



# TOWNSHIP OF NUTLEY

*Fall 2025 / Winter 2026*

## Mayor's Message



**Mayor John V. Kelly, III**

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### Seasons Greetings to all!

As 2025 winds down, we take pride in reflecting on the wonderful events and programs presented by each Township Department, and we look forward to all the fun and exciting events coming in 2026.

A heartfelt thank you to everyone who joined us for our Annual Tree Lighting and Hanukkah Celebration on December 7th. It was a spectacular event—one that, even in the coldest weather, truly warms the heart...even if you're 6,000 miles away!

I would also like to express my gratitude to Commissioners Petracco, Scarpelli, Tucci, and Deputy Mayor Evans for their unwavering support and assistance during my deployment to Iraq. It truly is a team effort!

Finally, thank you to the residents of Nutley for continuing to show up and make Nutley the destination it has become. Your presence and spirit are what make our community so special.

I look forward to seeing everyone soon!

**Yours in the Holiday Spirit,  
Mayor John V. Kelly, III**



# Nutley Christmas Tree And Menorah Lighting



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# Nutley Township and Public Schools Partner to Open Early Childhood Center for 2025-26 School Year

On September 3, 2025, the Nutley Early Childhood Center will open its doors for the first time to Pre-K three- and four year-olds. Located at 777 Bloomfield Avenue, the Early Childhood Center will further support the growth of the Nutley Public Schools' Raising Raiders Preschool Program.

Following the Board of Commissioners meeting on January 7, 2025, the Board approved an ordinance to purchase the now fully renovated property at 777 Bloomfield Avenue. This decision allowed the school district to expand the access to state-funded preschool programs by acquiring much-needed space for the growing needs of the district. The plan, established through the BOC's commitment to meet the demand for Raising Raiders, will also allow the district to move sixth grade to John Walker Middle School for the 2026-27 school year and advance educational opportunities by creating a true middle school experience. This approach opens up potential solutions to meet Pre-K demand and potentially



reduce reliance on trailers, all without requiring a burdensome \$70-80 million referendum for taxpayers.

This preschool expansion reflects the shared commitment between the School District and the Township, giving Nutley's youngest learners the very best start to their educational journey. With these additional classrooms, the district will be able to welcome over 100 additional

three- and four-year-old children into a nurturing, developmentally appropriate learning environment that fosters curiosity, creativity, and a love of learning from the very beginning.

The district's dedicated early childhood educators are eager to provide enriching experiences that support both academic readiness and social-emotional growth, ensuring our preschoolers enter Kindergarten confident, capable, and excited for the years ahead.

The initiative was developed with the understanding that, without decisive action from the Board of Commissioners, the School District risked stagnation. Instead, this proactive investment ensures that Nutley continues to thrive as an appealing community for families, prioritizing the future of our children.

Parents will visit the new building at 2pm today and students will arrive for the first day of school on Wednesday, September 3rd.



# Township of Nutley 9/11 Remembrance Ceremony



## Columbus Day Wreath Ceremony

## Welcome to Nutley Day



## 2025 Nutley Belleville Columbus Day Parade!





# PARKS AND RECREATION

## Fall Events

Commissioner Mauro G. Tucci

### Nutley Concert Series: BIG HIX!

### Pep Rally



### Movies Under the Stars

### 2025 Halloween Spooktacular



### Nutley Senior Picnic

### Nutley's 2025 Fall Festival in the Park



### Pumpkin Painting with Grandma & Grandpa

### 2025 Princess Ball

### Rudolph the Red Nosed Reindeer Production

### Christmas Cookie Decorating with Grandma and Grandpa



# PARKS AND RECREATION

Happy Holidays from the  
Parks and Recreation Department!



## Upcoming Winter Activities

### WINTER SPORTS 2026 PLAYED IN JANUARY AND FEBRUARY

Wrestling  
Girls and Boys Recreation Basketball  
Girls and Boys Travel Basketball

### 2026 WINTER CLASSES AND PROGRAMS

Art Workshop  
Edgar Allen Poe  
Kids Yoga  
KinderDance  
Contemporary Dance  
Tumbling  
Ancient Stories & Mythology Writing Class  
Happily Ever Crafter (Toddlers)  
Stage Sprouts  
The Spotlight Project (Grades 3-6)  
Aspiring Authors  
Fun For All Program  
- Special Needs

### Movement, Mobility and Stability

Rise and Shine  
Morning Exercise  
Morning Grind  
Yoga for Life  
FREE Senior Reflections and Memoirs  
FREE Senior "Chair Yoga"  
FREE Senior Dance  
Fitness "Zumba Gold"

### SPRING SPORTS 2026

Girls & Boys Lacrosse  
Girls Travel Softball - U10  
Girls Travel Softball - U12  
Girls Travel Softball - U14  
Girls Recreation Softball  
Track and Field  
Flag Football - 1st & 2nd Grade Spring  
Flag Football - 3rd & 4th Grade Spring  
Pre T-Ball



# PUBLIC AFFAIRS & HEALTH

Mayor John V. Kelly, III

## Fall Events

### Blood Drive

Thank you to everyone who turned out for the Community Blood Drive presented by Mayor John V. Kelly, III, the Nutley Department of Public Affairs and Health and Vitalant Blood Services of New Jersey.



