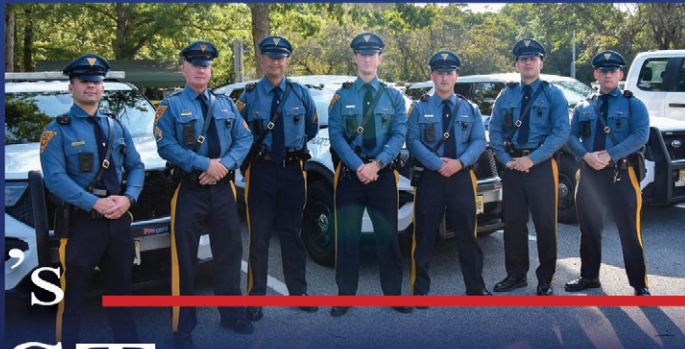


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2024 Township Committee Reorganization



Pictured above:
Mayor William Ruggieri
pictured with his family



Buena Vista Township Committee:
Bottom Row, Left to Right: Deputy Mayor Ellen Testa,
Mayor William Ruggieri, Committeeman Aaron Krenzer
Top Row, Left to Right: Committeemen Kurt Renart and
John Williams



Mayor William Ruggieri and Deputy
Mayor Ellen Testa pictured above with
Atlantic County Sheriff Joe O'Donoghue
and Under Sheriff Mario Suarez



Pictured above:
Reverend David Mallory



Pictured above:
Deputy Mayor Ellen Testa
with Husband
Michael Testa, Sr.



Pictured above:
Sheriff Joe O'Donoghue
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DECEMBER 2024 Su Mo Tu We Th Fr Sa 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28 29 30 31	Christmas Tree Pick-ups are scheduled for Friday, January 3rd & 17th. For more information call the ACUA at 609-272-6950	Yard Waste Recycling	1 <i>New Year's Day</i> TOWNSHIP CLOSED	2	3	4 Public Works Drop Off 8 am - 12 noon Patcong Valley Model Railroad Open House - 10 am to 3 pm
5 Patcong Valley Model Railroad Open House - 12 pm to 4 pm	6 Annual Township Reorganization - 7 pm	7	8	9	10	11 Patcong Valley Model Railroad Open House - 10 am to 3 pm
12 Patcong Valley Model Railroad Open House - 12 pm to 4 pm	13	14	15 Food Pantry Open MLK Center 1 - 4 pm	16 Planning/Zoning - 7 pm	17	18
19	20 <i>Dr. Martin Luther King's Birthday</i> Celebration at MLK Center 12 noon TOWNSHIP CLOSED	21	22	23 MLK Advisory Board - 6 pm at the King Center	24	25
26	27 Township Meeting - 7 pm	28	29	30	31	FEBRUARY 2025 Su Mo Tu We Th Fr Sa 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28

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2	3	4	5 Food Pantry Open MLK Center 1 - 4 pm	6	7	8
9	10 Township Workshop - 7pm	11 ●	12 ●	13 ● Environmental Commission 7 pm	14 ● Valentine's Day	15 Fire District Elections 2:00 to 9:00 pm
16	17 President's Day TOWNSHIP CLOSED	18	19 Food Pantry Open MLK Center 1 - 4 pm	20 Planning/Zoning - 7 pm	21	22
23	24 Township Meeting - 7 pm	25 ●	26 ●	27 ●	28 ● ■	TEXT BuenaVistaNJ to 888-777 to sign up for Emergency, Advisory, or Event Alerts through Nixle

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MARCH 2025



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2	3	4	5 Food Pantry Open MLK Center 1 - 4 pm	6	7	8 Veterans Indoor BBQ MLK Center @ 1 pm
9  Daylight Savings Begins	10 Township Workshop - 7pm	11 ● Municipal Alliance - 6 pm	12 ●	13 ● Tax Sale - 10 am	14 ● ■	15 <u>Dog/Cat Rabies Clinics:</u> Collings Lakes Fire Hall: 10 am - 1 pm
16	17 St. Patrick's Day	18	19 Food Pantry Open MLK Center 1 - 4 pm	20 Spring Begins	21	22
23	24 Township Meeting 7 pm	25 ●	26 ●	27 ●	28 ● ■	29
30	31			MLK Advisory Board - 6 pm at the King Center		

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4	5 <i>Cinco de Mayo</i>	6 ●	7 ● Food Pantry Open MLK Center 1 - 4 pm	8 ●	9 ● ■	10
11 <i>Mother's Day</i>	12 Township Workshop - 7pm	13	14	15 Planning/Zoning - 7 pm	16	17 <i>Armed Forces Day</i> Community Yard Sale @ Michael Debbi Park 9 am to 1 pm
18	19	20 ●	21 ● Food Pantry Open MLK Center 1 - 4 pm	22 ● MLK Advisory Board - 6 pm at the King Center	23 ● ■	24 Community Yard Sale @ Michael Debbi Park Rain Date
25	26 <i>Memorial Day</i> Memorial Day Service @ BVT Hall - 11 am TOWNSHIP CLOSED	27 Township Meeting - 7 pm	28	29	30	31

