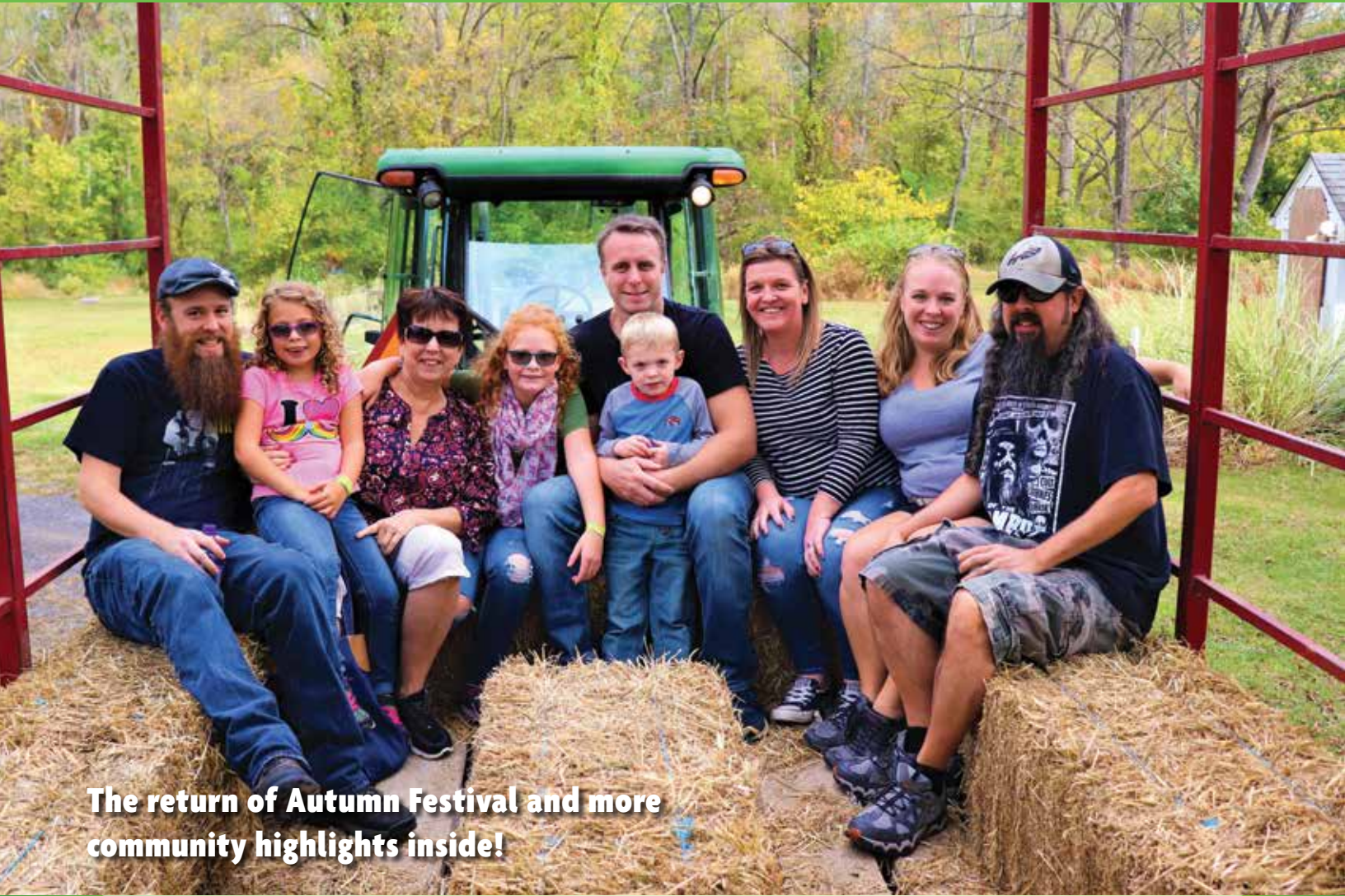


MONTGOMERY TOWNSHIP

Community News

MONTGOMERY TOWNSHIP, PENNSYLVANIA



The return of Autumn Festival and more community highlights inside!

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Board of Supervisors

The Board of Supervisors is a five-member Board serving 6-year terms. They meet on the 2nd and the 4th Monday of the month at 7:00 p.m. in the Township Meeting Room located in the Township Building.

Learn all about the Board of Supervisors on the Township's website at www.montgomerytwp.org/board.

2022 Board of Supervisors

Left to Right: Audrey R. Ware, Vice-Chairwoman Candyce Fluehr Chimera, Chairwoman Tanya C. Bamford, Beth A. Staab, Annette M. Long



A Message from the Chairwoman



*Chairwoman
Tanya C. Bamford*

Hello again!

If you are reading this letter, congratulations! You survived a brutally hot summer and are most likely looking forward to the arrival of cooler temperatures. Finding ways to keep cool during the heat wave we experienced created some challenges for our KidsU Summer Camp. Fortunately, our intrepid Parks & Recreation team led by Floyd Shaffer rose to the occasion. With 160+ campers per week to keep safe from the heat, this was no small task. Between numerous visits to the Hatfield Township pool and setting up water slides on the front lawn of the Community & Recreation Center (CRC), not to mention conducting the ever-popular KU Water Carnival at Spring Valley Park, they were able to keep our campers cool and comfortable. Other members of our community stayed cool at the CRC Splash Pad. In fact, you may have even seen the coverage of our Splash Pad on NBC10 by Reporter Deanna Durante who aptly dubbed our facility a "community gem".

Under the category of hot topics, this summer the draft of the Township's Comprehensive Plan was completed. The Comprehensive Plan outlines the goals and objectives for the community over the next 10 years as they relate to land use, housing, economic development, community facilities, transportation and infrastructure, and natural resources. Montgomery Township's Comprehensive Plan was developed with input from the community. Many thanks to the members of our Planning Commission, our planning consultant, as well as everyone who participated in our many surveys and feedback-gathering sessions. Once it is reviewed by the Board of Supervisors, it will be sent to neighboring municipalities and the North Penn School District for review and feedback. The draft document will also be posted on the Township's website (www.montgomerytwp.org), offering the public a chance to review and comment on it before it's formally adopted by the Board of Supervisors at an upcoming public meeting.

In other news, the Township continues to fulfill its mission to provide for the safety and well-being of our residents. In July, we conducted a COVID-19 vaccination clinic at the Township Building. We also swore in and welcomed two new officers to our Police Department: Hannah Moran and Sean Orrison. In August, the Fire Department (FDMT) conducted a Jr. Firefighter Academy, Jr. Firefighter Camp, and partnered with our Police Public Works, and EMS to host another successful National Night Out.

Looking ahead, we are eagerly anticipating the 20th Anniversary of the Autumn Festival. This special event will once again be held at the William F. Maule Park at Windlestrae on Saturday, October 15th. This year's event will feature family favorite activities like live music, hayrides, and scarecrow making. Other familiar features include vendor tables, police/fire/EMS demonstrations, amusements, and tasty food. New this year will be a celebratory beer garden, plus a commemorative fireworks presentation. I hope that you will take advantage of this wonderful chance to gather with family and friends to celebrate the 20th anniversary of our premier community festival.

