Welcome to our Weekly Community Update!
June 26, 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

1. Retirement of Chief James Domville & Leadership Transition – Cresskill Police Department

The Borough of Cresskill and the Cresskill Police Department extend their heartfelt congratulations and gratitude to Chief James Domville as he retires on Tuesday, June 30, 2026, after 39 years of dedicated and distinguished service to our community. Chief Domville's leadership, professionalism, and commitment to public safety have left a lasting legacy. The community is invited to attend his ceremonial walkout from Police Headquarters at **4:00 p.m. on June 30** to celebrate his remarkable career and wish him a well-deserved retirement.

We are also pleased to welcome Captain Jason Lanzilotti as Cresskill's next Chief of Police beginning July 1, with his ceremonial swearing-in taking place during the Mayor and Council Meeting on **Wednesday, July 15, at 6:30 p.m**. at Borough Hall. Please join us in thanking Chief Domville for his years of service and congratulating Chief Lanzilotti as he begins this new chapter of leadership.

2. NJ Motor Vehicle Commission E-Bike Briefing – Congressman Gottheimer

On **Tuesday, June 30th**, Congressman Gottheimer will be holding a virtual briefing with the NJ Motor Vehicle Commission to help Jersey families understand the new rules for owning and operating e-bikes in New Jersey. The briefing will be held on the Congressman's Facebook page beginning at 10:30 AM.

If you have any questions about the law, please submit them here: https://docs.google.com/forms/d/1HHP29TXaUtymAxtJXa_fU4qZoeYW9hvr9njWcfOpPkU/edit

3. USPS Community Feedback Request

If you have had a positive or negative experience with a specific USPS employee serving Cresskill, I encourage you to make your voice heard.

The U.S. Postal Service has an official Personnel Inquiry form where you can submit compliments or complaints directly regarding postal employees. Your feedback helps ensure both excellent service is recognized and concerns are properly addressed.

You can submit your feedback here:
https://emailus.usps.com/s/personnel-inquiry

I also ask that you email me at mayor@cresskillboro.org with a brief summary of your experience. While the Borough does not oversee the U.S. Postal Service, hearing directly from our residents allows me to better understand any ongoing concerns affecting our community and advocate when appropriate.

4. Cresskill 4th of July Celebration

Celebrate the 4th of July in Cresskill!

Join us on **Saturday, July 4, from 10:00 AM to 1:00 PM** at the **Benedict Romeo Community Center** for Cresskill's annual Townwide 4th of July Celebration! Enjoy food, rides, games, a live DJ, and fun activities for the whole family.

Rain Date: Sunday, July 5

We hope to see you there as we celebrate Independence Day together!

ADMINISTRATION

Cresskill Farmer's 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!

Make a Splash This Summer!

Summer is here, and the Cresskill Municipal Pool is now open full-time for the season!

The Cresskill Municipal Pool offers residents a great place to relax, cool off, and enjoy the summer season with family and friends. Whether you're swimming laps, enjoying recreational swim time, or spending the day poolside, the facility provides a safe and welcoming community space for all ages.

We look forward to seeing everyone at the pool this summer!

Pool registration information and applications are available here:
https://www.cresskillboro.com/index.php/forms-documents/forms/department-documents/swim-club/1474-pool-registration-2026/file

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SENIOR CENTER

Blood Pressure Clinic
• Held on the fourth Thursday of each month
• Next month's clinic will take place on **Thursday, July 23 from 9:30 AM–1:30 PM**
• Appointments are preferred. Please call 201-503-9831

NEW 8-Week Watercolor Series
• **Tuesdays at 1:00 PM.** Last class is August 11th
• Call for class information: 201-503-9831

LIBRARY

Kids & Teen Programs
• Kids Yoga (Ages 8–17) – **Saturday, June 27, 11:00 AM** (Bring a mat)
• Storytime with a Twist (Ages 2–5) – **Wednesday, July 8, 11:30 AM – 12:00 PM**
• ArtyTime (Ages 5–11) – **Wednesday, July 8, 4:00 – 5:00 PM**
• Friday Mystery Reader Series (All ages) **– Friday, July 10, 2:00 PM**

Adult Programs
• Romance Book Club – **Thursday, July 2, 7:00 PM** (The Ex Talk by Rachel Lynn Solomon)
• Soap Making – **Thursday, July 9, 6:30 – 7:30 PM**
• Tech Lessons – **Thursdays and Fridays (afternoons)**
• Register online: https://www.cresskilllibrary.org/

FIRE/EMS

Earth Networks Total Lightning Network®

The Borough of Cresskill is committed to protecting our community through preparedness and the use of advanced warning technology. One tool used to enhance public safety is **the Earth Networks Total Lightning Network®**, a sophisticated lightning detection and alerting system that monitors lightning activity and provides early warnings when thunderstorms approach the area.

