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Two Arbor Day Events in Hillsborough Township on Saturday, April 30th

*Township Partners Once Again with New Jersey Recovery Campaign to
Offer Free Tree Seedlings to Participants and
Tree Planting Ceremony on Ground of Municipal Complex at 10 am*

Once again Hillsborough Township has partnered with New Jersey Recovery and will be distributing up to 5 seedling per resident who participates in the Township's Annual Clean Up on Saturday, April 30th.

"We are happy to announce this partnership is still going strong and we are able to offer not only the free service of access to the facility, but also the seedlings program through New Jersey Recovery," stated Committeeman Greg Burchette, Liaison to the Department of Public Works. DPW administers the Township's Annual Free Clean Up Program.

The first 200 residents who visit the Auten Road Facility on April 30th will receive five seedlings to plant on their property as a replacement in the event that they lost any trees during Superstorm Sandy or any subsequent weather events. This initiative is to provide communities throughout the state an opportunity to replace damaged and dead trees that have fallen victim to weather events.

"Additionally, in honor of Arbor Day, on Saturday, April 30th at 10 am there will be a ceremonial tree planting on the grounds of the Municipal Complex by Christian Plunkett,

ISA Board Certified Master Arborist," announced Committeeman Doug Tomson, Liaison to the Hillsborough Branch of the Somerset County Library System.

Earlier this month, Mr. Plunkett hosted a program at the Library where he educated guests about tree planting and care. He discussed species selection, site preparation, tree planting technique and care.

The tree planting ceremony will take place on the grounds of the Hillsborough Municipal Complex on Saturday, April 30th at 10:00 am, rain or shine. The planting will be followed by a tree tour and discovery outing on the Complex grounds. There will be door prizes that will be raffled off at the completion of the planting.

As a reminder to resident, coupons are required for drop off at the Auten Road facility and are issued through the Department of Public Works, located at 21 East Mountain Road. This program is for Hillsborough Residents only and proof of residency is required. The drop off site is open rain or shine.

The purpose of the clean-up program is to allow residents the opportunity to dispose of old furniture, toys, rugs, appliances, bicycles, yard debris, etc. Please note electronics and hazardous materials are NOT accepted. For information on recycling electronics, hazardous waste and materials not permitted at the Auten Road facility, residents can contact Somerset County Recycling Department at 732-469-3363 or visit their website at www.co.somerset.nj.us/recycle .

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