As always, if you have any feedback or concerns about the Township, please contact us at 215-393-6900, or come visit us at a public meeting. You will find the list of meeting dates and times on our website at www.montgomerytwp.org

Warm wishes,

Tanya C. Bamford
Montgomery Township Board of Supervisors

Township Contact Information

Montgomery Township

1001 Stump Road
Montgomeryville, PA 18936

Phone: 215-393-6900

Fax: 215-855-6656

Email:

generalinfo@montgomerytwp.org

Community and Recreation Center

1030 Horsham Road
Montgomeryville, PA 18936

Phone: 267-649-7200

Federal, State, & County Government

Federal Government

U.S. Senators

Robert P. Casey, Jr.: 215-405-9660

Patrick J. Toomey: 215-241-1090

U.S. Representative for the 1st PA Federal Congressional District

Brian Fitzpatrick
1717 Langhorne Newtown Road, Suite 400
Langhorne, PA 19047 • 215-579-8102

Commonwealth of Pennsylvania Government

State Governor: Tom Wolf

110 N. 8th Street
Philadelphia, PA 19107 • 215-560-2640

State Senator for the 12th District:

Maria Collett
1180 Welsh Road, Suite 130
North Wales, PA 19454
215-368-1429

State Representative for the 151st District:

Todd Stephens
515 Stump Road, North Wales, PA 19454
215-368-5165

Montgomery County Government County Offices:

One Montgomery Plaza
425 Swede Street, Norristown, PA 19401
610-278-3000

Commissioners

Valerie A. Arkoosh, MD, MPH, Chair
Ken Lawrence, Jr., Vice Chair
Joseph C. Gale

Board of Assessment Appeals

610-278-3761

Commissioners - 610-278-3020

Courthouse - 610-278-3224

Dog Licenses (forms available at the Township Building) -
610-278-3066

Health Department - 610-278-5117

Jury Commissioners - 610-278-3215

Marriage Licenses - 610-278-3414

Recorder of Deeds - 610-278-3289

Veterans Affairs - 610-278-3285

Voter Services - 610-278-3280

Registration forms available at the Township Building and at
www.pavoterservices.state.pa.us

We Are Montgomery Township

In Montgomery County, PA

#WeAreMontgomeryTwp

- Montgomery Township is one of 62 municipalities within the border of Montgomery County. Having the same first name as the County has frequently caused confusion among the citizens of Montgomery County. We often will take a moment to educate callers about the difference between the Township and the County. We have the same name, but we are much smaller than Montgomery County.
- Montgomery Township residents are serviced by five different post offices. While you are a resident of Montgomery Township, your home mailing address may be listed as:
 - Lansdale 19446
 - North Wales 19454
 - Montgomeryville 18936
 - Colmar 18915
 - Chalfont 18914
- Your mailing address may be one of these five post offices, but your municipality is Montgomery Township. The next time someone asks where do you live? Take a moment and proudly let them know you live in Montgomery Township, Montgomery County, PA!



Township Office Information

Administration and Planning & Zoning | 8:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

Finance and Sewer Authority | 8:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

Fire Department | 7:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

Volunteer staff overnight & weekends for 24 hour emergency services

Police Department | 24 hours a day

Public Works Department | 7:30 a.m. - 3:30 p.m.

Recreation- Visit the Community & Recreation Center's website at www.montcrc.com



Administration Department

(Includes Public Information & Human Resources)
215-393-6900

The Administration Department focuses on delivering quality, reliable, customer-oriented services to Township residents. This department supports the Board of Supervisors and includes the offices of Public Information and Human Resources.



Township Manager: Carolyn McCreary

The Township Manager is the chief administrative officer of the Township, who is directly responsible to the Board of Supervisors for the administration of all Township affairs. All departments, offices, and agencies of the Township are directed and supervised by the

Township Manager. She manages the day-to-day operations, administration, and execution of policies and objectives set by the Board of Supervisors.

Human Resources Office

The role of the Human Resources Office is to attract and select qualified applicants, retain valuable employees, provide training and education, and ensure a safe, healthful, and positive working environment. We seek to maintain the same high level of professionalism, care, and respect among employees that is shown to the members of the Montgomery Township community.

Public Information Office

The Public Information Office increases citizen awareness and participation in township government programs and events through various communication channels including the website, social media, weekly electronic newsletter, cable channel, seasonal Community News publications.



Information Technology Department

Director of Information Technology: Richard Grier

The Information Technology Department provides technology services to facilitate the Township mission and strategic plan as it applies to Public Safety and Government Services. IT Staff strives to provide stable, reliable, and secure IT access. To accomplish this mission, we work collaboratively with every department to provide technological leadership.

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS!

How do I get rid of small animals in my home or in my yard?

The Township does not capture small animals or remove animals from homes or private yards. Residents should call a local pest control company for assistance.

There is a dead deer on the street. How do I get it removed?

If the deer is on a state road (Upper State, County Line, Route 202, Kenas Road, Horsham Road (Route 463), Hartman Road, Taylor Road, Route 309, Lansdale Avenue and Route 63), please contact PennDOT at 1-800-FIX-ROAD (1-800-349-7623). If the deer is on a Township road, please contact the PA Game Commission at 610-926-3136.

Who handles the water in Montgomery Township?

North Wales Water Authority (NWWA) serves the majority of the Township. For any questions about water services, please call NWWA at 215-699-4836. A small portion of the Township is serviced by North Penn Water Authority (NPWA). The number for NPWA is 215-855-3617.

Where is the District Court located and who is the District Justice?

The District Justice for Montgomery Township is Judge Andrea Duffy. The district court is located at 271 Bethlehem Pike, Suite 105 in Colmar, PA 18915. The phone number for district court is 215-855-3946.

What ambulance company serves Montgomery Township?

The Volunteer Medical Service Corps (VMSC) serves Montgomery Township as its primary ambulance service provider. The VMSC

has three different sub-stations including one located next to the Township Building. For more information about the VMSC, please call their non-emergency number 215-855-3779.

I need trash collection in Montgomery Township?

As a resident of Montgomery Township, you are responsible to contract with your own trash hauler. For more information, please visit the Northern Montgomery County Recycling Commission online at www.northmontcorecycle.com

Is there a library in Montgomery Township?

There is no physical library building in Montgomery Township. Residents are encouraged to visit the North Wales Area Library (233 S. Swartley Street, North Wales, PA 19454), which is supported by Montgomery Township. The Montgomery County-Norristown Bookmobile visits the Montgomery Township Community & Recreation Center (1030 Horsham Road, Montgomeryville, PA 18936) on Fridays from 10:30am to 4:00pm.

If you acquire a MCLINC library card, you can research books online to reserve from many libraries in the area and the bookmobile will bring them on Fridays. Also with a MCLINC library card, you should be able to visit participating libraries in Montgomery County. Searching for MCLINC online will take you to the list of participating libraries.

2022 Municipal Election Information



Election Day: November 8, 2022 - Polls are open 7am-8pm
Voter Registration Deadline: October 24, 2022
Absentee Ballot Application Deadline November 1, 2022
Register online:..... Visit <https://www.pavoterservices.state.pa.us>
Apply for an absentee ballot online:..... <http://montcopa.org/754/Absentee-Voting>

You can also obtain an application for an absentee ballot at the Township Administration Building.

Know Your Voting District!

Do you know where you're going to vote?

Montgomery Township has eight voting districts and five different polling locations that are listed below.

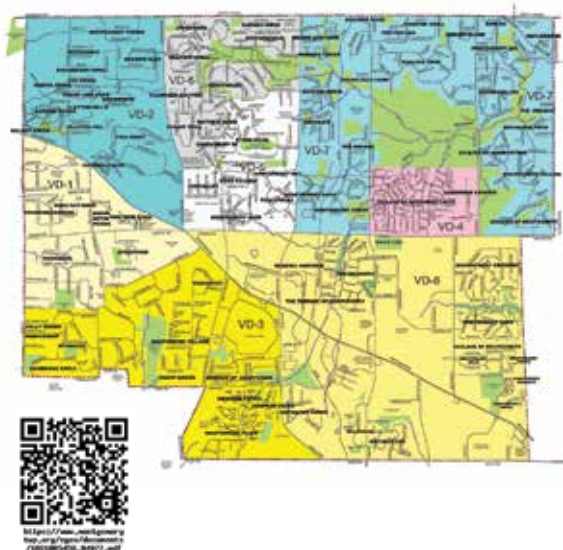
Districts 1 & 3: Bridle Path Elementary School
200 Bridle Path Road, Lansdale, PA 19446

Districts 2 & 7: Montgomery Elementary School
1221 Stump Road, North Wales, PA 19454

District 4: Neshaminy Falls Club House
195 Stump Road, North Wales, PA 19454

Districts 5 & 6: Montgomery Township Building
1001 Stump Road, Montgomeryville, PA 18936

District 8: Montgomery Township Community & Recreation Center
1030 Horsham Road, Montgomeryville, PA 18936



To view a larger version of the Montgomery Township Voting Districts map, visit montgomerytwp.org or scan the QR code.

