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From the desk of the Freeholder Director  
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### [REMEMBERING SEPTEMBER 11](#)

*We gathered this week to honor residents who perished and the many lives forever changed by events on Sept. 11.*

### [DIVERSITY FESTIVAL](#)

*I am proud to announce our first-ever Diversity Festival will be held Oct. 12 in Somerville. Details to follow in future issues of this e-newsletter and [on our website](#). Check out our [Diversity Month Calendar](#) too.*

### [TRUE MERIDIAN MARKERS](#)

*Did you ever wonder about those two stone markers near the historic courthouse in Somerville? [A new plaque tells their story](#).*

### [ANNUAL PHOTO CONTEST](#)

*I encourage residents to submit entries for our annual ["Show us Somerset County Through Your Camera Lens" photo contest](#). There is still plenty of time - the deadline isn't until Friday, Nov. 29.*

### [LIVESTREAMING FREEHOLDER MEETINGS](#)

*Don't forget: You can catch our [twice-monthly work sessions and regular meetings](#) as they happen by visiting the [livestreaming page of the county website](#). You can also access archived meetings.*

## FREEHOLDER PROCLAMATIONS & CITATIONS



### [NATIONAL ADULT DAY SERVICES WEEK - September 15-21, 2019](#)

The Somerset County Board of Chosen Freeholders does hereby proclaim *September 15 to 21, 2019* as *National Adult Day Services Week* in Somerset County and takes this opportunity to recognize and thank

the staff of Adult Day Centers who help keep families together and help their clients remain a cherished part of society.



### **NATIONAL RECOVERY MONTH - September 2019**

The Somerset County Board of Chosen Freeholders does hereby proclaim *September 2019* as *National Recovery Month* in Somerset County. The Board of Chosen Freeholders calls upon all citizens, governmental agencies, public and private institutions, businesses, hospitals and schools in Somerset County to help increase public awareness, reduce discrimination, and support community members in recovery and their families.

### **Recycling Calendar**



The next [Household Hazardous Waste](#) and [Rx Disposal](#) drop-offs will be held Sept. 14 in Branchburg. Sign up for our next [composting workshop](#) to be held Sept. 25 in Somerville.

### **Prevent Identity Theft!**



The next [free document-shredding event](#) will be held Sept. 28 in Branchburg. Proof of residency is required.

### **STEM Program**

Wanted: Young ladies who like math and science. [Deadline to apply for the STEM Program is Oct. 4.](#)

### **Disability Advocates Awards**

Nominations are being sought for the 2019 Disability Advocates Awards. The deadline is Sept. 20.

### **Winners of Prize Drawings at the 4-H Fair**

Congratulations to all of the winners.

### **Weekend Journey through the Past**

Thirty historic sites will be open free of charge Oct. 12 and 13 during this popular fall program.

### **Save the Date**

Mark your calendar for the [2019 ABILITIES Expo to be held Oct. 19 in Bridgewater.](#)

### **It's Hurricane Season - Be Prepared**

Stay prepared and informed in the event of severe weather!

[Register Ready helps residents with special needs during a disaster.](#)

[Sign up for free email or text alerts about county road and bridge closings, flood warnings, and more.](#)

### **September Senior Center Programs**

There's something for all interests at our six county-operated senior centers!

### **Farmers Market Vouchers**

Residents age 60 and above may apply for vouchers through Sept. 30.

### **Take Control of Your Health**

Become a certified peer leader to help others to better manage their chronic health conditions. [Register by Sept. 18 for free training.](#)

## [Fall Leaf Clean-up](#)

Volunteers are needed to help elderly and disabled residents get their yards ready for the winter months.

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## **SOMERSET COUNTY MISSION STATEMENT:**

The County of Somerset is committed to excellence and innovation in public service, promoting the well-being of all residents and communities by providing effective, efficient and responsive leadership.