



EAST LAMPETER TOWNSHIP

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Public Meeting Arrangements

At the time of this writing the Township is exploring options for the handling of public meetings during the time of the Covid-19 crisis. Please go to the Township web site, www.eastlampetertownship.org for information and instructions regarding these meetings.

East Lampeter Township Stormwater Fee Study Coming to a Close....

East Lampeter Township Supervisors engaged HRG as a consultant to determine if a stormwater fee was needed for the Township to meet the MS4 (Municipal Separate Storm Sewer System) permit requirements. With the 2018-2023 MS4 permit the Township was required to “maintain adequate funding and staffing to implement and manage all provisions of...(its) Stormwater Management Program.” That said, this mandate has not been accompanied by funding from the Federal or State governments for municipalities.

A Stakeholder Advisory Committee with 15 business owners, residents, non-profit agencies, and agricultural community members has met six (6) times over the past year to assist with the decision-making process through the study. On October 2, 2019 a public meeting was held by the Board of Supervisors to answer questions about the Stormwater Fee Study findings. Later in October, a joint meeting was held between the Board of Supervisors and East Lampeter Sewer Authority to discuss any further issues with moving forward to amend the Sewer Authority article of incorporation so that it can handle the stormwater system in addition to the sanitary sewer system. The amendment of the articles of incorporation were approved by the Pennsylvania Department of State in December 2019.

On January 31, 2020, the Stakeholder Advisory Committee met for the sixth time to review and comment on the credit policy to be enacted with the stormwater fee implementation. The credit policy is intended to provide opportunities for customers to reduce their quarterly stormwater fee.

At the March 2020 meetings of the Board of Supervisors and the East Lampeter Sewer Authority the fee resolution for stormwater was adopted. The average residential property will pay \$16.50 per quarter. It is anticipated that the first billing of the stormwater fee will be in conjunction with the July 2020 sewer billing. For more information on the fee resolution, credit policy, or billing structure, please visit the Township website at www.eastlampetertownship.org or contact the Township office at 717-393-1567.

Township Billing and Collection Changes

In order to assist in the efforts to slow the spread of the COVID 19 virus, the Township is not accepting payments at the window inside the Township building. For those individuals wishing to drop payments off at the Township building, please use the “drop box” on the outside of the building. The drop box or mail slot is located to the left of the Administration entrance doors. We encourage you to also consider other available options for making payments. Please look at our website in the Permit and Bill Payment section for other options. Of course, you can still use the postal service to mail your payments to the Township. In addition, if you use your bank’s bill payment service, please consider adding the Township to your list of payees.

Beginning with the July bills, our bill format will be changing. We will no longer be using the yellow postcards for the Township’s sewer bills. The bills will be on a single sheet of paper and arrive in an envelope.

In addition, we are planning to begin billing for stormwater services with the July bills. If you are a sewer system customer, the charge for sewer service and the charge for stormwater service will be on one bill. If you are not a sewer system customer, your bill will only have the charge for stormwater services on the bill. Please see other articles in this newsletter and the Township website for more information regarding the new stormwater fee.

Lastly, beginning with the July bills, we are planning to change the address where you are to mail payments of the sewer and stormwater bills. We will provide the new address at the time the bills are sent to residents.

Please check our website in the Permit and Bill Payment section for updates regarding billing and collection matters.

If you have any other questions regarding billing and collection matters, please contact us.

Stormwater Credit

East Lampeter Township has diligently informed the public of the upcoming stormwater fee implementation through public meetings and by providing information through the Township website and newsletter. This fee is being implemented to maintain the Township’s stormwater infrastructure and to meet the requirements of both the Federal and State government requirements related to the Township’s MS4 (Municipal Separate Storm Sewer System). Addressing required inspections, stream impairments, and stream pollution are a Township wide issue as well.

As noted elsewhere in this newsletter, the average residential property will pay \$16.50 per quarter. This fee is based on the impervious area (IA) of a property. The more impervious surface a property has, the higher the fee. This fee is applied to all property owners, not just residential properties, even properties that are tax exempt such as religious facilities and schools. As the fee was developed there were portions that were variable to incentivize property owners to address stormwater issues on their properties and within the community as a whole. These actions can result in a credit to the stormwater fee. For more information on the types of credits you may qualify for or actions you can take to assist, please visit the Township website at www.eastlampetertownship.org

The fee is anticipated to begin being assessed with the July sewer billing. Property owners with on-lot septic systems will also receive a bill for the stormwater fee.