New Resolutions

Resolution 2022-26, Encouraging the Reduction of Single-Use Plastics

On May 29, 2022, the Board of Supervisors adopted a Resolution to encourage Township businesses, residents, and visitors to voluntarily participate in reducing the distribution of single-use plastic bags, straws, and polystyrene containers.



Resolution Recognizing and Honoring Township Volunteer, Roy Rodriguez

On June 11, 2022, Roy Rodriguez, a longtime Township volunteer with an impressive resume, was honored with a Resolution commending and thanking him for his years of service to Montgomery Township. His contributions include:

- 26 years on the Shade Tree Commission
- 18 years on the Open Space Committee
- Intimate involvement with the planning, design, and development of Memorial Grove, a quiet place of reflection

- Serving on the Korean War Memorial America-Korea Peace Park Committee, which worked tirelessly to establish a memorial to honor the veterans who served in the Korean War and provide a site for reflection

As Roy steps down from his role as Chair of the Shade Tree Commission, Montgomery Township pays tribute to his efforts and commitment to the Township by renaming the annual Arbor Day Tree Giveaway to the Roy Rodriguez Annual Tree Giveaway.



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Community Outreach

Community Outreach Successes

- 767 pounds of food and essential items collected and donated to Mattie N. Dixon Food Cupboard during Montgomery Township Police Department's spring food drive.
- 106 pounds of prescription and over-the-counter drugs collected and properly disposed of during Drug Take Back Day
- 15,795 pounds of electronic waste recycled at the Environmental Advisory Committee's Electronic Recycling event.



- Total for 6 years of events: 129,912 pounds
- 785 pounds of single-use batteries recycled since June 2021
- 225 free trees distributed during the Shade Tree Commission's Arbor Day Tree Giveaway
- 127 units of blood donated to date in 2022 in partnership with the American Red Cross



Upcoming Events

Keep an eye on our website and social media channels for dates for these upcoming events and more!

- Blood Drives
- Breakfast with Santa
- Food Drives
- Toys for Tots



Community Engagement

Website Revamp

The Public Information Office has officially begun working on a revamp of the Township's website, montgomerytwp.org. Through collaboration with the "eGov" branch of Core Business Technologies, the website is being developed with ease of navigation, ADA accessibility compliance, and visual community storytelling at its center. We look forward to sharing updates about enhancements to our online presence!



Introducing New Geographical Information System (GIS)



Montgomery Township recently hired its first Geographical Information System (GIS) Analyst and began using the ESRI ArcGIS software. This powerful application and its tools provide many benefits to Township operations and public information, including:

- Improved efficiency and asset management, leading to operational cost savings
- Enhanced internal and public communication
- Greater access to data, resulting in superior decision-making

Keep an eye on our website and social media channels for more opportunities to engage with our GIS applications.



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SUNDAY MORNING WORSHIP 10:00AM

For information about our worship, ministries and activities visit GwyneddSquare.org or follow us on social media.



HOW TO AVOID A SCAM

Four SIGNS THAT IT'S A SCAM

- 1. Scammers PRETEND to be from an organization you know.** Scammers often pretend to be contacting you on behalf of the government. They might use a real name, like the Social Security Administration, the IRS, or Medicare, or make up a name that sounds official. Some pretend to be from a business you know, like a utility company, a tech company, or even a charity asking for donations. They use technology to change the phone number that appears on your caller ID. So the name and number you see might not be real.
- 2. Scammers say there's a PROBLEM or a PRIZE.** They might say you're in trouble with the government. Or you owe money. Or someone in your family had an emergency. Or that there's a virus on your computer. Some scammers say there's a problem with one of your accounts and that you need to verify some information. Others will lie and say you won money in a lottery or sweepstakes but have to pay a fee to get it.
- 3. Scammers PRESSURE you to act immediately.** Scammers want you to act before you have time to think. If you're on the phone, they might tell you not to hang up so you can't check out their story. They might threaten to arrest you, sue you, take away your driver's or business license, or deport you. They might say your computer is about to be corrupted.
- 4. Scammers tell you to PAY in a specific way.** They often insist that you pay by sending money through a money transfer company or by putting money on a gift card and then giving them the number on the back. Some will send you a check (that will later turn out to be fake), tell you to deposit it, and then send them money.



Information for this article from the
Federal Trade Commission website: [ftc.gov](https://www.ftc.gov).

WHAT YOU CAN DO TO AVOID A SCAM

- 1. Block unwanted calls and text messages.** Take steps to block unwanted calls and to filter unwanted text messages.
- 2. Don't give your personal or financial information in response to a request that you didn't expect.** Legitimate organizations won't call, email, or text to ask for your personal information, such as your Social Security, bank account, or credit card numbers. If you get an email or text message from a company you do business with and you think it's real, it's still best not to click on any links. Instead, contact them using a website you know is trustworthy. Or look up their phone number. Don't call a number they gave you or the number from your caller ID.
- 3. Resist the pressure to act immediately.** Legitimate businesses will give you time to make a decision. Anyone who pressures you to pay or give them your personal information is a scammer.
- 4. Know how scammers tell you to pay.** Never pay someone who insists you pay with a gift card or by using a money transfer service. And never deposit a check and send money back to someone.
- 5. Stop and talk to someone you trust.** Before you do anything else, tell someone — a friend, a family member, a neighbor — what happened. Talking about it could help you realize it's a scam.

If you were scammed or think you saw a scam, report it to the Federal Trade Commission at [ReportFraud.ftc.gov](https://www.ftc.gov/report-fraud).

The mission of the Finance Department is to keep distinct and accurate accounts of all sums received from taxes and other sources, which shall be open to the inspection of the Board of Supervisors and any citizen of this Commonwealth.



Director of Finance:
Brian Shapiro

Popular Annual Financial Report (PAFR)

On behalf of the Board of Supervisors, we are pleased to present to you Montgomery Township's first Popular Annual Financial Report (PAFR) for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2021.

Our goal in producing this report is to present a clear, concise picture of the Township's financial position and its operations.

The figures shown in this report are taken from our more detailed annual report, which can be found on our website.



Montgomery Township Receives GFOA's Distinguished Budget Presentation Award

Government Finance Officers Association is pleased to announce that Montgomery Township, Pennsylvania, has received GFOA's Distinguished Budget Presentation Award for its budget.

The award represents a significant achievement by the entity. It reflects the commitment of the governing body and staff to meeting the highest principles of governmental budgeting. In order to receive the budget award, the entity had to satisfy nationally recognized guidelines for effective budget presentation. These guidelines are designed to assess how well an entity's budget serves as:

- a policy document
- a financial plan
- an operations guide
- a communications device

Budget documents must be rated "proficient" in all four categories, and in the fourteen mandatory criteria within those categories, to receive the award.

When a Distinguished Budget Presentation Award is granted to an entity, a Certificate of Recognition for Budget Presentation is also presented to the

individual(s) or department designated as being primarily responsible for having achieved the award. This has been presented to Brian Shapiro, Director of Finance.

There are over 1,700 participants in the Budget Awards Program.

The most recent Budget

Award recipients, along with their corresponding budget documents, are posted quarterly on GFOA's website. Award recipients have pioneered efforts to improve the quality of budgeting and provide an excellent example for other governments throughout North America.

Government Finance Officers Association (GFOA) advances excellence in government finance by providing best practices, professional development, resources and practical research for more than 21,000 members and the communities they serve.



Finance Director, Brian Shapiro, receives plaque from Township Manager, Carolyn McCreary, recognizing his leadership in guiding the Finance Department toward two GFOA awards.

