

Nether Providence

Township



Spring/Summer 2025

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Welcome to Our New Newsletter

Dear Residents,

As I sit down to draft an update, I see that my summer 2024 update began with a recognition that quite a lot of road and utility work was going on around town. Unfortunately, we have been in a similar situation recently. While it can be very disruptive, on the bright side, we will have upgraded utilities and freshly paved roads when the work is complete. We appreciate everyone's patience in the meantime.

Please get out and enjoy our parks. We have been able to make so many improvements over the last year. Gouley received a brand new turf field, the lower sports court at Sapovits was expanded and improved and the softball field was upgraded as well, Martha Burton saw a total overhaul with a new playground and many other improvements, new dugouts were installed at Hepford, the new walking trail and bridge at Furness were completed, and the Leiper-Smedley trail was resurfaced and widened consistent with ADA guidelines. We continue to apply for grant funding and look forward to installing another set of dugouts at Hepford and a set at Bullens in the coming months, starting trail work at Houston, installing a walking path at Martha Burton, planning a path from the Grandview neighborhood to Gouley, as well as adding landscaping around the new trail at Furness.

Representative Krueger, Senator Kane, and County Council continue to support the Township and have been instrumental in helping us secure grant funding to complete the parks projects mentioned above, as well as stormwater projects, and expanding our network of sidewalks. We are thrilled with how the sidewalk along Providence Road between Copples Lane and E. Rose Valley Road has turned out. Funding has been secured to install sidewalk from the intersection of 320 up to Waterford Way, as well as from E. Rose Valley Road to Putters Lane, and we continue to work to secure funding to close the gap between Waterford Way and Putters Lane in the near future.

Please get out and enjoy all that Nether Providence has to offer!

Kaitlin A. McKenzie

President, Board of Commissioners





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 Township Manager: Maureen Feyas
 Office Hours: Monday through Friday 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.



TOWNSHIP EVENTS

UPCOMING EVENTS

FAMILY FUN DAY - OCTOBER, 11 2025

The Township is thrilled to announce the return of our beloved fall tradition: Family Fun Day! This exciting event is designed for all ages and offers a wide variety of activities, including delicious food and drinks, bouncy houses, a petting zoo, craft vendors, and so much more. Best of all, admission is completely free, ensuring a day packed with joy and memorable moments for everyone.

Interested in showcasing your crafts?

Secure a vendor table by emailing mprice@netherprovidence.org for more information.



BULK TRASH DROP OFF EVENT

Saturday, November 22nd
 10 AM - 2 PM
 (OR UNTIL FULL!)

HEPFORD PARK
 (New Jersey Ave)
 &
 SOUTH MEDIA
 FIRE STATION
 (535 Washington Ave)

RESIDENT ID REQUIRED

FOR MORE INFORMATION
 610-566-4516

Please NO electronics or hazardous waste (example: computers, TVs, oil-based paint, propane tanks, batteries, toxics, mercury-containing items, etc.) No commercial or industrial trash permitted.

2025 Delaware County Household Hazardous Waste (HHW) Collection Events

TICKET MUST BE PRESENT TO ACCESS EVENT *Registration required for all events, Register at: delcoghww.eventbrite.com or scan the QR code
 *Registration/QR Code will be activated 6 weeks prior to each event

Think Globally, Act Locally! If improperly discarded, household products containing toxic chemicals can be a threat to people, pets and the environment. Never dispose of hazardous materials in the trash as they may harm your sanitation workers or result in a collection vehicle fire. It is also unsafe to pour HHW down a sink or storm drain as it will end up polluting our drinking water.

ONLY Household Hazardous Waste will be accepted
Electronics Waste & Latex Paint will NOT be accepted

- Sat., April 12th Emergency Services Training Center
1600 Calcon Hook Rd., Sharon Hill (Darby Twp.) 19079
- Sat., May 10th Rose Tree Park
1671 N. Providence Rd., Media PA 19063
- Sat., Sept 6th Emergency Services Training Center
1600 Calcon Hook Rd., Sharon Hill (Darby Twp.) 19079
- Sat., Oct., 11th Upper Chichester Municipal Bldg.
8500 Purrey Road., Upper Chichester, PA 19061

