



# TOWNSHIP OF UPPER

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April 2, 2020

Dear Upper Township Residents,

The COVID-19 pandemic is unprecedented in its scope and severity. Our state has been particularly hard hit and Upper Township faces unique challenges. I am proud to say that for the most part our residents are doing their best to stay at home, practice social distancing and protect our community.

In the past few weeks the Governor has issued a series of Executive Orders to mitigate the impact of COVID-19. These orders direct all residents to stay at home and implement social distancing measures. There are very limited exceptions such as obtaining essential goods and services and reporting to permitted work. These orders also prohibit gatherings such as parties, celebrations and social events. I urge you to review the details on the New Jersey COVID-19 Information Hub website. There is a link to this site on the Upper Township website ([www.uppertownship.com](http://www.uppertownship.com)).

With respect to Upper Township, and consistent with the Executive Orders, the Township has closed all beaches and recreation facilities. These were not easy decisions, but they were made based on the Executive Orders and CDC recommendations in order to protect the health of our citizens. Some of these actions were due to significant concerns with visitors and seasonal residents traveling to or staying in the Township. I joined with all of the other mayors in Cape May County in strongly urging the elimination of short term rentals for the duration of the Executive Orders. The most recent Executive Order permits a municipality to prohibit online marketplaces from offering or arranging lodging. The Township will adopt this prohibition.

The Township Committee and I hope you understand these difficult, but necessary, decisions that are being made to protect our community.

Thank you for all of your efforts to stay home and stay safe.

Sincerely,  
Richard Palombo, Mayor