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RENOVATIONS AT THE COMMUNITY CENTER AT THE FELLOWSHIP HOUSE

There were many noticeable changes made to the Conshohocken Community Center in 2019! The lobby, activity and studio spaces were painted to refresh the overall interior of the building, and updates continue to be made as needed. One of the most notable renovations to the Community Center was the installation of new flooring in the lobby, office and activity space areas. Construction to replace the flooring began in October 2019 and was completed the first week of November. The lobby entranceway and office flooring was resurfaced with new tile and the flooring in the activity space was replaced with new carpeting.

"The renovations to the Community Center have been extremely positive and well received," said Lauren Irizarry, Director of Recreation Services. "It has also brightened up the facility. When members and program participants walk in there is that wow factor now. It makes them want to come back."

Stop into the Community Center at the Fellowship House today to see some of the changes mentioned above. We're located at 515 Harry Street, Conshohocken, PA 19428. More updates and renovations to the Community Center are expected for 2020.







SUMMER CONCERT SERIES

The Borough of Conshohocken is hosting six (6) outdoor music concerts, which will take place at Sutcliffe and Mary Wood Parks. Concerts will be held on Thursdays from 7:00 PM to 9:00 PM. Don't forget to bring your own blanket or lawn chair!

Limited off-street parking at Sutcliffe Park can be accessed from W. 10th Avenue and Freedly Street. On-street parking is also available surrounding the park. On-street parking only is available at Mary Wood Park.

CHECK THE BOROUGH'S WEBSITE AND SOCIAL MEDIA OUTLETS FOR A FINAL BAND SCHEDULE AND FOR ANY UPDATES REGARDING CANCELLATIONS DUE TO WEATHER CONDITIONS.



Mark Your Calendar!

SUTCLIFFE PARK

July 9th July 16th July 23rd

MARY WOOD PARK

July 30th August 6th August 13th



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A MESSAGE FROM THE MAYOR

Preserving the environment is one of the most important responsibilities of our community. I am proud to report that Conshohocken Borough, its businesses, local organizations and residents have taken major steps to create a green and sustainable borough. What we have achieved locally is nothing short of amazing and I am proud to highlight just a few of our successes below.

New Resident Recycling & Trash Carts: Public Services distributed new recycling and trash carts to all residents last spring. They also handed out recycling cards that included updated instructions. The new carts are full-sized and covered, and the updated recycling cards are much clearer and easier to follow. I hope this will encourage more recycling and less traditional trash waste.





The Conshohocken Environmental Advisory Council (EAC): The EAC serves as an advisory board to Borough Council for environmental matters. They meet the third Thursday of each month at 7:00 PM in Borough Hall. Meetings are always open to the public. For more information about the group or to become a volunteer for "Friends of Green Conshy," email greenconshohocken@ gmail.com. The EAC also organizes spring and fall trash and recycling cleanups, which are a great way to do something positive for the community, meet new friends and get an awesome "Enviroteer" shirt! Look out for the spring cleanup this April.



Tree Planting Events: The Conshohocken EAC's Shade Tree Team planted 15 trees at the B-Field in the spring of 2019 and 25 trees at Sutcliffe Park in November 2019. The team hopes to continue to work on tree plantings as well as a new initiative to train residents to become community tree tenders. If you want to help with future projects, please contact greenconshohocken@gmail.com.

No More Straws! Local businesses such as Brunch, Cerdo, 'Feine, Guppy's, Lucky Dog, StoneRose and many more have done away with plastic straws as a way to reduce single-use plastics ending up in landfills and our waterways.

The Conshohocken Community Garden: The Conshohocken Community Garden is located at the 400 block of E. Elm Street and continues to serve as a place to learn about gardening, while providing a community green space and ensuring a local source of fruits and vegetables. Gardeners even donate extra produce to our local food pantry, the Colonial Neighborhood Council. For more information about reserving a plot, please contact conshohockencommunitygarden@gmail.com.

Lastly, this past year I signed the Mayors National Climate Action Agenda, which supports the reduction of greenhouse gas emissions; and Mayors for Solar, a pledge to make it easier for residents and businesses to use solar energy locally. These pledges show that Conshohocken stands united with environmentally minded communities across the country.

Please keep in touch by joining me on social media, reaching out via email or stopping by during my office hours. I hope to see you in the neighborhood!

SPEAK WITH THE MAYOR



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OFFICE HOURS

HELD AT THE COMMUNITY CENTER AT THE FELLOWSHIP HOUSE 3rd Saturday of each month: 10:00 AM to 12:00 PM 4th Wednesday of each month: 4:30 PM to 6:00 PM

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COMMUNITY CENTER AT THE FELLOWSHIP HOUSE

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OFFICE OF THE BOROUGH MANAGER

- · Borough Manager: Stephanie Cecco
- Executive Assistant to the Borough Manager: Brittany Rogers
- · Communications Manager: Kate Kosmin
- Monday Friday: 8:30 AM 4:30 PM

The Borough Manager is the Chief Administrative Officer of the Borough and is responsible to Council for the administration of Borough affairs. All departments, offices, and agencies of the Borough are directed and supervised by the Borough Manager. She manages the day-to-day operations, administration, and execution of policies and objectives set by Borough Council. This department also oversees Borough Boards & Commissions, Right to Know Requests, Communication and Borough Special Events.