Finance Department (continued)

Montgomery Township Receives GFOA Popular Award for Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 2020

Government Finance Officers Association of the United States and Canada (GFOA) has given an Award for Outstanding Achievement in Popular Annual Financial Reporting to Montgomery Township, PA for its Popular Annual Financial Report (PAFR) for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2020. The Award for Outstanding Achievement in Popular Annual Financial Reporting is a prestigious national award recognizing conformance with the highest standards for the preparation of state and local government popular reports.

In order to receive an Award for Outstanding Achievement in Popular Annual Financial Reporting, a government unit must publish a Popular Annual Financial Report, whose contents conform to program standards of

creativity, presentation, understandability, and reader appeal.

An Award for Outstanding Achievement in Popular Annual Financial Reporting is valid for a period of one year only. This is the first year that Montgomery Township, PA has received the Popular Award. We

would like to thank and congratulate Lucy Gonzalez in our Finance Department for her diligence and hard work that made this outstanding achievement possible.



Lucy Gonzalez, Account Analyst, is presented with a plaque from Brian Finance Director, Brian Shapiro, recognizing her outstanding efforts on the Popular Annual Financial Report (PAFR) for calendar year 2020 and for her 2022 budget presentation.

Real Estate Tax

Tax Collector: Patricia "Trish" Gallagher

Phone: 215-996-9999 • Fax: 215-996-9951 • Email Address: tgallagher@montgomerytp.org

Address: PO Box 690, Montgomeryville, PA 18936

The Real Estate Tax Collector is independently elected and is responsible for collecting the Township's real estate tax and street light assessment (where applicable). The Real Estate Tax Collector also collects real estate taxes for Montgomery County and the school taxes for North Penn School District.

Tax bills for the Township and County are combined and issued March 1 of every year. School district bills are issued July 1 of every year.

2022 REAL ESTATE TAX RATE Millage

1.14 general fund
.56 fire protection
.27 parks and rec
.52 debt service
2.49 total mils

Recognition of Dr. Mitch Barrer Retired Public Safety Committee Member

On Monday, July 25, 2022, the Board of Supervisors recognized the service of longtime Public Safety Committee volunteer, Dr. Mitch Barrer, affectionately known as "Doc."

Police Chief J. Scott Bendig shared the following remarks:

"On behalf of myself, Chief Wiegman, and Director Reiff, it is my honor and privilege to present to the board this evening a recommendation to recognize the service and contributions of Dr. Mitch Barrer "Doc" as a member of the Township's Public Safety Committee.

Doc has served on our Public Safety Committee for 40 years, making recommendations and addressing matters related to the public safety of our residents. Doc was instrumental in helping the Police Department become one of the first agencies

in the Commonwealth to achieve accreditation in 2004, reviewing policies related to the medical treatment of those in police custody. One of his responsibilities as a member of the Public Safety Committee was to participate in the selection process of individuals for appointment of police officers.

Today, Doc continues to serve our community as a Fire Police Officer with the FDMT.

Doc, thank you for your contributions, you will be missed on the third Wednesday of every month!"



Business Tax

Earned Income, Local Services, Business Privilege, and Mercantile/Amusement Taxes

Berkheimer Tax Innovations has been commissioned by Montgomery Township to collect the following taxes:

- Earned Income Tax
- Local Services Tax
- Business Privilege Tax
- Mercantile Tax (includes Amusement Tax)

Berkheimer Tax Innovations has been collecting taxes for over eighty years. Residents can contact Berkheimer through a variety of ways:

Berkheimer Tax Innovations, Montgomery County Local Office , Bridgeport Borough Hall, 63 West 4th St, Bridgeport, PA 19405

Office Hours: Monday, Wednesday, Friday 9 AM – 12:30 PM & 1:30 PM – 4 PM, Closed: Tuesday & Thursday

Drop Box Available

Website: <https://www.hab-inc.com/>

Online payment information:

<https://www.hab-inc.com/electronic-services/online-payments/>

Tax Department	Phone	Fax Number	Email
Business Privilege Tax / Mercantile Tax	866-701-7206	(610) 588-5765	eBPT@goberk.com
Earned Income Tax	866-701-7206	(610) 588-5765	edoc1@goberk.com
Delinquent Taxes	866-701-7206	(610) 588-5765	eDLT@goberk.com
Local Services Tax	866-701-7206	(610) 588-5765	eLST@goberk.com

Montgomery Township's Municipality (PSD Code) is 461105



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Montgomery Township's 20th Annual Autumn Festival



Montgomery Township
20th Annual
Autumn Festival

Saturday, October 15th
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Find out how you can be part of our staple community event at montgomerytwp.org
(search "Autumn Festival") or scan the QR Code!

Congratulations to the winner of our 2020 Autumn Festival Logo Design Contest, Isabel Dreher! This is the first year the new logo is being implemented into Autumn Festival promotion.

Montgomery Township Community & Recreation Center

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The Neighborhood Place for Fitness, Friendship, and FUN!

The Montgomery Township Community & Recreation Center (Mont CRC) provides a safe and clean community-oriented fitness experience. Affordable memberships are offered for the entire household to serve every member's leisure and fitness needs. Mont CRC offers a diverse menu of athletic, arts, and cultural programming to engage all ages from pre-school children to elementary-age children to teenagers to adults to senior citizens.



The Community & Recreation Center



Director of Community & Recreation Center:
Floyd Shaffer

The Recreation Department is responsible for the daily operations of the Community & Recreation Center, providing a broad range of recreational programs, classes, and fun opportunities to the public.



Indoor Walking Track

Our indoor walking track is available to all Residents of Montgomery Township at no cost!



Fitness Center

Our fitness center hosts exercise machines to fit your workout and help you achieve your fitness goals. Available equipment includes treadmills, ellipticals, a rowing machine, targeted muscle group workout machines, a Smith machine, a bench press, free weights, and more. We invite you to take a look at the facility before you purchase a membership to determine if we are the right fit for you.



Multipurpose Sports Gymnasium

Our multipurpose sports gymnasium hosts various sports and community events, including basketball, pickleball, youth sports, community expos, and more. When space permits, members and daily users may use the gymnasium to shoot baskets on our two full courts, with 12 baskets total. As a Community Center, we request that all of our members and guests respect each other's space. Please call 267-649-7200 in advance of your visit to confirm gymnasium availability for the day.



Upcoming programs this Fall/Winter

Flag Football

Messy Art

To view our full program menu and to register, please visit montcrc.com.



Fitness Classes -

We accept SilverSneakers plans!

To view the current fitness class schedule, please visit montcrc.com.

Affordable Memberships for the Whole Household!

	Annual Memberships		3-Month Memberships	
	Township Residents	Non-Residents	Township Residents	Non-Residents
Individual Adult	\$200.00	\$260.00	\$60.00	\$75.00
Individual Youth	\$120.00	\$170.00	\$45.00	\$66.00
Individual Senior	\$120.00	\$170.00	\$45.00	\$66.00
Household (up to 5 members - Only 2 Adults + 3 Children under 18 per Household before additional charges apply)	\$400.00	\$525.00	\$126.00	\$150.00
Household of 2 under 62	\$350.00	\$475.00	\$102.00	\$126.00
Household of 2 over 62	\$200.00	\$275.00	\$60.00	\$75.00

Household Membership Add-Ons		
Extra Child	\$25 Annual Membership	\$30 3-Month Membership
Extra Adult	\$30 Annual Membership	\$50 3-Month Membership
Grandchild Add-Ons (Especially During Summer) - \$30.00 per grandchild for 3 month period		

College Memberships	Township Residents	Non-Residents
1 Month (Winter)	\$20.00	\$25.00
2 Months (Longer Winter)	\$35.00	\$40.00
3 Months (Summer Break)	\$50.00	\$60.00
Daily Fee: \$5 per guest		



Follow the Community & Recreation Center on Facebook at www.facebook.com/MontCRC
We look forward to seeing you at Mont CRC, "The Neighborhood Place for Fitness, Friendship, and FUN!"



