage can cause an internal short and a fire.
- Check for damage. Only use batteries that are free from visible damage. If you see dents or other damage to the battery casing, stop using it.

Warning signs of a failing battery:

Stop using the battery immediately if you notice any of these signs:

- **Excessive heat:** The device or battery feels extremely hot to the touch.
- **Swelling or bulging:** The device's shape changes, or the battery pack appears swollen.
- **Leaking:** There is a leak of liquid from the battery.
- **Hissing, cracking, or popping sounds:** You hear unusual noises coming from the battery.
- **Unusual odor:** The battery emits a strong or unusual smell.

What to do in an emergency:

If a battery starts to fail or catch fire:

- **Evacuate immediately.** The fumes can be toxic.
- **Call 911.** Do not try to extinguish a large fire yourself. Alert the fire department so they can respond appropriately.
- **If it is safe to do so, move the device away.** Use tongs or gloves to move the device away from flammable materials and out of the home.

SOURCE: US Consumer Product Safety Commission and National Fire Protection Assn.

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Report a Power Outage & Stay Safe

If you experience a power outage, you can report it quickly and easily:

Online: Report an Outage

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By Phone: Call 1-800-841-4141

Safety Reminder

If you see downed power lines or smell natural gas, leave the area immediately and call PECO at 1-800-841-4141.

Local Resources During Outages

During normal business hours, residents are encouraged to visit:

- Northampton Township Free Library – 25 Upper Holland Rd, Richboro, PA 18954
- Northampton Township Senior Center – 165 Township Road

Both locations provide WiFi, phone charging stations, and a warm place to stay during outages.

After Hours & Holidays

If the outage occurs outside normal hours, please check:

- Northampton Township Website: <http://www.northamptontownship.com>
- Northampton Township Police Facebook Page for updates.

Helpful Tips During Outages

- Keep flashlights and extra batteries on hand.
- Avoid opening refrigerators/freezers to keep food cold longer.
- Charge cell phones and devices before storms if possible.
- Use generators safely outdoors only, never indoors or in garages.



Yard Waste Pickup Ends Dec. 15

After Dec. 15, all yard waste must go in your regular trash cart.

No separate cans or bags will be collected until composting resumes on April 1.

Administration

WALL OF HONOR – CALL FOR NOMINATIONS!

Northampton Township is proud to recognize individuals who have made **lasting contributions** to our community, enriching the lives of our residents through **volunteer service, leadership, and community spirit**.

The **Wall of Honor Award** celebrates residents who:

- Have made a positive impact on the lives of Northampton Township residents.
- Demonstrate outstanding leadership and community involvement.
- Serve as role models through their volunteerism and accomplishments.

Nominate Someone Today!

The Township is now accepting nominations for the Wall of Honor Award until November 30, 2025.

How to Nominate:

1. Complete a nomination form and submit it to the **Wall of Honor Committee**. The committee consists of 7 members representing the diversity of our community.
2. Nominations are accepted annually up to **November 30**.
3. All new nominations are reviewed and voted on by **March 31 of the following year**.
4. The nominator will be notified after the committee vote; recipient families will be informed accordingly.
5. Up to **two recipients** will be honored each year. Some years may have no honorees.

Submit Your Nomination:

Mail or deliver to:

Northampton Township Wall of Honor Committee

55 Township Road, Richboro, PA 18954

Download the nomination form from the Township website: www.northamptontownship.com

Or email William Wert at bwert@nhtwp.org

Don't wait — nominations must be received by November 30 of the current year to be considered for the next calendar year.

Celebrate those who make Northampton Township a better place—**submit your nomination today!**



Northampton Township Wall of Honor Nomination Form 2025

The **Wall of Honor Award** recognizes residents who have made **lasting contributions** to Northampton Township through volunteer service, leadership, and community spirit.

Nomination Deadline: November 30 of the current year.

Nominee Information

Full Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

Nominator Information

Full Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

Nomination Details

Please describe how the nominee has contributed to the community. Include volunteer activities, leadership roles, community involvement, or other accomplishments. Attach additional pages if needed.

Why should this nominee be honored?

Required Eligibility Criteria

- Resident of Northampton Township during the time of service or accomplishment.
- Positively impacted the lives of Township residents.
- Demonstrate leadership, community spirit, and serve as a role model.