ALL EVENTS BY APPOINTMENT ONLY rain or shine -REGISTRATION REQUIRED

Acceptable HHW	Unacceptable
Flammables <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Oil-based Paint • Oil-based Sealers • Paint Thinner • Gasoline • Kerosene • Gas / Oil Mixture • Heating/Motor Oil • Propane (small only) Batteries (Non-Alkaline) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Lead Acid • Rechargeable • Lithium 	Electronics We cannot accept Electronics Smoke Detectors (Please dispose with household trash) Latex Paint Remove lid and allow to dry or mix with absorbent material until no longer a liquid. Discard lids separately and place with your curbside trash. Asbestos Explosives Gas or Propane Cylinders PCB's No 50 Gallon Drums Pressurized CFC's Tires Medical Waste Alkaline Batteries (Please dispose with household trash)

Toxics

- Pool Chemicals
- Rust / Paint Remover
- Antifreeze

Mercury Containing Devices

- Mercury Thermostats
- Mercury Thermometers
- Fluorescent Tubes (Compact Fluorescents aka CFL's may also be recycled at any Loves or Home Depot)

Herbicides

- Lawn Chemicals

Pesticides

- Lawn Chemicals

Caustics

- Cleaners / Solvents

We cannot / will not accept any Electronic Items or Latex Paint

For additional information, contact:
 Delaware County Solid Waste Authority 610-892-9620
 Driving Directions can be found by visiting:
www.delcoswa.org

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<https://www.delcoswa.org/household-hazardous-waste-Flyer>

TOWNSHIP EVENTS

E-Waste Collection List



We will gladly accept the following items at no charge:

Printers; Mice; Keyboards; Monitors - LCD flat-screen; AV equipment; Phones; Speakers; Motherboards; Hard Drives; Power Supply Wire - chargers, connectors, etc.; Computer Batteries; Laptops; Gaming Equipment; Routers; Server Cabinets; Floppy Disks; Docking Stations; Miscellaneous computer-related materials

**Because of environmental issues that make safe disposal expensive, there is a fee for the following items:

- Older CRT Monitors and TVs: \$40 - \$80/each, cost varies by size;
- Flat Screen TVs: \$25;
- Computer Monitors: \$7;
- Air Conditioners, Dehumidifiers, & Air Purifiers: \$25;
- Microwaves: \$15.

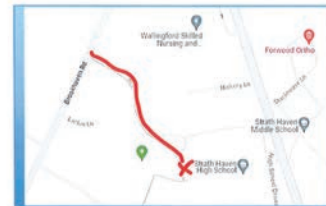
Please bring cash or check for these items made out to PAR Recycleworks.



NETHER PROVIDENCE, MEDIA, AND SWARTHMORE ELECTRONICS RECYCLING AND SHREDDING EVENT

Saturday, November 8th
9 AM to 1 PM

Strath Haven High School, Wallingford, PA
(Enter from Brookhaven Rd, Back parking lot)



E-Waste: Recycle almost anything with a plug for free! *Old-style TVs and CRT monitors do require a disposal fee.

Shredding: documents with sensitive information that need to be shredded in a safe, secure, and environmentally friendly method on site. No CDs, or DVDs.



* Some items require a disposal fee

E-Recycling service is provided by PAR RECYCLE WORKS – a local nonprofit that sells reusable materials collected from electronic devices to help pay for salaries and job skill development for formerly incarcerated men and women, in order to support their productive re-entry back into society. For more information on PAR, please see par-recycleworks.org. Shredding provided by JK Shredding.

BIRD TOWN PENNSYLVANIA



birdtownpa.org

CELEBRATING SUMMER WITH OUR WONDERFUL BACKYARD BIRDS!!

By the Nether Providence Township Bird Town Committee*

We are truly fortunate to live in a community and region that has a wealth of enchanting songbirds. Here are some tips to help keep our yards a haven for them:

- Provide native seed-bearing perennial flowers, such as coneflowers, asters and goldenrods, and keep the seedheads intact after the flowers bloom. You can then watch feisty goldfinches and other birds feast on these plant seeds!**
- Consider adding native berry-producing shrubs, including blueberries, hollies (including winterberry hollies), viburnums and American beautyberry. Delightful catbirds, robins and cardinals rely on these fruits for food. Shrubs also provide needed songbird shelter.
- Keep cats indoors. (Sadly, cats are estimated to kill 2.4 billion birds each year in the U.S.)
- If providing a bird bath, clean it regularly and ensure water is fresh (clean out at least every three days, to prevent mosquito larvae from growing).
- Avoid pesticide use. Birds depend on a food supply of caterpillars and insects, but pesticides can destroy that essential food.
- Instead, thank those mosquito-eating birds, such as chickadees, wrens and warblers, that each can consume thousands of insects every day, including mosquitoes!
- And maybe you are fortunate enough to have hummingbirds in your yard. Those amazing and delightful 'hummers' can zoom around and eat thousands of mosquitoes and other insects each day! They also get nectar from flowers that are tubular and red, such as native honeysuckle vine, red lobelia and salvias. If using a hummer feeder, it's best to change it daily in the hot summer days. Hummers also appreciate a water mist.
- Apply bird-friendly decals to windows to prevent lethal bird strikes.

