Welcome to our Weekly Community Update!
August 28, 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

Public Safety Night

Cresskill Public Safety Night is a wonderful opportunity for our residents to meet the dedicated men and women who work every day to keep our community safe. Bring the whole family, enjoy an evening of music and activities, explore emergency vehicles, watch demonstrations, and connect with our Police, Fire, EMS, DPW, and other public safety partners. We hope to see you there on September 9th!

- **Wednesday, September 9, 2026, from 5:30 PM–8:00 PM** at the **Benedict Romeo Cresskill Community Center**

Enjoy the Last Days of Summer

With summer winding down and the new school year just around the corner, I encourage everyone to make the most of these final days of summer here in Cresskill. Take some time to enjoy our parks, pool, pickleball and tennis courts, and the many other recreational spaces our community has to offer.

ADMINISTRATION

Cresskill 5K

• Sunday, September 27, 2026 at 9:00 AM

• **Benedict Romeo Community Center - 100 3rd Street, Cresskill**
• USATF Certified Course

- There's something for everyone, whether you run, walk, participate, or simply come out to cheer on your neighbors.

5K website: https://cresskill5k.com

RunSignup: https://runsignup.com/Race/NJ/Cresskill/Cresskill5K

Zeffy (for donations and sponsors): https://www.zeffy.com/en-US/donation-form/sponsor-the-cresskill-5k

We hope to see you at the starting line!

Farmers Market

• **Every Thursday through October 22**
• **11:00 AM – 4:00 PM**
• **Rain or Shine**

Stop by each week to enjoy fresh produce, homemade goods, and specialty foods including dried fruit, nuts, juices, desserts, and pickles. It's a great way to support local vendors, connect with neighbors, and spend time outdoors in the community.

We look forward to seeing you at the market this season!

FIRE/EMS

Upcoming Bergen County Household Hazardous Waste Collection Event

The Cresskill Fire Department has recently received several inquiries from residents regarding the disposal of household hazardous waste. We would like to remind residents that the Bergen County Utilities Authority (BCUA) will be hosting an upcoming Household Hazardous Waste Collection Event for Bergen County residents.

- **Date:** Saturday, September 19
- **Time:** 9:00 AM–3:00 PM
- **Location:** 200 Campgaw Road, Mahwah (Ski Area)

This event provides residents with an opportunity to safely dispose of many common household hazardous materials.

Acceptable Materials Include

- Antifreeze
- Batteries (vehicle/rechargeable only)
- Brake cleaners
- Disinfectants and drain cleaners
- Fertilizer
- Fire extinguishers
- Fluorescent light bulbs
- Glue
- Herbicides
- Insecticides
- Kerosene
- Lighter fluid
- Mercury switches
- Used oil filters and used motor oil
- Paints and varnishes
- Pesticides
- Photographic chemicals
- Propane gas cylinders (5–20 lbs. only)
- Solvents and thinners
- Thermostats and thermometers

The Following Materials Will Not Be Accepted

- Empty containers or hardened paint cans
- Alkaline batteries (AA, AAA, C, D, 9V)
- Unlabeled containers or containers with unknown contents
- Regulated medical waste, sharps, radioactive materials, or explosives
- Compressed cylinders, such as oxygen or acetylene
- Pressure-treated lumber or railroad ties
- Computers, electronics, or tires
- Construction or demolition debris

No commercial vehicles are allowed.

Residents are encouraged to take advantage of this collection event to properly dispose of hazardous household materials and help protect our community and environment.

For additional information, visit the Bergen County Utilities Authority.

POLICE

Back-to-School Safety

As students return to classrooms in the coming days, the Police Department is ramping up efforts to keep our roads, sidewalks, and neighborhoods safe. Here's what you need to know and how you can help.

For Drivers

- Slow down in school zones. Speed limits drop when children are present—obey posted limits and watch for crossing guards.
- Stop completely for school buses with flashing red lights and the stop arm extended. Passing is illegal and dangerous.
- Yield to pedestrians in crosswalks, especially near schools and bus stops.
- Avoid distractions. Put the phone away and stay focused in residential and school areas.
- Watch for sudden stops or children darting into the street, particularly during morning drop-off and afternoon pickup times.

For Parents & Caregivers

- Review safe walking and biking routes with your children. Choose well-lit paths with sidewalks whenever possible.
- Teach kids to look both ways, use crosswalks, and never assume a driver sees them.
- Establish a clear drop-off and pickup plan. Avoid double-parking or blocking traffic near school entrances.
- Make sure children know their full name, address, phone number, and who is authorized to pick them up.
- Talk about stranger safety: never accept rides or gifts from someone they don't know, and report anything suspicious.

For Students

- Walk or bike with a buddy when possible.
- Wear bright or reflective clothing, especially in the early morning or late afternoon.
- Stay alert—headphones and phones can reduce awareness of traffic.
- Follow the instructions of crossing guards and school staff.

What We're Doing

Officers will increase visibility near schools, bus routes, and high-traffic intersections during peak hours. We will also strictly enforce school-zone speed limits and bus-stop laws. Our School Resource Officers are ready to support students and staff as the new school year begins.