Breakfast with Santa

Santa is checking his calendar to see when he can visit Montgomery Township. Keep your eyes on montcrc.com and our social media channels for the announcement of the event date!



Montgomery County-Norristown Bookmobile

The Montgomery County-Norristown Bookmobile is on-site at the Community & Recreation Center on Fridays from 10:30am-4:00pm. The Bookmobile is part of the MCLINC Montgomery County Library system and accepts library cards that are accepted at other branches within the library system.



Kids University Summer Program

Thank you to all of our counselors, campers, and families who made Kids University a success this summer! We had so much FUN doing arts and crafts, playing sports and games, going on pool trips and field trips, and of course participating in our weekly theme days! We can't wait for next summer!



Summer Concert Series

Thank you to everyone for coming out to dance, jam, and sit back and enjoy all of the bands during our Summer Concert Series! They were hugely successful, and we look forward to our 2023 Summer Concert Series!

1030 Horsham Road, Montgomeryville, PA 18936 | www.montcrc.com | 267-649-7200

The Public Works Department works year-round to keep Township facilities, parks, and roads well maintained and enjoyable for all to use.



Director of Public Works:
Greg Reiff

Whistlestop Park Court Repairs

Work will commence this Fall on necessary repairs to the various sports courts at Whistlestop Park. Repairs will consist of:



Stone dust overlays on both the hockey and basketball courts



Crack repairs and new color coating and striping on the tennis courts



Installation of two (2) new basketball systems, including poles, backstops, nets, etc.

*All photos shown are before repairs. "After" photos will be shared in an upcoming edition of the Community News, on social media, and in the E-News.



Christmas Tree Recycling

Did you know that Montgomery Township will recycle your Christmas tree? When you recycle your Christmas tree, it goes back into our Township parks. Montgomery Township would like to thank those who recycled their tree this past winter. We will continue the program again this year beginning December 26, 2022, at Windlestrae Park, 1147 Kenas Road, North Wales, PA. The drop-off location will be marked with a sign.



Street Sweeper

Twice yearly, the Public Works Department sends out the street sweeper to clean the streets of any naturally fallen leaves and debris. Unfortunately, as the trees mature, the Township grows, and the weather is uncooperative this process becomes increasingly more difficult. We would like to remind residents not to blow or deposit leaves or grass clippings into the roadway. If the sweeper encounters an abundance of leaves or debris, they will be required to go around it as our machine is not a vacuum and is unable to handle those large quantities. We pride ourselves on making this Township a wonderful and clean place to live and would appreciate the residents help whenever possible.

Important Information Regarding...

SNOW REMOVAL in Montgomery Township

Why are some roads cleared before others?

As snow begins to accumulate, the Township concentrates on certain roads. The first streets that receive attention are the main roads. If the snow keeps falling, the Township's priority is to keep the main roads open and passable. In such instances, it is unlikely that residential roads will be reached immediately, because the main roads must be repeatedly plowed and kept open.

High priority is given to the clearing of the main roads to allow for school buses and emergency vehicles to gain access to all parts of the Township. As soon as all the main roads are clear, equipment is immediately moved into residential areas.

Under normal circumstances, cul-de-sacs are the last residential street to be cleared. Cul-de-sacs are plowed last, because they carry the lowest volume of traffic among the different types of streets.

Salting and plowing...

There are two aspects of a snow operation – salting and plowing. When roads start to freeze from falling precipitation, salting operations



Public Works Department (continued)

SNOW REMOVAL in Montgomery Township *continued*

begin on major roads and continue until all roads are completed or until it is no longer effective to salt, due to the depth of the snow. The more traffic on a road, the more effective the salt. As a result, sometimes residential streets with small amounts of traffic appear to have not been salted.

Please, keep in mind that as the temperature drops, the salt becomes less effective. Once the temperature drops below 20 degrees, salt becomes ineffective.

If snowfall accumulates and plowing is required, salting operations cease. When the snow stops and final plowing is accomplished on all roads, salt is again spread on all the roads. All roads are monitored for icy spots and re-salted if dangerous.

Clearing your driveway...

As salting and plowing are difficult operations to perform, residents are requested to park in their driveways when snow is anticipated rather, than on the street. Please, keep in mind that it is almost impossible to keep snow from being deposited at your driveway during plowing, as the plow cannot be lifted or stopped at each driveway as it passes.

If you have your driveway plowed before the street is completed, here is a tip that will help minimize the amount of snow left in front of your driveway: when your driveway is cleaned, clear an area to the left of the drive entrance (standing in the driveway, facing the street). When your street is plowed, the snow from the plow can be unloaded in this area instead of your driveway.

Plows sometimes find it necessary to make several passes, to clear snow all, the way to the curb to allow for proper drainage.

Please, do not empty snow from your driveway into the street; this slows the overall plowing operation. Also, if snow that is placed in the street freezes, it can create a traffic hazard.

Mailboxes...

Each property owner should check their mailbox front to ensure that it is the minimum of 6 inches (6") behind the face of the curb, which is within federal postal regulations. Prior to the start of winter, the homeowner should reset any mailboxes protruding past the minimum measurement of 6 inches (6") behind the face of the curb. This will ensure that the mailbox will not be damaged during the plowing operations. Any damage that may occur will be the responsibility of the homeowner unless the plow truck was directly responsible.

Please, Be Patient...

Please, be patient, snow removal is a difficult and time-consuming job. Since Township crews need many hours of intensive labor to complete snow clearing operations, please try to limit your travel during and immediately following a snowfall unless necessary. The less traffic on the roads during snow clearing operations, the quicker the job can be accomplished.

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In the Planning & Zoning Department, it is our mission to preserve and improve the quality of life for residents and businesses within the community through the enforcement of the codes and ordinances of the Township, to be sensitive to the needs of the community while involved in planning and redevelopment, **and to serve the community as we would ourselves.**



**Director of
Planning &
Zoning:**
Bruce S. Shoupe

We hope the information below helps guide you as a homeowner/business owner of Montgomery Township. The Planning & Zoning Office is happy to answer any questions you may have. Please contact us at 215-393-6920 or stop-in the office Monday through Friday, 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Building permit applications are available on The Township's website at www.montgomerytp.org and from the Planning and Zoning Office.

View all Township Codes & Ordinances at <https://bit.ly/37f6K9C>

Common Projects That Need Permits

Montgomery Township requires building permits for any addition, alteration, demolition, replacement, or new construction prior to the start of any work including, but not limited to:

- Remodeling (*Kitchens, bathrooms, basements, etc.*)
- Electric and Plumbing Work
- Heating & Air Conditioning (*new & replacement units*)
- Roofing and Non-Vinyl Siding
- Hot Water Heaters (*expansion tank required*)
- Decks, Patios and Walkways
- Fences
- Fireplaces, Wood Stoves, Fire Pits, Chimneys
- Pergolas and Gazebos
- Sheds and Detached Garages
- Swimming pools and Hot Tubs / Spas
- Whole House Generators
- Solar Panels and Charging Stations
- Driveway Expansions

Please contact the Planning & Zoning office with any questions regarding projects, if permits are required, and permit submissions

ADDITIONS, ROOF STRUCTURES, SHEDS, PATIOS, DECKS, SWIMMING POOLS, GENERATORS.

There are setback requirements for these projects dependent upon the zoning district. Applications submitted require a site plan with measurements showing where the structures will be placed on the property.

FENCES.

A new or replacement fence requires a permit. Fences cannot be placed directly on the property line, a minimum of two inches within is recommended. Applications submitted require a site plan with measurements showing where the fence will be placed on the property. The good side of the fence must face outward towards the neighboring property. There are also specific requirements for corner properties, heights of fences, and types of fences.

PROPERTY MAINTENANCE



In Montgomery Township, the minimum property standards are enforced by the Planning & Zoning Department on a complaint and observation basis. The Township expects all residents and business owners to take responsibility for properly maintaining their property and doing their part to keep safe, clean, and attractive properties. The most common concerns include accumulation of rubbish and debris, grass and weeds, and the maintenance and clearance of sidewalks. Please remember to take care of your trees and shrubs to avoid overhanging limbs onto the sidewalk area. All private sidewalks (including those in the side and rear yards) are to be cleared within 24 hours after a snowfall.