Hopefully these tips will help you sit back in the summer heat and enjoy the wonderful birds that bring joyous songs and beauty to the haven you have provided in your yard.

*See our periodic articles in the Bird Town column at the NPT website

** See www.homegrownnationalpark.org or www.nwf.org for more plant information

Keep checking the township's Facebook page for more events.

PARKS UPDATES

Furness Park

The trail connection at Knoll Road has been completed. Residents are already using this for recreation and commuting to SEPTA, and we are thrilled. We are working with SEPTA to extend the platform and will be putting in a guardrail and some landscaping along Brookhaven Road.



Hepford Park

Dugouts will be installed at field 2



Houston Park

Streambank restoration, parking at the trailhead, and trail extensions are being planned. We appreciate the efforts of Eagle Scout candidate Jackson Davis who also helped restore the ice house at the park.

Leiper Park

Eagle Scout candidate Jack Gainey is in the process of installing a pavilion at Leiper Park.



Martha Burton Community Park

A walking path around the perimeter, lighting, and a picnic grove will be installed.

Bullens

Dugouts will be installed on our Rookie field thanks to County funding.

Sapovits

Expansion and resurfacing of the lower, multi-sport court and parking improvements along Prichard Lane will be completed this summer.

Township Building

Grant funding has been secured for installation of an elevator to allow for barrier-free access to the 2nd floor Meeting Room as well as window replacements and a new roof.

Henry Lane

Installation of storm drains on portions of Henry Lane are being completed in the spring, and we are looking for additional grant funding to complete work on the remainder of the street.

Gouley Park

In addition to the improvements on the field, Scout Maxim Kurchan built benches along the top of the parking lot hill and constructed stairs leading from the upper parking lot.

Use of Recreation Facilities

Nether Providence Township boasts eight beautiful parks, each offering its own unique amenities such as playgrounds, picnic areas, pavilions, nature trails, and sports fields.

To reserve a park or field, please visit the Township website and navigate to the "Forms" section. There, you'll find the Nether Providence Township Application for Use of Recreation Facilities.

Important: Smedley Park is owned and operated by Delaware County. For reservations at Smedley, please contact the Delaware County Parks Department directly.

Our new field use policy, including guidelines for the Gouley turf field, will be posted on the website soon.

Please note that applications for permits must be submitted at least two (2) weeks prior to the requested start date. If you're applying on behalf of an organization, a valid certificate of insurance is also required.

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E-Newsletter: Sign up for the Townships E-newsletter on our website

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IN THE COMMUNITY

The Thomas Leiper House The house is open every Saturday and Sunday from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. from April through December each year. Guided tours are provided. Membership in Friends of the Leiper House is open to anyone interested in the restoration and preservation of the property. For more information, call the Leiper House at 610-566-6365.



Helen Kate Furness Free Library

Explore exciting programs, events, and art exhibits at the library by visiting www.HKFLibrary.org. Be sure to register for all programs online at www.HKFLibrary.org/programs or by calling us at (610) 566-9331. Stay informed about upcoming events by subscribing to our newsletter at www.HKFLibrary.org.

Community Arts Center

The Community Arts Center in Wallingford, PA is a non-profit arts-based organization and an extraordinary place. A place full of creativity, history, inspiration, energy, celebration, and ART.



Community Arts Center offers countless opportunities to create and enjoy the visual arts. Classes for all ages, exhibits in our spacious gallery, an active outreach program, an artisan's gift shop, and frequent fine art and craft sales allow people to come together and bring art and creativity into their lives.