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JUNE 2025

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1	2	3 ● Primary Elections VOTE TODAY!	4 ● Food Pantry Open MLK Center 1 - 4 pm	5 ●	6 ● ■	7 Public Works Drop Off 8 am - 12 noon Mentoring Men's BBQ @ MLK - 1 pm
8	9	10 Municipal Alliance - 6 pm	11	12 D-Day Environmental Commission 7 pm	13	14 Flag Day
15 Father's Day	16	17 ●	18 ● Food Pantry Open MLK Center 1 - 4 pm Summer Concert Series 7 pm - MLK CENTER	19 ● Juneteenth Planning/Zoning - 7 pm	20 ● ■ Juneteenth Observed TOWNSHIP CLOSED	21 Summer Begins
22	23 Township Meeting - 7 pm	24	25 Summer Concert Series 7 pm - Michael Debbi Park	26 Summer Begins MLK Advisory Board - 6 pm at the King Center	27	28
29	30	Watch our Community Bulletin Board on Comcast Channel 9	TEXT <u>BuenaVistaNJ</u> to <u>888-777</u> to sign up for <i>Emergency, Advisory, or Event Alerts through Nixle</i>	■ Yard Waste ● Recycling	MAY 2025 Su Mo Tu We Th Fr Sa 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28 29 30 31	JULY 2025 Su Mo Tu We Th Fr Sa 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28 29 30 31

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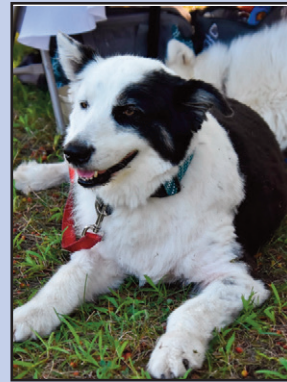
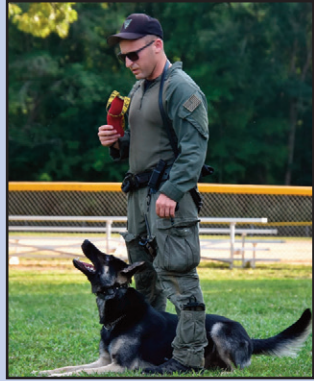
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3	4	5 National Night Out @ Michael Debbi Park 5 - 9 pm	6 Food Pantry Open MLK Center - 1 - 4 pm Summer Concert Series Rain Date #2	7	8	9
10	11	12 ●	13 ● Summer Concert Series Rain Date #1	14 ● Environmental Commission 7 pm	15 ●	16
17	18	19	20 Food Pantry Open MLK Center - 1 - 4 pm	21 Planning/Zoning - 7 pm	22	23 Community Fun Day @ MLK - 12 noon
24	25	26 ●	27 ●	28 ●	29 ●	30
31	Township Meeting - 7 pm		Summer Lunch Program at MLK Center ends			

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<i>Register to Vote at the Township Clerk's Office</i>	1 Labor Day TOWNSHIP CLOSED	2	3 Food Pantry Open MLK Center 1 - 4 pm	4	5	6 Public Works Drop Off 8 am - 12 noon
7	8 Township Workshop - 7pm	9 ● Municipal Alliance - 6 pm	10 ●	11 ● Patriot Day	12 ● ■	13 Veteran Appreciation Breakfast @ MLK - 10 am
14	15	16	17 Food Pantry Open MLK Center 1 - 4 pm	18 Planning/Zoning - 7 pm	19	20 Annual Shredder Event Township Hall 10 am - 1:30 pm
21	22 Fall Begins Township Meeting - 7 pm	23 ●	24 ● Senior Citizen Picnic 12 Noon @ MLK Center	25 ● MLK Advisory Board - 6 pm at the King Center	26 ● ■	27
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- Property Tax Relief Programs (ANCHOR, Senior Freeze (PTR), eg.)
- NJ Family Care/Medicaid
- Unemployment, Family Leave, & Temporary Disability
- Notary
- Other State Related Issues

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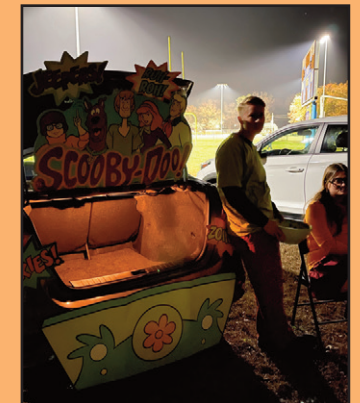
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5	6 Township Workshop - 7pm	7 ●	8 ●	9 ● Environmental Commission 7 pm	10 ● ■	11 Trunk or Treat Michael Debbi Park 6 - 8 PM
12	13 <i>Columbus Day</i> TOWNSHIP CLOSED	14	15 Food Pantry Open MLK Center 1 - 4 pm	16 Planning/Zoning - 7 pm	17	18
19	20	21 ●	22 ●	23 ● MLK Advisory Board - 6 pm at the King Center	24 ● ■	25
26	27 Township Meeting - 7 pm	28	29	30	31 <i>Halloween</i> Trick or Treat 6- 8 pm	<div style="border: 2px solid red; padding: 5px;"> Report Street Lights that are burned out. Call the Clerk's Office at 856-697- 2100, ext 1 </div>

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Public Works Cleaning Drains in BVT



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NOVEMBER 2025



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2  Daylight Savings Ends	3	4 ● <p style="color: red; text-align: center;">General Election Day VOTE TODAY!</p>	5 ● <p style="text-align: center;">Food Pantry Open MLK Center 1 - 4 pm</p>	6 ●	7 ● ■	8
9	10	11 Veterans Day <p style="text-align: center;">Veterans Day Service @ BVT Hall - 11 am</p> <p style="color: red; text-align: center;">TOWNSHIP CLOSED</p>	12	13	14	15
16	17 <p style="text-align: center;">Township Meeting - 7 pm</p>	18 ●	19 ● <p style="text-align: center;">Food Pantry Open MLK Center 1 - 4 pm</p>	20 ● <p style="text-align: center;">Planning/Zoning - 7 pm</p>	21 ● ■	22 <p style="text-align: center;">Patcong Valley Model Railroad Open House - 10 am to 3 pm</p>
23 <p style="text-align: center;">Patcong Valley Model Railroad Open House - 12 pm to 4 pm</p> <p style="text-align: right; font-size: 24pt;">30</p>	24	25	26	27 Thanksgiving Day <p style="text-align: center;">Community Thanksgiving Dinner @ MLK - 1 pm</p> <p style="color: red; text-align: center;">TOWNSHIP CLOSED</p>	28 <p style="color: red; text-align: center;">TOWNSHIP CLOSED</p>	29