Submission Instructions

- Mail or deliver completed forms to:
- **Northampton Township Wall of Honor Committee**
55 Township Road, Richboro, PA 18954
- Forms may also be emailed to: **William Wert – bwert@nhtwp.org**
- Nomination forms can be downloaded from: www.northamptontownship.com

Nominations must be received by **November 30** to be considered for the next calendar year.

Selection Process

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**Celebrate our local heroes –
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Trash & Recycling Information

All You Need to Know About Trash Services in Northampton Township

To ensure smooth collection, please place your **trash and recycling Toters curbside the night before your scheduled pickup day.**

Important Reminder

Only trash placed **inside your official Northampton Township Toter** will be collected. **Bags, boxes, or other items left outside the Toter will not be picked up.** If you regularly have more trash than one Toter can hold, you may request a **second Toter** through **Casella** by calling **610-936-9967**. There is a **charge** for an additional Toter.

Residents may request an **additional recycling can at no charge** by calling the **Township at 215-357-6800 x201** and asking for **Lisa**. New construction residents should also call Lisa to order a **Trash Toter and a Recycle Bin**.

Toter Guidelines

- Only Northampton Township-issued Toters may be used.
- Place Toters at least **3 feet away** from mailboxes, cars, street signs, or other Toters.
- Position the Toters with the **wheels facing your house** so they can be emptied properly.
- All trash must be bagged with **lids closed** to prevent spills.
- Trash or recycling in Toters **cannot exceed 100 lbs**, as this may damage the automated arm. Manual pick-up: collectors are **not required to lift more than 45 lbs**.

Trash Can Placement & Pickup Reminder

To ensure smooth and timely collection, please follow these guidelines for placing your trash and recycling toters curbside:

- **When to Place Toters:** Put your trash and recycling toters at the curb after 6:00 PM the night before your scheduled collection day.
- **How Long Toters Can Remain:** Toters should be returned from the curb promptly after collection.

Seasonal Early Start Times

During road work season and the winter months, trash collection companies may begin as early as 4:00 AM to stay ahead of construction delays or snow and ice storms.

Early morning collections are permitted to ensure public health and safety.

- Placing your toter out the night before ensures you won't miss collection if trucks start earlier than usual.
- Please note: If your trash is not out when trucks arrive, the Township will not consider it a "missed pickup."

Stay Informed

Don't miss important updates on trash and recycling collection! Sign up for **Township Email Notices** at www.northamptontownship.com.

What We Cannot Take

- **Hazardous Waste** (radioactive, reactive, toxic, ignitable, corrosive, or acidic items)
- **E-Waste** (televisions, computers, electronics)
- **Construction & Demolition Debris** (concrete, roofing, remodeling waste **cannot be placed in Toters or recycling**)

Recycling Boxes

- Boxes may be placed **outside of the recycling Toter**, but they must be **broken down and tied or taped together** for easy pickup.
- Large items such as **refrigerators or mattresses** require a **scheduled bulk pickup** with Casella. Please see the Casella website for bulk pickup regulations: www.whitetaildisposal.com/municipality/northamptontownship/

Bulk Waste Collection

- Bulk waste includes large household items like **furniture, carpets, mattresses, and appliances**.
- Each residential property may place **one bulk item at the curb per week**. Sets of multiple pieces (like a patio set) may require **multiple pickups**.
- Bulky items may need to be **broken up and securely tied in bundles**, not exceeding **50 lbs or 3 feet in length**, for safe collection.
- Toilets and Mattresses must be bagged for sanitary reasons.
- Any item containing glass **cannot** be collected as bulk. All glass must be removed and disposed of separately before pickup.
- Bulk collection **does not include construction materials, hazardous items, or anything that poses a safety risk**.
- Some large or specialty items require **special trucks on a separate schedule** and may not be included in regular service.

Yard Waste & Christmas Trees

From **December 16 through March 31**, yard waste should be placed inside your Township-issued Toters.

Christmas Tree Collection:

- Trees will be collected **January 15th, 16th, and 17th** on your regular yard waste schedule.
- Place your tree curbside along with your regular trash and recycling; trees will be collected **the day after your regular service**.
- Trees over **6 feet tall** should be cut in half.
- **All decorations must be removed.**
- **Do not bag trees** for pickup.
- By keeping all trash inside the Toter, following weight limits, and adhering to recycling and bulk pickup rules, you help ensure **safe, efficient, and reliable collection** for the entire community.



