# **Manchester Township**



# **Newsletter**

# RECREATION

# EGG CIUNT

Come and hunt eggs at Cousler Park. Bring your own basket and dress appropriately for the weather conditions.

WHEN: Saturday, April 4, 2026

WHERE: Cousler Park near Raver Stage

**TIME:** Promptly at 10:00 a.m.

(eggs will be gone by 10:05 a.m.)

WHO: Ages 9 and under

Manchester Township Residents Only

COST: FREE!!!

In the event of inclement weather, please check our Manchester Township Parks and Recreation page on Facebook for a possible location change to the Manchester Township Municipal Complex.

# **Manchester Township Parks**

Cousler Park 1060 Church Road (Corner of Church & Greenbriar Roads)

**Emigsville Park** 15 Emig Road Nittany Park Olmstead Way (Penn State Estates Development)

**Ridings Recreational Area** 19 Martingale Drive (Ridings Development) **Eagles View Park** 2399 Friesian Road

Johnston's Park 2985 Lewisberry Road

Mt. View Park 3298 Raintree Road **Stillmeadow Park** 600 Kyle Road

Myers Mill Park at Locust Lane 545 Locust Lane

# POWER WHEELS RALLY IN THE PARK

Bring your Power Wheels to Cousler Park for our Rally in the Park. "Racers" will navigate a course through the park, stopping at various stations to complete tasks. All drivers and passengers must wear a helmet.

WHEN: Saturday, April 11, 2026

TIME: 10:00 a.m. WHO: Ages 3-8 COST: \$5 per child

Parents are required to walk with their child(ren) throughout the course.

To register, visit **www.mantwp.com** or scan QR code.

Registration begins January 1, 2026.





# **WOOD CARVING**

Join instructor Tom Wolfgang for a hands-on wood carving workshop. Over the course of five weeks participants will learn essential wood carving techniques, tool safety and step-by-step guidance to create their very own comfort bird. Open to ages 10 and up, this workshop is perfect for beginners and anyone interested in the art of carving. Please note that participants 10 to 17 must be accompanied by an adult and only the participant needs to register. Come ready to learn, create and take home a handmade piece of art!

WHEN: Tuesdays - February 3, 10, 17, 24

and March 3

**TIME:** 6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.

WHERE: Johnston's Park Building

2985 Lewisberry Road

**COST:** \$25



To register, visit **www.mantwp.com** or scan the QR code.



# SilverSneakers® Programs

## **Monday**

SilverSneakers® <b>EnerChi™</b>	9:15 a.m. – 10:00 a.m.
SilverSneakers® Classic	10:15 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.
SilverSneakers® Walking Cardio	11:15 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

## **Tuesday**

SilverSneakers® Yoga	9:15 a.m. – 10:00 a.m	١.
SilverSneakers® <b>Strength &amp; Balance</b>	10:15 a.m. – 11:00 a.m	ı.
SilverSneakers® Walking Cardio	11:15 a.m 12:00 p.m	١.

## Wednesday

SilverSneakers® <b>BOOM™</b>	9:15 a.m. – 10:00 a.m.
SilverSneakers® <b>Yoga</b>	10:15 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.
SilverSneakers® Strength & Balance	e11:15 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

## **Thursday**

SilverSneakers® <b>EnerChi™</b>	9:15 a.m. – 10:00 a.m.
SilverSneakers® <b>Strength &amp; Balance</b>	10:15 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.
SilverSneakers® Seated Cardio	11:15 a.m. = 12:00 p.m.

## **Friday**

SilverSneakers® Walking Cardio	9:15 a.m. – 10:00 a.m.
SilverSneakers® <b>BOOM™</b>	10:15 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.
SilverSneakers® Yoga	11:15 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

# Sports Contacts

# BASEBALL / SOFTBALL / TEE BALL:

Manchester Township Athletic Association — **mtaaonline.org** 

## **BASKETBALL:**

Manchester Township, 717-764-4646 or **mantwp.com** 

## **SOCCER:**

York Youth Soccer League — **yysl.soccer** 

Keystone FC — **keystonefc.com** 

## **LACROSSE:**

Central York Lacrosse Club — **centralyorklacrosse.com** 

## Where:

Manchester Township Building 3200 Farmtrail Road York, PA 17406 Punch cards are available for participants without Renew Active® or SilverSneakers® benefits. 5 punches for \$20. Unlimited Monthly attendance \$35, paid on the 1st or 15th. Instructor: Rhonda Smith c/o Remain Calm, LLC Rhonda315@yahoo.com, 443-854-4161

# New York City Bus Trip

WHEN: Saturday, May 16, 2026

**TIME:** 6:00 a.m. – Depart from Municipal

Building

10:00 a.m. – Arrive in NYC (Macy's at

West 34th Street)

7:00 p.m. – Depart from NYC 11:00 p.m. – Arrive at Municipal

Building

**COST:** Residents – \$70 per person

Non-Residents – \$85 per person

To register, visit **www.mantwp.com** or click the QR code.