• Unlike traditional weather radar, the Earth Networks system detects lightning activity many miles away and provides alerts before dangerous conditions reach the community. This early notification allows emergency personnel, schools, parks, athletic programs, and residents to take protective actions before severe weather arrives.

• Lightning can strike several miles away from a storm, even when skies overhead are still clear. If you hear thunder, you are close enough to be struck by lightning and should immediately seek shelter.

The Safest Places During a Thunderstorm:
• Inside a substantial building with plumbing and electrical wiring.
• Inside a fully enclosed vehicle with the windows closed.

Places to Avoid:
• Open fields and parks.
• Playgrounds and athletic fields.
• Trees and wooded areas.
• Picnic shelters, pavilions, and tents.
• Swimming pools, lakes, and other bodies of water.
• Metal fences and poles.

Once indoors:
• Stay away from windows and doors.
• Do not use electrical appliances or touch plugged-in electronics.
• Avoid showers, sinks, and plumbing fixtures, as lightning can travel through pipes.
• Continue to monitor weather information and local alerts.

The 30-30 Rule: If the time between seeing lightning and hearing thunder is less than 30 seconds, seek shelter immediately. Remain indoors and wait at least 30 minutes after the last sound of thunder before resuming outdoor activities.

Outdoor Events and Recreation: Summer storms can develop quickly. Coaches, athletes, campers, and outdoor enthusiasts should always have a weather safety plan and know where to seek shelter. Lightning is one of the leading weather-related killers in the United States, but most lightning injuries and fatalities are preventable.

• The Earth Networks Lightning Alerting System provides an important layer of protection for our community, but residents should always remain weather aware and take thunderstorms seriously. Early action saves lives. Our strategically placed Lightning Alerting Systems provide visible and audible alerts. One audible alert and a blinking strobe light mean lightning is within the distance of our set parameters. When the area is "all clear" of potential lightning, the system will sound three audible alerts, and the strobe light will no longer be active.

Remember: When Thunder Roars, Go Indoors!

Stay Alert. Stay Prepared. Stay Safe.

POLICE

The Cresskill Police Department extends its sincere gratitude and congratulations to **Chief James Domville** as he retires on **Tuesday, June 30, 2026**, following 39 years of dedicated, honorable, and distinguished service to the Borough and its residents.

Chief Domville's commitment to public safety, professionalism, and community policing has left a lasting impact on the department and the community he faithfully served throughout his career.

To mark this milestone, Chief Domville will participate in a ceremonial walkout from Cresskill Police Headquarters on Tuesday, June 30, at 4:00 p.m.

Community members are invited to join members of the Police Department, Borough Officials, family, friends, and colleagues in honoring his remarkable career and wishing him a long, healthy, and well-deserved retirement.

The Borough of Cresskill is also pleased to announce that **Captain Jason Lanzilotti** will assume the role of Chief of Police on **Wednesday, July 1, 2026**.

A ceremonial swearing-in will take place during the Mayor and Council Meeting on **Wednesday, July 15, 2026, at 6:30 p.m**. at Cresskill Borough Hall.

Please join us in congratulating Chief Lanzilotti as he begins this new chapter of leadership in serving the Borough of Cresskill.

DPW / PUBLIC WORKS

Ongoing Projects and Maintenance Activities:

• Asphalt and pothole repairs
• Weekly landscape maintenance of all borough grounds, parks, and athletic fields
• Vehicle and equipment maintenance and repairs for Police, Fire, EMS, and DPW fleets
• Borough shade tree pruning, elevations, and removals
• Paver installation at the Community Center

COMMUNITY & RECREATION CENTER

Cresskill's 4th of July Townwide Celebration

Saturday, July 4, 2026
10:00 AM – 1:00 PM
Benedict Romeo Community Center

Rain Date: Sunday, July 5, 2026

Come enjoy a day of fun for all!

• Food
• Rides
• Games
• DJ Entertainment
• And More!

If you have any questions, please contact the Recreation Office at (201) 816-8065 or email malvarez@cresskillboro.org.

Cresskill residents only.

Flyer: http://cresskillboro.com/index.php/news-announcements/452-cresskills-4th-of-july-townwide-celebration

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INFRASTRUCTURE / ENGINEERING

Current Projects

• Preparing the 2027 NJDOT Municipal Aid Program Grant Application for roadway improvements.
• Coordinating with the vendor for color coating of the Tennis/Pickleball Courts. Work is scheduled to be completed in early July.

• Coordinating with the vendor for delivery and installation of new playground equipment at Cranford Park. Work is scheduled to begin in early July.

Thank you!

Mayor John Morgan, MD