



Lori Grifa
Chairman

Anthony L. Marchetta
Executive Director

May 2, 2011

Honorable Peter A. Hughes
825 Bloomfield Avenue
Glen Ridge, New Jersey 07028

Dear Mayor Peter A. Hughes,

Governor Christie, Commissioner Lori Grifa and I are pleased to announce that New Jersey HomeKeeper will be available on **May 9, 2011**.

The New Jersey HomeKeeper program is funded thru a grant from United States Treasury's Hardest Hit Fund. This program was described in the April 2011 edition of the New Jersey League of Municipalities Magazine, in the article entitled The New Jersey HomeKeeper: Restoring Stability in Neighborhoods across the Garden State.

New Jersey's unemployment rate is at a historically high level which has translated into extraordinary high numbers of foreclosures. In many cases foreclosures are the direct result of unemployment or underemployment. Those affected homeowners often find themselves ineligible for financial assistance through foreclosure prevention programs because of their loss of income. New Jersey HomeKeeper can provide the short-term financial assistance needed to keep these families in their homes while they look for employment. Eligible homeowners must demonstrate a track record of timely mortgage payments prior to their loss in income and must show that they are now at risk of losing their homes to foreclosure as direct result of unemployment or underemployment.

New Jersey HomeKeeper provides assistance in the form of a second mortgage loan, repayable only if the homeowner sells, refinances, transfers or ceases to occupy the subject property within 10 years from the date of the assistance loan. New Jersey HomeKeeper loan proceeds may be used to cover arrearages and/or an approved amount of the homeowner's monthly mortgage payment, including property taxes, property insurance, and mortgage insurance. Housing Counseling is also provided to prospective applicants at no cost. Eligible homeowners may receive financial assistance of up to \$48,000.00 for a period not to exceed 24 months.

The New Jersey HomeKeeper is intended to help to stabilize our neighborhoods, preserve the municipality's tax base, and help to restore the vitality of our impacted communities. If you know any of your constituents that may be interested in the program please direct them to www.njhomekeeper.gov or have them contact the toll-free HomeKeeper call center at (855)-NJ-KEEP-1. There are also some marketing materials enclosed to share with your staff and constituents.

Please do not hesitate to contact Dawn Parreott, of my staff, at (609) 278-7399 with any questions you may have about HomeKeeper. I look forward to working with you to lessen this crisis.

Sincerely,

Anthony L. Marchetta,
Executive Director

NEW JERSEY HOUSING AND MORTGAGE FINANCE AGENCY

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Village Hall circa 1869
National Register of Historic Places
New Jersey Register of Historic Places

Township of South Orange Village

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www.SouthOrange.org

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Robin R. Kline, MAS, RMC
Village Clerk and Registrar of Vital Statistics

DATE: April 29, 2011

TO: Essex County Executive
Essex County Board of Chosen Freeholders
Essex County Sheriff
All Essex County Municipalities

RE: Resolution Urging Support of the Development a DNA Laboratory in Essex County

Please find enclosed South Orange's Resolution #2011-105, adopted on April 25, 2011, urging support for the development a DNA crime laboratory in Essex County.

The State Police Lab processes 3,000 to 5,500 sample DNA submissions each year in efforts to solve crimes. The development of a DNA crime laboratory in Essex County, dedicated to Essex County law enforcement, would help all Essex County municipalities solve crimes in a more timely and efficient manner. Quicker DNA analysis would lead to quicker arrests and, as a result, prevent additional crimes from occurring.

The governing body of the Township of South Orange Village urges the Essex County Executive and Board of Chosen Freeholders to begin investigating establishing a dedicated, local DNA laboratory.

South Orange's Resolution #2011-105 further urges all Essex County municipalities to support a similar resolution to bring Essex County residents additional peace of mind with more expedient crime solving.

Sincerely,

Robin R. Kline, MAS, RMC
Village Clerk

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TOWNSHIP OF SOUTH ORANGE VILLAGE

RESOLUTION URGING SUPPORT OF THE DEVELOPMENT OF A
DNA LABORATORY IN ESSEX COUNTY

WHEREAS, DNA analysis for all crimes is completed at the State Police Lab in Hamilton, New Jersey, the lab does an excellent job, and the South Orange Police Department has a good relationship with this organization; and

WHEREAS, the State Police Lab must prioritize its workload, in 2010 the average turnaround for the South Orange cases sent to the Lab was 150 days; and

WHEREAS, the State Police Lab processed 3,000 to 5,000 submissions annually; and

WHEREAS, Essex County sent highest number of submissions to the State Police Lab out of every County in the State of New Jersey with a total of 413 cases;

WHEREAS, the cases at the Lab are classified based on the seriousness of the offense; and

WHEREAS, in 2009, South Orange had three DNA "hits" and in 2010, four "hits" for cases involving burglaries, auto thefts and other robberies; and

WHEREAS, South Orange devotes many resources, including overtime pay to officers to solve these crimes and patrol area near crime scenes prior to receiving the result of the DNA analysis; and

WHEREAS, a speedier timeframe would enhance South Orange's ability to maintain its municipal budget at the state mandated cap; and

WHEREAS, a quicker analysis would lead to quicker arrest, thereby preventing additional crimes from occurring; now, therefore

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Trustees of the Township of South Orange Village that it urges the Essex County Executive and the Board of Chosen Freeholders to support the development of a DNA Laboratory for Essex County, dedicated to Essex County to help all Essex County Municipalities in solving crimes in a more efficient manner, and to avoid the



Block Party Application

Street locations of Block Party including cross streets:

RUDD COURT BETWEEN SHERMAN + RIDGEWOOD AVE

Applicant's Name, Address, Telephone, and E-mail: PIPER.CHICK@COMCAST.NET

MELISSA HENDRIX 11 RUDD COURT 973-259-1705

Date of Block Party: JUNE 25, 2011, RAIN DATE JUNE 26 2011

Time of Block Party: JUNE 25 - 6-10 PM, JUNE 26 5-9

Closed Block: ALL OF RUDD COURT

During all Block Parties please keep one (1) lane passable for emergency vehicles.

Please submit Application a week prior to any council meeting to:

Michael J. Rohal, Borough Administrator/Clerk
PO Box 66
Glen Ridge, NJ 07028

Council meeting dates for remaining year 2011:

- 03/28/11
- 04/11/11
- 04/25/11
- 05/09/11
- 05/23/11
- 06/13/11
- 06/27/11
- 07/11/11
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- 10/24/11
- 11/14/11
- 11/28/11
- 12/12/11
- 12/27/11



Block Party Application

Street locations of Block Party including cross streets:

Midland Ave Between Linden & Maolis

Applicant's Name, Address, Telephone, and E-mail:

Teresa Doss, 973.868.2238 tdoss@biohabitats.com

Date of Block Party: 6/4/11 132 Linden Ave

Time of Block Party: 3pm - 10pm

Closed Block: Midland Ave, between Linden & Maolis

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Block Party Application

Street locations of Block Party including cross streets:

Wildwood Terrace. From Ridgewood to Sherman

Applicant's Name, Address, Telephone, and E-mail:

Ann Zimny 294 Ridgewood 973 743 7689
catndog294@aol.com

Date of Block Party: June 25th 2011

Time of Block Party: 5pm - 9pm

Closed Block: Wildwood Terr - Ridgewood to Sherman

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