



Welcome to our Weekly Community Update!

April 2, 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**. If you haven't signed up yet, or wish to change your subscriptions, you can do so using this link: [Everbridge Signup](#)

Office of the Mayor

This week, we met with Congressman Gottheimer and his team, along with the Army Corps of Engineers, to discuss the ongoing flooding issues impacting our community. Congressman Gottheimer has been extremely receptive to our concerns and is now actively working with us to pursue additional funding and engage further with the Army Corps.

To recap, after approximately five years of study, the Army Corps concluded that no flood mitigation work should proceed because the project did not meet their required benefit-cost threshold. I strongly disagree with that determination and have made it clear that we will not accept this outcome or allow the matter to be closed without meaningful flood mitigation solutions for our community. With the Congressman's support, we are continuing to push for solutions that better reflect the real impact flooding has on our residents.

I will continue to keep everyone informed as we move forward.

BOROUGH ADMINISTRATION

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 now open.**
- **Registration Options**
 - Online via Community Pass: [Register here](#)
 - In person or by mail to Borough Hall
- **Early Payment Discount**

- Applications must be received **on or before 4:00 PM on April 10, 2026**
- **Pool Application Form**
 - Download Here: [Pool application](#)

Paper Shredding Day

- **Date:** Saturday, April 11
 - **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 Information:** [Paper Shredding Day in Cresskill](#)
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FIRE / EMS

Grilling and BBQ Season Safety Tips

Grilling season is quickly approaching. Please follow the safety guidelines below to ensure a safe and enjoyable experience:

- Check propane grills for gas leaks before use in the months ahead. Please refer to the attached video from the National Fire Protection Association for instructions. [Video](#)
- Keep your grill clean by removing grease or fat buildup from the grill and trays below the grill.
- Place grills well away from the home, deck railings, and out from under eaves or overhanging branches.
- Always ensure the gas grill lid is open before lighting.
- Keep children and pets at least three feet away from the grilling area.
- When using charcoal grills:
 - Only use charcoal starter fluid.
 - Never add starter fluid or other flammable liquids to an active fire.
 - Allow coals to cool completely before disposing of them in a metal container.
- Never leave a grill unattended while in use.

Volunteer Opportunity

Are you interested in helping your neighbors? The Volunteer Division of the **Cresskill Fire Department** is currently looking for new members.

Please inquire in person at **Fire Headquarters, 51 Madison Avenue**, or call **(201) 568-0030** for more information.

LIBRARY

- The library is closed on Friday, April 3rd and Sunday, April 5th for the Easter Holiday

Upcoming programs for children

- Read to a Dog, Thursday, April 2nd, 16th, and 30th @ 5:00 PM

Upcoming programs for young adults

- Yoga, Saturday, April 11th and 25th @ 11:00 AM

Upcoming programs for adults

- Needle Felted Craft, April 30th @ 6:00 PM
 - Registration opens on Saturday, April 4th
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SENIOR CENTER

- Multimedia Art classes begin Monday, April 20th at 12:30 PM
- 10-session program: \$100
- Supplies list available
- Limited seating

To pre-register, call Donnajo at 201-503-9831

DPW / PUBLIC WORKS

- DPW calendars are available at Borough Hall or online at: [DPW Calendar](#)
 - **Ongoing operations**
 - Asphalt and pothole repairs.
 - Street sweeping of all borough streets.
 - Spring clean-ups at all borough parks and properties
 - Tree pruning and removal of borough trees
 - Vehicle maintenance and repair for all fire, police, and DPW vehicles and equipment
 - Sewer pump repair at the Community Center
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POLICE DEPARTMENT

New Jersey Child Seat Laws – Quick Breakdown

General Rule

All children must be properly secured in a child restraint system or seat belt based on their age, weight, and height.

Birth – 2 Years Old

- Must ride in a rear-facing car seat
- Must use a 5-point harness
- Applies if the child is under 30 lbs
- Seat must be placed in the rear seat

Ages 2 – 4

- Must be in a car seat with a 5-point harness
- May be rear-facing (until outgrown) or forward-facing
- Applies if the child is under 40 lbs
- Must ride in the rear seat

Ages 4 – 8

- Must use either:
 - A car seat, or
 - A booster seat
- Required until age 8 or 57 inches (4'9") tall
- Must remain in the rear seat

Age 8 and Older

- May use a regular seat belt
- Seat belt must be properly fitted and fastened
- Rear seat is not required by law but is strongly recommended

Additional Key Rules

- The driver is responsible for ensuring all children are properly restrained
- The rear seat is required when available, especially for younger children
- If no rear seat is available:
 - A child may sit in the front seat only if properly restrained

Safety Tip

Always check your child's car seat or booster seat for proper installation and fit. Following these laws helps keep our youngest passengers safe on New Jersey roads.

For more information, contact the Cresskill Police Department – Lieutenant Coleman.

INFRASTRUCTURE / ENGINEERING

- **Cranford Park Playground Update**
 - Playground equipment has been ordered. The park is expected to open in or about mid-June.
 - Construction on Spring Street has resumed.
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Thank you!

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Mayor John Morgan, MD