Welcome to our Weekly Community Update!
October 1, 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

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Office of the Mayor

I would like to extend a **heartfelt thank you to our DPW, Police Department, Fire Department, and Office of Emergency Management** for all their hard work and dedication throughout the Nor'easter. From preparing for the storm to responding to the challenges it brought, our crews worked tirelessly to keep our community safe and our roads and neighborhoods moving.

We are incredibly grateful for everything you do for Cresskill. **Thank you for always being there for our community!**

I would also like to congratulate **Sergeant Grubecki and Detective Oliver** on successfully completing the Maryland State Police Motorcycle Certification Course. This is a significant accomplishment, and I commend them for their hard work, dedication, and commitment to serving the Cresskill community.

The **Cresskill 5K and Diaper Dash** have been **rescheduled to Sunday, October 11, 2026**, due to the weather. Please mark your calendars for the new date!

Cresskill Recreation's **Annual Fall Festival** will take place **Thursday, October 8, from 6:00–8:00 PM** at the Benedict Romeo Community Center. I'm proud to see events like this continue to be part of the Cresskill community, giving residents an opportunity to enjoy our town and the people who make it such a great place to live. I encourage everyone to come out, enjoy the festivities, and make the most of this special evening in Cresskill.

ADMINISTRATION

Cresskill 5K NEW DATE!

Join us **Sunday, October 11, 2026, at 9:00 AM** at the **Benedict Romeo Community Center, 100 3rd Street, Cresskill.**

There is still time to sign up! Whether you run, walk, participate, or simply come out to cheer on your neighbors, there's something for everyone. The race features a **USATF Certified Course**.

And don't forget **The Cutest Crawl in Town!** The race will feature an ultra-competitive **"Diaper Dash"** for infants ages 6 to 12 months, with a 10-foot crawl to the finish line and a special prize for the fastest baby.

Can't participate? You can still make a difference by donating or sponsoring the event.

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

Farmers Market

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

Come visit the Cresskill Farmers Market each week! Browse fresh produce, homemade goods, and specialty foods, including dried fruit, nuts, juices, desserts, and pickles. Shop local, support our vendors, catch up with neighbors, and enjoy a beautiful day outdoors.

FIRE/EMS/OEM

As we look at the news coverage from this weekend's major nor'easter, it is impossible not to feel a profound sense of gratitude for how our community fared.

While heavy rain and gusty winds swept through Bergen County, many of our neighbors in southern and coastal New Jersey bore the brunt of catastrophic tidal flooding, severe beach erosion, and declared states of emergency. Here in Cresskill, we are incredibly fortunate to report

that we escaped the worst of this powerful storm system without major structural damage, widespread power outages, or serious injuries.

Our good fortune is due in large part to the preparation of our residents and the swift coordination of our municipal teams.

A Community Effort

We want to extend a massive thank you to:

- **Our Residents:** Thank you for securing loose outdoor items, staying off the roads during the heaviest rainfall, and looking out for your neighbors.
- **Cresskill DPW:** Our Public Works crews worked diligently ahead of the storm to clear catch basins and leaf debris, significantly mitigating the localized street flooding that often impacts low-lying areas.
- **First Responders:** The Cresskill Police Department, Fire Department, and Office of Emergency Management remained on high alert throughout the weekend, ready to protect our Borough at a moment's notice.

Post-Storm Cleanup Reminder

As our crews continue to clear minor tree debris and sweep municipal streets over the next couple of days, we ask for your continued cooperation.

- **Keep Drains Clear:** Autumn leaves are beginning to drop rapidly after the storm's high winds. Please ensure the street gutters and storm drains near your property stay clear of leaf piles to prevent future drainage issues.
- **Report Residual Issues:** If you notice any hanging branches over public roadways or minor damage to municipal property, please report them to the Cresskill DPW.

This weekend was a powerful reminder of how unpredictable autumn weather can be and how lucky we are to have such a resilient and cooperative community. Let's carry this spirit of preparedness forward into the rest of the season!

POLICE

Cresskill Officers Earn Motorcycle Certifications

I am proud to congratulate Sergeant Grubecki and Detective Oliver on successfully completing the Maryland State Police Motorcycle Certification Course.

This rigorous, two-week program is one of the most demanding motorcycle training courses available. Officers are pushed to the limits of their skills and the capabilities of the motorcycle under the most challenging conditions. Through intense instruction and practical evaluation, both

Sergeant Grubecki and Detective Oliver demonstrated the professionalism, determination, and competence required to earn their certification.

With this achievement, our Motorcycle Unit will continue to represent the Cresskill Police Department at ceremonial events. More importantly, Sergeant Grubecki and Detective Oliver will now be deployed on the roadways of our community. They will enforce motor vehicle laws, conduct proactive traffic enforcement, and engage in community policing efforts that strengthen our presence and expand our reach.