ADMINISTRATION SERVICES

• Director of Administrative Services: Angela Orr

• Monday - Friday: 8:30 AM - 4:30 PM

The Department of Administrative Services focuses on delivering quality, reliable, customer-oriented services to Borough residents. The Director of Administrative Services manages administrative and financial services; including human resources, and pension matters; finance records and transactions, insurance and records management. This Department is also responsible for the administration of all insurances, coordination and upkeep of all benefit contracts, and managing constituent and customer services.

SUBDIVISION AND LAND DEVELOPMENT

- Stephanie Cecco, Borough Manager
- Brittany Rogers, Executive Assistant to the Borough Manager
- Gilmore & Associates: Karen M. MacNair, P.E. (Borough Engineer)
- Monday Friday: 8:30 AM 4:30 PM

Subdivision and Land Development ensures the orderly, efficient and harmonious development of the Borough, including buildings, streets and open space. In doing so, the Borough can plan for the needs of the community while safeguarding natural resources and historic places.

ZONING SERVICES

- Eric Johnson, Pennoni
- Monday- Friday: 8:30 AM 4:30 PM

Zoning regulates development and helps implement the goals of our Comprehensive Plan. Particularly, zoning refers to the division of the Borough into various districts, in accordance with the official Zoning Map. Rules for each zoning district are outlined in the Zoning Ordinance, which includes regulations governing off-street parking, landscaping, signs, fences and accessory structures.

HOUSING REHABILITATION PROGRAM & GRANTS

- Community Development & Grants Coordinator: Christine Stetler
- Monday- Friday: 8:30 AM 4:30 PM

The Community Development & Grants Coordinator oversees Conshohocken's Housing Rehabilitation Programs, which assists low and moderate-income homeowners in bringing their homes up to code conformance in order to enable more comfortable and safe living.

POLICE DEPARTMENT

- Superintendent of Police: George Metz
- Office Hours (non-emergencies)
 Monday Friday: 8:00 AM 4:00 PM

The Conshohocken Police Department is committed to providing protection and services within the Borough on a 24-hour-a-day basis, with a strong emphasis on public safety and community awareness. The Police Department also hosts several community outreach initiatives to

benefit Conshohocken residents.

PUBLIC SERVICES DEPARTMENT

• Executive Director of Operations: Ray Sokolowski

The Department of Public Services delivers community services through four divisions: Emergency Management, Fire Services, Licenses & Inspections and Public Works.

- EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT:

Emergency Management Coordinator: Ray Sokolowski Monday – Friday: 8:30 AM – 4:30 PM

Emergency Management develops and maintains the Borough's emergency operation plans and standard operating procedures.

- FIRE SERVICES:

Fire Chief & Fire Marshal: Timothy Gunning Monday – Friday: 8:30 AM – 4:30 PM

Fire Services performs annual fire inspections on fire alarms, sprinkler and suppression systems in commercial buildings throughout the Borough. Washington Fire Company No. 1 and Conshohocken Fire Company No. 2 provide volunteer firefighting services to Conshohocken Borough. Emergency Medical Services are provided by Narberth Ambulance, Medic 313.

- LICENSES & INSPECTIONS: Monday-Friday: 8:30 AM-4:30 PM
 Licenses & Inspections is responsible for regulating various business
 activities through permits, licenses, certificates, and inspections to
 facilitate code enforcement and compliance, and decrease code violations.
- PUBLIC WORKS: Monday Friday: 6:30 AM 3:00 PM
 Public Works operates as four divisions: Parks, Landscaping & Grounds;
 Streets and Sanitation; and Facilities. To learn more about what each division does, visit the Public Works page on the Borough website.

RECREATION SERVICES

- Director of Recreation Services: Lauren Irizarry
- Visit conshohockenrsp.recdesk.com for hours of operation and daily schedule of activities

The Recreation Services Department is responsible for the daily operations of the Community Center at the Fellowship House. It also provides a wide range of recreational activities, programs, events, fitness and wellness opportunities for all ages. These activities are made available to the public at the Borough's many parks and recreational facilities.



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Conshohocken Borough TV Channel

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Conshohocken Borough (Facebook)

Like and follow the Borough's Facebook Page to see notices, meeting announcements, agendas, community events, trash and recycling updates, holiday closures and more!



Conshohocken Borough (Twitter)

Follow the Borough's twitter feed to receive news, updates and more.



Borough App

Did you know Conshohocken Borough has a mobile app!? Our app is compatible with Apple and Android devices. Visit your app store and search Conshohocken Borough to download. Get news, report concerns, submit requests for services, and register for recreational programs and activities all directly from your phone!



Conshohocken Police Department (Facebook)

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Like and follow the Conshohocken Police Department Facebook page for police news, events and updates.



Conshohocken Community Center at the Fellowship House (Facebook)

Like for all Recreational Department info, including programs, events, fitness opportunities, membership info, park updates and activities for all ages!