For 2025 events please go to: www.communityartscenter.org/events/

Office Hours

Monday~Friday: 9 am ~ 6 pm
Saturday: 10am – 2pm
Sunday: Closed



Gallery Hours

Monday~Friday: 10 am ~ 6 pm
Saturday: 10am – 2pm
Sunday: Closed

Historical Commission - The Historical Commission is back to having monthly meetings every third Wednesday at 7:00 p.m. downstairs in the Township Building. If you are interested in attending, contact Shaina Barnes at sbarnes@netherprovidence.org with your information. We have room for two new members!

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PUBLIC WORKS

LEAF MULCH ORDERS

The Township leaf mulch program runs from the end of March until June (or whenever the mulch runs out). Orders are taken at the Township Building at 214 Sykes Lane, Monday – Friday 9:00AM – 5:00PM. No orders will be taken over the phone. Check or Cash only.

Township Resident - \$105.00/full truck load or \$65.00/half truck load

Non-resident - \$130.00/ full truck load or \$90.00/half truck load

Full Truck load covers about 5-6 yards ; Half truck load covers about 2-3 yards.

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Prices: Resident- Full truck \$105 Half truck \$65 Non-resident- Full truck \$130 Half truck \$ 90

Full about 5-6 yards Half about 2-3 yards

YARD WASTE

The Township Public Works Department collects yard waste on the **second Tuesday of each month**.

You **MUST** call the Township to get on the list to have your yard waste picked up.

Simply call 610-566- 4516 Monday through Friday, 9 a.m. – 5 p.m. and provide your address.

Call early as pick-ups can fill up!

- Limbs and branches must not be greater than 4" in diameter and no longer than 5'. They should be bundled together with twine.
- All items must be placed at the edge of your property, curbside. The employees cannot come onto your property to pick up the items.
- If you choose to bag items, they must be in a paper biodegradable bag. **NO PLASTIC BAGS OR PLASTIC BIODEGRADABLE BAGS.**
- Logs, stumps, and branches larger than the parameters above WILL NOT be collected. You'll have to arrange for a tree company or your trash hauler to take those items.

NOT accepted: Grass clippings, vines, ivy, and weeds. These clog and break the mulch machines.

Drop-offs will be permitted from 8 a.m. to noon on the first Saturday of the month and Monday - Friday from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. each week at the Township public works garage located at 5 W. Brookhaven Road, Wallingford.

Yard Waste Pickup

Second Tuesday of each month

To schedule a pick up, please contact the Township Municipal office at 610.566.4516

Sticks in bags will NOT be picked up. Our third party drop-off site will NOT take them and refuse us future drop-off.

Please bundle ALL sticks

Drop-offs will be permitted from 8 AM to 2PM on the first Saturday of the month. Monday - Friday the garage is open from 8-2 for drop offs at the Township public works garage located at 5 W. Brookhaven Road, Wallingford.

Nether Providence Township Public Works

Branches must be 4 feet in length and NOT be more than 3 inches in diameter



Bundled together with twine.

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PUBLIC WORKS



New Small E-waste Collection Container

Nether Providence Township is excited to announce a new small e-recycling service for residents with drop-offs on Monday and Friday from 8:00 am -2:00 pm and the first Saturday of the month from 8:00 am-noon.

Located at 5 W Brookhaven Rd in the Public Works recycling area



NPT has expanded its partnership with PAR-Recycle Works to add this new service in addition to our annual E-recycle/shredding event. PAR recycling is a non-profit electronics recycler that provides employment and services to people returning from prison. This container is for any small and medium-sized items with a plug or wire. The items must fit & cannot be left outside the container.

PAR recycling is R2-RIOS certified. Which means the R2v3 recycling results in zero landfill destination for e-waste and provides a common set of processes, safety measures and documentation requirements for businesses that repair and recycle used electronics. PAR does corporate and personal pick ups too! www.par-recycleworks.org

ITEMS ACCEPTED

- Computers (no monitors)
- Laptops
- Tablets
- All Phones & Chargers
- Any Wire/cables
- Printers
- Mice
- Keyboards
- Radios
- DVD Players
- Speakers
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NETHER PROVIDENCE POLICE DEPARTMENT

Chief David Splain

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PUBLIC SAFETY



Officer Michael Worrell

Police Chief David Splain welcomed two new officers and recognized a veteran officer who stepped into a new role of leadership and responsibility in the Nether Providence Township Police Department.

Officer Michael Worrell was promoted to sergeant, joining Sgts. Michael Montgomery, Michael Markunas and Matthew Liss in supervisory roles.

