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Hillsborough Township Receives Safety Award

For the third year in a row, Hillsborough Township has earned the distinction and top honor of Exceptional Safety Performance at the Annual Safety Awards and Safety Kickoff Meeting of the Central Jersey Joint Insurance Fund. Hillsborough Township again earned the Certificate of Achievement and a \$1,200 monetary award in recognition of this achievement.

Department of Public Works Director and Safety Coordinator, Buck Sixt presented the Mayor the plaque at Tuesday's Township Committee meeting.

The Township of Hillsborough applied to, and was accepted as, a member of the Central Jersey Joint Insurance Fund (CJJIF) in 2000. Membership into any JIF is voted on by the existing member towns, and a municipality's financial stability and insurance claims history are deciding factors in the process.

"Hillsborough's participation in the CJJIF is essentially a shared service," stated Mayor Frank DelCore. By forming an insurance pool with other towns, all members see the benefit of reduced insurance costs. Additionally, the CJJIF provides many free services which independent insurers would charge for, such as safety training seminars, safety videos, frequent unannounced safety inspections and on the job observations.

A key benefit in providing a safer workplace for all Township employees is the significant decline in on the job injuries and lost time. As noted at the recent awards ceremony, worker's compensation claims have been reduced by 60% since the Township joined the CJJIF.

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“The reduction in lost time and worker’s compensation claims translates to higher productivity and a reduction of direct insurance expenses and represents real savings for our Hillsborough taxpayers,” stated Mayor Frank DelCore, as he thanked Mr. Sixt for his diligence in managing the Township’s Safety Program.