MATTRESSES & TOILETS

Preparation Guidelines

- To protect sanitation workers: Mattresses and box springs must be completely wrapped in plastic.
- Toilets must be securely bagged.

BULK ITEM COLLECTION

Scheduling Instructions

To schedule a bulk item pickup, you must contact Whitetail Disposal by 12:00 PM the day before your regular service day:

Phone: 610-936-9967

Email: nhtwp@whitetaildisposal.com

Some items require special handling and cannot be collected by the regular trash truck. These may need a specialty truck and may not be included with borough-provided service. Please confirm when scheduling.

More Info: www.whitetaildisposal.com/municipality/northampton-township

YARD WASTE COLLECTION GUIDELINES

Regular Season: April 1 – December 15 • Off-Season: December 16 – March 31

Yard waste is collected the **day after your trash/recycling pickup** and taken to a composting facility.

Preparation Requirements:

- Use biodegradable 30-gallon paper bags or labeled containers weighing under 50 lbs.
- Plastic bags are not accepted.
- Tree branches/shrubbery must be:
 - Under 36 inches long
 - Less than 3 inches in diameter
 - Bundled and tied, taped, or placed in biodegradable bags
 - Not extending over the top of the container or bag

Place yard waste directly into your Northampton Township trash totes for pickup.

IMPORTANT NOTICE: RADIOACTIVE MATERIALS IN TRASH DISPOSAL

Over the past three months, Casella Waste Systems has lost the use of four trucks—each sidelined for more than a week—due to the improper disposal of radioactive material in the residential waste stream. Unfortunately, we experienced yet another incident today.

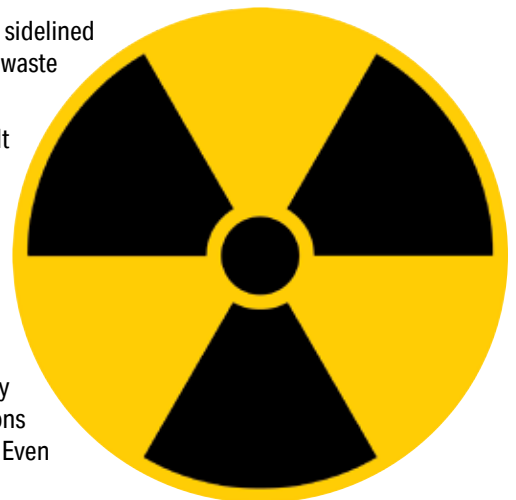
In the trash industry, this type of occurrence is sometimes referred to as a “Hot Load.” It happens when radioactive material is mistakenly placed in household trash. When this occurs, trucks must be taken out of service for extended periods to ensure safety, resulting in delays, costly repairs, and unnecessary risks.

We want to remind all residents that radioactive materials are strictly prohibited from disposal with regular household trash. These items cannot be managed through standard waste collection due to the serious safety hazards they create.

In some cases, these materials may come from individuals undergoing chemotherapy treatments, where certain medical by-products can register as radioactive. While these situations are usually low-level, they still cause trucks to be flagged, pulled from service, and quarantined. Even small amounts create significant disruption.

We ask for your help in keeping our workers, equipment, and community safe. If you or someone in your household may have materials of concern, please contact your healthcare provider or local waste authority for proper disposal options.

Thank you for doing your part to ensure the safety of our drivers, our community, and our environment.



Trash & Recycling Information

TOWNSHIP TRASH & RECYCLING TOTERS – REQUIRED USE

Northampton Township reminds all residents that only Township-provided trash and recycling toters are permitted for use. These Toters are designed for automated collection and ensure safety, efficiency, and consistency in service.

Important Notes:

- **Trash and recycling must be placed in Township-issued Toters.**
- **Personal containers are not permitted** for trash or recycling.
- A limited exception applies only to properties located in designated **manual collection areas** where automated trucks cannot be used. These areas are specifically identified by the Township.
- **Yard waste must be placed in personal containers or paper bags** for collection. Township Toters are not used for yard waste pickup.
- **Recyclables should never be placed in plastic bags.** Plastic bags are not recyclable and will cause your recycling to be rejected.

If you are unsure whether your property is in a manual collection area, please **contact the Township Office** or visit our website at www.northamptontownship.com for more information.