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DECEMBER 2025



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■ Yard Waste ● Recycling	1	2 ●	3 ● Food Pantry Open MLK Center 1 - 4 pm	4 ●	5 ● ■ Annual Tree Lighting & Santa's Toy Shoppe @ BVT Hall - 6:30 pm	6 Public Works Drop Off 8 am - 12 noon Cookies with Mrs. Claus @ MLK Center 11am Patcong Valley Model Railroad Open House - 10 am to 3 pm
7 Patcong Valley Model Railroad Open House - 12 pm to 4 pm	8 Township Workshop - 7pm	9	10	11 Environmental Commission 7 pm	12	13 Patcong Valley Model Railroad Open House - 10 am to 3 pm
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21 Winter Begins Patcong Valley Model Railroad Open House - 12 pm to 4 pm	22 Township Meeting - 7 pm	23	24 Christmas Eve	25 Christmas Day TOWNSHIP CLOSED	26 Kwanzaa Begins	27
28	29	30 ●	31 ● New Year's Eve	TOWNSHIP REORGANIZATION MEETING January 5, 2026	NOVEMBER 2025 Su Mo Tu We Th Fr Sa 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28 29	JANUARY 2026 Su Mo Tu We Th Fr Sa 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28 29 30 31

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IMPORTANT PHONE NUMBER LIST

DEPARTMENT / NAME / TITLE / EMAIL PHONE: 856-697-2100 or 609-561-5650.....	PRESS / CALL
ADMINISTRATOR	1
Lisa A. Tilton, Certified Public Manager, CPM administrator@buenavistanj.com	
TOWNSHIP CLERK / VITAL STATISTICS / LICENSES / MARRIAGE	
Lisa A. Tilton, Township Clerk / RMC / CMR	1
clerk@buenavistanj.com	
PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT (M-F 7:00 am-3:30 pm)	856-697-2100
Anthony Poley, Supervisor of Public Works	5
publicworks@buenavistanj.com	
ANIMAL CONTROL, Township Clerk during normal business hours	1
Shore Animal Control.....	1-800-351-1822
Night & weekend <u>emergencies only call State Police</u>	609-561-1800
TAX COLLECTOR	2
Michele L. Kirtsos, CTC taxcollector@buenavistanj.com	
TAX ASSESSOR	3
Bernadette E. Leonardi, CTA taxassessor@buenavistanj.com	
MUNICIPAL COURT now located in Hammonton	
100 Central Avenue, Hammonton, NJ 08037	609-567-4300 ext 3
FINANCE OFFICE	7
Gia Haws, Acting Chief Financial Officer finance@buenavistanj.com	
MAYOR & TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE	8
Aaron Krenzer, Kurt Renart, William Ruggieri, Ellen Testa, and John Williams	
ZONING OFFICER / CODE ENFORCEMENT	
Frank Sacco, Code Enforcement	9
fsacco@townofhammonton.org	
David Scheidegg, Zoning Officer.....	1
zoning@buenavistanj.com	

DEPARTMENT / NAME / TITLE / EMAIL PHONE: 856-697-2100 or 609-561-5650.....	PRESS / CALL
PLANNING BOARD SECRETARY	1
Lisa A. Tilton, ltilton@buenavistanj.com	
NJ CONSTRUCTION CODE / BUILDING INSPECTORS / PERMITS	
Augusta Complex, 852 S. White Horse Pike Hammonton, NJ 08037	
	609-567-3653
DR. MLK COMMUNITY CENTER	609-704-7262
mlkcenter@buenavistanj.com • facebook/MLK Center, Newtonville Quentin McClendon, Director, QMcClendon@buenavistanj.com	

STATE & FEDERAL REPRESENTATIVES

U.S. SENATORS

Cory A. Booker	http://www.booker.senate.gov	856-338-8922
Robert Menendez...	http://www.menendez.senate.gov	856-757-5353

U.S. CONGRESSMAN

Jefferson VanDrew .	www.vandrew.house.gov	609-625-5008
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GOVERNOR

Phil Murphy.....	www.state.nj.us/governor	609-292-6000
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STATE SENATOR – DISTRICT 2

Vince Polistina.....	www.njleg.state.nj.us/districts/district-2 .	609-677-8266
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GENERAL ASSEMBLY – DISTRICT 2

Don Guardian.....	www.njleg.state.nj.us/districts/district-2 .	609-677-8266
Claire Swift	www.njleg.state.nj.us/districts/district-2 .	609-677-8266

STATEHOUSE/GENERAL INFORMATION	609-292-2121
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SCHOOLS

Buena Board of Education.....	www.buena.k12.nj.us	856-697-0800
Buena Regional High School		856-697-2400
Buena Regional Middle School.....		856-697-0100
Collings Lakes Elementary School.....		856-885-4994
Dr. JP Cleary Elementary School		856-697-8080
John C. Milanesi Elementary School.....		856-697-0605
Our Lady of Mercy Academy	www.edline.net	856-697-2008
St. Augustine Preparatory School.....	www.augustinian.org	856-697-2600
St. Mary's Regional School	www.smrschool.org	856-692-8537

