

# #Communicate2Elevate

## Mayor's Monthly Message

- **To:** Our Township Residents
- **Subject:** COVID-19: Keeping Our Town Safe
- As global concern about the current COVID-19 outbreak grows, we're doing our best to keep everyone healthy and safe, while also minimizing the disruptions to our day-to-day operations.
- We're closely monitoring the situation and know that misinformation and fear can spread more virulently than the virus itself, and we want to discourage false information from circulating. If you're looking for trusted, up-to-date information, we recommend visiting the specific coronavirus websites of [the CDC](#) or [the WHO](#).

**On Thursday April 16<sup>th</sup> the Governor announced schools will remain closed until at least May 15<sup>th</sup>.**

- **Since the virus is highly contagious and there's currently no vaccine, we all need to:**
- **Stay home if we are sick**
- If you experience cold, flu-like symptoms, or simply a running nose, please stay home. Because the coronavirus produces cold-like symptoms in 80% of infected individuals, it's important to remain at home when ill regardless of how mild your symptoms are. If you have a fever over 100 degrees, please stay home for 14 days to ensure you have not contracted the coronavirus.
- **Stay home if we've had contact with a potentially infected person**
- The virus spreads easily from person to person. Please stay home for 14-days if you've had contact with a confirmed case or potentially infected person.
- **Refresh ourselves on proper cough and sneeze hygiene**
- Cover your nose or mouth with a tissue or your elbow — not your hand — and discard the tissue immediately after.
- **Wash our hands regularly**
- Proper hand washing remains the best way to prevent transmission of the virus. Wash your hands after using the restroom, touching your face, eating, drinking, coughing, or sneezing, and at regular intervals throughout the day. Use warm soapy water and wash your hands for at least 20 seconds, or the time it takes to sing "Happy Birthday" twice. Alternatively, alcohol-based hand sanitizer is effective as well.
- Thanks for your continued support in this uncertain time.

----Mayor Amutah