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except for February, May, July,
September and November when
they only meet on the 2nd Monday
All regular meetings begin at 7:30 pm

PLANNING COMMISSION

Meets 2nd Tuesday of each month at 7:30 pm

SEWER AUTHORITY

Meets 2nd Wednesday of each month except for
November when they meet on the 1st Wednesday
All regular meetings begin at 4 pm

PARK BOARD

Meets 4th Wednesday of each month at 7 pm
(NO MEETINGS in November and December)

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Traffic Tip: Cul-De-Sac Parking

In cui-de-sacs, emergency vehicles or large delivery vehicles are not able to access these residences when there are parking violations. As winter is upon us, also please keep in mind that it is difficult enough to plow cui-de-sacs without vehicles parked in them, so please attempt to park all vehicles off the roadway in snow events.



Cul-de-sac parking requires:

- Motorists to park with their vehicle's right-hand wheels parallel and within 12 inches of the roadway curb or edge.
- Drivers are not allowed to park on the sidewalk, within an intersection, or in a crosswalk.
- You must park at least 15 feet away from a fire hydrant. This will ensure the fire trucks have access to the hydrant in the event of an emergency.
- It is illegal to park in front of a public or a private driveway.
- It is also illegal to park where it would prevent the free movement of another vehicle.



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CENSUS 101: WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW

The 2020 Census is closer than you think!
Here's a quick refresher of what it is and why it's essential that everyone is counted.

Everyone counts.

The census counts every person living in the United States once, only once, and in the right place.

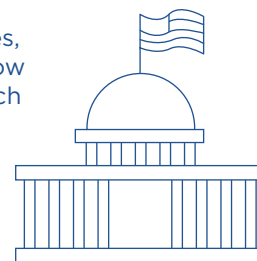


It's in the Constitution.

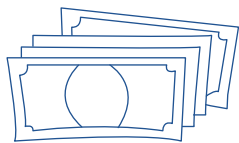
The U.S. Constitution mandates that everyone in the country be counted every 10 years. The first census was in 1790.

It's about fair representation.

Every 10 years, the results of the census are used to reapportion the House of Representatives, determining how many seats each state gets.

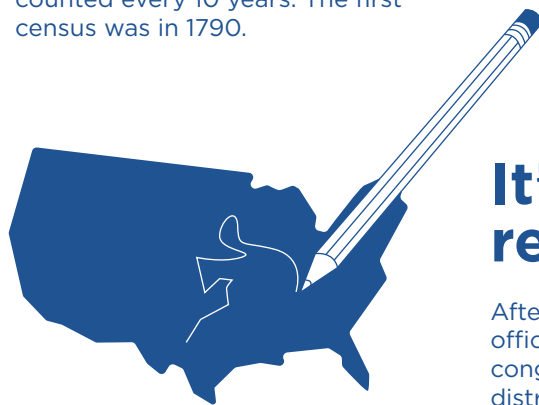


It's about \$675 billion.



The distribution of more than \$675 billion in federal funds, grants, and support to states, counties, and communities are based on census data.

That money is spent on schools, hospitals, roads, public works, and other vital programs.

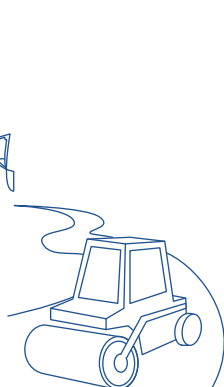
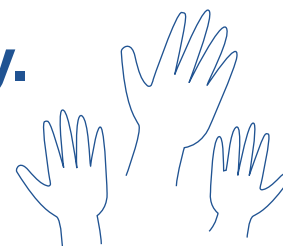


It's about redistricting.

After each decade's census, state officials redraw the boundaries of the congressional and state legislative districts in their states to account for population shifts.

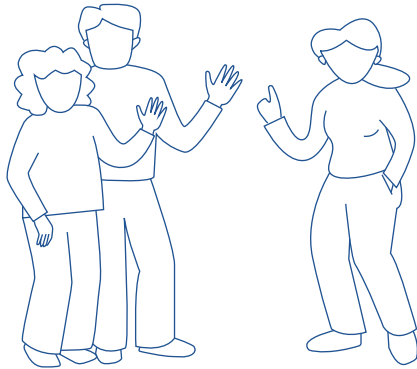
Taking part is your civic duty.