### National Hispanic Heritage Month



### Health & Wellness Festival!



### Food Drive



### Trivia Night



### Sip N' Shop

### Veterans Day & Ruck March



# PUBLIC AFFAIRS & HEALTH

Happy Holidays from the  
Public Affairs & Health Department!



## Upcoming Winter Activities

**Commissioner John V. Kelly, III and Nutley Health Department are pleased to announce that the 2026 Health Screening schedule is now available:**

**January – Blood Drive: In Memory of Keith Jarret (January 26)**

**February – Black History Month**  
Events TBD

**February – Heart Health Event (Tentatively 2/8)**  
TBD

**February – Blood Pressure & Glucose Screenings (February 25 – 10am to 12pm)**  
Learn your blood pressure and glucose. No fasting is required. Registration is not required. **FREE.**

**March – Women’s History Month**  
Events and Panels- TBD

**March – Colorectal Cancer Education & EZ-Detect Kits (March 19 – 10am to 12pm)**  
Colorectal Cancer is the third most common cancer in both men and women

**April – Rabies Vaccination Clinic (April 13 – 4pm - 7pm)**

**April – Mental Health Screening (April 24 – 10am to 12pm)**  
Behavioral Health professional will screen for signs of depression. Registration is required. **FREE**

**May – Stroke Screenings – (May 21 – 10am to 12pm)**  
Evaluate your risk for stroke through cholesterol testing, blood pressure, pulse check, carotid artery assessment and stroke related counseling from staff physicians. Registration is required. **FREE.**

**June – Memory Assessment (June 25 – 10am to 12pm)**  
Are you absent-minded lately or is it something more serious? Join us for a one on one memory assessment to address memory loss, risks & hygiene. Registration not required. **FREE.**



# PUBLIC SAFETY

## Fall Events

Commissioner Alphonse Petracco

Fire Department Open House

15th Annual Trunk or Treat



Coffee with a Cop



Santa Meet & Greet

Santa Ride Around Town



# PUBLIC SAFETY

Happy Holidays from the  
Public Safety Department!



## Upcoming Events

Fourth Annual Meet and Greet the Easter Bunny!!!

April 4, 2026 from 10am to 12pm  
at the Public Safety Building





# PUBLIC WORKS

## Fall Events

Commissioner Joseph P. Scarpelli

### Leaf Bag Distribution



### Electronic Recycling



### RAKES Program



### Farmer's Markets



# PUBLIC WORKS

Happy Holidays from the  
Department of Public Works!



## Upcoming Winter Activities

**Below is the schedule of upcoming events for Department of Public Works from January – April.**

**February 7 – Electronic Recycling Drop-Off Day  
(9:00 AM – 1:00 PM)**

DPW Garage, 1 Cortland Street, enter through Tremont Place

**February 15 – Pop-Up Farmers Market**

Vincent United Methodist Church, 100 Vincent Place, Nutley

**April 11 – Residential Shred-It Day  
(10:00 AM – 2:00 PM or until the truck is full)**

Location: TBD

**April 18 – Compost Day  
(9:00 AM – 1:00 PM)**

Location: TBD

**April 25 – Electronic Recycling Drop-Off Day  
(9:00 AM – 1:00 PM)**

DPW Garage, 1 Cortland Street, enter through Tremont Place

**April (Date TBD) – Spring Farmers Market**

Location: TBD



**Commissioner  
Tom Evans, CPA**

# REVENUE AND FINANCE

*“The Department of Revenue and Finance is Always Here to Help.”  
Thank you to my staff and all township employees for their hard work and  
dedication in providing outstanding service to our residents.*

## Happy Holidays from the Department of Revenue and Finance!



## NJMVC Mobile Inspection Unit Visits Nutley

Deputy Mayor Tom Evans expressed gratitude for the collaborative effort, stating, “I want to thank Commissioner Tucci for allowing us to use the Parks Department’s parking lot and Commissioner Petracco for supplying the police unit to help with the process.

I also want to mention our Municipal Clerk, Eleni Pettas, for coordinating with the NJMVC to bring the mobile unit to Nutley. We are working on getting DMV back in April for Real ID processing along with inspections and registrations.”