Please join me in recognizing their hard work and commitment to excellence. Their dedication enhances public safety and reflects great credit upon the Cresskill Police Department.

Chief Jason Lanzilotti
Cresskill Police Department

Overnight Parking Reminder — Cresskill Residents

As we approach the fall and winter months, the Borough of Cresskill reminds residents that overnight parking restrictions will begin **October 15** and remain in effect through **April 15**.

- Residents who need to park a vehicle overnight on the street must submit an **Overnight Parking Request through PD Linx**. https://pdlinx.app/parking

How to Submit a Request:

- Visit the Borough of Cresskill website.
- Go to **Departments → Police Department**.
- Select the **"Overnight Parking Request"** hyperlink.
- Requests can also be submitted directly through **PD Linx**.
- A separate request must be submitted for each individual vehicle.

Important Reminders:

- Overnight parking requests can be submitted each night beginning at **8:00 PM**.
- After **5 consecutive requests**, an implied restriction applies.
- Submitting a request does not guarantee approval.
- Permission may be denied, or previously granted permission may be revoked, due to inclement weather or other parking restrictions.

We encourage residents to plan ahead and submit requests as needed throughout the overnight parking season.

Crossing Guards

- The Borough is continuing to accept applications for **Crossing Guards**.
- **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.

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.
• Traffic and street sign replacement throughout town.
• Weekly painting of football and soccer fields.
• Nor'easter storm prep - clear catch basins and stormwater outflow pipes.

Reminder: For branch pickup, branches must be **less than 4 feet in length** and **tied or placed in a barrel** to be picked up.

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

Art History Class – **Friday, October 2, at 11:30 AM.** All are welcome. Call to register or for more information.

Blood Pressure Clinic
Held on the 4th Thursday of each month
The next clinic will take place on Thursday, October 22 from 9:30 AM–1:30 PM
Appointments are preferred. Please call 201-503-9831

Center Trip: Wednesday, October 28th — Join us for a self-paced exploration of MOMA. You can explore the galleries at the **Museum of Modern Art** at your own speed. **5 seats available.** Please call Donnajo for more information and registration.

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

LIBRARY

• The Library is closed on Monday, October 12th, for Columbus Day.

Kids' Events

- **Baby & Me Storytime:** Tuesdays at 10:00 AM
- **Tot Time Storytime:** Fridays at 10:00 AM
- **Kids Craft:** Thursdays at 3:15 PM
- **Mr. Corbit Musical Storytime:** Monday, October 5, at 11:30 AM. Registration required at cresskilllibrary.org
- **Hebrew Storytime & Craft:** Monday, October 5 at 4:30 PM. Register at https://iac360.org/iac-events/storynj/
- **Hispanic Heritage Month Storytime & Craft:** Saturday, October 17 at 11 AM. Registration required.

Events for Adults

- **Tech Help:** Available Thursday and Friday afternoons. Appointments are necessary. Register online cresskilllibrary.org
- **Yoga:** Mondays at 6:45 PM.
- **Book Club:** Discussing *My Friends* by Fredrik Backman. Thursday, October 15 at 7:00 PM.

Questions? Contact **cresskilllibraryfriends@gmail.com**.

COMMUNITY & RECREATION CENTER

Annual Fall Festival

Join Cresskill Recreation for our **Annual Fall Festival** on **Thursday, October 8**, from **6:00–8:00 PM** at the **Benedict Romeo Community Center**! No registration required!

Bring the whole family and enjoy a fun-filled evening celebrating the fall season and our wonderful community. There will be **inflatable games, music, face painting, and more!**

It's a great opportunity for families, friends, and neighbors to come together, enjoy some time outdoors, and make lasting memories. We look forward to bringing our community together for an evening of **fun, laughter, and fall festivities!** Fall Festival Flyer

Cresskill residents only.

Come celebrate fall with us!

Fall Volleyball Open Gym

Cresskill Recreation is offering **Volleyball Wednesday Afternoons** for Cresskill middle school students. Open gym sessions will be held **October 7, 14, and 21, from 5:15–6:30 PM**. A **$20 insurance fee is required** for participation and can be paid through Community Pass. **Cresskill residents only.** Fall Volleyball Open Gym Flyer

Travel Basketball Try-Outs

Registration is **currently open** for Cresskill Recreation Travel Basketball Tryouts for the Winter 2026/2027 season. Register through **Community Pass** by **Friday, October 9 at 5:00 PM**. Please see the flyer for additional information regarding **tryout dates and times, eligible grades, and uniforms etc**. Travel Basketball Flyer

For questions, call **201-816-8065** or email **malvarez@cresskillboro.org**.

INFRASTRUCTURE / ENGINEERING

• Coordination with Veolia for final paving at Demar Avenue.
• Coordination with PSE&G for additional remedial repairs along the limits of the existing trench at 6th St., Evergreen Ave. & 7th Street.

Thank you!

Mayor John Morgan, MD