TRIM BACK YOUR OVERHANGING TREES & SHRUBS!

Keep your neighbors safe! With warmer temperatures comes additional walkers, runners, and bikers in our neighborhoods. Trees or shrubs extending onto your property's sidewalk are a hazard to your neighbors engaging in outdoor exercise.

It would be greatly appreciated by the Township, as well as your neighbors, if you would take the time to prune any shrubs intruding into the sidewalk area and trees with branches lower than (8) eight feet above the sidewalk (per the 2003 Property Maintenance Code). Please use proper pruning techniques to eliminate this hazard.

We thank you in advance for your cooperation in keeping your neighborhood safe and beautiful.



Planning & Zoning Department (continued)

DRAINAGE / STORMWATER MANAGEMENT

Over the years, the drainage and the flow of water onto neighboring properties throughout our community has been a concern. Montgomery Township would like to remind residents to be courteous when handling drainage on their properties and not to redirect water onto neighboring properties, sidewalks, and streets. We request residents to consider the impact of pipes and drains from roofs, paved areas, and yards and that they are not being discharged in a manner that creates a nuisance. It is illegal for downspouts, floor drains, and sump pumps to be discharged into the sanitary sewer system.



Frequently Asked Questions:

How long does the permit process take? Plan reviews for residential permit applications typically take 2-3 weeks depending on volume. Please make sure the application and associated drawings are complete in order to ensure the review process is timely.

Do I need approval from my Homeowner's Association (HOA)? Yes, a copy of the HOA approval must be submitted with the permit application for all exterior projects.

How do I schedule an inspection? Each permit issued is supplied with a list of required inspections. Please contact the Planning & Zoning Office at 215-393-6920 to schedule the inspection at least 24-48 hours prior to the requested date.

How do I know where my property lines are located? The Planning & Zoning Office has site plans for most properties within the Township provided by the developer upon initial construction.

While these site plans provide information, only a registered Civil Engineer or Surveyor can determine the exact location of your property lines and the locations of the buildings on your property.

Do I need a permit to open a business in the Township? Yes, a Non-Residential Use & Occupancy permit application must be submitted to the Planning & Zoning Office prior to the opening of any business within the Township. We recommend contacting the Township first to determine if the proposed business / use complies with the regulations at the desired location.

Do I need a permit to operate a business from my home? Yes, the Township's Zoning ordinance provides criteria for operating a home occupation. Although certain home occupations are permitted, many are not, and there are regulations to be followed, including the requirement to apply for and obtain a permit.

NEW & UPDATED ORDINANCES

Raising of Backyard Chickens on Residential Property

- Ordinance #22-328Z: Keeping of Backyard Chickens on Residential Property
 - ◇ Adopted on June 13, 2022, this ordinance allows the keeping of backyard chickens on residential properties in Montgomery Township in accordance with the outlined parameters.





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Chief Bill Wiegman

One Department. One Mission.

The Department of Fire Services is comprised of both volunteer and career members. The volunteers of the Fire Department of Montgomery Township (F.D.M.T.) respond to incidents 24 hours a day 365 days a year. The F.D.M.T. is always accepting new applications for firefighters, fire police officers, and administrative members. The F.D.M.T. also accepts applications for junior firefighters from 16-17 years of age. The department provides the equipment and training free of charge. Please visit fdmt.org for more information on volunteering with the F.D.M.T. or to complete an application for membership. Any questions about joining the F.D.M.T. can be directed to membershipcommittee@fdmt.org.

The Department of Fire Services provides additional services to Township residents and business. Please call 215-393-6928 to schedule the following activities for your home or business:

- Commercial Life Safety & Fire Inspections
- Residential Smoke Detector Installations
- Fire Escape Planning
- Residential and Commercial Fire Safety Training
- Pre-Planning
- Fire Safety Educational & Prevention Programs
- Fire Station Tours
- Fire Extinguisher Training

More information can be found at the Department of Fire Services webpage on the township's website including information regarding:

- Fire Investigations
- Knox Box Program
- Recreational Fires
- Truss Placard Program
- Fireworks Safety



Department of Fire Services Promotions & New Hires

Congratulations to the members of the Department of Fire Services who recently received promotions and our new hire!



John Scheiter was promoted to the position of Assistant Chief, Deputy Fire Marshall, and Emergency Management Coordinator



Andrew Backlund was promoted to Captain.



Welcome new full-time Firefighter Eoghan Lowry!

Tower 18 Now In Service!

The Department is happy to announce that Tower 18 is officially in service and is ready to respond to Montgomery Township and our surrounding communities.



Sign Up for ReadyMontco

Emergencies and disasters strike quickly and often without warning. They can disrupt our lives, force us to leave our homes, or even confine us for days without essential services like electricity, phones, or water. How ready are you and your family? When you sign up for ReadyMontco, you have your choice of receiving alerts on the following emergency situations:

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Montgomery Township PARKS

Check out the interactive Montgomery Township Parks application on our website!

PARKS & RECREATION - *A Township Priority.*

Montgomery Township is home to 15 parks that residents can enjoy on these upcoming warm, sunny days. Some host recreational amenities, while others serve as quiet places of reflection or areas dedicated to natural, open space.

ADA Accessible Playground at Mont CRC-

Amenities: Playground comprised of innovative playground equipment for children of all abilities, located behind the Community & Recreation Center.

Location: 1030 Horsham Road, Montgomeryville, PA 18936



Autumn Woods

Amenities: Playground equipment - picnic tables - basketball court (half-court) - walking trail-paved loop starting from Richardson Road: 2,014 feet or slightly over 1/3 mile.

Location: 101 Richardson Road, Lansdale, PA 19446 (Located off of Richardson Road)



Bark Park

Amenities: fenced-in, off-leash area designed for dogs to run and play.
Location: 1228 Welsh Road, North Wales, PA 19454. (behind Sovereign Bank)

Fellowship Park

Amenities: softball/baseball field and soccer field with bleachers, four tennis courts, picnic area, basketball court, volleyball area, and playground equipment.

Location: 125 Meadowood Drive, Lansdale, PA 19446

(located at the end of Meadowood Drive)



Friendship Park

Amenities: Multi-use field, approximately $\frac{3}{4}$ of a mile of paved walking trail, pickleball courts, covered pavilion with picnic tables, handicap accessible playground equipment for ages 2-5 and 5-12.

Location: 200 Enclave Boulevard, North Wales, PA 19454 (Enclave Blvd. is accessible from N/B Route 309 and Hartman Road)



Hourglass Park

Amenities: Large open space parcel in center of residential cluster development.

Location: 501 S. Stone Ridge Drive, Lansdale, PA 19446 (located at center of Stone Ridge development, Upper State and Fairacres Drive)

Memorial Grove

Memorial Grove is a quiet and reflective area for all residents to remember loved ones.

The park was conceived following the tragic events of September 11, 2001 when a member of the Township Shade Tree Commission lost his son at the World Trade Center.

In 2020, The Korean War Memorial America-Korea Alliance Peace Park was established next to Memorial Grove to honor the veterans who have served in Korea while deepening the ties between the Republic of Korea and the United States of America by providing a site for reflection and cultural activities.

Location: (located off Kenas Road across from Oxford Lane)

Municipal Building Park (Gazebo Park)

Amenities: gazebo and walking trails.

