Welcome to our Weekly Community Update!
September 3, 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

Community Night - Wednesday, September 9

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

Residents and families can meet members of the **Cresskill Police Department, Fire Department, DPW, county emergency services, and other public safety partners**, while enjoying first responder demonstrations, K-9 activities, emergency vehicles, food trucks, live music from **School of Rock Cresskill**, and a DJ.

The evening will conclude with a special visit from a **New Jersey State Police helicopter**, giving residents an up-close look at one of the resources used by law enforcement and emergency responders.

Bring the family, meet your neighbors, enjoy some food and music, and help us recognize the men and women who serve our community every day.

September 11 Memorial Ceremony - Friday, September 11

Please join the Borough of Cresskill as we come together to honor and remember the lives lost on September 11, 2001, and to recognize the courage and sacrifice of the first responders and all those affected by that tragic day.

Our **9/11 Memorial Ceremony** will take place on:

Friday, September 11 at 6:30 PM
Cresskill 9/11 Memorial Site
3rd Street, adjacent to the Community Center

We invite all residents, families, first responders, and members of our community to join us for this solemn remembrance. **We will never forget.**

Wishing Everyone a Happy Labor Day

Labor Day is a wonderful opportunity to pause and recognize the contributions of workers in our community and beyond. From our teachers and first responders to our small business owners, municipal employees, healthcare workers, and everyone who works hard each day, your efforts help make our community strong.

I hope everyone has a chance to enjoy the long weekend, spend time with family and friends, and take a well-deserved break.

Have a safe, relaxing, and happy Labor Day!

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

September is National Preparedness Month

September is National Preparedness Month, and the Cresskill Fire Department is urging all residents to take proactive steps to safeguard their homes and families. This year's national theme, **"Americans Stand Ready,"** focuses on building personal resourcefulness and community resilience. In Cresskill, preparing today helps ensure our entire community stays safe when emergencies strike.

Emergency preparedness does not have to be overwhelming. By following four simple steps, you can improve your family's safety and readiness.

4 Steps to Preparedness

1. Make a Plan: Sit down with your family to map out evacuation routes from your home and designate an outdoor meeting place. Make sure everyone knows who to call if local phone lines are busy.

2. Build a Kit: Gather enough fresh water and non-perishable food to sustain your household for at least three days. Don't forget flashlights, extra batteries, a first-aid kit, and a supply of necessary medications.

3. Stay Informed: Sign up for local emergency alerts through the Borough website and download the FEMA app. Knowing what hazards are approaching gives you valuable time to react.

4. Involve Children: Teach children how to identify first responders and when to dial 911. Practice your home fire escape plan together so they know exactly what to do.

The Cresskill Fire Department stands ready to protect you, but true preparedness begins at home. **Take some time this week to review your emergency plans and check your smoke detector batteries.**

POLICE

Cresskill Public Safety Night

The Cresskill Police Department reminds residents that Public Safety Night is an opportunity to learn more about community safety, meet members of the Police Department, and connect with local public safety personnel. Residents are encouraged to attend and take advantage of this opportunity to ask questions and learn more about keeping our community safe.

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. The Department of Public Works will also be on hand to showcase the important equipment and services they provide 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.

Come out and enjoy an evening with the Cresskill Police Department and our public safety partners. Meet the people behind the badge, learn more about the services they provide, and enjoy music and food while connecting with members of the community.

- **Wednesday, September 9, 2026**
- **5:30 PM–8:00 PM**
- **Benedict Romeo Cresskill Community Center**
- Food Trucks | Live Music & DJ | Emergency Services | State Police Helicopter

We look forward to seeing you there!

Now Hiring: Crossing Guards

The Cresskill Police Department Traffic Bureau is seeking crossing guards to help keep our students safe as they travel to and from school.