Completing the census is mandatory: it's a way to participate in our democracy and say "I COUNT!"

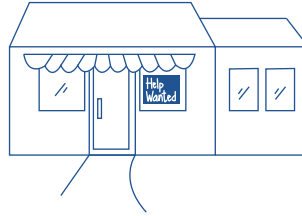




Census data are being used all around you.

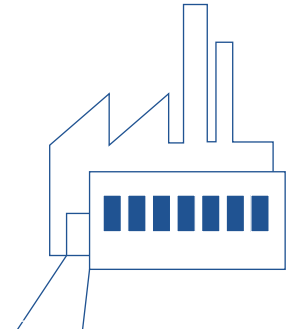
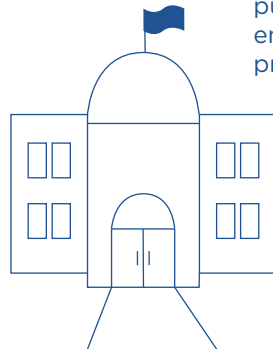


Residents use the census to support community initiatives involving legislation, quality-of-life, and consumer advocacy.



Businesses use census data to decide where to build factories, offices, and stores, which create jobs.

Local governments use the census for public safety and emergency preparedness.



Real estate developers use the census to build new homes and revitalize old neighborhoods.



Your privacy is protected.

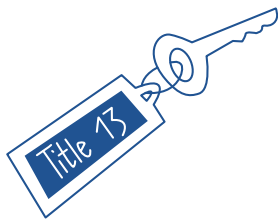
It's against the law for the Census Bureau to publicly release your responses in any way that could identify you or your household.

By law, your responses cannot be used against you and can only be used to produce statistics.



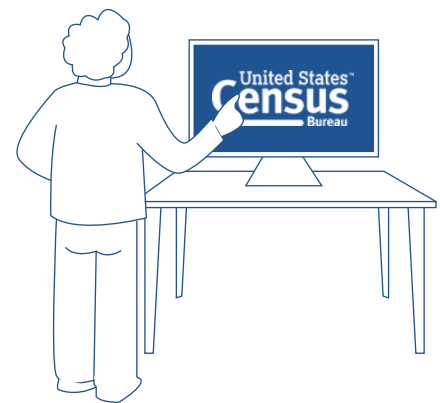
2020 will be easier than ever.

In 2020, you will be able to respond to the census online.



You can help.

You are the expert—we need your ideas on the best way to make sure everyone in your community gets counted.





State Representative
Keith J. Greiner, CPA

Pennsylvania Legislature Working to Combat Human Trafficking

State Rep. Keith J. Greiner, CPA

A recent report has revealed that the Commonwealth is ranked 10th in the nation for human trafficking. Sadly, according to the Lancaster County District Attorney's Office, our local community contains trafficking "hotspots," including the Route 30 corridor along Lincoln Highway East. The Lancaster County District Attorney told Fox 43 News that they have dealt with approximately five to ten sex trafficking cases in the county since the creation of the statute in Pennsylvania in 2014. I want to thank East Lampeter Township for their continuing efforts in combating this heinous crime.

At the beginning of this year, the Pennsylvania House of Representatives advanced a package of bills that would combat the crime and ensure justice for victims. The bills now await consideration in the Senate.

Human trafficking involves the use of force, fraud or coercion to obtain some type of labor or commercial sex act. The International Labour Organization estimates human trafficking is a \$150 billion industry, of which \$99 billion belongs to sexual exploitation.

Several bills aim to increase penalties or expand definitions of crimes related to human trafficking, while another would expand the list of sexual offenses that require offenders to participate in a program of counseling and therapy designed for incarcerated sex offenders.

Other measures would prohibit defendants from introducing evidence of a human trafficking victim's past sexual victimization; expand opportunities for expert testimony in human trafficking cases; and require courts to consider human trafficking convictions when considering child custody.

In addition, Gov. Tom Wolf has signed into law Senate Bill 60—now Act 1 of 2020—the "Buyer Beware Act," which aims to subject those who engage in human trafficking to a first-degree felony charge. It also significantly increases the monetary penalties on those who patronize a victim of human trafficking.