With his daughter Layla, 11, holding the Bible and his girlfriend Kara Schroeder seated in the audience, Sgt. Worrell was sworn in by Magisterial District Judge Elizabeth Gallard, reciting his oath before a group of well-wishers at the Jan. 9, 2025, monthly Board of Commissioners meeting.

Sgt. Worrell is an 11-year law enforcement veteran, serving the last eight as a full-time NPPD patrol officer. He is also a part-time Sergeant First Class/Platoon Sergeant with the Army National Guard, of which he has been a member for over 15 years.

The son of the late Scott Worrell and Maria Vitello, Sgt. Worrell has lived in Delaware County his entire life. He graduated from Academy Park High School and, more recently, earned a B.S. in criminal justice, military studies, and business from Liberty University, graduating with the highest honors.

Sgt. Worrell has described being a police officer as his dream job. When he was told at the age of 18 that he would not be hired by any police department until he was 21, he decided to join the U.S. Army.

"I joined the Army and almost immediately was sent to Afghanistan where I served for a year from November 2010 to 2011. I came home and went to the police academy," he recalled. When he graduated from the academy's six-month program in 2012, he was the recipient of the Firearms Award.

In 2013, Sgt. Worrell was hired as a part-time officer in Yeadon, where Chief Splain was then a detective sergeant. Sgt. Worrell came to work as a part-time officer in Nether Providence in 2014 under Splain, who had been hired as NPPD chief in 2013.

Sgt. Worrell later worked full-time for both the Drexel University Police Department and then the Philadelphia Police Department before returning full-time to Nether Providence in November 2016.

At NPPD, Sgt. Worrell has consistently demonstrated a commitment to this department and this community, Chief Splain said. In addition to his patrol duties, he is a field training officer, and firearms instructor/armorer. He is also a member of the Central Delco Tactical Response Team.

"Since I was 18, I wanted to be a police officer. I grew up seeing kids making poor choices, and I wanted to become part of the change," Sgt. Worrell has previously stated.

On March 14, 2025, Officers Andrew Yates and James MacIntosh joined the NPPD patrol division. Yates' mother, Michele, and MacIntosh's wife, Emily, held the Bible as they were sworn in by District Judge Gallard before an audience packed with family, friends and fellow law enforcement officers.

"It is an honor to introduce our two newest full-time officers," Chief Splain said. "They recently participated in a highly competitive selection process, emerging as



Officers Andrew Yates and James MacIntosh

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the top candidates among a pool of applicants."

Officer Yates, 23, has been working as a part-time officer for the NPPD since September 2024. A lifelong resident of Nether Providence, he graduated from Strath Haven High School in 2019 and earned a bachelor's degree in criminal justice from Widener University in 2023 - all the while perfecting his baseball prowess.

Officer Yates began his law enforcement career in July 2024 when he was hired as a part-time officer in Glenolden, shortly after graduating from the Delaware County Municipal Police Academy.

"Andrew has done an outstanding job in his eight months with the department," Chief Splain said. "It is my honor to have Andrew as a full-time member of the Nether Providence Police Department."

Officer MacIntosh, 33, resides in Swarthmore. He graduated from Monsignor Bonner High School in 2009 and earned a bachelor's degree in Sociology from Widener University in 2014. Following graduation, he enrolled in the county police academy. In 2015, he was hired as a part-time officer by the Collingdale Police Department. By 2018, he had been promoted to a full-time position, and a year later, he was assigned to the detective division.

"Jim comes to us with excellent recommendations. He is highly trained and has a wealth of experience," Chief Splain said.

IT'S CHRISTMAS IN JULY!

That means the NPPD is only months away from launching the second and hopefully annual Toy Drive in support of the Delco Cruisers and the U.S. Marine Corps Toys for Tots campaign. We are aiming for a bigger haul than last year, and we need your support to make it happen. Start thinking about how you can contribute – whether it is purchasing new toys or donating funds.

If you haven't already, sign up for the CrimeWatch app - @netherprovidencepolice.org - for all up-to-date information from the Nether Providence Police Department.

Also follow us @NetherProvPD on Twitter; @nether.providence on Facebook; @nether_providence_police on Instagram; and Nether Providence Police Department on Nextdoor.