The Borough of Conshohocken now uses CodeRED. CodeRED is a web-based communication tool with the ability to alert hundreds of thousands of individuals in minutes. Users must sign up online and create an account in order to receive alerts. Upon registration, users designate how they wish to be alerted. CodeRED can notify you through phone, email, or text. These alerts include critical information on both emergency and non-emergency related incidents relevant to Conshohocken Borough only. All messaging that comes from CodeRED is initiated directly from Conshohocken Borough's Administration.

We highly encourage all residents, businesses, visitors and employees working within the Borough of Conshohocken to create an account and register online to receive notifications. At this time, the Borough is working to increase an ongoing database of users so that we may fully implement the alert system.

To register online visit www.conshohockenpa.gov/CodeRED



THANK YOU TO THE BUSINESSES!

The Borough Council and Administration thank the businesses that appear in this newsletter and recognize each as supporters of our community. For it is with their participation that this newsletter has been published at no cost to our residents.

ENGINEERING

We each have our own lawn care style, some are protective, while others take a more laid back approach. No matter your style, there are ways to reduce the environmental impact of your lawn care practices. Overwatering is not only bad for your lawn, it's a strain on water supplies and often ends up as wasted, excess runoff to the Borough's storm sewer system and streams.



Watering Your Lawn

Light, frequent watering supports healthy grass and resists disease and pests. The best schedule for watering is 15 - 20 minutes per day between noon and 4:00 PM when the grass is under the most stress. If daily afternoon watering is not practical for you, try an everyother-day schedule of 30 - 40 minutes. For best results, combine light, frequent watering with grass mulching and slow-release fertilizer applications.



HELP KEEP OUR WATER CLEAN!

To report a non-stormwater discharge to the stormwater system, storm drain, or to a stream, please call the Borough's offices at 610-828-1092.

Grass Mulching Tips!

- **Mow High!** Set the mower blade at the highest setting, leaving grass blades three (3) inches tall. If you cut your grass at two (2) inches or less, the grass will draw energy from its root reserves to grow, instead of drawing energy from the sun. Tall grass encourages deep roots, which require less water, and also shades out crabgrass and low-growing weeds. Keeping grass tall during the summer also helps the plants tolerate the heat and dry weather, rather than requiring more water.
- Let your clippings lay. Let the grass blades fall back onto the lawn. Short clippings quickly decompose, adding valuable nutrients to the soil. Grass clippings can return 50-100% of the nitrogen your lawn needs and are free fertilizers. If you are concerned about the appearance of lawn clippings, you can use a mulching mower, which will chop them into fine bits. Another bonus? Grass clippings are 85% water and can also reduce your watering needs.
- A common myth is that grass clippings cause thatch, a layer of living and dead roots and stems growing between the green layer and the soil. Troublesome thatch is actually caused by improper use of lawn chemicals, compacted soils, and excessive watering.
- Fertilizing Your Lawn. In the case of fertilizer, more is not better! Over-applied fertilizer will wash off your lawn when it rains, drain into the Borough's storm sewer system and ultimately end up in streams as a pollutant. A soil test will tell you what nutrients are already contained in your lawn so that you are not over-applying fertilizers. Soil testing is available through the local county Penn State Extension office: https://extension.psu.edu/soil-testing.

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ZONING SERVICES

What Residents Should Know About Zoning Permits

There are certain types of property improvements, which do not require a Building Permit, but do require a Zoning Permit. The Zoning Ordinance regulates the installation of residential fences, retaining walls, the installation of sheds, and the installation of parking pads, patios, driveways, and sidewalks within residential lots. Some requirements to be aware of are:

- **Residential fences** may not exceed six (6) feet in height; must be set back two (2) feet from an alley; and may not be located between the front wall of a dwelling and the street it faces.
- Residential storage sheds may be located in the rear yard of properties. The shed must be set back three (3) feet from property lines unless there is an alley, in which case it must be set back five (5) feet from the alley. A shed must be 10 feet from the residence. Sheds not greater than 125 square feet are not considered in the permitted built area or impervious coverage on a lot. If a shed is larger than 125 square feet, it may not increase the area of buildings on the lot beyond 35% of the lot's area, or 60% of the impervious coverage (areas that water cannot go through including buildings, sidewalks, parking pads, etc.) on a lot.



• Patios, parking pads, and sidewalks other than the public sidewalk may not cause the impervious coverage on the lot to exceed 60%. Should the owner of a property choose to use porous pavers or other porous material; only half of the area to be covered will be counted as impervious.

The application for a Zoning Permit can be found on the Borough's web site, www.conshohockenpa.gov. A site plan showing the location of a fence, or the location and measurements of buildings and other impervious areas must be submitted with the Permit application. The permit fee is a flat fee of \$50.00; and permits require one to two weeks to process. For other questions regarding Zoning Permits, contact the Borough Zoning Officer, Eric Johnson, at 610-828-1092 x116.

HOUSING REHABILITATION PROGRAM



The Borough of Conshohocken's Housing Rehabilitation Program has recently received funding from the Pennsylvania Department of Community and Economic Development HOME Program and Community Development Block Grant Program.