ATLANTIC COUNTY & OTHER SERVICES

Atlantic County Government – Main number	609-345-6700
Atlantic County Intergenerational Services/Social Services.....	888-426-9243
Atlantic County Library – Mays Landing Branch.....	609-625-2776
Hammonton Branch	609-561-2264
Atlantic County Mosquito Control	609-645-5948
Atlantic County Transportation-Senior/Handicapped/Disabled ...	609-645-5910
Atlantic County Utilities Authority (ACUA).....	609-272-6950
Atlantic County Welfare Services.....	609-348-3001
Board of Elections	609-645-5878
Board of Freeholders.....	609-645-5900
Board of Taxation.....	609-645-5820
County Clerk.....	609-625-4011
Health Department	609-645-5935
Sheriff.....	609-909-7200
Superintendent of Elections.....	609-645-5882
Surrogate.....	609-645-5800

ANIMAL/WILDLIFE CONTROL

Atlantic County Animal Shelter.....	609-485-2345
Humane Society of Atlantic County	609-347-2487
South Jersey Regional Animal Shelter	856-691-1500
NJ Wildlife Control Unit	609-748-2044

DOG/CAT LICENSES

Renewals are required annually with a valid rabies vaccination.
(Late fee charged after March 31st)

DOG LICENSES FEES	CAT LICENSES FEES
\$12.00	Neutered
\$15.00	Non-Neutered
\$7.00	Late Fee

FREE RABIES CLINIC

BVT will be holding 2 free rabies and licensing clinics for dogs and cats at various fire halls in the Township during the month of March. See the calendar for details. The Atlantic County Animal Shelter also holds free clinics in Pleasantville. Call 609-485-2345 for more details.

POST OFFICES LOCATED IN BUENA VISTA

Buena.....	Zip Code-08310	856-697-2828
Milmay.....	Zip Code-08340	609-476-3215
Newtonville	Zip Code-08346	609-567-2389
Richland.....	Zip Code-08350	856-697-2846

OTHER AREA ZIP CODES:

Dorothy 08317	Hammonton 08037	Landisville 08326
Minotola 08341	Vineland 08360	Williamstown 08094

OTHER IMPORTANT NUMBERS

Buena Outreach (Senior Center).....	856-697-1030
Nutrition Site (Senior Meals)	856-697-0698
Hammonton Family Center – Energy assistance & other services.....	609-567-2900
Abundant Living Church Food Pantry	609-561-6019
4 th Tuesday of each month – 5-7 pm	
Community FoodBank of Southern NJ (Egg Harbor Twp.).....	609-383-8843
Impact Harvest foodbank@impactharvest.org	856-690-9397
Emergency – Police/Fire/EMS/Ambulance.....	9-1-1
NJ State Police – Buena Vista.....	609-561-1800
Gloucester County Dispatch Center	856-589-0911
NJ Transit Bus/Rail www.njtransit.com	973-275-5555
NJ Pinelands Commission	609-894-7300
NDOT www.njdot.us/transportation	609-588-6213
Pot hole/Deer Carcass Removal/Highway Complaints	
Red Cross	609-646-8330

BVT VOLUNTEER FIRE COMPANIES / DISTRICTS

Emergencies Call 9-1-1

Richland Volunteer Fire Co., District No. 1	856-457-5158
East Vineland Volunteer Fire Co., District No. 2.....	856-213-5854
Newtonville Volunteer Fire Co., District No. 3.....	609-567-4439
Milmay Volunteer Fire Co., District No. 4.....	609-476-2020
Collings Lakes Volunteer Fire Co., District No. 5	609-561-9614

UTILITIES

Atlantic City Electric ... www.atlanticcityelectric.com	Non-Emergency	800-642-3780
	Emergency	800-833-7476
Comcast Cable..... www.comcast.com		800-COMCAST
South Jersey Gas..... www.southjerseygas.com	Non-Emergency	888-766-9900
	Emergency	800-582-7060
Verizon	www.verizon.com	Repair
		800-837-4966
		Customer Service
		800-922-0204

DR. MARTIN LUTHER KING COMMUNITY CENTER

The Dr. Martin Luther King Community Center is located at 661 Jackson Road in Newtonville. Various programs and events (some listed below) take place at the Center. Rental of the facilities requires fees and an application to be filled out at the MLK Center.

MLKCenter@buenavistanj.com

Quentin McClendon, Director.....QMcClendon@buenavistanj.com

Gateway Head Start Program

Juan Uribe, Director

Seniors of the Newtonville Area.....

Food Pantry open 1st & 3rd Wednesdays 1:00 pm to 4:00 pm

African American Heritage Museum www.aahmsnj.org

ROAD MAINTENANCE, SNOW REMOVAL, POTHOLES

Our Public Works Department provides street repair and snow removal. Please address any questions or problems to the Township Clerk's office or call Public Works at 856-697-2100 ext 5, leave message. Hours (M - F) 7:00 am - 3:30 pm.

PARKS & RECREATION

Our Public Works Department maintains park and recreation facilities in Richland, Lake Ann, Newtonville & Collings Lakes for use by our residents. Questions about use/rental of our parks should be addressed to Clerk's Office at Township Hall (Press 1). All groups require fees & an application to be filled out & submitted to the Recreation Committee. For use/rental of Wilder Hines Park, contact the MLK Center at 609-704-7262.

