

News from the...  
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**From the desk of the Freeholder Director  
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Women's History Month is celebrated in March to recognize the many contributions that women have made and continue to make daily to their communities, their workplaces and their families. There is still time to [make a reservation to the annual Outstanding Women in Somerset County awards dinner](#), which will be held March 29 at The Imperia in Franklin Township. The Somerset County Commission on the Status of Women is [honoring nine outstanding women](#) this year - congratulations! There also will be a special panel discussion March 21 at RVCC, titled, "[A Woman's Story: A Celebration of Culture](#)." It's free but please [register in advance](#).

**FREEHOLDER PROCLAMATIONS**

[National Agriculture Day - March 14, 2019](#)

[Horticultural Therapy Week - March 17-23, 2019](#)

[Safe Night USA - March 30, 2019](#)



**CULTURAL & HERITAGE GRANTS**

[County Historic Partnership Program Grants](#)

[Local Arts Program Grants](#)



[Recycling Calendar](#)



The first [Household Hazardous Waste Drop-off](#) and [Rx Medication Drop-off](#) of 2019 both will be held March 16 in Basking Ridge.



### [Gateway Project Update](#)

The public is invited to a March 26 presentation in Cranford about the proposed Gateway Project, which includes restoration of direct rail service into Manhattan from points along the Raritan Valley Line.

### [Outstanding Women Dinner](#)

Reservations are due by tomorrow, March 15, for the annual Outstanding Women in Somerset County awards dinner.

### ['BOBO Fridays' Food Drive](#)

Help keep food bank shelves stocked by donating to the next "Buy One, Bring One" food collection on March 15.

### ['Safe Night' Program](#)

Teens are invited to wear a variety of colors to promote diversity! [Register by March 19.](#)

### ['A Woman's Story'](#)

This free March 21 panel discussion will feature a diverse panel of women from around the world. [Register by March 20.](#)

### [Science-sational Day](#)

Kids in grades 1-5 are invited to the annual 4-H Science-sational Day on April 6. [Register online by March 23.](#)

### [5K Race to Wellness](#)

Join us for the sixth annual race on March 30. [Register now!](#)

### [Prevent Identity Theft](#)

The first Operation Secure Shred event of 2019 will be held March 30. Proof of Somerset County residency is required.

### [Tax-Prep Assistance](#)

Appointments are available through April 15.

### [Human Services Newsletter](#)

Check out the [March issue!](#)

### [Master Gardener Classes](#)

Rutgers Master Gardener classes begin mid-September. Register by May 31.

### [March Senior Center Programs](#)

There's something for all interests at our [six county-operated senior centers!](#)

### [Give A Few Hours, Make An Impact](#)

Volunteers in a variety of areas are needed at the Montgomery, Quail Brook and Warrenbrook senior centers.

### [Digital History Project](#)

Bring your family's historic photographs, letters, documents, family heirlooms and other items to the next SCLSNJ digitization session March 23 at the Somerville Library.

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