Conshohocken's Housing Rehabilitation Program has been in existence for over four decades. During that time the Program has assisted hundreds of Conshohocken homeowners in bringing their homes into code conformance, which enables more comfortable and safe living conditions. On average the Program completes four (4) to seven (7) properties per year.

Roof repair, window and door replacements, electrical upgrades, sidewalk repair, as well as handicap accessibility, are some of the items the Program can provide to eligible single-family homeowners. The Program now is a four-year Deferred Loan Program, which declines by 25% each year.

If you are interested in obtaining more information regarding the Housing Rehabilitation Program, you may contact Ms. Christine M. Stetler, the Borough's Community Development & Grants Coordinator at 610-828-1092, or Nancy R. Nugent, the Program's Intake Coordinator at 610-246-3979.

Housing Rehabilitation Income Guidelines

Your income must be below the following limits and includes salary, pension, Social Security, child support, and interest on assets:

Other Requirements:

- You must be a Borough of Conshohocken resident.
- You must own and occupy a single-family residence.
- Your taxes and sewer fees must be current.

There are further increases in income limits based on additional family members. The Housing Rehabilitation Program provides one-time assistance only. If the program has provided services in the past, additional work on the same property is not permitted.

NUMBER OF PERSONS IN HOUSEHOLD

- 1 Person Household...........\$50,500.00 2 Person Household........\$57,700.00 3 Person Household.......\$64,900.00 4 Person Household......\$72,100.00
 - There are additional increases in the maximum permitted income for larger sized households.

POLICE SERVICES

CONSHOHOCKEN POLICE STATION: 400 Fayette Street, Suite 100 (1st floor), Conshohocken, PA 19428

Office Hours: Monday – Friday | 8:00 AM – 4:00 PM

Phone: 610-828-4032 | **Fax:** 610-828-5243 | **Emergency:** 911



The Internet is an integral part of our lives. We can easily access games, entertainment, information, and communicate with our friends and family with the touch of a button. Children are exposed to the Internet at younger and younger ages through school assignments, Smart TVs, cell phones, tablets and gaming. These apps and platforms allow kids to chat and message in real time while playing games. It is important to take steps to ensure your child's activities do not lead them to online \array \text{\tin}\text{\tin\tinit}\\ \text{\tin\tin\tint{\text{\text{\tin\tin\text{\text{\text{\text{\text{\text{\text{\text{\text{\texi}\tint{\text{\texi}\tint{\text{\text{\tetin}\tint{\text{\tin\tint{\text{\text{\texi}\tint{\text{\texit{\tin\tint{\text{\tin}\tint{\tin}\tint{\text{\texi}\tint{\text{\ti} dangers with real world repercussions.



FEES FOR SERVICES

Police reports:	\$25 per page
Accident reports:	\$15.00
Tow release:\$25.00 plus to	w operator fee
Finger prints: \$10.00 by app	ointment only

Talk to your child about the importance of online safety. Stay involved with online activities by monitoring the games, platforms and online users your child interacts with. Keep a list of all usernames and passwords your child uses so you can access and monitor their accounts. We also advise parents and guardians to become familiar with the parental controls built in to most games and apps. They can allow you to filter and block content you don't want your children to have access to. Below are some basic online safety tips for children.

- Follow the family rules, and those set by the Internet service provider.
- Never post or trade personal pictures.
- · Never reveal personal information, such as address, phone number, or school name or location.
- Use only a screen name and don't share passwords (other than with parents).
- Never agree to get together in person with anyone met online without parent approval and/or supervision.
- Never respond to a threatening email, message, post, or text.
- Always tell a parent or other trusted adult about any communication or conversation that was scary or hurtful.

Basic guidelines for parental supervision:



- Spend time online together to teach your kids appropriate online behavior.
- Keep the computer in a common area where you can watch and monitor its use, not in individual bedrooms. Monitor any time spent on smartphones or tablets.
- Bookmark kids' favorite sites for easy access.
- Check your credit card and phone bills for unfamiliar account charges.
- Find out what, if any, online protection is offered by your child's school, after-school center, friends' homes, or any place where kids could use a computer without your supervision.
- Take your child seriously if he or she reports an uncomfortable online exchange.

Watch for warning signs of a child being targeted by an online predator. These can include:

- Spending long hours online, especially at night
- Phone calls from people you don't know
- Unsolicited gifts arriving in the mail
- Your child suddenly turning off the computer when you walk into the room
- Withdrawal from family life and reluctance to discuss online activities

With the proper guidance and oversight, parents are able to keep their children safe while navigating an increased online presence. If you have any questions, please contact the Conshohocken Police Department at 610-828-4032.



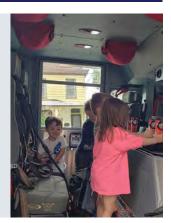


FIRE SERVICES



SPRINKLER NIGHTS WITH THE CONSHOHOCKEN FIRE DEPARTMENT

Beat the heat this summer with the Conshohocken Fire Department! Join us at Mary Wood and Sutcliffe Parks during one of our Sprinkler Nights. Tour the fire trucks, shoot the water hose, and wear your bathing suit! Dates and times TBA on the Borough's website and social media pages.