TRASH & RECYCLING



Municipal trash and recycling services are provided by the Atlantic County Utilities Authority (ACUA). **Trash and recycling problems, and questions should be directed to the ACUA at 609-272-6950 or / www.acua.com.**

GENERAL TRASH RULES / REQUIREMENTS

- Residents are encouraged to limit their weekly trash to three (3) 32 gallon containers or the equivalent per collection or 96 gallon containers may be used.
- Recycling is mandatory. Make sure to separate all recyclable items from your trash for curbside pickup. Single Stream recycling makes it easy to put all recyclables in the same blue containers.
- Excess trash will be left until the next pick up date if over the limit. Please remove excess trash from the curb until the next pick up date.
- Two (2) tires per week without rims will be picked up at curbside.
- Trash containers shall be metal or plastic, water tight, have handles, not exceed 32 gals. & weigh no more than 50 lbs. when filled. Large 96 gallon containers must be on wheels. Plastic bags may be used in place of containers. Metal drums are NOT acceptable. Please secure trash from animals. Loose or non-contained trash will not be picked up.
- Bulky trash (mattress, couch, furniture) will be collected on your trash day – limit (2) items per week. Bundles of painted or stained wood should be cut in 4 ft. lengths and must not weigh more than 50 lbs. per bundle.
- ACUA collects only residential trash. Commercial, industrial, building or demolition projects must provide for their own dumpster and arrange for pick-up by a private hauler.
- Placement time: All waste materials set out for collection shall be placed at curbside no later than 7 am on collection day and no sooner than 7 pm on the evening before. All empty waste containers must be removed from curbside by 7 pm on the day of collection.
- Trash rule violations carry penalties of a \$100.00 - \$500.00 fine and/or community service may be assessed.
- Yard Waste (leaves, brush, grass, clean wood): Place loose material in labeled cans or biodegradable kraft-type bags – bags should not exceed 50 lbs.
- Brush/branches must be bundled & tied with twine & should not exceed 4 ft. in length or 4"- 6" in diameter.

BVT RECYCLING DROP OFF CENTER

The Center is open to all BVT residents – proof is required. The items below will be accepted on the 1st Saturday of each month at the Public Works Yard at 430 Union Rd. between 8 am & 12 noon (some holidays may cause dates to change).

ITEMS ACCEPTED AT NO CHARGE: appliances, metals, motor oil, brush/leaves in biodegradable Kraft-type bags, bulky rigid plastics, recyclables, e-waste, auto/light truck tires (rims must be removed) limit up to 4, truck/farm equipment tires (rims must be removed) limit up to 2 per month.

RECYCLING DROP OFF CENTER RULES

- ➔ Center is for residential use.
- ➔ None of the following will be accepted: Household trash, construction, demolition or business materials, shingles, wood (painted, stained or treated), houses, barns, sheds, wooden fences or cement.
- ➔ Recyclable items must be presorted and ready for disposal.
- ➔ The Township reserves the right to limit quantities and to refuse unacceptable items.
- ➔ You must unload yourself.
- ➔ No tipping.



SINGLE STREAM RECYCLING

Atlantic County's recycling program is a single-stream program. Recyclable items can now go together in one container: All flattened cardboard, office papers, newspaper & magazines, brown paper bags, telephone & paperback books, paperboard, junk mail, glass bottles & jars, aluminum cans, tin & steel cans together in the same containers without separating. Special Plastic Note: Recycle all plastic containers with a number 1, 2 and 5. Please NO Styrofoam or plastic bags. Check out the website at www.acua.com for the latest recycling information and requirements, or refer to the ACUA insert that was included with this calendar.

BLUE RECYCLING CONTAINERS



The County provides each home in Buena Vista with one recycling container. The containers are the property of the ACUA and are to be used only for acceptable recycling items. Any trash placed in the blue containers will not be removed by the ACUA. Contact ACUA for replacement containers (there may be a cost for additional containers). Blue containers purchased at retail stores may also be used. Each home is entitled to one 96 gallon recycling container on wheels.

E-WASTE (ELECTRONIC WASTE)

Curbside pickup is not available. You can drop these items off at no cost at the BVT Public Works Yard, 430 Union Road (near Oak Road) on the first Saturday of each month between 8 am and 12 noon. Items may also be dropped off at any Goodwill and other approved locations. Check the ACUA's website for options.

Items covered: TVs, monitors, terminals, CRTs, CPUs, cables, keyboards, telephones, printers, copiers, typewriters, modems, telephone mainframes, laptops, mainframe equipment, fax machines, medical equipment, lab equipment & other electronic items.

CURBSIDE LEAF MACHINE COLLECTION AREAS

Our curbside leaf machine collection will be done during the months of November, December, and April. This collection will be done only in Cedar Gardens, DeRosa Drive, Country Club area, and the Collings Lakes section of the Township. Dates will be posted on Channel 9, our website, and via flyers. All leaves must be raked to the curb by the first date announced for leaf machine pick up in the above areas. Schedule is subject to change depending on weather conditions. All other times of the year, leaves must be bagged (in biodegradable Kraft-type bags) and placed at the curb for regular yard waste collection provided by the ACUA (dates noted on our calendar). Call the BVT Public Works Department at 856-697-2100 for more details or for scheduled pick up in-areas not listed above.

NON-CURBSIDE LEAF COLLECTION OR BRUSH PICK-UP AREAS

Residents are required to phone our Public Works Department to arrange for pick-up service for leaves, brush, and yard waste so that it may be scheduled in advance for pick up. Residents with leaves and brush in the Curbside Leaf Collection Program (above) areas do not need to call for pick up.

ZONING OFFICER / PERMITS (Also see phone number list)

The Township Zoning Officer handles permits for many types of home improvement projects such as additions, sheds, porches, fences, patios, chimneys, pools, garages, pole barns, and home occupations. Local permits must also be completed for any state building permits listed below in advance.

STATE BUILDING PERMITS (Also see phone number list)

Building permits are required for new home construction, new roofs and shingles, siding, and certain window changes. State of NJ Construction Code Officials/ Building Inspectors handle these permits on behalf of Buena Vista Township.

PINELANDS COMMISSION APPROVALS

Many building and land projects require the approval of the New Jersey Pinelands Commission. They can be contacted at 609-894-7300 or at their website <http://state.nj.us/pinelands> where you can download an application. Residents should also speak to our Zoning Officer or State Building Inspectors before starting any projects. Additional forms for Pinelands issues can be found on the Township website.

