



## State of New Jersey

DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION  
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CHRIS CHRISTIE  
*Governor*

JAMES S. SIMPSON  
*Commissioner*

KIM GUADAGNO  
*Lt. Governor*

July 26, 2011

Dear Mayor:

On behalf of Governor Chris Christie, I am pleased to announce that applications will now be accepted for the New Jersey Department of Transportation's (NJDOT) Municipal Aid, Bikeway, and Safe Streets to Transit Programs. The Christie Administration is committed to maintaining and improving New Jersey's local transportation infrastructure by providing financial assistance to counties and municipalities for traditional and non-traditional transportation initiatives.

The following is a brief description of each program:

- **Municipal Aid** - This program has been a significant resource for municipalities in funding local transportation projects. All municipalities are eligible. The Department continues to encourage municipalities to consider using the Municipal Aid Program to fund projects that support walking and biking in their communities. NJDOT has set a goal to award up to 10% of the Municipal Aid Program funds to projects such as pedestrian safety improvements, bikeways and streetscapes.
- **Bikeway** - This program is intended to fund bicycle projects. It is available to all counties and municipalities. The Department continues to work toward the goal of achieving 1,000 miles of dedicated bikeways in New Jersey. Special consideration will be given to bikeways that are physically separated from motorized vehicular traffic by an open space or barrier, but on-road bike lanes and other bike routes and facilities are also eligible for funding.
- **Safe Streets to Transit** - The intent of this program is to encourage counties and municipalities to construct safe and accessible pedestrian linkages to transit facilities, in order to promote increased usage of transit by all segments of the population.

Any project funded through the Transportation Trust Fund must comply with the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA). ADA guidance, program descriptions and application guidance materials can be found on the NJDOT website at:

<http://www.state.nj.us/transportation/business/localaid/stateaid.shtm>

If you choose to apply, please consider the following in your applications. NJDOT requires grant projects to be delivered to construction award within eighteen months of grant agreement execution. Please provide background information in the application to support your project's construction readiness. This information will be a factor in our rating of applications.

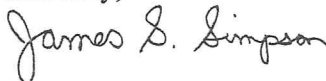
I encourage you to submit applications for these Local Aid programs. Each program application will be evaluated independently, affording counties and municipalities the opportunity to receive funding in more than one category.

The enclosed map provides contact information for each Local Aid District Office. Please keep in mind that a separate application for each project must be completed and submitted on or before September 23, 2011 on-line through SAGE at:

<https://enterprisegrantapps.state.nj.us/NJSAGE/>

We recommend that you consult with your Local Aid District Office to assist in preparing applications for funding. Thank you for your continued interest and support of NJDOT, and best wishes for success with your project applications.

Sincerely,



James S. Simpson  
Commissioner

Enclosure

c: Municipal Clerk  
Municipal Engineer



Government and Regulatory  
Affairs Department  
Comcast  
800 Rahway Ave.  
Union, NJ 07083  
908.258.8143 Ph.  
908.851.8916 Fax

August 1, 2011

Hon. Peter A Hughes  
And Members of the Governing Body  
Glen Ridge Borough  
825 Bloomfield Ave.  
P.O. Box 66  
Glen Ridge, NJ 07028-

***RE: Internet Essentials<sup>SM</sup>***

Dear Mayor Hughes and Members of the Governing Body:

I am writing to inform you of an exciting new program by Comcast designed with the assistance of the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) to help bridge America's digital divide, called **Internet Essentials<sup>SM</sup>**. In conformity with the National Broadband Plan, the program addresses key barriers to Internet access and adoption by providing affordable Internet access, the opportunity to purchase a computer and training to low-income families with at least one child receiving free lunches under the National School Lunch Program.

**The Internet Essentials<sup>SM</sup> program will be available starting in the 2011 "back to school" season. Eligible participants will receive:**

- Comcast home Economy Internet service for \$9.95 per month plus applicable taxes and fees, with no activation fees, no additional equipment rental charges, no credit checks, no price increases and no long-term contracts;
- The option to purchase a pre-configured computer for 149.99 (plus applicable taxes); and
- Access to online, in print and classroom based digital literacy training.

An entire household will be eligible to participate in the program if the household i) is located where Comcast offers Internet service; ii) has at least one child receiving free lunch through the National School Lunch Program; iii) has not subscribed to Comcast Internet service within the last 90 days; and iv) does not have an overdue Comcast bill or unreturned equipment.

Participating families may be able to benefit from Internet Essentials<sup>SM</sup> for the entire life of their child's K-12 education, as long as they remain eligible.