Home & Fire Safety:

The Conshohocken Fire Department has noticed an increase in electrical house fires due to misuse of power strips. It is important to use power strips correctly. Never use multiple extension cords in one outlet. Overloading outlets, circuits and extension cords by plugging too many things into one area can cause an electrical fire. Avoid potential fires by following these safety tips below.

Electric and Appliances:

- Check to ensure that all electrical cords are in good condition and are not broken or cut.
- Clean the lint from your dryer after every use.
- · Check to see if all plug outlets are safe and do not feel warm when you touch them. If they are warm, call an electrician.

Smoke Alarms:

- Put smoke alarms on every level of the home.
- Put smoke alarms inside and outside sleeping areas.
- Test smoke alarms each month.
- Change smoke alarm batteries as needed.
- Make sure smoke alarms are less than 10 years old.

Carbon Monoxide Alarms:

- Put carbon monoxide alarms on each level of the home.
- Make sure carbon monoxide alarms are less than 7 years old.



TEST YOUR ALARM REGULARLY:

Your smoke alarm is working if it makes a noise when you press the "test" button



Fireworks Safety

As Fourth of July celebrations approach, residents are reminded to use caution when interacting with fireworks. Fireworks, and/or sparklers can cause fires, burns, dismemberment or death if handled improperly. Pennsylvania residents are permitted to purchase and use consumer grade fireworks that contain a maximum of 50 milligrams of explosive material. M-80's, cherry bombs, quarter sticks and any other explosive or incendiary devices with more than 50 milligrams of explosive materials and are strictly prohibited. Furthermore, the use and discharge of all display fireworks, including sparklers, is prohibited on all Borough property and parks.

PUBLIC SERVICES

2019 Holiday Solid Waste & Recycle Collection Schedule

When a holiday falls on a Saturday or Sunday, it is observed on the following Monday. When your trash and recycle collection day falls on a holiday, your recyclables will be collected on Wednesday and your trash will be collected on your next scheduled collection day.

STICKERS FOR TRASH & RECYCLING CARTS LIDS ARE NOW AVAILABLE AT BOROUGH HALL FOR RESIDENTS TO PICK UP AND USE



PUBLIC SERVICES OBSERVED HOLIDAYS

- New Year's Day
- Martin Luther King Jr. Day
- Presidents' Day
- Easter Monday
- Memorial Day
- Independence Day
- · Labor Day
- · Columbus Day
- · Veterans Day
- Thanksgiving Day
- Day After Thanksgiving
- Christmas Day

All holidays that fall on a Saturday or Sunday are observed by Public Services the following Monday. Wednesday is the make up day for recycling collection for both sides of the borough. When your trash and/or recycling day falls on a holiday, your recycling will be collected on Wednesday and your trash will be collected on your next scheduled trash collection day.

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Trash & Recycling Cart Updates

As of September 9, 2019 only approved containers must be used for all residential trash and recycling, unless other arrangements have been made, and approved, by the Public Services Department. Trash and recycling cans must have 2 wheels, a metal lift bar and attached lid. Unapproved containers will be tagged for no future pickups until the residence comes into compliance.

Trash Collection Rules and Regulations

- There is a limit of 4 cans/bags per household per pick-up (200 pounds maximum)
- Each can/bag is not to be heavier than 50 pounds.
- Needles, syringes, lances and other sharp objects should be placed in a metal container with a secure lid so as not to be a hazard.
- Please place your cans/bags at curbside on your property no earlier than 5:00PM the night before and your cans must be removed from curbside no later than 7:00PM the day of collection.
- No clean-outs or move-outs unless prearranged 24 hours in advance. Please call (610) 828-1092.
- No construction debris or carpet unless prearranged 24 hours in advance. Please call (610) 828-1092.
- Trash will be left curbside and 'red tagged' if deemed to be too heavy, improperly placed, or in an unapproved container. Trash that is left should be returned to the property before 7:00 PM.

Yard Waste Collection Rules and Regulations

Yard waste stickers are available at the Borough office to convert your old blue recycle bin into a container for yard waste disposal. All residences must participate in the Borough's recycling programs by separating their recyclable material from their regular trash. Yard waste is recyclable, therefore the separation and collection of this material is mandated by the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania and Conshohocken Borough.

- Weeds, leaves, brush and plants should be placed in biodegradable paper composting bags. Please no trash in these bags.
- Each bag should not to be heavier than 50 pounds.
- Tree branches under five (5") in diameter, not exceeding five (5') in length, are to be securely tied into bundles and should not to be heaver then 50 pounds.
- Christmas trees. No decorations, tree stands or plastic tree bags.
- Please place your bags, and/or bundles at curbside on your property no earlier than 5:00 PM the night before.

