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[The next meeting of the Somerset County Board of County Commissioners will be held March 8, 2022](#)

View and submit questions online or in person @ 20 Grove Street, Somerville NJ.



[Five Senior Wellness Centers Re-Opening](#)

The Office on Aging and Disability Services is proud to announce that five of our county-operated senior wellness centers will reopen their doors on Wednesday, March 2.



[Online Career Training Programs Available](#)

SkillUp Greater Raritan, a free online learning portal for residents of Hunterdon and Somerset counties, is now offering two new exclusive Badge-credentialing programs that



[\\$4.8M Allocated to Local Support-Net Nonprofits](#)

The Board of County Commissioners allocated almost \$4.8 million in funding to non-profits and other community safety-net organizations as part of its bi-annual Non-Profit

After two years of online activities, the centers are thrilled to welcome back in-person activities. [Grand reopening ceremonies will feature music, activities and food.](#)

The centers are located in Basking Ridge, Bridgewater, Hillsborough, Montgomery and Franklin Township.

Clientele must register in advance and provide proof of vaccination or show county-approved exemption.


can be used by job seekers and employers in Hunterdon and Somerset Counties.

Free self-paced classes provide focused training in two areas: Job Readiness and New Manager skills. The two Badge pathways allow participants to master the skills needed to have competency when they are starting or returning to work or when they are in new management roles.

Purchase of Service (NPPOS) allocations. The 2022-23 funding is more than double any previous round with the addition of more than \$2.8 million from the federal American Recovery Plan (ARP) specifically to build capacity for the post-COVID future.

Many local non-profit organizations are significant contributors to making Somerset County the dynamic and progressive community it continues to be, and this funding will help them continue their excellent work.

[COVID Vaccinations Are Free & Available Without Appointments!](#)
[Click here for More Clinics](#)

<i>Clinic Date</i>	<i>Clinic Time</i>	<i>Vaccine</i>	<i>Clinic Location / Details</i>
Weekly COVID-19 Vaccination Clinics			
 <p>Wednesday 3/2 <i>This clinic will operate on Wednesdays only.</i></p>	4:00-7:30pm	Pfizer (5+) and Moderna	<p>Somerset County Senior Wellness Center- 876 East Main Street in Bridgewater</p> <p>Primary Doses: Individuals 5 years of age and older</p> <p>Booster Doses: Individuals 12 years of age and older</p> <p><i>Individuals under 18 need parental/guardian consent & presence during vaccination.</i></p> <p><i>Hosted by: Somerset County Department of Health (SCDOH)</i></p>

[Click for criteria for 1st, 2nd, 3rd and Booster vaccine administration.](#)

[First Saturday Drop-Off](#)

The next First Saturday of the month drop off will be held March 5.

[Household Hazardous Waste](#)

On March 19, the first Household Hazardous Waste drop off for 2022 will be held in Bernards Township.

[Operation Secure Shred Schedule](#)

The first document shredding event in 2022 will be held Saturday, March 26, in Hillsborough.





[Free Tax-Aide Available](#)

Residents must schedule an appointment to receive tax assistance by calling 908-541-5710.



[Emergency Rental Assistance Educators in Libraries](#)

Six Emergency Rental Assistance Program Educators will be in libraries throughout the County to answer questions and help eligible residents complete application forms for rental assistance. To make an appointment, visit <https://sclsnj.org/erap/>. For more information, contact ERAP@co.somerset.nj.us.



[STATE ERMA Funding for Homeowners](#)

New Jersey's Emergency Rescue Mortgage Assistance (ERMA) program provides financial assistance for eligible homeowners who experienced a significant loss of income or increased expenses due to COVID-19. For more information, visit <https://njerma.com/>



[Residents are Encouraged to Sign up for the Smart911 System](#)

Commissioner Douglas Singleterry, public health and safety liaison, and our 911 call takers encourage residents to sign up for a free mobile application that will help to cut response time.

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[In Person and Virtual Programs Offered in March](#)

[In Person Programs](#)

[Zoom Activities](#)

[“Grab & Go” Curbside Lunch Program](#)

Grab and Go Lunch service is available as a healthy alternative to congregate dining. Seniors can pick up their lunch at curbside at any of the six county-operated senior centers on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 10:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Registration and reservations are required. [Click here for more information.](#)

Prefer Social Media Updates?

Keep up with Somerset County's news, programs & services, COVID vaccination and testing sites by following our social media accounts!



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[Watch County Commissioner Meetings Live](#)

The Board of County Commissioners meets [twice-monthly, generally on the 2nd and 4th Tuesday.](#) Meetings can be viewed live on the county website or Facebook page.



Questions or comments can be submitted during the meeting by sending an email to: CountyBoardMeeting@co.somerset.nj.us



[Somerset County Library System](#)

There's lots to see and do with the Somerset County Library System. Visit their Calendar of Events for more information at <https://sclsnj.libnet.info/events>. [Latest news from the library](#)



[Rutgers Cooperative Extension of Somerset County](#)

From virtual youth events, to live cooking classes, Rutgers Cooperative Extension of Somerset County is online with free and educational programs you and your family can participate in. Find out more by visiting their website at <https://somerset.njaes.rutgers.edu/>



[Somerset County Park Commission](#)

Find out what's new at Somerset County parks!

[Reservations Being Accepted for Weddings, Events and Photo Shoots](#)

The Park Commission is accepting reservations for weddings, celebratory events, and photoshoots at scenic locations in Colonial Park Gardens in Franklin Township, and Leonard Jay Buck Gardens in Far Hills for the 2022 season.

[Environmental Education Center](#)

The Somerset County Park Commission Environmental Education Center (EEC) Naturalists offer virtual group outreach programs, consisting of lectures and discussion-based presentations appropriate for a variety of audiences.

[Maple Sugaring Programs](#)

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