# Pickleball

WHEN: October through May

Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays

12:30 p.m. to 2:30 p.m.

WHERE: Manchester Township Municipal Building

3200 Farmtrail Road

**COST:** Residents free

Non-resident drop-in fee of \$2



#### Office

3200 Farmtrail Road York, PA 17406-5699

Phone 717-764-4646

#### Hours

Monday - Friday 8 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

E-Mail

Info@mantwp.com

#### **Board Of Supervisors**

Rodney K. Brandstedter Craig M. Miller Debra K. McCune Harry M. Long, Jr. David J. Chiaverini

#### **Supervisors Meetings**

Held the **2nd Tuesday** of each month at **6:00 p.m.** at the Municipal Building, unless otherwise posted on our website.

#### **Township Manager:**

Timothy R. James

#### **Administrative Director:**

Kimberly A. Hackett

#### **Finance Director:**

Danelle L. Goodwin

#### **Public Works Superintendent:**

Robert Hartman

#### **Zoning/Planning Officer:**

Rachel M. Vega

### Township Engineer:

Benedict "B.J." Treglia

#### **Recreation Director:**

Nathan S. Lankford

#### YAUFR Fire Chief:

Daniel J. Hoff

#### NYCRPD Police Chief:

David L. Lash

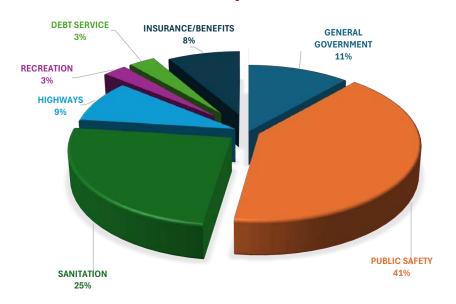
# 2026 Manchester Township Budget

The final 2026 budgets (General Fund, Street Light, Highway Aid, Capital Reserve and Sewer) for Manchester Township, York County, Pennsylvania, was adopted by the Board of Supervisors on December 9, 2025.

A synopsis of expenditures is as follows:

	GENERAL FUND OTHER I		FUNDS	TOTAL ALL FUND			
GENERAL GOVERNMENT	9%	1,499,353	17%	\$	1,005,231	11%	2,504,584
PUBLIC SAFETY	57%	8,963,892	0%	\$	-	41%	8,963,892
SANITATION	12%	1,897,384	58%	\$	3,449,785	25%	5,347,169
HIGHWAYS	6%	963,365	16%	\$	977,139	9%	1,940,504
RECREATION	3%	466,871	2%	\$	112,848	3%	579,719
DEBT SERVICE	2%	239,570	7%	\$	413,521	3%	653,091
INSURANCE/BENEFITS	11%	1,809,741	0%	\$	-	8%	1,809,741
OTHER	0%	600	0%	\$	-	0%	600
TOTAL	\$	15,840,776	\$		5,958,524	\$	21,799,300

## **Manchester Township 2026 Total All Funds**



# NYCRPD HONOR STATEMENT

Manchester Township would like to take the opportunity to remember and honor Northern York County Regional Police Department Detective Sergeant Cody Becker, Detective Mark Baker and Detective







Isaiah Emenheiser who gave the ultimate sacrifice in protecting our community. Your bravery will never be forgotten.

We express our gratitude to Detective Sergeant Becker, Detective Baker and Detective Emenheiser and the two other officers who were severely wounded for their selflessness and sense of duty on that tragic day on September 17, 2025, in North Codorus Township.

Our sincere appreciation goes out to all police officers and first responders not only for their actions on that tragic day but for what you do to protect and serve our community on a daily basis.



Northern York County Regional Police Department has a new home at 1 Regional Way 717-292-3647 www.nycrpd.org

## **Snow Removal**

Snow removal presents a challenge to Manchester Township. During an active snowstorm the public works department will attempt to keep open the major routes (arterial and collector) of Manchester Township to facilitate the movement of emergency vehicles. As a storm subsides, the snowplows will methodically plow every public street in Manchester Township. Residents can assist the public works department by moving, where possible, vehicles off the streets during and after the storm event.

According to the Pennsylvania Second Class Township Code, responsibility for the maintenance of sidewalks rests with the adjoining property owner. Therefore, remember to be a good neighbor and remove snow from sidewalks to keep them safe for pedestrians.

The township is NOT RESPONSIBLE for damage to mailboxes since they are located in the right-of-way.

Manchester Township DOES NOT provide snow and ice removal on any state roadways.

#### **Helpful Hints**

- 1. When shoveling out the mouth of your driveway, deposit snow to the right or "downstream." This will help to avoid the re-depositing of snow in your driveway when the plow comes to your street. Remember it is impossible not to have snow pushed into your driveway. Please do not throw the snow from your property into the street.
- 2. Please allow yourself additional time to travel.
- 3. Use common sense and be patient.
- 4. Keep a flashlight, a battery powered radio, and emergency equipment available in case of a disruption in power.