PUBLIC SERVICES CONTINUED

GRASS CLIPPINGS ARE NO LONGER ACCEPTED WITH YARD WASTE COLLECTION

There are several options for recycling your grass clippings, here are a few ideas:

- Leave on your lawn to act as a natural fertilizer.
- Use them to fill raised vegetable gardens or flower beds.
- Spread them as mulch around the base of trees, shrubs, or potting soil.
- Add them to your compost pile as a source of "green" high nitrogen material.

Conshohocken Is Single Stream Recycling

Single stream recycling allows all of your recyclable materials to be placed into one recycling container. The best part is you don't have to separate them! Hence we get the term 'Single Stream Recycling.' Residents will see trash trucks collecting recyclables. Rest assured recycled materials will go to the recycling facility, NOT the trash-to-steam plant. Recycling carts should be left out before 7:00 AM on collection day, at the front edge of your property or nominated collection point.





Snow Removal

When it snows it is our goal is to clear all Borough and state roads within six to 10 hours after snow has stopped falling. Please refrain from parking on the street if you have off-street parking available. This allows Public Works to clear more snow from the road. Residents should clear their sidewalks after plowing has been completed. A three-foot-wide path on the sidewalk must be cleared on your property within 24 hours after the snow has stopped. Don't forget your crosswalks, handicapped ramps, and alley crossing. The Borough does not plow snow in alleys.

It is illegal to shovel, throw or plow snow from sidewalks onto street parking, driveways, alleys and into the street or right-of way. Dumping snow or ice on Borough property, or plowing snow across a street is also prohibited. When the Mayor declares a Snow Emergency, remember to remove your vehicle from any posted "Snow Emergency Routes." Vehicles must be removed until after the parking lanes have been completely cleared.

LICENSES & INSPECTIONS

The Licenses & Inspections Department personnel work diligently to preserve and protect the health, safety and welfare of the public throughout all facets of property ownership, residency, development, construction and business operation within Conshohocken Borough.

Frequently Asked Questions

Do I need a permit for...? Any work beyond a basic repair or a non-structural alteration may require a building permit issued by the Borough's Building Code Official for both residential and commercial properties. The best course of action is to contact the Borough at (610) 828-1092, and ask a building inspector if a permit is required for your project. Be prepared to provide a detailed scope of work for the project, and identify the property as residential or commercial. Change in use may require zoning approval.

Am I responsible for maintaining the alley behind my house? Yes. Typically, the property owners on each side of an alley are responsible to maintain to the center of the alley for the width of each respective property. This includes the alley pavement surface (e.g. potholes), as well as grass, weeds, trash, etc., that may be found in an alley regardless of how it ended up there. Weeds on the other side

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found in an alley, regardless of how it ended up there. Weeds on the other side of your fence along the alley are still part of your property, and therefore your responsibility to trim and/or spray. The Borough does not plow snow in alleys.

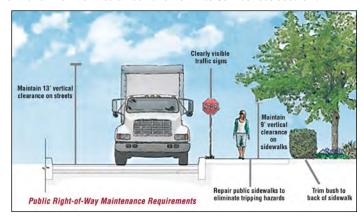
Why does the Borough need to inspect the home I'm selling? Borough Ordinance Chapter 11, Part 1 governs Transfer of Real Estate and Real Estate Certification. Per §11-111, anyone selling a property in the Borough is responsible to certify that there are no uncorrected violations of any housing, building, zoning, and safety or fire codes. The Borough performs an inspection based on a Real Estate Certification Checklist, which was adopted by Borough Council and records any apparent violations. It is required that all violations be corrected prior to settlement, or the responsibility to correct said violations may be transferred to the buyer, who will have 12 months to complete the work. The terms of such a transfer are private and fall outside of the Borough's authority.

Where exactly is my property line? Absent physically apparent monuments or property corner pins, the Borough cannot independently verify property lines on behalf of private property owners. Property owners are encouraged to engage a Professional Land Surveyor to prepare a site plan and physically set corner markers. This information is useful for locating potential property improvements such as fences and garages, laying out additions to the primary structure, and to satisfy property line disputes, if necessary. Plans for newer homes may be available at the Borough office. File a Right-to-Know Request, and the Borough staff will search the archives.

How do I register a new rental property? Borough Ordinance Chapter 11, Part 2 governs Residential Rental License Permits. Visit the Borough website and download the Rental Packet for New Rentals from the "Forms" list under the Permits & Licenses section.

Property Maintenance & Safety

As a property owner, you are responsible for mowing, trimming and spraying, as necessary to keep your property, as well as the public street frontage, clean and safe. The illustration below highlights some of the requirements for private maintenance of public rights-of-way. The Borough has adopted an ordinance that requires house numbers on both the front and rear of houses with alley access for rental properties. This requirement will be addressed during the rental inspection and use & occupancy permit process. Stay tuned for more information. For more information related to services provided by the Borough of Conshohocken Department of Public Services please visit our website: www.conshohockenpa.gov.



REAR HOUSE NUMBER ORDINANCE

Residential rental properties in the Borough of Conshohocken are now required to have house numbers installed and maintained on the front and rear of dwelling structures used for residential rental unit(s). The ordinance requires separate identification of each unit for structures with separate entrances for multiple units, and requires placement of the applicable house number on structures blocking visibility of the rear entrance, where applicable. The house numbers required by the ordinance must be installed before a residential rental license may be issued or renewed.