HOUSING REHABILITATION PROGRAM

Periodically, funds are available through the State of New Jersey Small Cities Program and Atlantic County to fix homes needing critical repairs. Loans and some partial grants are available based on income levels. Emergency programs may also be available. Please contact the Township Clerk's office for additional information.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT LOANS

A revolving low-interest loan program may be available to new and existing Township businesses for facades, expansion and to create new jobs. Applications are available at the Township Clerk's office. Subject to availability of funds.

STREET LIGHTS

Residents are urged to report street lights that have burned out or in need of repair to the Township Clerk's office or directly to Atlantic City Electric by phoning 800-642-3780 or their website www.atlanticcityelectric.com. Please provide the pole number which is located on a metal plate just above eye level on each pole and the closest street location or intersection of the pole when reporting any problems.

TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE MEETINGS

All meetings are held at Township Hall. Action may be taken at all meetings.
Regular Meetings – 7:00 pm
Held on the 4th Monday of each month (except holidays)
Workshop Meetings – 7:00 pm, Held on 1st or 2nd Monday of most months
Planning/Zoning Board Meeting – 7:00 pm, 3rd Thursday of each month (except November meeting held on Tuesday before Thanksgiving)

TOWNSHIP HOLIDAYS

New Year's Day, Dr. Martin Luther King's Birthday, President's Day, Good Friday, Memorial Day, Juneteenth, Independence Day, Labor Day, Columbus Day, Veteran's Day, Thanksgiving Thursday & Friday, Christmas Day.

ELECTIONS

The Primary Election is held on the first Tuesday following the first Monday in June. The General Election is held on the first Tuesday following the First Monday in November. School Board Elections are now held in November. Fire Commission Elections are held on the third Saturday of February at each Fire Hall.

VOTER REGISTRATION/VOTE BY MAIL BALLOTS

Voter Registration and Vote By Mail Applications are available at the Township Clerk's office or on line at www.aclink.org.

STATE POLICE



The New Jersey State Police provides coverage to all areas of Buena Vista Township. For non-emergency calls dial 609-561-1800 or 609-561-7267. Emergency calls should be dialed through 9-1-1.

HOUSE AND BUSINESS NUMBERING

The Township has assigned numbering to all streets in Buena Vista. Your tax bill will show your street and/or mailing address. It is important to display your number. All homes and businesses are required to display property numbers. Numbers must be at least 3" high, reflective and placed where they can be clearly seen from the street in an emergency. If you have a long driveway, numbers should be posted at the end of the driveway.

CABLE TELEVISION, HIGH SPEED INTERNET & PHONE SERVICE

Cable television, high speed internet, and phone service are handled by Comcast and covers most areas of Buena Vista Township. For more information call: 1-800-COMCAST. Verizon also provides phone & internet service & can be reached by dialing 1-800-VERIZON.

LOCAL ACCESS TV AND COMMUNITY BULLETIN BOARD

Township Committee meetings and local programs are shown on Comcast Cable Channel 9 every Tuesday between 5 pm and 10 pm. Comcast Channel 9 also shows our Community Bulletin Board around the clock when there is no other municipal programming on. Comcast Cable Channel 9 is shared between six towns in their system.

TOWNSHIP CODE BOOK

Our complete Township Code Book is now available on our website. All local Ordinances can be found there. See www.buonavistanj.com.

BUENA VISTA HISTORY AND FACTS

A Brief History and Overview of Buena Vista Township

Written by Mayor Chuck Chiarello, January 1997 • Updated October 2024



H. Amici & Co. (Richland General Store)

In 1692 this area was part of Cape May County. By 1694 we were part of Gloucester County. In 1695 our area was called Great Egg Harbor, which was also known as New Weymouth. In 1798 we became part of Weymouth Township until 1813 when we became part of Hamilton Township. In 1837 Atlantic County was formed. On March 5, 1867 Buena Vista Township, Atlantic County was established, separating from Hamilton. Buena Vista Township today is somewhat smaller than it was when it was originally established in 1867. At that time, the areas that we know today as Folsom and Buena Borough were part of Buena Vista Township. In 1906 Folsom separated from the Township followed by Buena Borough in 1949.

The earliest settlements in Buena Vista Township can be traced to a pristine body of water known as Deep Run in the Pancoast Mill area. Wildlife and rare species can be found in this particular portion of the Township. Deep Run (part of the Great Egg Harbor River system) lent itself to an early sawmill being developed by John Campbell. Campbell originally bought land in Buena Vista Township in 1773. In 1779, he opened a tavern known as "Ye Olde Midway Inn." In 1774, the Methodist Church (Friendship Church) was established by Aguilla Down and Ambrose Pancoast. The original Friendship Church and the former site of the modern day Midway Inn are now in Buena Borough.

The Buena Vista School District was established in 1866, one year prior to Buena Vista Township being created. Several original school buildings in the Township still exist, though the earliest ones prior to 1900 are no longer standing. The school in Milmay is now a private home and was built around 1915. The first school in Newtonville still stands on Jackson Road at 10th Street, and is now a private home too.

The area known as Newtonville was planned to be developed by an acquaintance of Charles K. Landis, the developer of Vineland, but it never bloomed to its anticipated level. Newtonville has several historical cemeteries. The Collings Lakes area was originally cranberry bogs that were later filled to make lakes. A housing community was developed around the bogs there in the 1950's. Buena Vista Township's farmlands in Richland, East Vineland and Milmay truly put the word "garden" in the Garden State. Our area is noted for its tomatoes, corn, peppers and other vegetables. In our modern era, we also grow a variety of unusual vegetables for specialty purposes and greenhouse operations offer a wide variety of flowers and plants. The name Buena Vista, which means "good vision," was originally introduced to this area after the Mexican War by George B. Cake, a hotel owner, in 1848.