By using Township-issued Toters for trash and recycling, keeping recyclables loose (not bagged), and following yard waste guidelines, residents help maintain reliable collection, reduce equipment damage, and keep our neighborhoods safe and clean.

Stormwater Management

For more information about Northampton Township's Storm Water Management, check out <https://www.northamptontownship.com/information/stormwater-management/>

If you've been thinking about reducing your environmental footprint, you can take steps to decrease the amount of pollution that flows into local waterways every time it rains. Known as stormwater, once rain or snow hits the ground, it can pick up dirt, chemicals, and other pollutants and carry them downstream from your sidewalks, streets, and alleys to bodies of water in your community.

Rain is great for growing things in the city, but excess rain can run off from roofs, pavement, and other hard surfaces into the street, where it flows from the storm drain into local rivers, lakes, or streams, taking pollution from those surfaces with it. Here are just a few steps you can take to be stormwater smart, starting in your own neighborhood:



- If you park your car on the street, check for spots underneath it, which could be a sign of leaky oil or other fluids that can contaminate stormwater as it washes by. Don't let your leak pollute.
- Street sweeping is an important part of stormwater management; during posted sweeping hours, don't park your car on the street.
- Keep garbage cans covered to keep trash from blowing and avoid rainwater getting contaminated by your trash. Never dump garbage in alleys or gutters.
- Read the label to dispose of household chemicals and paints properly, and never dump them in the alley, on the sidewalk, or in the street.
- Keep raked leaves or yard clippings out of the storm drain to avoid clogs and debris that can reach waterways.
- Don't hose down sidewalks; that will flush dirt down through the storm drain system!
- During colder weather, avoid oversalting the sidewalk or use "green" deicer—a little goes a long way!
- Always pick up after your dog by putting waste in a bag and disposing it in an appropriate waste container, rather than dropping it in the storm drain.
- Never drop cigarette butts on the ground; put out cigarettes and drop the butts in a proper receptacle or trash can.
- Always put trash in its place and keep it away from storm drains.

DID YOU KNOW?

Everything you put on the ground can possibly contaminate local water bodies and affect public health.

A Message from Public Works

WINTER SNOW REMOVAL REMINDERS:

Our goal at the Public Works Department during the winter season is to make all Township-owned roads safe and accessible to the public. The cooperation and assistance of our residents is key to an effective winter storm operation. Due to many variables that are inherent in Pennsylvania weather, each storm and/or weather event may require slightly different efforts and/or emphasis on any number of maintenance tasks, which together, determine the overall winter maintenance, snow removal, or ice control strategy.

- Shoveling snow to the right-hand side of your driveway will reduce the amount of snow pushed back into your driveway by a plow. It is recommended, if possible, that homeowners shovel after the Township has plowed their road.
- Mailboxes are rarely hit by plows, but may be damaged by the weight of the plowed snow. **We ask that homeowners ensure that their mailboxes are firmly attached to the post and that the post is sturdy enough to withstand the weight of the plowed snow.** Residents should also be sure that the mailbox area is clear for mail delivery.
- If you believe that your street was missed during a snow clearing effort, call **(215) 355-3433**.



PUBLIC WORKS FAQ'S:

How do I report pot holes for patching?

For Township Roads, please call (215) 355-3433 to report pot hole location.

For any problem on the **State Highways**, please call **PennDOT** at 215-345-6060, or **Submit a Concern on their website: www.penndot.gov**

Who do I contact to remove dead deer?

We are no longer allowed to pick up dead deer. Please call the Police Non-Emergency # (215) 357-8700 and they will refer the request to the PA Game Commission or PennDOT.

Will you remove a tree that fell and is blocking the road?

If the tree belongs to the homeowner, we will clear the roadway and place the tree limbs, debris, etc. on the homeowner's property. The homeowner is responsible for contacting a landscaper to remove the tree debris from their property.

What is the mowing schedule for the Township basins?

We try to mow the 85 basins, 16 traffic islands, and the clear sight triangles on a 2 to 3-week turnaround schedule, however sometimes it is delayed due to the weather.

How do I report a Street Light that is not working, or a Street Sign that is damaged?

Call (215) 355-3433 with the exact location of the Street Light and the Pole # if applicable (this can be found on the Pole tag).

For damaged Traffic signs call (215) 355-3433 with the exact location of the sign.

More information can be found on the Northampton Township's Website @ www.northamptontownship.com/departments/public-works

DID YOU KNOW...