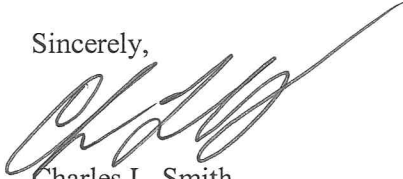
**In order to reach as many eligible families as possible, we could use your help!** We have met with the Governor, the Secretary of Education and several state education associations all of which support the program. We are currently working with local school districts on ways to get the word out about the program to eligible students. Your support in getting the word out to your residents would be very helpful. We want to make sure all students and families of eligible students are aware of this great program.

Mayor Hughes  
August 1, 2011

Additional information on the Internet Essentials<sup>SM</sup> program can be found at [www.internetessentials.com](http://www.internetessentials.com). To get involved in spreading the word about the program, sign up on our partner portal, [www.internetessentialspartner.com](http://www.internetessentialspartner.com) to download materials such as flyers, brochures and posters.

If you have any questions regarding the Internet Essentials<sup>SM</sup> program please feel free to contact me at 908-258-8143 or by email to [Charles\\_Smith4@cable.comcast.com](mailto:Charles_Smith4@cable.comcast.com).

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Charles L. Smith', with a long, sweeping flourish extending to the right.

Charles L. Smith  
Director of Government and Regulatory Affairs

**Thomas P. Casey**  
**Sharon L. Barney-Casey**  
40 Chapman Place  
Glen Ridge, New Jersey 07028  
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July 23, 2011

Michael Rohal, P.E., P.P., R.M.C.  
Borough Administrator,  
Engineer & Clerk  
825 Bloomfield Avenue  
PO Box 66  
Glen Ridge, New Jersey 07028

Re: Power Loss on Adams, Chapman, Madison, Lorraine and Carteret

Dear Michael,

As you are well aware the neighborhood of Adams, Chapman, Madison, Lorraine and Carteret streets has a long history of losing electricity more often and for a longer period of time than other parts of Glen Ridge. Our neighborhood is no longer surprised when we lose power and this has become unacceptable.

We are prepared to do our part by contacting PSE&G and the Board of Public Utilities in New Jersey, but we need the help of the GR Council. We want to be the squeaky wheel that gets the oil, or in this case a new electrical grid.

We have lost power in the winter as well as the summer, so this is not an isolated problem. And, the number of occurrences and the length of outages are increasing.

There are elderly people and many children in this neighborhood, along with countless pets. Please help us by working with us to solve (not put a temporary fix) on this problem before it becomes a crisis.

Sincerely yours,

Sharon L. Barney-Casey

Cc: Peter Hughes, GR Town Council

# Resident questions handicapped parking policy

BY ERIN ROLL  
Staff Writer

A Hillside Avenue resident wants the borough to revisit on-street handicapped parking rules.

Victoria Leone claims she was unfairly ticketed when the Glen Ridge Police Department closed a section of Hillside Avenue to film a commercial July 19. Leone, who is handicapped due to longstanding medical conditions, alleges she had no prior knowledge of the closing.

Leone says restricted parking for situations such as snowplowing and street cleaning is under-

standable. But when a street closes to everyone except a company/business that has been issued a permit for the day, Leone claims dispensation for those with handicapped parking is in order.

"It doesn't make sense to have a handicapped person move just so these people can park on the street," she says.

On the evening of July 18, Leone noticed orange traffic cones with emergency no-parking signs on her side of the street, up to her next-door neighbor's house. She called police to inquire and subsequently learned of the filming, she said. The officer she spoke with

said she could still park on the street, due to her handicapped placard, she claims.

But more cones were placed during the overnight, she says, including in front of her house and parking space. At 5 a.m., she claims, a police officer gave her a parking ticket. Leone called police and asked several officers to void the ticket, to no avail.

Borough Administrator Michael Rohal said letters of notification were hand-delivered by the filming company, O-Positive Films, to residents within 200 feet of the filming site, as required by borough ordinance. He said

Leone's home sits either right at the 200-foot mark or just past it, but that the no-parking zone may have needed to stretch beyond 200 feet.

Leone says she also spoke with the company, and that they offered to reimburse her for the \$30 ticket.

She says she also spoke with Lt. Fred Egnazzo; he initially said he would not invalidate the ticket yet later agreed to listen to a tape of her first conversation with police.

"There was a miscommunication between her and the desk officer," said Egnazzo.

It was then that police agreed to

cancel the ticket, Leone said, but by then she had already paid the fine.

