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Middletown Township Climate Action Plan

The Middletown Township Board of Supervisors preliminarily approved the Middletown Township Climate Action Plan, a strategic and measured approach toward reducing greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions community-wide, at their meeting on Monday, August 16, 2021.

CLIMATE ACTION PLAN

is available on our website now!



During the Board of Supervisors meeting, Supervisor Mike Ksiazek said, "this is a really critical component of the township reaching its goals of addressing climate change on a local level".

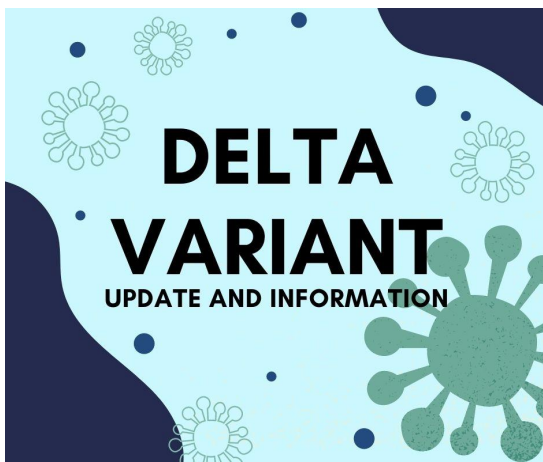
The mission of the Middletown Township Local Climate Action Plan is to create an environmentally friendly future that improves the quality of life by promoting environmental sustainability to residents, businesses, and the community.

As a Certified Gold Sustainable Community, Middletown Township would become the first municipality in Bucks County to adopt a local Climate Action Plan. This Climate Action Plan was developed through participation in the Local Climate Action Program, sponsored by the Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection at no cost to the Township. Students and faculty from Wilkes University and ICLEI, an environmental consulting firm, assisted in the development of the Township's Climate Action Plan. The Township's Climate Action Plan directly supports and mobilizes three of the four areas in the Township's 2020 Comprehensive Plan.

The Climate Action Plan outlines 63 activities, ranging from programs and strategic partnerships, to information campaigns and policy changes. Some of the recommended activities include walkability improvements to create better access to public transportation routes, to providing tailored information to homeowners and businesses about how they can take small steps toward reducing water and utility usage.

A draft of the document is available for public review and feedback at www.middletonbucks.org/CAP. Please send any comments, questions, or concerns to Assistant Township Manager Nick Valla at nvalla@middletonbucks.org. Final adoption of the Climate Action Plan is tentatively scheduled for Monday, September 20, 2021.

COVID-19 Delta Variant Update



The COVID-19 Delta Variant is more dangerous than other variants of the COVID-19. It spreads more easily, infects more people, and spreads faster than other variants of the COVID-19, according to the CDC. Fully vaccinated people are much less likely than unvaccinated people to get very sick from the COVID-19 Delta Variant, but some can still be infected by and spread the COVID-19 Delta Variant.

The CDC announced that boosters may be available this fall for people who received their second dose of mRNA vaccine (either Pfizer or Moderna) at least 8 months prior. A separate booster recommendation for individuals who received a Johnson & Johnson one-dose vaccine is expected soon. Booster shots are not available yet, but are expected to roll out in September.

If you are not yet vaccinated go to www.vaccines.gov to find a vaccine clinic near you. For more information about the COVID-19 Delta Variant visit the [CDC website](https://www.cdc.gov).

Fall Recreation Program Registration is

Open

Middletown Township Parks & Recreation Fall 2021 Program Guide is now available online, and registration for the 2021 Fall programs is now open. There are a ton of fun fall recreation programs available for adults, teens, and youth. Some of the programs include dog training sessions with beginner and advanced programs available, beginners yoga and Qi Gong Tai Chi classes, art programs, and many sports programs including kickball, pickleball, archery, and golf lessons.



To browse or join our fall programs, please visit www.middletownbucks.org/ProgramRegistration.

If you have any questions, please call 215-750-3890 for assistance.