The following roads in Northampton Township are owned and maintained by the State of Pennsylvania:

Almshouse Road
Bridgetown Pike
Bristol Rd

Buck Road
Bustleton Pike
Churchville Lane

Holland Road
Jacksonville Road
Newtown Richboro Road

Second Street Pike
Worthington Mill Road

Please visit the Pennsylvania Government Website to report any concerns regarding these roads @ Penndot.pa.gov



NORTHAMPTON TOWNSHIP POLICE DEPARTMENT

111 TOWNSHIP RD. RICHBORO, PA 18954 • NON-EMERGENCY NUMBER: 215-357-8700

Steven LeCompte, Chief of Police



BUREAU OF ALCOHOL TOBACCO AND FIREARMS ETRACE PROGRAM



In conjunction with the Pennsylvania Attorney General's Office and the Bucks County District Attorney's Office, the Northampton Township Police Department participates in the Bureau of Alcohol Tobacco and Firearms eTrace program. This program gives law enforcement the best opportunity to prevent firearm trafficking and disrupt the shooting cycle. eTrace helps identify gun traffickers, potential suspects and patterns of violent gun crime to help criminal investigators quickly track down the origin and purchaser of crime guns and solve crimes.

Officer Andrew Moffett

Officer Andrew Moffett, badge #106, grew up in the Doylestown area with his two brothers and sister. Andrew is called "Drew," by his friends and family. He graduated from Central Bucks West High School and Bucks County Community College. Drew worked as a Water Treatment Operator in Doylestown Township for several years.

Officer Moffett's calling to law enforcement was no surprise; his two brothers and his father, all serve or served, as police officers in Bucks County. Drew enrolled in the Montgomery County Police Academy and graduated in June of this year. He was hired by our department while attending the academy.

Drew is married and has two sons. In his free time, he enjoys coaching his son's sports teams, camping, and watching the Eagles and Phillies. He is "ecstatic" about his opportunity to serve and build a great relationship with the residents of Northampton Township.

Officer Moffett will be assigned to the uniform patrol division once he completes the field training program.



Officer Dingley



Officer Arthur Dingley, badge #108, grew up in Levittown, Pa. He is a graduate of Harry S. Truman High School and a veteran of the United States Army.

After high school Officer Dingley volunteered with the Edgely Firehouse as a volunteer Fire Fighter. In 2021 he enlisted into the Army as an Infantryman; during his service he served as a Rifleman, Machine Gunner and Team Leader.

Officer Dingley completed an internship with Abington Township Police Department prior to enrolling in the Montgomery County Police Academy. While attending the police academy he was hired as a Northampton Township Police Officer before graduating in June.

Art enjoys running, hiking, fishing and camping. One of his favorite things about our police department is the department's "core values and mindset for policing."

Officer Dingley will be assigned to the uniform patrol division once he completes the field training program.



FRAUD ALERT



Dan McPhillips, Bucks County Recorder of Deeds, offers a Fraud Alert program that is designed to protect Bucks County property owners' deeds. It is easy to sign up, and a FREE service to all Bucks County residents and business owners.

As the Recorder of Deeds, Dan McPhillips knows the purchase of your property is most likely the largest and most important purchase of a lifetime. To protect your investment, we encourage you to enroll in the Fraud Alert program. Once enrolled, the property owner will be alerted anytime a document has been recorded in the office against your name or parcel number. A cell phone or email address is needed to sign up for this program. We suggest you sign up by both name and parcel number for assurance. Sign up at: www.landex.com/recordalert/bucks or if you need assistance, please contact the office at 215-348-6209 or email Dan at djmcphillips@buckscounty.org

Should you receive an alert (text message or email), follow the instructions and contact our office immediately. If fraudulent activity occurs, our office will connect you with the District Attorney's office. We cannot emphasize enough the importance that you follow-up on any alert, never assume it was received in error. Our staff is available to help and dedicated to keeping your investment safe.



Dan McPhillips Bucks County Fraud Alert System

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- Road conditions
- Traffic cameras



Frequently Asked questions

What are your hours of operation?

Monday through Thursday from 8:30 am to 4:30 pm. We are closed on all legal county holidays.

What taxes do I pay at your office?

Council Rock School District - Real Estate, Northampton Township Occupational (OCC), Northampton Township - Real Estate and Refuse Fee and Bucks County- Real Estate Taxes.