Rohal said holders of handicapped placards are exempt from on-street parking time limits. But a street closing, he says, does not qualify as a time restriction.

"I want the law changed," Leone said. "Okay, emergency parking, but you have to take into consideration the people who live in this town."

She later added, "I don't care just about myself. I care about other people who are handicapped."

Email: roll@northersey.com

8.3.2011

To the Mayor and Town Council:

As a handicapped person with a handicapped plate on my car I don't understand why I should get a parking ticket at 5:00am in the morning so that someone else can park in front of my house. I was never informed about the emergency no parking the day and I called in the middle of the night when I saw the change comes ending next door on my street. I was told that I should not get a ticket but when I went out at 1:00pm there was a ticket on my car.

Please amend the law for the handicapped  
Victoria Leone 973 7486322  
Fair incident - 195 Hillside Ave, GR



**Block Party Application**

Street locations of Block Party including cross streets:

ON Forest Ave. between Outlook & Baldwin

Applicant's Name, Address, Telephone, and E-mail: → JosephConnaghan@Yahoo.com

Joseph Connaghan 126 Forest Ave., Glen Ridge, NJ - 07028

Date of Block Party: Sept. 10<sup>th</sup>, 2011

Time of Block Party: 2 p.m. till 9 p.m.

Closed Block: Forest Ave. outlook & Baldwin

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~~
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- 12/27/11



**Block Party Application**

Street locations of Block Party including cross streets:

Midland Ave. Btwn Marlboro and Carteret St.

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

Pamela Kahl, 76 Midland Ave., 973-743-4457

Date of Block Party: Sat. Aug. 27, 2011

Pamela.Kahl@  
yahoo.com

Time of Block Party: 3 pm

Closed Block: see attached

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

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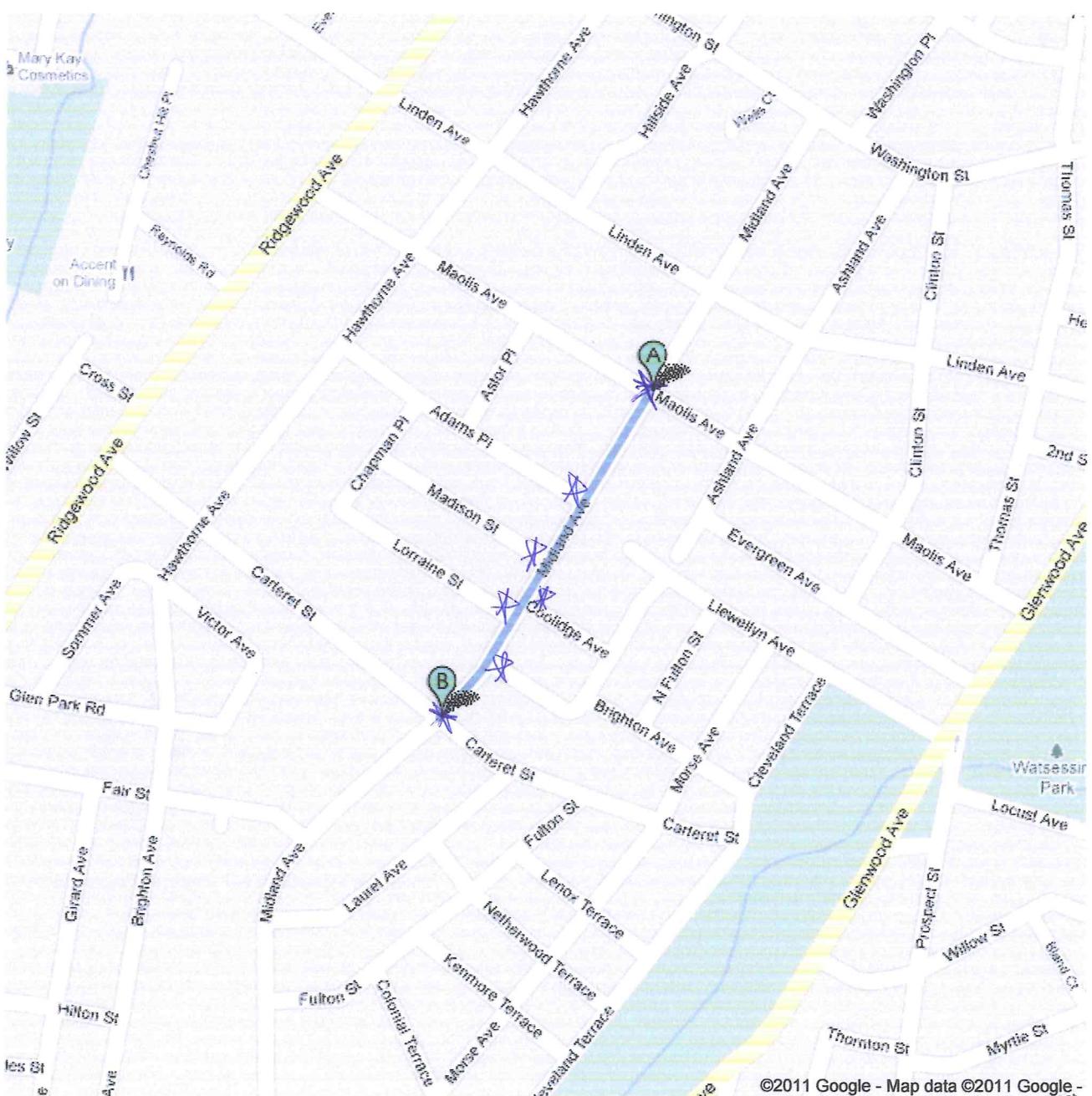
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Directions to Midland Ave & Carteret St, Glen Ridge, NJ 07028  
0.3 mi – about 50 secs