Location: located behind the Township Building: 1001 Stump Road, North Wales, PA 19454



Natural Area

Amenities: walking and hiking paths. (Intentionally left natural to promote sustainability and environmental awareness. This also helps reduce erosion, encourages infiltration, provides a valuable habitat for wildlife, slows floodwaters, filters out chemical pollutants and litter, and improves overall water quality)

Location: 1011 Pecan Drive, Lansdale, PA 19446

Spring Valley Park-

Amenities: two playgrounds, three baseball fields, softball field, two soccer fields, picnic pavilion (*electricity available*), restrooms (*near pavilion*), paved jogging/biking loop by baseball fields (2,287 feet or slightly less than $\frac{1}{2}$ mile), paved trail from baseball fields to tennis courts (1,604 feet or slightly less than $\frac{1}{3}$ mile), four tennis courts with lights, two basketball courts with lights, street hockey court with lights, sand volleyball court, paved parking lots, and two large naturalized basins.

Location: 200 Claremont Drive, Lansdale, PA 19446 (Accessible from Claremont Drive or Upper State Road)



Montgomery Township PARKS

Whispering Pines Park

Amenities: playground, basketball court, and street hockey court.

Location: 200 Orchard Drive, North Wales, PA 19454
(Located off of Orchard Drive)



Whistlestop Park

Amenities: one multi-purpose field, one baseball field, one softball field with lights, four tennis courts with lights, street hockey court with lights, basketball court with lights, playground equipment with lights, gazebo.

Location: 88 County Line Road, Chalfont, PA 18914
(Located off of County Line Road by the railroad tracks)



Windlestrae Park-

Windlestrae's woodlands represent a large intact forest ecosystem which is home to a wide variety of native trees, wildflower species, birds, animals and aquatic life. Windlestrae Park consists of 3 sections:



William F. Maule at Windlestrae

Amenities: Three soccer fields (two fields with lights), four baseball fields (field 1 & 2 with lights), playground, walking trail, pavilion with lights, walking path connecting this section to Rose Twig (3,118 feet or slightly over ½ mile) and restrooms.

Location: 1147 Kenas Road, North Wales, PA 19454

Rose Twig at Windlestrae

Amenities: Playground, street hockey court, two soccer fields, three softball fields, two basketball courts & half-courts, four tennis courts, walking trail (2,158 feet or slightly less than ½ mile), pavilion, and batting cages.

Location: 1151 Kenas Road, North Wales, PA 19454

Zehr at Windlestrae

Amenities: Three soccer fields, walking path connecting Zehr Section to Rose Twig Section, and disc golf course.

Location: 1238 Stump Road, North Wales, PA 19454

Fellowship Park Playground Updates

Fellowship Park's playground is receiving a major update in 2023! Pictured is a rendering of the proposed playground, which includes shade screens, a poured surface, and sensory components. Fellowship Park is being built with accessibility and inclusion for all residents of Montgomery Township and beyond in mind.

This project is made possible by a grant from the Pennsylvania Department of Conservation and Natural Resources (DCNR). The project is anticipated to begin construction in Spring 2023.

Renderings provided by Landscape Structures.





Montgomery Township Police Department

MontPD.org



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215-362-2301 (non-emergency)

The Montgomery Township Police Department is committed to providing protection and services within the Township on a 24-hour-a-day basis, with a strong emphasis on community policing. The Police Department provides several community outreach programs including Citizens Police Academy, Junior Police Academy, DARE, and much more.

Chief J. Scott Bendig (right)
Lieutenant William Peoples
Lieutenant Gerry Dougherty



TRICK-OR-TREAT?

We will always pick treats! This Halloween will mark 46 years of visiting Township developments to hand out candy to trick-or-treaters on Halloween! Thank you for always greeting us so pleasantly, and for encouraging your children to be smart and safe while trick-or-treating. *We'd also like to thank all of the volunteers who help us bag candy for this special service.*

Interested in volunteering to help bag candy? Contact Officer Rob Johnson at: rjohnson@montpd.org or 215-362-2301

STAY SAFE!

- Put electronic devices down and keep your head up.
- Walk, don't run, across the street.
- Teach children to make eye contact with drivers before crossing in front of them.
- Have kids carry glow sticks or flashlights to help them see and be seen by drivers.

We wish you a safe and happy Halloween!



Welcome Officers Hannah Moran & Sean Orrison!

The Montgomery Township Police Department welcomed two new police officers on Monday, May 9th. Please join us in welcoming Officer Hannah Moran and Officer Sean Orrison!



(Left to right: Chief J. Scott Bendig, Officer Sean Orrison, Officer Hannah Moran, Board of Supervisors Chairwoman Tanya Bamford, Supervisor Beth Staab, Supervisor Annette Long)

Police Department (continued)

Citizens Police Academy

Congratulations to the 2022 Citizens Police Academy Class! During the academy, students gained an in-depth understanding of the many aspects of the Police Department, including crime scene investigations, Canine Unit operations, Highway Safety operations, and much more!



Junior Police Academy

Thank you to all the kids who attended the Montgomery Township Jr. Police Academy! We had a fun day of playing Simon Says, basketball relays, visiting emergency vehicle displays, a K-9 demonstration, and enjoying some refreshing Rita's water ice.

Thank you to Fire Department of Montgomery Township and Volunteer Medical Services Corp. of Lansdale for participating in our activities, and to Montgomery Township Community and Recreation Center for hosting us.



National Night Out

Thank you to all who joined us for our annual celebration of National Night Out this past Tuesday! A special thanks to the volunteers, local businesses, organizations, various Montgomery County Service Providers, the Montgomery Township, Public Works, the Fire Department of Montgomery Township, and the Volunteer Medical Services Corp. of Lansdale for all their efforts to make the event a successful one!



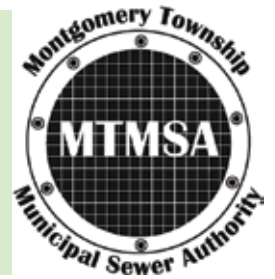
Community Services Offered to Residents and Businesses

The following Community Services are offered to residents and businesses in Montgomery Township. For more information, please visit the Police Department's page on our website.

- Car Seat Checks
- Canine Demonstrations
- Citizens Police Academy
- Child Fingerprinting
- Coffee with a Cop
- Drug Abuse Resistance Education (DARE)
- Junior Police Academy
- National Night Out
- Prescription Drug Drop-Off
- Police Week Celebration
- Security Surveys
- Station Tours
- Public Seminars
- Vacant Home Checks

Sewer Authority Manager: Shannon Drosnock www.mtmsa.org

The Montgomery Township Municipal Sewer Authority (MTMSA) operates and maintains the Township's sanitary sewer facilities on behalf of the Township and its residents. The Authority builds or purchases sanitary sewer treatment capacity using tapping fees it has collected. The Authority uses sewer rentals to cover the cost to operate, repair and maintain the Eureka Wastewater Treatment Plant Facility and the sanitary sewer conveyance system.



MTMSA by the Numbers




10.82

Total size of the Township and MTMSA's service area in square miles


25,000

Approximate number of residents in MTMSA's service area


71

restaurants in the MTMSA service area


3,300+

manholes in the MTMSA service area


4.54

Million Gallons per Day of wastewater permitted for treatment by the DEP for the MTMSA service area


108.73

miles of public sewer lines in the MTMSA service area


16

full-time staff members at MTMSA

Biobot COVID-19 Study

Last spring, MTMSA was selected by the CDC to be a participant in the National Wastewater Surveillance System (NWSS). This is a new public health tool designed to monitor and assess COVID-19 spread. MTMSA is one of approximately 500 entities selected in the second round of participants who are joining the already 400 participants selected in the first round.

Track the CDC data at <https://covid.cdc.gov/covid-data-tracker/#wastewater-surveillance>: Wastewater Surveillance

Did you know...How water is used in your home?

How is water used in your home? On average, 17% goes towards showering, 27% is used by the toilet, your faucet drains 15%, your clothes washer another 22%, miscellaneous needs take up 5%, and those pesky leaks steal another 14%.

RAIN BARRELS

*Help Conserve Water
and Save Money!*



WHAT EXACTLY IS A RAIN BARREL?

A rain barrel is a system that collects and stores rain water from your roof that would otherwise be lost to runoff and diverted to storm drains, streams, and eventually the Delaware River watershed. It is constructed using a reused 55 gallon food grade barrel, a bottom drain, a spigot, an overflow a screen to keep debris and insects out, and a downspout diverter to carry the water into the rain barrel.

