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Getting Back to Basics: Building a Budget That Reflects Middletown's Priorities



Over the past several months, the Middletown Township Board of Supervisors have hosted a series of public Budget Workshops to walk residents through each step of the 2026 budget development process. Workshops were held on August 18, October 6, October 13, and October 20, covering topics such as the Capital Budget, Revenue, and Operating Expenses.

As part of this year's discussions, the Township is addressing a projected \$2.8 million budget gap. This gap reflects increased costs for essential services, inflation, and ongoing infrastructure needs. Township staff have presented several options for the Board of Supervisors to consider as part of the 2026 Budget, with the goal of maintaining service quality and ensuring long-term financial stability.

Chairperson Ksiazek encouraged residents to continue engaging in the process, while Supervisor Kane shared that this year's theme is about *getting back to basics*; focusing on maintaining existing infrastructure and services while ensuring the Township continues to meet the expectations and needs of residents.

The Preliminary 2026 Budget will be presented at the November 17 Board of Supervisors Meeting, followed by a 30-day public review period before final adoption on December 15.

Residents are encouraged to review past presentations and recordings at www.middletownbucks.org/budget and attend upcoming meetings to share feedback and learn more about the Township's financial planning for the year ahead.

Stay Safe this Halloween Safety Tips from the Middletown Township Police Department

As Halloween quickly approaches us, it's important to remember the holiday brings serious safety risks. We encourage you to share safety tips with your kids to keep your family safe and have a fun and spooky Halloween!

1. Cross the street at corners, using traffic signals and crosswalks. Look left, right and left again when crossing and keep looking as you cross.
2. Always walk on sidewalks or paths when available.
3. Do not approach any houses with their lights off.
4. If you can, it's best to trick or treat in a group and not alone
5. Make sure costumes can be seen. Carry around a glow stick or flashlight to ensure you are seen by drivers.
6. Inspect treats before indulging. Discard any treats that aren't sealed or are expired.



Your Township at Work: Budget Updates, Housing Approvals & Safer Streets



At their October 6th meeting, the Middletown Township Board of Supervisors recognized several important national observances, proclaiming October as Fire Prevention Month, Community Planning Month, and Disability Employment Awareness Month.

The Board approved the Conditional Use Hearing and Preliminary/Final Land Development Plan for *Thatcher Square Townhome Community*, a 34-unit townhouse development by WB Homes that will include 20% attainable housing in the Professional Zoning District.

Supervisors also authorized the advertisement of bid specifications for traffic signal upgrades at six intersections along Maple Avenue and North Flowers Mill Road. This project, funded through the Green Light-Go Grant Program with a grant of \$139,000, will enhance safety and improve traffic flow throughout the Township.

The meeting also included a Budget Workshop focusing on Township revenue. The presentation reviewed current revenue sources, projections, and trends shaping the Township's 2026 financial planning process. This session was part of Middletown's ongoing effort to maintain transparency and provide residents with insight into how Township funds are generated and used.

Recordings and presentation materials from this and other Budget Workshops are available on the Township's [YouTube Channel](#) and at

Bridge Dedication Honors the Legacy of Fallen Middletown Hero

Middletown Township was honored to join Bucks County officials and community members on Tuesday, October 7, for the dedication of Bucks County Bridge 304 on Silver Lake Road in memory of First Lieutenant Lee Fulton Clickner, U.S. Army, who was killed in action on October 25, 1969, while serving in Vietnam.



The ceremony was part of Bucks County's ongoing effort to honor local veterans by naming county bridges in their memory. Township Supervisor Kane attended in support of the event, and Supervisor Hannah spoke on behalf of the Board of Supervisors, recognizing Lt. Clickner's sacrifice and lifelong connection to the community. "Fifty-five years to the day since his passing, this bridge stands as more than a structure — it connects our community to Lee's legacy," Supervisor Hannah said. "Through this dedication, his name and his story will continue to endure for generations."

The Township is proud to support Bucks County's dedication program and the Lower Bucks County Vietnam Veterans Memorial in their continued work to honor the service and sacrifice of our local heroes. If you were unable to attend in person, a recording of the ceremony is available to watch on the [Lower Bucks County Vietnam Veterans Memorial Facebook page](#).

Election Day: What You Need to Know

Everything you need to know about voting in the General

Election on November 4, 2025.

The deadline to register has passed.

The [Buck County Voters page](#) is your best resource for election information.