Buena Vista Township has a diverse, cultural background, with residents of almost every religion. Our earliest settlers were Dutch and Swedish, followed by English and Scottish, African Americans,

Germans, Irish and Welsh. Later came the Italians, Jews, Russians and Puerto Ricans. In 1953 a Russian community, New Kuban, was established on Weymouth Road.

We have vast farmlands, beautiful Pinelands, wildlife, precious bodies of water and even beaches in Collings Lakes. While most people perceive this area to be flat, we are actually on higher ground than many areas in Southern New Jersey. In the farmlands of Milmay, East Vineland and Richland, several rivers have their headwaters (starting point). The Manumaskin Drainage Basin (part of the Maurice River) along with the Tuckahoe and South Rivers (tributaries of the Great Egg Harbor River) are significant in their environmental impact to the region and start in Buena Vista.

The original reason that people came to this area was the soil that was available for farming and the sand which helped produce both sand mining operations and glass manufacturing plants. Today, soil and sand are still the primary business in Buena Vista Township. Farms are abundant and Comar is an example of the specialty glass and plastics industry that is still present in Buena Vista.

In modern times, Buena Vista Township employment is made up of people in all different backgrounds – from laborers and farmers, to business and professional people, as well as, casino employees.

Our children are educated by the Buena Regional School District which serves both Buena Vista and Buena Borough as well as students in Estell Manor and Weymouth. We are also home to the St. Augustine Prep School in Richland and St. Mary's Regional School in East Vineland.

The logo on the Township banner shows an eagle that symbolizes the Township's strength and states the slogan: "44 miles of Opportunity." In actuality, the size of the Township is 41.53 square miles. In 2000, the census showed a population of 7,436 and 2,648 homes. As we enter the year 2016, our population is estimated to be around 7,506 residents with about 2,786 homes. Ninety percent of Buena Vista Township is located within the confines of the area known as the Pinelands. The area to the west of Union Road in East Vineland is the only portion of the Township that is outside the Pinelands. The Pinelands is a natural land reserve covering 53 towns in 7 counties in southern and central New Jersey. Beneath the Pinelands is the Kirkwood-Cohansey aquifer, the largest underground supply of water on the east coast of the United States.

The Township is served by the New Jersey State Police. On November 8, 1996, the New Jersey State Police opened Troop A Headquarters, serving all of South Jersey, on Route 54 in Buena Vista. The facility includes barracks, administrative offices, vehicle maintenance, heliport and a target range.

Five volunteer fire companies service the Township: Richland, East Vineland, Newtonville, Collings Lakes, and Milmay. Each fire district has commissioners that are elected by residents within their boundaries. Tax dollars and donations are used to operate the fire companies. Buena Vista Township EMS started operations in 2000 as a joint effort of the East Vineland, Richland, and Newtonville Fire Companies. Working in conjunction with Collings Lakes Fire Rescue



Auto, Road and Hotel at Route 40, Richland, NJ.

and Dorothy Rescue Squad to service all of the residents of Buena Vista Township. In 2019 BVT EMS became the only EMS service for Buena Vista Township and are contracted and funded by the Township. BVT EMS is stationed in East Vineland with a fully paid staff of qualified EMS personnel.

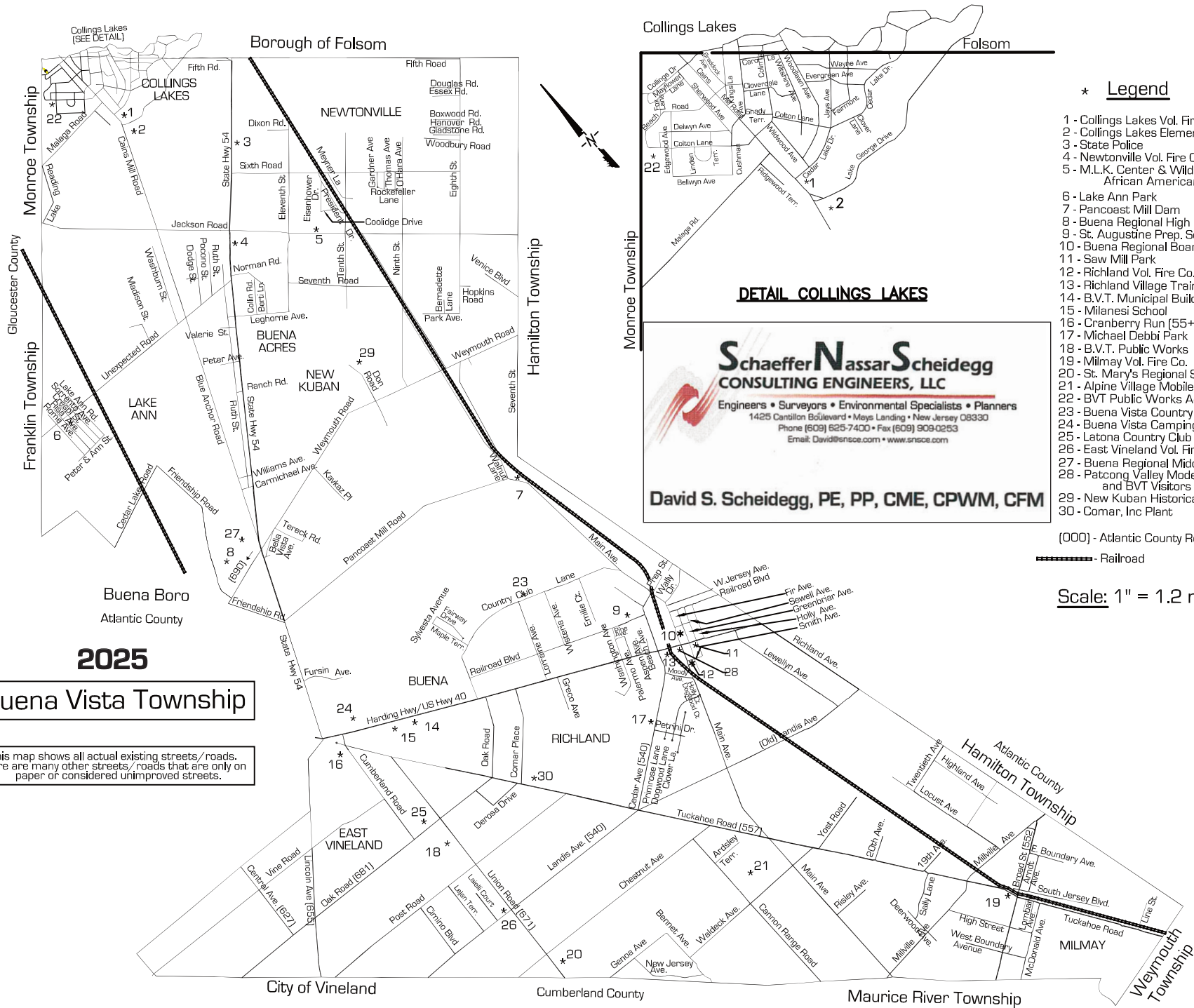
In 1998, the Dr. Martin Luther King Community Center opened in Newtonville and was joined in 2003 by the African American Heritage Museum at the same site. The Center features community programs and the Buena Head Start provided by Gateway in 2017.