EMERGENCY NUMBERS - POLICE, FIRE, RESCUE, AND AMBULANCE: 9-1-1

NON-EMERGENCY NUMBERS	
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GARDEN CITY FIRE COM.	610-876-6801

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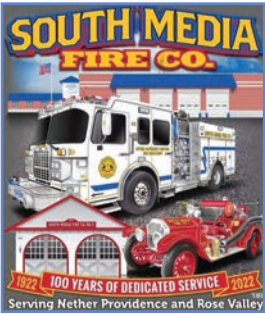
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NETHER PROVIDENCE FIRE COMPANIES



South Media Fire Company (SMFC)

Volunteers Wanted!

Training is held every Monday at 7 p.m. Residents are invited to stop by to learn about us, explore volunteering with us, or just say hi. All are welcome. For questions or information, we can be reached at info@southmediafire.com or 610-566-6151.

A recruitment poster for South Media Fire Company No. 1. It features a fire scene with firefighters silhouetted against the flames. The text reads "100% VOLUNTEER - 100% OF THE TIME" and "South Media Fire Company No. 1". A logo on the left includes "SOUTH MEDIA FIRE RESCUE 51 EST. 1922 NETHER PROVIDENCE TWP FIRE CO. NO. 1". At the bottom left, it lists the address "535 Washington Avenue Media, PA 19063" and phone number "(610) 566-6151 • southmediafire.com".

We All Invite You to JOIN US

Since 1922, from the corner of Washington Ave. and Leiper St. in South Media, we've proudly served our friends, family, and neighbors in Nether Providence Township, Rose Valley Borough, and beyond. Continuing that tradition requires people willing to sacrifice a family dinner – or a warm bed on a cold night – so their neighbors are protected when they need it most.

From our young and passionate cadets to retirees who are looking to help in more ways than putting fires out - we are a diverse team that embodies the true spirit of community service. With your help, we can continue the legacy of unwavering community service. We are ALL volunteers – ALL of the time.



SCAN to Donate

Garden City Fire Company (GCFC)

Garden City Fire Company Launches New Recruitment Campaign: 'Trained to Save, Inspired to Serve'

Garden City Fire Company of Nether Providence Township has launched a new volunteer recruitment campaign and website! The department, which serves Nether Providence Township, Rose Valley Borough, and its surrounding communities, has developed new branding and a new tagline, "Trained to Save, Inspired to Serve."



To learn more about Garden City Fire Company or to fill out an inquiry form, visit www.GardenCityFirefighter.org

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When the fire alarm sounds, **Garden City Fire Company** is ready to respond. Our professional volunteers are **trained to save** and **inspired to serve** our community. **Could YOU be one of us?**

If so, Garden City Fire Company wants to meet you! Our volunteers receive stellar training on a local, state and national level without charge. Our trucks and apparatus are state-of-the-art. We are a welcoming group of lifesavers who are hoping to grow by recruiting more volunteers through our website, GardenCityFirefighter.org

"We are looking for community members who are interested in serving and protecting their neighbors," said Michelle Carroll, an administrative officer and treasurer with the fire company. "Some of our volunteers have even gone on to paid careers in public service."

Garden City Fire Company serves the citizens of **Nether Providence Township**, **Rose Valley Borough** and its surrounding communities.

"Being a Garden City Fire Company volunteer has taught me life skills and responsibility as well as pride. I learned dedication and friendship from being here that I've been able to use through life."

- William Smith, Firefighter

WAYS TO VOLUNTEER:



ACTIVE MEMBER FIREFIGHTER

Train to fight fires, participate in building and vehicle rescues, and respond to medical emergencies. You'll learn how to use our high-level equipment and train with our members. Must be 18 years or older.

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Want to save on your energy bills? Take advantage of these simple steps to assess your home's energy efficiency and make improvements:

1. Obtain Your Free Energy Use Data
 - Start by contacting your energy supplier (e.g. PECO) to request free data on your home's energy use.
2. Use the Energy STAR Home Advisor Tool
 - Take advantage of the Energy STAR Home Advisor, a free federal tool to guide you in making your home more energy efficient. Scan the QR Code on the right for the home advisor tool.  www.energystar.gov/saveathome
3. Federal Tax Credits for Home Improvements
 - Did you know you can receive up to \$3,200 a year in

federal tax credits for qualifying home improvements to increase energy efficiency?

4. In-Depth Assessments (If needed)
 - If you're interested in a more detailed energy audit, consider reaching out to PECO for a professional energy audit. *Energy Audits: Saving Money and Improving Your Home's Energy Efficiency!*
5. Find Lower Energy Rates
 - Visit the PA Power Switch website to explore different energy suppliers and find a lower rate that could save you money! Scan the QR code on the right for more information on PA Power Switch.  <https://www.papowerswitch.com/>

Take these steps today to reduce your energy consumption and improve your home's energy efficiency!