Who collects the Earned Income Tax?

Keystone Collection Group (866-539-1100) is contracted to collect the 1% Earned Income Tax (EIT). Most people have their EIT withheld from their paycheck. Make sure your employer has the correct political sub-division (PSD) code and that the code on your W-2 matches the council Rock PSD code (090603).

How do I change the name on my deed?

It is recommended that you consult with an attorney about changes you need to make to an existing deed.). Contact the Bucks County Recorder of Deeds (BCRD) by phone (215-348-6209) or visit the BCRD website at www.buckscounty.gov/414/Recorder-of-Deeds.

What is the mailing address and can we pay in person?

You can mail your check to the Northampton Township Tax Collector, located at 815 Bustleton Pike, Richboro, PA 18954. You can also pay in person during regular business hours with a check or money order. After-hours payments can be made via the designated, tamper proof, drop box located on the side of the Tax Office building.

How do I pay delinquent taxes?

Delinquent County and Township Taxes are collected by Bucks County Tax Claim (215-348-6274); School Occupational Taxes are collected by G.H. Harris Associates Inc (570-639-5005); and Council Rock School District Real Estate Taxes are collected by Portnoff Law Associates, Ltd (1-866-211-9466).

How do I change the mailing address for my real estate bill?

The Bucks County Board of Assessments (215-348-6219) can assist you. Simply send a letter making this request: Bucks County Board of Assessments, 55 E. Court Street, Doylestown, PA 18901. For any additional questions, please contact me at 215-357-1343 or visit VincentDeon@twptax.com.



Building and Codes Department - Frequently Asked Questions

1. Is a "Use and Occupancy Certificate" required for a residential resale?

No. The Township does not conduct an inspection or require a certificate for the resale of residential property.

2. Is a business license required from the Zoning Department?

No. The Zoning Department has no involvement with business licensing. Please contact your tax professional or attorney for applicable requirements based on your particular circumstances.

3. What are the requirements to construct a shed on my property?

Generally, a shed that is 240 square feet and less can be constructed behind the rear of the house at a setback of 7 feet from the property line. The maximum height is 12 feet. Sheds that exceed these requirements must follow different regulations based on your particular zoning district and lot size. Please call us for details.

4. What are the requirements to construct a fence on my property?

Generally, a fence can be constructed in the side and rear of the property, not in the front yard. The maximum fence height is six (6) feet. Corner lots and pool fences have special requirements as well. Please call us for details.

5. Can I run a business from my home?

Maybe. Home-based businesses have numerous requirements. As a result, given the unique nature of each business, please contact our department to discuss your particular circumstances.

If you have any questions, feel free to contact the Building and Codes Department at 215-355-3883.

NORTHAMPTON TOWNSHIP PARKS AND RECREATION

Support Your Community - Sponsor Parks & Recreation Events!

It's never too early to start looking ahead to spring and summer! The Parks and Recreation Department is already preparing for another season filled with exciting community events.

Thanks to the generosity of local sponsors, favorites like the Sun and Fun Fest, the Summer Concert Series, and the many special events at the Senior Center continue to thrive. In July 2026, we'll add a special celebration of America's 250th year of Independence to the calendar. None of these gatherings, or the many others offered throughout the year, would be possible without community support.

Sponsorship is a meaningful way to give back while also highlighting your business or organization to thousands of residents.

Interested in learning more? Contact the Parks & Recreation Department at Extension 249. To explore all of the programs, classes, and events offered, please visit our website:

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Free Library of Northampton Township PROGRAMS



Your Free Library of Northampton Township launched its new brand and website on Thursday, September 11, 2025. Be on the lookout for new signage, new library card designs, new bookmarks – and even an online store where you can purchase clothing or other items with the library's new logo and tagline. Portions of the proceeds will benefit your library.

Visit our new website at FreeLibraryNT.org!

Bookmark it on your favorite web browser and begin exploring the new and updated content.

Free Library of Northampton Township has so many activities and programs planned for the rest of the year in Northampton. See what we have to offer!

CREATIVEBUG CRAFTS PROGRAM

Northampton Township residents with library cards have access to Creativebug, a creative database for patrons who are crafty! The resource is a fun and easy way to find craft activities to do on your own or in a group. To spark creativity, the library has been offering monthly programs highlighting this fun database. Previous craft programs included Valentines for Veterans, Quick Kitchen Pickles, Wildflower Seed Bombs, and Paper Marbling. The library has two more programs in 2025, with limited class size. Register now @ FreeLibraryNT.org.