A rain barrel is a relatively simple and inexpensive way to capture and store rain water for use at later times. It conveniently sits under residential gutter downspouts from your home, garage, and/or shed.

BENEFITS OF USING A RAIN BARREL

Lawn and garden watering can take up a large percentage or total percentage of total household water use during the summer months. A rain barrel collects water and stores it for when you need it most, during periods of drought! A rain barrel provides an ample supply of FREE water for flowers, gardens, lawns, and even car washing!

A rain barrel can conserve water and save YOU money during peak summer months. Conserving water helps protect the environment, saves energy (decreased demand for treated tap water and well water) and decreased the impact of runoff to streams and the Delaware River. Therefore by installing a rain barrel YOU can help protect the water quality, aquatic species, drinking water quality, and recreation in the Delaware River watershed.

A formula to remember: 1 inch of rain on a 1,000 sq. ft. roof yields 623 gallons of water. Calculate the yield of your roof by multiplying the square footage of your roof by 623 and divide by 1,000.



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Montgomery Township Volunteer Committees

Volunteer Committees play a key role in helping maintain the quality of life in Montgomery Township. Residents can volunteer their time to help with Autumn Festival, review development plans, and offer expertise on environmental issues.

Autumn Festival Committee: The Autumn Festival Committee plans, organizes and implements the Montgomery Township Autumn Festival.

Business Development Partnership (BDP): The Business Development Partnership is a committee comprised of Montgomery Township business managers and owners. Each month the members of the BDP meet to discuss and analyze important matters that may affect the business community.

Community & Recreation Center Advisory Committee: The Community & Recreation Center Advisory Committee helps identify the needs of the Community & Recreation Center. The committee recommends recreational activities, programs, and policies.

Environmental Advisory Committee: The Montgomery Township EAC advises and educates the Board on matters of environmental importance to the community.

Finance Committee: The Finance Committee is an advisory board whose mission is to review, monitor and advise the Board of Supervisors on financial matters affecting our Township.

Human Relations Commission: The Montgomery Township Human Relations Commission (HRC) was established in 2021 to ensure that all who work or live in Montgomery Township and all visitors, are protected from unlawful discrimination.

Open Space Committee: The Committee is responsible for implementing the 2006 Open Space Plan along with continuing to explore future uses for existing preserved open space land.

Park and Recreation Board: The Park and Recreation Board strives to enhance the quality of life of the Township through ongoing management of open space, maintenance and improvement of existing park facilities and provision of a variety of recreational opportunities for residents.

Pension Fund Advisory Committee: The Pension Fund Advisory Committee is an advisory committee to the Board of Supervisors on matters regarding uniformed pension plan issues.

Planning Commission: The mission of the Planning Commission is to review subdivision and land development applications, ordinance revisions, and land use applications in order to make recommendations to the Board of Supervisors.

Public Safety Committee: The Public Safety Committee is an advisory committee to the Board of Supervisors on all matters generally pertaining to public safety.

Ready for 100 Advisory Ad-Hoc Committee: The Ready for 100 Advisory Ad Hoc Committee was established for the purpose of drafting an energy transition plan for achieving the goals to include interim milestones, financial impacts, potential financing mechanisms, and other pertinent pieces of information the Board deems relevant to the Ready for 100 initiative.

Sewer Authority Board: The MTMSA Board oversees the Sewer Authority and its staff. The MTMSA operates Eureka Wastewater Treatment Plant and five pump stations, and maintains the entire sewer collection system in the Township.

Senior Volunteer Committee: The Senior Volunteer Committee works with Township Staff and the Board of Supervisors to help give a voice to the growing senior community in the Township.

Shade Tree Commission: The mission of the Shade Tree Commission is to preserve, protect, and replace the shade trees within Montgomery Township in order to maintain an ecological balance.

Zoning Hearing Board: The mission of the Zoning Hearing Board is to help assure fair and equitable application of the zoning ordinance by hearing appeals on the zoning officer's determinations and by granting relief from the literal enforcement of the ordinance in certain hardship situations.



Interested in joining a volunteer committee? A list of current opportunities and the application can be found on our website.

Recycling Information for Residents

Have you visited the recycling page on the Township website yet?

Learn all about leaf & yard waste, prescription drugs, household hazardous waste, and more by visiting www.montgomerytwp.org and search for "recycling". **Questions can be directed to 215-393-6900.**

Christmas Tree Recycling

Did you know that Montgomery Township will recycle your Christmas tree? When you recycle your Christmas tree, it goes back into our Township parks. Montgomery Township would like to thank those who recycled their tree this past winter. Information about the 2022 Christmas Tree Recycling dates will be posted on our website and communication channels in December.

Single Use Battery Recycling:

Montgomery Township currently has two recycling collection centers for single-use batteries. Single-use batteries may be dropped off at the Township Building or the Community & Recreation Center.

Note: No lithium batteries will be accepted. **785 pounds of single-use batteries recycled since June 2021!**

SINGLE STREAM RECYCLING

This means Montgomery Township residents can mix everything together in the recycling bin, and then it is sorted at the recycling plant.



WHAT TO RECYCLE:

- **Plastic** (lids, bottles, jars, and #1-7 plastics)
- **Glass** (clear, green, and brown containers)
- **Metal** (aluminum, steel, tin, and bimetal food containers)
- **Paper** (newspaper, office/copy paper, glossy paper, color paper, cardboard, junk mail, phone books, and cereal/cracker boxes)
- **Cartons** (food and beverage cartons such as milk, juice, soup, broth, etc)

WHAT NOT TO RECYCLE

- **Single-use bags** (recycle at local grocery stores)
- **Styrofoam**
- **Garden hoses**
- **Bowling balls**
- **Tires**
- **Household hazardous waste**
- **Electronics**

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2022 Leaf & Yard Waste Collection



Montgomery Township has both a monthly leaf & yard waste drop-off collection and two curbside pick-up collections annually for Township Residents. **SORRY- NO GRASS CLIPPINGS!**

LEAF WASTE is defined as leaves, garden residues shrubbery and tree trimmings, and similar material, but does not include grass clippings.

YARD WASTE is defined as twigs, shrub trimmings, small branches, and like vegetative matter.

ALL MATERIALS FOR BOTH THE DROP-OFF AND THE CURBSIDE PICK-UP- MUST BE PLACED IN BROWN PAPER BIODEGRADABLE LEAF BAGS. NO EXCEPTIONS!

Leaf & Yard Waste Curbside Pick-up: There are two curbside pick-ups, one in the spring and one in the fall. Please have all of the leaf & yard waste placed in paper biodegradable leaf bags and out by the curb on the night before the pick-up.

FALL CURBSIDE DATE: SATURDAY, DECEMBER 10, 2022

SPRING CURBSIDE DATE: APRIL 15, 2023

Please have all of the leaf & yard waste placed in paper biodegradable leaf bags and out by the curb on the night before the pick-up. If the yard waste is not in a paper biodegradable bag, or does not fit in your paper biodegradable bag, we cannot take it.

Leaf & Yard Waste Monthly Drop-Off Collection: Held every month, usually on the third Saturday of the month. The collection takes place at the William F. Maule Park at Windlestrae, off Kenas Road from 8:00AM-Noon. Drop-offs are prohibited outside of this collection.

WELCOME NEW BUSINESSES

Montgomery Township welcomes the following new businesses.
All listed businesses received their Certificates of Occupancy between March 12, 2022 and July 15, 2022.
This list does not include business name changes, location changes, ownership changes, or expansions.

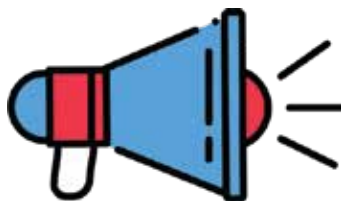
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Interested in starting a business in Montgomery Township?



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