If you see reckless driving, unsafe conditions, or anything concerning near a school, please report it right away. Together, we can make this a safe and successful start to the school year.

Cresskill Public Safety Night

Join the Borough of Cresskill on **Wednesday, September 9, 2026, from 5:30 PM–8:00 PM** at the **Benedict Romeo Cresskill Community Center** for an evening of community, music, and public safety!

Residents and families will have the opportunity to meet and interact with local and county emergency service personnel, including the Cresskill Police Department and Fire Department, along with other public safety partners. Our Department of Public Works will also be on hand to showcase the important equipment and services they provide to our community.

The evening will feature first responder demonstrations, K-9 activities, emergency vehicles, food trucks, and opportunities to meet the people who help keep Cresskill safe.

Adding to the excitement, a New Jersey State Police helicopter will land at the conclusion of the event, giving residents an up-close look at one of the tools used by law enforcement and emergency responders.

There will also be plenty of entertainment throughout the evening, featuring live music from School of Rock Cresskill, along with a DJ to keep the atmosphere going.

Bring your family, meet your neighbors, enjoy some music, purchase food from the food truck vendors, and come out to support the men and women who serve our community every day.

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- **Benedict Romeo Cresskill Community Center**
- Food Trucks | Live Music & DJ | Emergency Services | State Police Helicopter

We look forward to seeing you there!

DPW / PUBLIC WORKS

Ongoing Projects and Maintenance Activities:

• Shade tree post-storm inspections, including pruning and removal of Borough trees.
• Weekly landscape maintenance of all Borough grounds, parks, and athletic fields.
• Vehicle and equipment maintenance and repairs for Police, Fire, EMS, and DPW fleets.
• Asphalt and pothole repairs.
• Traffic and street sign replacement throughout town.

DPW Recycling Center Hours Update: • Effective August 1, 2026, the DPW Recycling Center will be open on **Wednesdays, Fridays, and Saturdays from 8:00 AM to 3:00 PM**. Please plan accordingly when bringing recyclable materials to the center.

Take advantage of the DPW Calendar!

• Whether you're looking for recycling schedules, bulk pickup dates, yard waste collection, or holiday service changes, the DPW Calendar is your go-to resource for staying informed all year long.

• DPW calendar - https://cresskillboro.com/index.php/forms-documents/forms/department-documents/public-works/1191-dpw-calendar/file

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SENIOR CENTER

Blood Pressure Clinic
Held on the fourth Thursday of each month
Next clinic will take place on **Thursday, August 27 from 9:30 AM–1:30 PM**
Appointments are preferred. Please call 201-503-9831

Art History Series (Part 5 of 6)
Friday, September 11 at 11:30 AM
This week's topic will explore **Alexander Calder — Abstract Sculpture, Kinetic Mobiles, and Having Fun with Art**

Senior Hong Kong Mahjong Tournament
Monday, September 28 | 9:00 AM – 2:00 PM
Limited seats available. Pre-registration only

Watercolor & Multimedia Art Class
New classes begin in September.

Italian Lessons
Italian lessons begin in September on Tuesdays.

Call the Senior Center to register: 201-503-9831

LIBRARY

• **Summer Hours:** The Library is closed on Sundays through **September 13**.

• **Youth Events:** Save the date for **Family Trivia on Saturday, September 19 at 1:00 PM**.

• **Romance Book Club:** Join the Romance Book Club for a discussion of *Last Night Was Fun* by Holly Michelle on **Thursday, September 3 at 7:00 PM**.

• **Book Club:** Join the Book Club for a discussion of *Normal People* by Sally Rooney on **Thursday, September 17 at 7:00 PM**.

• **Friends of the Cresskill Library Townwide Garage Sale: Saturday, October 3, from 9:00 AM–4:00 PM.** Rain date: **Saturday, October 10**.

Register at the Cresskill Library Circulation Desk, **53 Union Avenue**. A **$25 cash or check payment**, payable to the Friends of the Cresskill Library, will reserve your spot on the garage sale map. Registration ends **Friday, September 18 — no exceptions**. Maps will be available for pickup at the Library on October 3 and online.

Questions? Contact cresskilllibraryfriends@gmail.com.

COMMUNITY & RECREATION CENTER

Fall Recreation Brochure

- Fall is just around the corner, and the Borough's Fall Recreation Brochure is here!
- Look at the upcoming programs, activities, and events being offered for residents of all ages.
- Whether you're looking for fitness, sports, art, or something fun for the family, there's something for everyone. Be sure to check out the brochure and register for your favorite programs!

For more information: https://www.cresskillboro.com/index.php/forms-documents/forms/department-documents/recreation/1602-cresskill-recreation-fall-2026/file

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INFRASTRUCTURE / ENGINEERING

- Continuing to monitor Veolia Lead Service Line Replacements at designated street locations.
- Coordinating with the contractor for the start of the Road Resurfacing Program.

Thank you!

Mayor John Morgan, MD