Thursday, November 13 | 1:00 PM

Creativebug Crafts: The Giving Plate

For November, it's a Thanksgiving-themed program, and we'll be decorating ceramic "Giving Plates" for you to take home and regift with holiday goodies. Registration is required as the program is limited to 15 registrants. Supplies are provided.



Thursday, December 11 | 1:00 PM

Creativebug Crafts: Salt Dough Ornaments

For December, we're going to be decorating small salt dough ornaments for the holidays! Registration is required as the program is limited to 15 registrants. Supplies are provided.

For future Creativebug programs, check the library's calendar, website, and social media!

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PROGRAMS

PA FORWARD ADULT PROGRAMS

Monday, November 3 | 6:00 PM

Managing Holiday Stress & Food

presented by Giant Wellbeing

Jena Wood of Giant Wellbeing will provide attendees with information on how to manage stress and stay healthy during the holiday season and all of the festive events and foods.

Saturday, November 15 | 1:00 PM

Craftsmanship of Glencairn

presented by the Glencairn Museum

Nick Conte of the Glencairn Museum in Bryn Athyn will discuss the craftsmanship of Glencairn, a mansion built for Raymond and Mildred (Glenn) Pitcairn and their children in the 1920s and 1930s. The estate contains stunning examples of early 20th-century craftsmanship; original works of art created using the raw materials of metal, glass, stone, and wood by over one hundred artists, architects, and laborers. They contributed to the construction and decoration of Glencairn, which took more than a decade to complete. Without the efforts of all of them working together, the family's remarkable castle-like home could not have become a reality. Join us as we learn about Glencairn and its craftsmanship. *The library recently added the Glencairn Museum to its Museum Pass program.*

Monday, December 1 | 6:00 PM

10 Crucial Days: Washington Crossing, Trenton, and Princeton

presented by Washington Crossing

A Washington Crossing historian will present "10 Crucial Days: Washington Crossing, Trenton, and Princeton." Join us as we learn about this period in Colonial American history, nearing the United States' Semiquincentennial anniversary in 2026.

GENEALOGY CLASSES

With the popularity of the Ancestry Library Edition classes in 2024, staff designed a series of programs on other genealogy topics. Ancestry Library Edition and FamilySearch classes are scheduled on an ongoing basis due to high demand. Other previous classes include Census and Land and Property Research.

Ancestry Library Edition and FamilySearch are introductory computer classes that delve into the genealogy databases which the library has available. Since 2021, Free Library of Northampton Township is the only public library in Bucks County which qualifies as a FamilySearch Affiliate Library. Researchers visit our library specifically utilize the library's access to the FamilySearch collections.

Intro to Ancestry Library Edition Reoccurring

Learn about Ancestry Library, a free database accessible at the library at this one-hour beginner class including available records, how to search for ancestors, examine search results, use the different record collections, and where to find records not available on Ancestry.

FamilySearch..... Reoccurring

Learn about FamilySearch, a free genealogical database accessible at home, but the library has additional access to collections as a FamilySearch Affiliate Library.

If you'd like help with a personal inquiry, please contact the Township Archivist for assistance at archivist@nhtwp.org or 215.357.3050, ext.114. Register online or by phone <https://calendar.buckslib.org/> | 215.357.3050

2025 SECOND SATURDAY PROGRAMS

Saturday, November 8 | 1:00 PM

Alice Paul: The Suffragist

depicted by Christine Flynn

Historic interpreter Christine Flynn will present Suffragist Alice Paul. Dressed in character, Flynn portrays Alice as she fights for the right for women to vote. Alice Paul was a wealthy and well-educated practicing Quaker, called to public service by her faith. She is considered one of the foremost leaders and strategists of the campaign for the 19th Amendment to the U.S. Constitution.