- **Starting Pay:** Approximately $22 per hour
- **Schedule:** 3½ hours per day, 5 days per week
- **Experience:** No experience necessary; training provided
- **Posts:** Morning and afternoon positions available

- **Paid Time Off:** Included
- **Equipment:** High-visibility vest and stop paddle provided
- **School Calendar:** Work follows the Cresskill Public School calendar

Requirements

- Ability to stand and walk outdoors in all weather conditions
- Medical physical required
- Fingerprint and background check required
- Short oral interview

Apply Today: Visit the Borough of Cresskill Employment Opportunities page or stop by Cresskill Police Headquarters to pick up an application.
https://cresskillboro.com/index.php/government/employment

Questions: Contact Sergeant Grubecki at 201-568-1400.

Cresskill Police Department
67 Union Avenue
Cresskill, NJ

Serve Your Community. Keep Our Students Safe.

High School & Middle School Drop-Off Reminder

The Cresskill Police Department reminds families to follow the designated drop-off procedures at Cresskill High School and Middle School.

- **West Morningside Avenue is for drop-off only.**
- **Pick-up is prohibited on West Morningside Avenue.**
- Please use the designated crosswalk and follow the directions of the crossing guard.
- Use the pedestrian warning beacon when crossing **Piermont Road**.
- Follow all posted signage on **Mezzine Drive** when parking and be mindful of the residents who live there.

Following these procedures helps keep students, families, pedestrians, and motorists safe during arrival and dismissal.

Illegal U-Turn Enforcement

The Cresskill Police Department has been enforcing the illegal U-turn restrictions on Union Avenue and is once again seeing motorists disregard the posted signs.

We will be increasing our enforcement efforts. Please be aware that the more attention officers must devote to the willful disregard of illegal U-turn restrictions, the more attention is taken away from other enforcement responsibilities and responding to calls for service.

Motorists are reminded to obey all posted signs and do not make illegal U-turns on Union Avenue.

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.
• Marking out and painting of football and soccer fields.

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 4th Thursday of each month
September's Clinic will take place on Thursday, September 24 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

Fall Art Classes
Registration is now open for **Fall Watercolor Classes**, beginning **Tuesday, September 8th at 1:00 PM.**

Fall Multimedia Art Classes will begin on **Monday, September 14th at 12:30 PM.**

Italian Lessons
Italian lessons begin on **Tuesday, September 15th at 10:00 AM**. All are welcome.

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

LIBRARY

Labor Day Weekend
The Library will be closed **Saturday, September 5th, Sunday, September 6th, and Monday, September 7th** for Labor Day weekend.

Kids' Events

- **Baby & Me Storytime:** Tuesdays at 10:00 AM
- **Tot Time Storytime:** Fridays at 10:00 AM
- **Kids Craft:** Every Thursday at 3:15 PM
- **Read to a Dog:** Thursday, September 17th at 3:30 PM. Register online.
- **Family Trivia:** Saturday, September 19th at 1:00 PM. Register online.

Events for Adults

- **Tech Help:** Available Thursday and Friday afternoons. Register online.
- **Book Club:** Discussing *Normal People* by Sally Rooney on Thursday, September 17th at 7:00 PM.
- **Yoga:** Every Monday evening at 6:45 PM.

Friends of the Cresskill Library Town-Wide Garage Sale
The Friends of the Cresskill Library will host a **Town-Wide Garage Sale on Saturday, October 3rd from 9:00 AM–4:00 PM**, with a rain date of Saturday, October 10th.

Residents can 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 18th — no exceptions**.

Maps will be available for pickup at the Library on October 3rd 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

• Pre-Construction meeting for the **Road Resurfacing Program** to be held on 9/3/26. The construction start date will be discussed at this meeting.

• Plans, Specifications, and Construction Cost Estimate for the **2025 Municipal Aid Program** submitted to NJDOT-Local Aid for initial review and comments. Following approval, the project will be advertised for public bidding.

Thank you!

Mayor John Morgan, MD