



Welcome to our Weekly Community Update!

March 5, 2026

These updates will be sent out each week to keep residents informed about what's happening around town. If you are already subscribed to **Nixle**, your contact information will automatically carry over to **Everbridge**; no action needed. If you haven't signed up yet, you can do so using this link: [Everbridge Signup](#)

Office of the Mayor

Thank you to the many residents who attended last night's Mayor and Council meeting. We had a productive discussion regarding recent property tax assessments. Our Tax Assessor, Jim Anzevino, along with a representative from Appraisal Systems, was present to explain the appraisal process and answer questions. Jim and I stayed after the meeting until every resident who wished to speak had the opportunity to do so and have their questions addressed.

We also had several residents attend to discuss affordable (should be called high-density) housing. A representative from the Borough Planner's office was present and provided a detailed explanation of the state-mandated process while answering questions from our residents. As always, we made sure all residents had the opportunity to voice their concerns. I believe everyone left satisfied with the results.

To reiterate, **there is currently no development proposal under consideration**. By adopting these ordinances, Cresskill maintains control over the process and helps protect the small-town character of our community.

Thank you to everyone who came out to participate in the discussion.

Reminder: We spring forward in 3 days!

Daylight Saving Time begins soon! Don't forget to set your clocks ahead 1 hour and get ready for longer evenings and (hopefully) more sunshine. Daylight Saving Time this year officially begins on Sunday, March 8, at 2:00 a.m., requiring clocks to be moved forward one hour to 3:00 a.m. ("spring forward").

FIRE / EMS

- **Congratulations to Lieutenant James Lyons**, who has accepted the role of **Acting Fire Chief** given the retirement of our outgoing Chief Chris Ulshoefer. Thank you Chris for nearly 32 years of service and dedication to the residents of Cresskill!
 - **Change Your Clocks, Change Your Batteries:** Replace smoke detector batteries and check all detectors when changing clocks for daylight savings time
 - **Emergency Preparedness:** Review your family's Emergency Response and Evacuation Plan. Ensure a meeting place is established for all family members
 - **Need Assistance with an Emergency Response and Evacuation plan?** Contact Fire Headquarters at (201) 568-0030
-

LIBRARY

Programs for Adults

- Yoga: Mondays at 6:45 PM (bring a mat)
- Romance Book Club: Thursday, March 5 at 7:00 PM — *Swept Away* by Beth O'Leary
- Monthly Book Club: Thursday, March 19 at 7:00 PM — *First Lie Wins* by Ashley Elston

Programs for Kids

- Yoga: Saturday, March 7 at 11:00 AM (bring a mat)
- Family Trivia: Saturday, March 7 at 1:00 PM
- Baby & Me Storytime: Tuesdays at 10:00 AM
- Tot Time Storytime: Fridays at 10:00 AM

Save the Date

- Makers Day: Saturday, March 21, from 12:00 PM to 4:00 PM
-

COMMUNITY & RECREATION CENTER

- **Reminder:** No Open Gym on Friday, March 6th
 - **Open Gym Dates:** March 13 & March 27
 - **Brunch with the Bunny:** Saturday, March 21, 9:00 AM – 11:00 AM
 - **More Info:** [Brunch with the Easter Bunny](#)
-

SENIOR CENTER

AARP Smart Driver Classroom Course

- **Date:** 4/14/26
- Available to any Cresskill resident to refresh driving skills
- Possible benefits: discount on car insurance and removal of up to 2 points from your license
- Cost: \$20 for AARP members, \$25 for non-members
- To Reserve a Seat: Call Donnajo at (201) 503-9831

DPW / PUBLIC WORKS

- DPW calendars are available at Borough Hall or online at: [DPW Calendar](#)

Scheduled Services

- **Monthly Metal Recycling Pickup:** Scheduled for March 6, 2026.

Ongoing Operations

- Snow removal.
- Routine sanitary sewer maintenance.
- Snow equipment repairs.
- Maintenance and repairs of Police, Fire, EMS, and DPW vehicles and equipment.

BOROUGH ADMINISTRATION

Paper Shredding Day

- **Date:** Saturday, April 11th
- **Time:** 9:00 AM – 1:00 PM
- **Location:** 1 Dogwood Lane (across from Merritt Memorial School)
- **Details:** Rain or shine; enter from Union Avenue only
- **Limit:** 2 boxes per vehicle
- **Sponsored by:** Environmental Commission in conjunction with the BCUA
- **More Info:** [Paper Shredding Day in Cresskill](#)

2026 Pool Season Registration

- **Make this summer unforgettable with unlimited family fun, safe swimming, and community events — all right here at your town pool.**
- **Registration for the 2026 pool season is open! Applications will be in your mailboxes soon**
- **Registration Options:**
 - Online via Community Pass: [Register Here](#)
 - In person or mail to the Borough Hall
- **Early Payment Discount:** Applications must be received on or before 4:00 PM on April 10, 2026
- **Pool Application Form:** [Download Here](#)

POLICE DEPARTMENT

Tax Fraud Prevention Tips

As tax season approaches, protect yourself from scammers with these tips:

- **Use Secure Networks:** Avoid public Wi-Fi when accessing sensitive financial information
 - **Verify Calls:** If you receive a suspicious call claiming to be the IRS, hang up and call them back directly
 - **Check Your Documents:** Review your tax documents carefully for discrepancies or missing information
 - **Stay Informed:** Monitor IRS announcements and financial news for the latest scams
 - **Use Two-Factor Authentication:** Protect online accounts with additional security measures
 - **Report Suspicious Activity:** Report suspected fraud to the IRS and your bank immediately
 - **Additional Resources:** Visit www.irs.gov to report a scam. If you experience financial loss, contact the Cresskill Police Department Detective Bureau.
 - **Stay smart and stay safe this tax season!**
-

INFRASTRUCTURE / ENGINEERING

- Coordinating with Ben Shaffer Recreation, Inc. for the furnishing and installation of custom playground equipment for ages 5–12 through a Cooperative Purchasing Program.
 - Coordinating with Veolia Water and its contractor, Joseph M. Sanzari, Inc., to complete test pit investigations behind the curb at specified locations throughout the Borough, as required to identify mandated Lead Service Line Replacement locations.
 - Pickleball court: Estimated to begin construction in the Spring
 - Merrifield Park and Cranford Park: Estimated to begin construction in the Spring.
-

Again: If you are already subscribed to Nixle, your contact information will automatically carry over to Everbridge and you should have received this message; no action needed. If you haven't signed up yet, you can do so using this link: [Everbridge](#). This will be our primary method of community communication moving forward, so we strongly encourage everyone to subscribe.

Thank you!



Mayor John Morgan, MD