**Save trees. Go green!**  
 Download Google Maps on your phone at [google.com/gmm](http://google.com/gmm)

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## NJ TRANSIT PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE

The New Jersey Transit Corporation (NJ TRANSIT) is conducting public hearings in order to gather information and receive comments from interested parties concerning programs developed pursuant to the Senior Citizen and Disabled Resident Transportation Assistance Act (SCDRTAP). A hearing will be held in each geographic region in accordance with Section 5 of P.L. 1984 c.578 of SCDRTAP. Each hearing will have an afternoon and evening session. **The locations are Newark, Freehold, and Westampton.**

The Senior Citizen and Disabled Resident Transportation Assistance Program funds capital, operating, and/or administrative expenses for locally coordinated paratransit services for senior citizens and people with disabilities. The program also funds accessibility improvements to NJ TRANSIT's fixed route bus and rail system, the provision of technical assistance to the counties and the administration of the statewide program. All materials to be reviewed at these hearings are available in accessible formats on request. **Requests for sign language interpreters should be made to Joyce J. Zuczek, Board Office, NJ TRANSIT, One Penn Plaza East, Newark, NJ 07105-2246, (973) 491-7453 (TT 1-800-955-6765) by August 2, 2011.**

An Access Link paratransit update will NOT be provided at these hearings. Access Link will be holding separate Customer Forums in the fall. Information will be made available to all customers once the details are finalized. If you have any questions, please call Access Link at 1-800-955-2321.

The public is invited to the August hearings below at which time they will have a full opportunity to express their views regarding the Senior Citizen and Disabled Resident Transportation Assistance Program. In order to assure that all members of the public are given an opportunity to be heard, presentations and comments will be limited to five (5) minutes. **If you are unable to attend any of the hearings, written comments for the record may be sent to Joyce J. Zuczek, Board Office, New Jersey Transit Corporation, One Penn Plaza East, Newark, New Jersey 07105-2246 or via email at [jzuczek@njtransit.com](mailto:jzuczek@njtransit.com) by September 1, 2011.** In accordance with the above statute, public hearings will be held at the following accessible locations:

### SENIOR CITIZEN AND DISABLED RESIDENT TRANSPORTATION ASSISTANCE PROGRAM HEARINGS

NORTHERN REGION	PLACE:	New Jersey Transit Corporation Board Room, 9 <sup>th</sup> floor Side A & B One Penn Plaza East Newark, NJ 07105-2246
	DATE:	Tuesday, August 23, 2011
	TIME:	2:00 p.m. – Conclusion 6:00 p.m. – Conclusion
CENTRAL REGION	PLACE:	Monmouth Agricultural Building Conference Room, Ground Floor 4000 Kozloski Road Freehold, NJ 07728
	DATE:	Thursday, August 25, 2011
	TIME:	2:00 p.m. – Conclusion 6:00 p.m. – Conclusion
SOUTHERN REGION	PLACE:	Burlington County Human Services Facility Meeting Room Café II 795 Woodlane Road Westampton, NJ 08060
	DATE:	Wednesday, August 31, 2011
	TIME:	2:00 p.m. – Conclusion 6:00 p.m. – Conclusion

James Weinstein  
Executive Director  
New Jersey Transit Corporation