CONSHOHOCKEN FIREWORKS DISPLAY FRIDAY, JULY 3, 2020 AT SUTCLIFFE PARK Fireworks will begin around 9:45 PM Music, food, and activities will begin at 6:00 PM Dogs are not permitted within Sutcliffe Park. Attendees are welcome to bring lawn chairs, blankets, food and non-alcoholic drinks into the park. Concession stands will be selling food and drinks on site. Parking is limited near the event venue. Please anticipant parking a distance away and walking to the park. It is advised attendees carpool if possible. There are two small parking lot areas that can be accessed at W. 10th Avenue and Freedly Street. All other parking is limited to residential on street parking surrounding Sutcliffe Park. A limited number of handicap parking spaces will be available on a first come, first serve basis. For questions, please contact the Borough of Conshohocken at 610-828-1092 or email kkosmin@conshohockenpa.gov.

Friends of Conshohocken Parks



Restore. Renovate. Refresh.

The Friends of Conshohocken Parks was established as an official nonprofit organization to help raise funds for all eight (8) of the public parks in the Borough of Conshohocken.

In 2020, our main goal is to raise money to continue improvements to Mary Wood Park House by restoring the wrap around covered porch. To help meet this goal, businesses and residents are invited to participate in our fundraising efforts this year.

In order to help us reach our goals, we encourage and welcome citizens to share their stories and fondest park memories by emailing us at **friendsofconshohockenparks@gmail.com**. Tell us why you feel parks are important in our community. Pictures are also welcome! To learn more about our events, fundraising

efforts and board members, visit our page on the Borough's website at www.conshohockenpa.gov. If you would like to make a donation to one of our parks, you can find us on Venmo by searching the email address listed above.



RECREATION SERVICES

Live, Work & Play!

Creating Community Through People, Parks and Programming!

Welcome to the Department of Recreation Services. Our Department's mission is to "enhance the quality of life for all residents through physical, mental, cultural, social and environmental development."

2019 was a busy year for our Department. We added many new events, programs and fitness opportunities, and in doing so, saw an overall increase in families attending our events and programs. Movies in the Park and the Senior BBQ Luncheon drew residents and visitors to our parks and Community Center. In addition, we began offering new fitness programs such as Tai Chi, Barre Fitness, and Purposeful Play. Our department was able to partner with community legacy groups and businesses



such as Conshohocken Little League and Yoga Home. This past summer we were able to host our very own summer day camp. We look forward to hosting our summer camp again this year! Check out 2020 Summer Day Camp details on page 18 and take a look at our 2020 Spring/Summer Activity Guide for all other event, programs and fitness offerings!

RECREATIONAL FACILITIES

Looking for a location for your next event? Check out our facilities available for rent. For a complete fee schedule and list of available buildings, parks and amenities *please visit us at www.conshohockenpa.gov.*

- The Community Center at the Fellowship House
- · Mary Wood Park House
- · Mary Wood Park

- Sutcliffe Park
- Aubrey Collins Park2nd Avenue Meadows
- · Conshohocken Riverside Dog Park
- A-Field
- B-Field

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PARTIES & EVENTS

Hold your next party or event at the Conshohocken Community Center at the Fellowship House! Book now or check out available birthday party packages. Space is limited so call today! For rental fees and polices contact 610-828-3266 or email RecServices@conshohockenpa.gov.

MEMBERSHIPS

Daily, monthly and annual passes are available. SIGN UP NOW! Purchase or renew a Community Center at the Fel membership today! *For memberships and pricing, visit www.conshohockenpa.gov or contact us directly at 610-828-3266.*



SILVER SNEAKERS AND PRIME

The Community Center at the Fel is a participating member of Silver Sneakers and Prime. Take advantage of this great opportunity and sign up today!



DISCOUNT TICKETS

The Recreation Services Department in conjunction with Pennsylvania Parks & Recreation Society (PRPS) will be selling discount tickets. Tickets to Blue Mountain, Big Boulder/Jack Frost, Bear Creek etc. will be sold until mid-March. Philadelphia Flower Show Tickets will be available! Amusement Park tickets including Hershey Park, Dorney, Park, Philadelphia Zoo, Adventure Aquarium, Diggerland, Morey's Pier, etc. will be available for the spring and summer. Call today to check on availability!

UPCOMING HOLIDAY CLOSURES AT THE COMMUNITY CENTER AT THE FELLOWSHIP HOUSE JANUARY THROUGH JULY

•	EASTER observed	
•	MEMORIAL DAY observed	Sunday, May 24, 2020
		Friday, July 3, 2020 (closing at 6pm)
		Saturday, July 4, 2020 (closing at 6pm)
		Sunday, July 5, 2020 (closed Sundays through Labor Day)

RECREATION SERVICES CONTINUED

2020 RECREATION SERVICES SPECIAL EVENTS

Make sure you mark your calendar for these Recreation Services special events!