Donate School Supplies to a Family in Need



The Middletown Community Foundation is partnering with the Middletown Police Department for a back to school supply drive to help all of those in need in the Neshaminy School District.

If you would like to make a donation you can either shop the [Amazon list](#), or submit a monetary donation to

the Middletown Community Foundation that will go towards quality backpacks. All donations can either be dropped off at or mailed directly to the Middletown Police Department, 5 Municipal Way, Langhorne PA 19047.

Names of students and families in need can be provided to the Police Department. Please email [Melissa Robinson](mailto:Melissa.Robinson) to be added to the list.

Thank you to everyone that has already made a donation. All of the donations are appreciated and will be of great use to students this school year.

Join Us for the 5th Annual Parkland Fest on Saturday, October 2nd

Middletown Township is excited to invite everyone to the 5th Annual Parkland Day on Saturday, October 2 from 1-4 PM at Firefighters' Park (formerly Poplar Park). There will be food trucks, vendors and a beer garden.

ParklandFest began as a community day in the Township's Parkland neighborhood, hosted by the Parkland Fire Company. By its third year, it outgrew the original space, moving to Firefighters' Park in 2019.

By working together and hosting Parkland Day at Firefighters' Park, the entire Middletown Community had a chance to gather with neighbors, grab a bite to eat, have a cold beer or wine, check out the vendors, while the children had many games and activities to participate in. There will be live music throughout the event. The final musical performance will be the popular, crowd pleasing, Uptown String Band.



A Little Kindness Matters



At the Board of Supervisors meeting, Monday, August 16 2021, Summer Recreation Supervisor Carol Garner shared a project she led with her campers called, "A Little Kindness Matters". She shared her touching story at the Board of Supervisors meeting of how she came up with this idea for her campers.

Middletown Township Chairman Tom Tosti thanked Carol for all she is

doing with kids and said, "Kindness is contagious and kindness goes a long way".

For years, Carol has encouraged people to spread kindness because you'll be amazed at how far a little kindness can go.

This project started as a treasure chest decorating craft at camp to which Carol gave the kids a penny and encouraged them to grow the penny. Through their own creativity, the children at the Core Creek Park camp site raised \$300 for the victims of natural disasters. The goal of this kindness project was to encourage the kids to grow their penny through picking up extra chores around the house or helping a neighbor. Throughout the summer they grew their pennies by doing simple acts of kindness. They donated the money they earned to the American Red Cross in the name of Detective Christopher Jones.

Congratulations U10 Softball Team

At the Board of Supervisors meeting, August 16, the Middletown Athletic Association U10 Softball team was acknowledged for their efforts in winning District 21 and advancing to Sectionals this summer by the Middletown Board of Supervisors, Congressman Brian Fitzpatrick, Representative Frank Farry, and staff from State Senator Robert 'Tommy' Tomlinson's office. Lead by coach Dennis O'Donnell, the girls had an exciting win of 14-4 at the championship.



After completing a 2-month regular season in the MAA in-house program on different teams, these selected girls had to try out for this team and quickly understand each other's strengths, a new coaching philosophy, and new rules. They then fought through the District 21 bracket to advance to the district championship on July 7th.

Middletown Township Chairman Tom Tosti said, "It's always good to recognize our future, and these girls are our future".

Congratulations to the girls for on their championship win!

Voter Information for November 2nd Municipal Election



In the upcoming 2021 Municipal Election, voters will be voting for the offices of two Middletown Township Supervisors, the Middletown Township Tax Collector, one Middletown Township Auditor, and additional County and judicial offices.

As the election quickly approaches us, there are some important dates to remember. October 18th is last day to register to vote for the general election. October 26th is the last day for registered voters to apply for a mail-in or absentee ballot. On November 2nd, all voted mail-in ballots and absentee ballots must be received by 8PM and polls will be open from 7AM to 8PM. If you are voting by mail, be sure to submit mail ballots as soon as possible.

If you have not registered to vote you can do so by visiting, register.votespa.com. If you are registered to vote already, you can sign up at votesPA.com/mailballot.

For more information regarding the election, please visit www.middletownbucks.org/vote.

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