Our community has a "Township Committee" form of government. There are four voting districts. Five township committee members are elected for staggered three-year terms to serve our residents. Each committee member is elected "at-large," meaning that voters from all districts of the Township vote on all their elected leaders. The Township re-organizes each January. A member of the Township Committee is selected to act as Chairperson/Mayor of Buena Vista. An additional member of the Committee is chosen to be Vice-Chairperson/Deputy Mayor. The Township Committee is the decision-making body for the government of Buena Vista Township. All daily operations are handled by the Township Administrator and the various department heads. All business for the Township passes through the Township Committee, which acts on laws applicable to our community that are established by the State of New Jersey.


Many people identify Buena Vista Township by the area they live in, such as Buena, Richland, Milmay, East Vineland, Newtonville, Collings Lakes, New Kuban, Lake Ann, or Buena Acres. Buena Vista Township is served by 10 post offices including: Buena, Milmay, Richland, Newtonville, Williamstown, Newfield, Mays Landing, Minotola, Landisville and Vineland. We are located in the western end of Atlantic County on the border with Cumberland and Gloucester Counties. Our voters cast ballots in New Jersey's 2nd Legislative District and nationally in the 2nd Congressional District. Our community has two telephone area codes, 609 and 856.

The Richland Village Project broke ground on November 23, 2004. It includes redevelopment along US Route 40 and the restoration of The Cape May Seashore Lines excursion train service which started again on October 8, 2005. Richland Village is also home of the Patcong Valley Model Railroad and the 100 plus year old Richland General Store. The Project continues to evolve.

At the publication of this brief history, Buena Vista Township is 157 years old. In 1967, the 100th Anniversary of the Township was celebrated and was quite a festive occasion. In 2017, the Township celebrated its 150th Anniversary – the Sesquicentennial. As a resident of Buena Vista Township, you can feel proud of the history and culture that your community has inherited.



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- * Legend**
- 1 - Collings Lakes Vol. Fire Co.
 - 2 - Collings Lakes Elementary School
 - 3 - State Police
 - 4 - Newtonville Vol. Fire Co.
 - 5 - M.L.K. Center & Wilder Hines Park African American Heritage Museum
 - 6 - Lake Ann Park
 - 7 - Pancoast Mill Dam
 - 8 - Buena Regional High School
 - 9 - St. Augustine Prep. School
 - 10 - Buena Regional Board of Education
 - 11 - Saw Mill Park
 - 12 - Richland Vol. Fire Co.
 - 13 - Richland Village Train Station
 - 14 - B.V.T. Municipal Building
 - 15 - Milanesi School
 - 16 - Cranberry Run (55+ Community)
 - 17 - Michael Debbi Park
 - 18 - B.V.T. Public Works
 - 19 - Milimay Vol. Fire Co.
 - 20 - St. Mary's Regional School
 - 21 - Alpine Village Mobile Home Park
 - 22 - BVT Public Works Auxiliary Building
 - 23 - Buena Vista Country Club
 - 24 - Buena Vista Camping Park
 - 25 - Latona Country Club
 - 26 - East Vineland Vol. Fire Co.
 - 27 - Buena Regional Middle School and BVT Visitors Center
 - 28 - Patcong Valley Model Railroad
 - 29 - New Kuban Historical Museum
 - 30 - Comar, Inc Plant

(000) - Atlantic County Route Numbers
 ===== - Railroad

Scale: 1" = 1.2 miles

2025

Buena Vista Township

This map shows all actual existing streets/roads. There are many other streets/roads that are only on paper or considered unimproved streets.



Deputy Chief Herbert Sykes Retires

At the 5 years anniversary of his passing, in loving memory of Mayor Chuck Chiarello March 3, 1955 - December 5, 2019



He was a "Mayor's Mayor", and a "dedicated public servant" who loved serving Buena Vista. He was deeply respected by his peers and community. His contributions to public service are immeasurable. He was a passionate defender of Buena Vista Township, and no matter what other titles he held, or committees he served on, he was always true Buena Vista Township!



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