The new law includes a key provision that if the victim is a minor, criminals would be subject to a super felony subject to fines between \$10,000 and \$50,000. I applaud my colleagues for moving quickly to make sure this bill becomes law.

You can learn more about this crime and our efforts to address it at www.pahousegov.com/humantrafficking.

I am grateful for the opportunity to serve the residents of the 43rd District. As always, please feel free to stop by my office, located in the West Lampeter Township Building at 852 Village Road, if I can assist you with any state-related issue. You can also call us at (717) 464-5285 or send an email to kgreiner@pahousegov.com.



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In order to keep sewer systems up and running during this crucial time, **DO NOT FLUSH WIPES, NAPKINS AND PAPER TOWELS**. These items are not designed to breakup when wet. This will help eliminate sewer line blockage.



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We all live upstream from a river, and anything that is dropped, or washed, into a rain gutter, ditch, dry channel, road drain, pond, creek bed, spring run, or mill race will eventually go into one of our local rivers.

Possibly the easiest and best way to help protect our waterways is to properly dispose of garbage and other unwanted items to keep them from going into our streams.



Partners & Helpful Resources

East Lampeter Township
<<https://eastlampetertownship.org>>

PA Dept. of Environmental Protection
<www.padep.gov>

Lancaster County Solid Waste Management
Authority
<www.lcswma.org>

Lancaster County Conservation District
<www.lancasterconservation.org>

Federal Environmental Protection Agency
<www.epa.gov>

Federal Emergency Management Agency
<www.fema.gov>

Penn State- The Homeowner's Guide To
Stormwater Management
<<https://agsci.psu.edu/aec/research-extension/conservation-tools/stormwater-management>>

Chesapeake Bay Foundation
<www.cbf.org>

Alliance for the Chesapeake Bay
<www.allianceforthebay.org>

Chesapeake Stormwater Network
<<https://chesapeakestormwater.net>>



Nov. 2019

East Lampeter Township

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Good Day East Lampeter Residents!

As a part of our Township's stormwater management efforts in protecting the health of our local streams and rivers, we are offering our residents information on the importance of keeping nearby waterways clean and pollutant free.



Waterways are more than just a constantly running creek or stream. Waterways include anything and everything connected to the stream itself, like pipes, ditches, and drains.



What Can Go into a Stream or Hidden Waterway?- Only rainwater and water that is safe to drink should be allowed to go into the stream, that's it.



What Shouldn't Go into a Stream or Hidden Waterway?- Grass clippings, leaves, and yard waste have high levels of substances that can harm locally native water plants, and that can also encourage the growth of invasive plants and toxic algae. Sticks, branches, and logs can clog channels and waterways causing a change in how waters flow, or creating dangerous conditions. Collected yard waste cannot be thrown into streams, rivers, or ditches; including dry ditches and stream beds, and cannot be piled near where it could wash into waterways.



What Can't Go into a Stream or Hidden Waterway?- Everything else. Paints, cleaners, fireplace ashes, chemicals, dirt, soaps, food grease, motor fluids, medicines; if you can't drink it, or a fish can't survive in it, keep it from going into any waterways.



How Do I Dispose Of _____?- The best people to ask that question of are the people who handle and dispose of our wastes! Contact the Lancaster County Solid Waste Management Authority (LCSWMA) and/or your contracted trash hauler for information on what to do with specific waste items.



Thanks for taking the time to read this, and for doing your part to protect our waterways! Please feel free to contact us with any questions you may have.

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Public Works Road Paving Alerts

Here is a list of roads in East Lampeter Township that are on the schedule to be paved in 2020:

Millstream Road from Rt. 30 to Gridley. Booth Avenue from South Eastland to Hostetter Lane. Jimanna Drive from South Eastland to Woodland Avenue. Hostetter Lane from the township line to Woodland Avenue. Woodland Avenue from Crest Avenue to Hostetter Lane.

Here is a list of roads that will given a bituminous surface treatment (double application of oil and chip):

South Soudersburg Road from Rt. 30 to South Ronks Road. Bachmantown Road from South Ronks Road to Rt. 896. South Cherry Road from Rt. 30 to Rt. 896. Leaman Road from Rt. 896 to the township line.

The Township would ask that all residents on these roads please remove anything from the Township Right of Way, including fences and any landscaping. If you are unsure where the Right of Way is on your road please call the office and we will give you that information.

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