American Red Cross Blood Drive

February 16, 2020 from 9:00 AM – 2:00 PM

Easter Egg Hunt

April 11, 2020 from 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM

60th Albert C. Donofrio Classic

March 23, 2020 – April 14, 2020 from 7:00 PM & 8:30 PM

Medicare Seminar

Wednesday, April 15, 2020 from 6:30 PM – 8:00 PM

Senior BBQ

June 3, 2020 12:00 PM

Summer Carnival

June 13, 2020 from 12:00 PM - 2:00 PM



June 19, 2020 & August 28, 2020 at Dusk

Movies in the Park



*DATES MAY BE SUBJECT TO CHANGE. Call the Community Center at the Fellowship House for more information or check the Spring/Summer Recreation Services Activity Guide.

HERE'S HOW TO REGISTER FOR **CLASSES, PROGRAMS & EVENTS!**

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Go to https://conshohockenrsp. recdesk.com. To register online, a credit card is needed. Prior to registering for any activity you must first create a customer account through the RecDesk Community Portal.

REGISTER OVER THE PHONE

Call us at 610-828-3266. To register over the phone, a credit card is needed. If you do not already have an online account, one will be created for you.



REGISTER **IN PERSON**

Visit us at the Community Center at the Fellowship House, located at 515 Harry Street, Conshohocken, PA 19428. Cash checks, and credit cards are accepted in person. If you do not already have an online account, one will be created for you.

Questions? Give us a call at 610-828-3266. Cash, credit cards, & checks accepted.

RECREATION SERVICES CONTINUED

GROUP FITNESS

The following are **FREE** with a Community Center Membership.

Registration is not required. Classes are ongoing throughout the year.

- Senior Aerobics (62+) Mondays, Wednesdays, Fridays
- H.I.I.T with Eileen (18+) Wednesdays
- Cardio & Core (18+) Fridays

The following group fitness programs are offered at an additional cost. Registration is required. Please check the Recreation Services Activity Guide or website for session dates, times, costs.

- Barre for Beginners
- Body Blast
- Krav Maga
- Low Impact Zumba
- PilatesTai Chi
- Yoga I
- TRX



PROGRAMMING







Active Older Adults (62+)

- Bingo Hosted by the St. Matthew's Seniors
- Active Fitness
- Card Games Open Card Games

Adults

- Corporate Lunch Time Basketball
- Sunday Morning Basketball
- Spring/Summer Men's Basketball League
- Paint in the Park
- Pickleball
- · Open Gym

Youth

- Tiny Tots Open Play
- · Before and After School Care with A Child's Place
- Ballet by Lawren (Ages 3-6)
- Baseball Clinic Hosted by Conshohocken Little League (Ages 4-12)
- Friday Night Dodgeball (Ages 7-17)
- Kid's Yoga (Ages 4-9)
- Little Dribblers by Obvious Choice Sports (Ages 3-4, 5-7)
- Mad Science Workshop
- Pain in the Park with Couleur Fuzion
- Park Explorers
- Purposeful Play (Ages 6 mo-4)
- Obvious Choice Sports
- Soccer Shots (Ages 2-6)
- Theatre Horizon







RECREATION SERVICES DEPARTMENT CONTINUED

SUMMER CAMP



Time for Summer Camp!

The Borough of Conshohocken **SUMMER DAY CAMP** is back for another season of summer fun! Designed for campers ages 6-12 years old, the Conshohocken Summer Day Camp engages campers in a wide variety of recreational activities. Offering eight one-week sessions each with a unique theme, campers will participate in weekly field trips, swimming, arts and crafts, traditional camp games, and more! Camp is housed at the Community Center at the Fellowship House which features a recreational facility and an outdoor play area at Mary Wood Park. Regular camp hours are from 9am-4pm, with an option for extended day available with registration

- 2020 Camp Dates: June 22 August 14
- Registration will begin January 2, 2020. Register prior to March 1st for an early bird discount.
- Payment plans are available.





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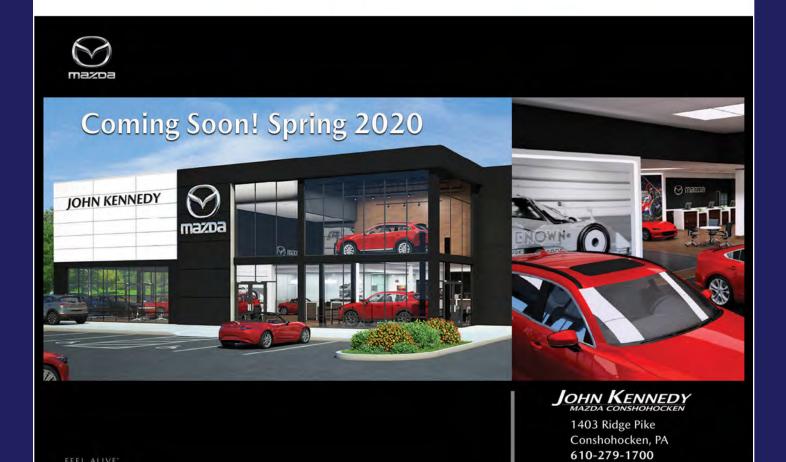




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