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PROGRAMS

MUSEUM PASS PROGRAM

The Academy of Natural Sciences of Drexel University

Admits 2 adults & 5 children age 18 & under

African American Museum of Philadelphia

Admits 4 adults and 8 children

Battleship New Jersey

Admits 2 adults and 3 children

Bowman's Hill Wildflower Preserve

Admits 2 adults and 3 children

Boyertown Museum of Historic Vehicles

Admits 2 adults and 3 children

Bucks County Children's Museum

Admits 6 people

Chanticleer Garden

Admits 4 people

Eastern State Penitentiary

Admits 6 people, children under 7 are free

Elmwood Park Zoo

Admits 2 adults and 6 children

Glencairn Museum

Admits 4 people

Mercer Museum (does not include Fonthill)

Admits 2 adults and 2 children

Michener Art Museum

Admits 2 adults and their dependents



Museum of the American Revolution

Admits 2 adults and 4 children age 6-17

Mutter Museum - Admits 4 people

National Constitution Center

Admits 2 adults and 4 children

Penn Museum

Admits 2 adults and children <18 in one household

Pennsbury Manor

Admits 4 adults and children under 18 years old

Philadelphia's Magic Gardens

Admits 2 adults and 3 children

Please Touch Museum

Admits 6 people, plus free parking & carpool; rides

Railroad Museum of Pennsylvania

Admits 2 adults and 4 children

Shofuso Japanese House and Garden

Admits 2 adults and 5 children

Washington Crossing Historic Park

admits 4 people

Wings of Freedom Aviation Museum

Admits 4 people

Woodmere Art Museum

Admits 2 adults and 4 children age 18 or under

NORTHAMPTON TOWNSHIP ARCHIVES & HISTORICAL COMMISSION

The Historical Commission has been active with preserving and advocating for Northampton's history. Archive staff and Commission members photographed the Luff House-Bucks County Courier Times building and the exterior of the Mill Race Inn. Members also attended the 2025 Northampton Day event and Rep. Frank Farry's Senior Expo in September. Currently, the Commission and staff are working on preserving and placing signage at the two eighteenth-century, township-owned cemeteries: Addisville Reformed Church Cemetery along Second Street Pike and the Feaster-Van Horn Cemetery on Middle Holland Road.

Do you have a history question or need help with researching your genealogy? Would you like to donate Northampton or Council Rock related material? Contact the Archives.

Contact the Archives via email or phone archivist@nhtwp.org or 215.357.3050 x 114

You can always check our online catalog: <https://northamptonbucksarchives.libraryhost.com/>



ARCHIVES HOURS

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Call the fire department from a cellphone or a neighbor's phone. Stay outside until the fire department says it's safe to go back inside.

For more information about smoke alarms, visit usfa.fema.gov and www.nfpa.org.



Winter driving can be hazardous and scary, especially in northern regions that get a lot of snow and ice. Additional preparations can help make a trip safer, or help motorists deal with an emergency. This sheet provides safety information to your residents to help prevent motor vehicle injuries due to winter storms.

THE THREE P'S OF SAFE WINTER DRIVING:

PREPARE for the trip;
PROTECT yourself;
and **PREVENT** crashes on the road.

PREPARE

- **Maintain Your Car:** Check battery, tire tread, and windshield wipers, keep your windows clear, put no-freeze fluid in the washer reservoir, and check your antifreeze.
- **Have On Hand:** flashlight, jumper cables, abrasive material (sand, kitty litter, even floor mats), shovel, snow brush and ice scraper, warning devices (like flares) and blankets. For long trips, add food and water, medication and cell phone.
- **Stopped or Stalled?** Stay in your car, don't overexert, put bright markers on antenna or windows and shine dome light, and, if you run your car, clear exhaust pipe and run it just enough to stay warm.
- **Plan Your Route:** Allow plenty of time (check the weather and leave early if necessary), be familiar with the maps/ directions, and let others know your route and arrival time.

Practice Cold Weather Driving!

- During the daylight, rehearse maneuvers slowly on ice or snow in an empty lot.
- Steer into a skid.
- Know what your brakes will do: stomp on antilock brakes, pump on non-antilock brakes.
- Stopping distances are longer on water-covered snow and ice.
- Don't idle for a long time with the windows up or in an enclosed space.

PROTECT YOURSELF

- Buckle up and use child safety seats properly.
- Never place a rear-facing infant seat in front of an air bag.
- Children 12 and under are much safer in the back seat.

PREVENT CRASHES

- Drugs and alcohol never mix with driving.
- Slow down and increase distances between cars.
- Keep your eyes open for pedestrians walking in the road.
- Avoid fatigue – Get plenty of rest before the trip, stop at least every three hours, and rotate drivers if possible.
- If you are planning to drink, designate a sober driver.



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