COMING'S & GOING'S

GOINGS

N.P. Fire Marshal Jack Gresch Retires

After nearly a decade as Fire Marshal of Nether Providence Township and a 37-year career with the City of Chester Fire Department, **Jack Gresch** has officially retired. Known for his warm approach to fire safety education—telling kids, "I'm still your friend," even in full gear—Jack made lasting impacts on the community through prevention programs, investigations, and strict safety enforcement.

A firefighter since age 18, Jack rose through the ranks to battalion chief before joining N.P. Township. Though his start was tough, his commitment to safety earned respect and appreciation.

"Firefighting is in my blood," Jack said. "I know I've made things safer for residents and kids—and that's gratifying."

He now looks forward to time with his wife, Lynn, at their beach house and fishing in Sea Isle City.

Thank you, Jack, for your service and dedication.

Congratulations on Your Retirement, Bubba!

After 48.5 years of dedicated service, **Michael "Bubba" MacCall** is retiring from the Nether Providence Township Public Works Department. Starting in 1976 as a laborer, he worked his way up to assistant director and ultimately led the department as director for the past 18 months.

Known for his strong work ethic, calm leadership, and deep love for the township, Bubba made a lasting impact through nearly five decades of service. He brought heart to the job, from snow plowing peaceful winter nights to creating the team's daily "Quote of the Day."

A lifelong resident and community pillar, Bubba now looks forward to time with family, woodworking, his new puppy Darla, and continued involvement with Garden City Fire Co.

Thank you, Bubba, for your unwavering commitment and leadership. You will be missed!

COMINGS

David Karlunas- Fire Marshal

David Karlunas is a seasoned fire service professional with over 37 years of experience in both career and volunteer roles throughout Delaware County, PA. He currently serves as a Career Lieutenant with the Tinicum Township Fire Department (Platoon "C") and works part-time with the Newtown Square and Sharon Hill Fire Companies.

A dedicated fire instructor, David actively teaches at local fire academies and has contributed to both undergraduate and graduate fire training programs. He holds a Master's Degree in Public Safety from Saint Joseph's University and is a contributing author of the *Third Edition of Rapid Intervention Teams*, a key textbook on firefighter rescue.

David is also the founder of *Second Alarm Consultants*, an LLC focused on improving municipal fire department operations. Outside of work, he enjoys college football, the NHL, and culinary pursuits both at home and in the firehouse.

Nicholas DiDomenico is the newly appointed Director of

Public Works for Nether Providence Township, bringing with him

a lifelong connection to the community and a strong background in public service. A proud native of the township, he has worked for Nether Providence in various roles on and off since high school, gaining valuable experience and insight into the operations and needs of the community he calls home.

He is a graduate of Pennsylvania State University, where he earned a Bachelor's Degree in Criminology with a minor in Sociology. Committed to furthering his impact in public service, he went on to earn a Master's Degree in Public Administration, also from Penn State.

In addition to his professional accomplishments, Nick has been an active volunteer with the Garden City Fire Company for many years. He currently serves as a lieutenant and trustee, reflecting his dedication to safety, service, and leadership within the community.

As Director of Public Works, he looks forward to continuing to serve the residents of Nether Providence Township with integrity, efficiency, and a deep commitment to community well-being.



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TOWNSHIP NEWS

UPCOMING UTILITY WORK FOR 2025 AROUND THE TOWNSHIP

PECO and AQUA are working diligently to enhance the infrastructure in our area. While these improvements are essential, they have resulted in significant roadwork and traffic disruptions. We sincerely appreciate your patience and understanding during this time.

PECO – Utility Improvements on:

- Route 252 (Providence Road)
- Raynard Rd. and Pine Rd.
- Kershaw Rd. between Brookhaven Rd. and E. Possum Hollow Rd.
- Moore Rd. between Pennsylvania Ave and Creekside Lane

AQUA – Utility Improvements on:

- Oak Knoll Drive between Manchester Ave and Bancroft Rd.
- Heathdale Lane and Penn Valley Rd.
- Winding Lane

Please continue to check the Township's Facebook page for up to date details on these utility projects.

NETHER PROVIDENCE ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION (NPAA)

Fall programs are available. Be sure to check out these organizations' websites for more information and registration.