Mail-In & Absentee Ballots

The last day to apply for a Mail-In or Absentee Ballot is Tuesday, October 28 by 5:00PM.

- Complete your mail-in or absentee ballot online
- [Check the status of your mail-in or absentee ballot application](#)

You have three options to return your ballot by November 4:

- Drop it in the mail via USPS, FedEx, etc.
- [Click here to view locations of secure ballot drop boxes](#)
- [Click here to view voter service office locations to return your ballot in person](#)

Polling Locations

[Click here to see Bucks County Polling Locations.](#) Polling places will be open from 7:00 AM to 8:00 PM on Tuesday, November 4. If you are in line by 8:00PM, you are eligible to vote!

What to do with Fall Foliage – Other Than Leaving Leaves in Storm Drains

Fall is marked by falling temperatures, falling rain, and falling leaves. While stormwater systems are prepared for increases in the volume of water, the added leaf litter can aggravate the treatment process and overwhelm systems. The main issue with fall foliage in a stormwater system is that leaf

litter contributes to harmful chemicals in our water.

By looking for ways to use leaves at home, you can help minimize these issues. Some of these things include:

- Mulching flower beds or around trees with the leaves
- Add leaves to your compost pile
- Fertilize your lawn naturally by mowing your leaves
- Rake and bag them up for yard waste collection



If you can't find a way to use all of your leaves and need to put them out for collection, keep them out of the street. If you have a storm sewer inlet in front of your house, be sure to keep it clear of leaves and other debris.

The Draft Comprehensive Parks & Open Space Plan is here — We Want Your Feedback!

The Middletown Township Parks & Recreation Department is excited to share the draft Comprehensive Parks, Recreation, Open Space, Greenways, and Trails Plan (CRPOSGT) — now available for public review!



This plan outlines the vision for how Middletown will continue to enhance recreation opportunities, improve park facilities, and create a more connected, walkable community. Residents are encouraged to review the draft plan and provide feedback through a short community survey to help shape the final version.

The 2025 CRPOSGT Plan reassesses recreation needs, inventories parks and natural resources, evaluates maintenance practices, and identifies improvement areas to move toward national accreditation. It also

coordinates recommendations from the recently completed Multimodal Improvement Plan to promote a more pedestrian- and bike-friendly community.

View the draft plan, past meeting minutes, and project updates on [our website](#), and watch previous public meetings on our [YouTube channel](#). Your input will help us build a parks and recreation system that reflects our community's needs and values.

November Holiday Closures: Plan Ahead!



Please be advised that the Middletown Township Municipal Building will be closed on the following dates in November:

Election Day – Tuesday, November 4 (open for voting: Upper 1 & Upper 9 precincts)

Veterans Day – Tuesday, November 11

Thanksgiving – Thursday, November 27

Day After Thanksgiving – Friday, November 28

In case of an emergency, please dial 911. For non-emergencies, services will resume on the next business day. Thank you for your understanding!

Support Shop with a Cop – Bring Joy to Local Families This Holiday Season!



Help make the holidays brighter for children in need by supporting the Middletown Community Foundation's 10th Annual Shop with a Cop event!

This heartwarming program pairs police officers with local children facing significant challenges, giving them the opportunity to shop for gifts for their loved ones. The event not only spreads holiday cheer but also builds positive relationships between children and law enforcement.

You can also support the cause by donating new or gently used holiday bags, wrapping paper, and gift tags to the Middletown Township Administration Building (3 Municipal Way, Langhorne) between 8 AM and 5 PM, Monday through Friday, through December 5. These items will be used to wrap the treasures picked out by the amazing kids chosen for Shop with a Cop!



Gift Wrapping for Collection Shop with a Cop

Drop off new or gently used holiday bags, wrap, and gift tags to the Middletown Township Administration Building.

All items are used to wrap the treasures picked out by the amazing kids chosen for Shop with a Cop!

8-5pm M-F	December 5	3 Municipal Way Langhorne
TIME	DEADLINE	LOCATION

Cop!

Every contribution makes a difference! Sponsorships can be any amount, big or small. Your generosity helps create lasting memories for kids in our community.

[Click here](#) for the donation form or send a Venmo contribution to @MCFBucks.

For more information or to discuss sponsorship opportunities, please contact Officer Melissa Robison at 215-750-3876 or mrobison@mtpd.org for more information.

MTGo!



MTGo is Middletown Township's citizen service request portal. Residents and community members can report issues to the Township faster than ever before, only a button-click away.

To make your request, visit MTGo.co!

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