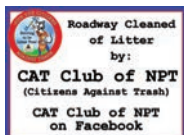
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- Nether United Soccer- <http://www.npaasoccer.com/>
- Nether Swarthmore Basketball- <https://www.swarthmorerecreation.org/basketball/>
- Haven Youth Wrestling- <https://www.havenwrestling.org/>



Did you know you can drop off American Flags to be disposed of properly by our Fire Marshal? Just come to the Township building during office hours and drop your flag into the "Flag disposal bin".

FRIENDLY REMINDER

Let's all do our part to keep our community clean! As the weather gets warmer, please pick up your dog's waste so other people and pets don't step in it. The Township has provided Pet Waste Eliminator Stations at all of our parks for convenience.



CITIZENS AGAINST TRASH CLUB (CAT CLUB):

Follow them on Facebook for upcoming cleanup events and more information.

VOTING LOCATIONS 2025

Voting information: This website has all necessary voting information from election news, voter registration, where to vote, etc: <https://delcopa.gov/vote/>.

South Media Fire Company Needs YOU!

South Media Fire Company is 100% volunteer 100% of the time, responding to emergencies in Nether Providence Township, Rose Valley Borough and surrounding areas!

WAYS TO VOLUNTEER FOR THOSE 18+

FIREFIGHTER – Protect and save lives utilizing skills such as vehicle extrication and rescue, search and rescue, forcible entry, ladder placement and more.

ADMINISTRATIVE VOLUNTEER – Assist with fundraising, outreach at community events, social media and much more.



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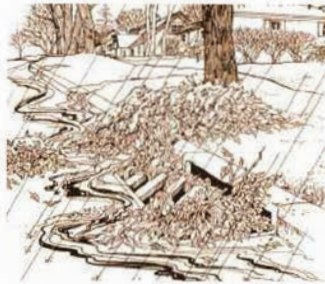
STORMWATER MANAGEMENT



Stormwater Pollution and Yard Waste tips for stormwater management on your property

DID YOU KNOW:

- Yard debris, including leaves and other organic plant material like shrubbery trimmings and grass clippings, are a significant source of stormwater pollution. This debris can clog culverts, storm drains, and pipes, causing flooding.
- Debris can carry fertilizers and pesticides from your yard and deposit them in streams and ponds.
- Piles of leaves and grass clippings will overload a stream's ability to process leaf litter, causing nutrient pollution and oxygen depletion.



It is easy to do your part to protect our streams and the drainage systems leading to our waterways:

1 Do not pile leaves or other yard waste near streams or drainage channels where they can blow or wash into creeks. Use designated leaf collection bags for curbside leaf recycling.

2 Do not blow leaves or grass clippings off your property into streets, streams, ponds, or drainage swales.



3 Recycle grass clippings and their nutrients on your lawn. Use a mulching lawn mower to recycle remaining leaves into your lawn in the fall!

4 Compost leaves and grass clippings along with yard waste. Select a location removed from streams, ponds, and wetlands.

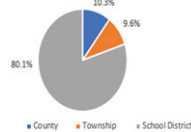
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2025 Tax Millage by Entity as a percentage of total taxes



Percentages based on 2024/2025 school district budget and 2025 county and township budgets.

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Township Treasurer/
Tax Collector: 484-480-9524
School Tax Office: 610-892-3470
County Real Estate Tax Office: 610-891-4277
Tax Claim Bureau: 610-891-4282
Board of Assessment: 610-891-4878

To receive a paid receipt, please include the entire bill and a self-addressed, stamped envelope OR include your email address.

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The Board of Commissioners' meetings are live-streamed on YouTube. The stream can be found by searching for "Nether Providence Township" on YouTube. The meeting also can be watched on TV (channel 5 for Comcast, and channel 37 for Verizon.)

PUBLIC MEETINGS

Board of Commissioners Working Session, 2nd Thursday, 7:30 p.m.

Board of Commissioners Legislative Session, 4th Thursday, 7:30 p.m.

Planning Commission – 1st Monday, 7:30 p.m. (unless a holiday)

Zoning Hearing Board – 2nd Monday, 7:30 p.m. January and February. March - December – 3rd Monday, 7:30 p.m.

Parks Commission – 2nd Monday, 7:00 p.m.

Environmental Advisory Committee (EAC) 4th Wednesday of every month at 7:00 p.m.

Historical Commission- 3rd Wednesday of every month at 7:00 p.m.

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