## Fire Hydrants

Clearing snow away from fire hydrants is a very important responsibility.

The fire department asks residents to clear a **36-inch path around hydrants** to allow for access.

If you join together with your neighbors, it only takes a few minutes to ensure the fire hydrants are clear of snow. Please take the few extra minutes needed to protect your home and family.

PAY YOUR SEWER/TRASH BILL ONLINE with no fees at **www.mantwp.com** and follow the instructions there or go to **www.xpressbillpay.com**.

You can pay with credit card, debit card, or electronic funds transfer. Enter the information and you are done! It is that easy and only takes you a few minutes each quarter.



# Flag Collection

For many years Manchester Township has offered a collection box for residents to drop off old or torn American Flags.

Unfortunately, this option will no longer be available. We apologize for the inconvenience; however, we encourage you to reach out to local VFW and American Legion posts, funeral homes, and/or boy and girl scouts' locations to see what they have available for you.

Thank you for your understanding.



# **10** Community Reminders

# Cozy up with a Good Book this Winter!

Winter is the perfect season to curl up with a great book. Whether you prefer the traditional "paper" format, audio book, or electronic version, the York County Library system has a wide range of materials. Start your reading program today with the following QR code and see these FAQs to help you get started:

### · How long does it take?

Filling in the online form only takes a few minutes. It may take the library a few days to create your card, but they'll let you know when it's ready.

### How do I get my card?

The library will email you the library card info if you provide an email and also mail the physical card to your home with helpful library information.

### • When can I start using the library to check out items?

As soon as you've received an email with your library card info, even before the physical card arrives! The library card number will work right away online to place holds and for digital items. In person, if you visit any YCL library, they can look you up if your card hasn't arrived (or if you forget it).

#### How long are cards good?

Library cards are good for three years and renewing is as quick as updating your contact information.

Manchester Township, in coordination with Martin Library and York County Libraries, offers a pick up/drop off service at the township building as an added convenience for Manchester Township residents. Choose Manchester Township as the location for your material hold location. Materials can be picked up or dropped off Monday through Friday between 8:00 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. at the township office located at 3200 Farmtrail Road.



## **OFFICE CLOSED:**

Wednesday, December 24, 2025 (day before Christmas)

Thursday, December 25, 2025 (Christmas Day)

Wednesday, December 31, 2025 (day before New Years) **Thursday, January 1, 2026** (New Year's Day)

Monday, February 16, 2026 (Presidents' Day)

Friday, April 3, 2026 (Good Friday)

Daylight Saving Time

Sunday, March 8, 2026

Remember to Turn Your Clocks AHEAD!



#### TAX COLLECTOR WINDOW HOURS:

**TUESDAY - WEDNESDAY - THURSDAY** 

**12:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.** except for holidays

As always, a secure night slot on the *outside* of the township building is available for payments when the window is closed.



## **Christmas Tree Recycling**

You may place your tree at the curb with your regular trash and it will be picked up by the Manchester Township Public Works Department **December 26 through January 10** to be recycled.

Residents may also take their trees to York County Solid Waste Authority, 2700 Blackbridge Road, between **December 26 and January 31**. The facility is open seven days a week during daylight hours. Visit **YCSWA.com** for more information.

# York Area United Fire & Rescue Winter Storm Awareness

With winter storm potential quickly approaching and the lack of snow in previous years, it is easy to get complacent on the dangers of snow build-up around our homes. Deep snow can be a problem but so can small snowstorms. Wind can pile up small snow to a point where vents and utility access can be affected, just like heavy snow.

By snow piling up and blocking the vents, gas fired appliances cannot operate efficiently which could cause carbon monoxide to build up in the home. Frequently check them during snowstorms to make sure they stay clear. This includes dryers and gas fueled fireplaces.

Check the utilities around your home at the same time. Gas

meters and electrical drops may need to be accessed in an emergency. Keep them clear as well.

This also includes the fire hydrant that may be on your property or adjacent to it. Try to keep fire hydrants at least 3 feet clear all around it and clear the street. This gives space for the fire engine to get close and for the firefighters to work, saving precious time.





# Salt Sidewalks Sparingly. Where Stormwater Flows, Everything Goes

**Dispose of shoveled snow in vegetated areas.** This will allow the snow to infiltrate instead of becoming run-off.

**Use de-icing chemicals and salts sparingly.** Focus on making your walkways and driveways safe but avoid overusing or spreading in vegetated areas or near waterways.

**Start shoveling early!** The more snow you remove, the less salt you will need.

**Make sure your nearest storm drains are clear.** Do not pile snow on storm drains and make sure your neighborhood plow is not piling snow over the drain.

# Penn Waste Trash and Recycling

Manchester Township renewed its trash and recycling services in January of 2025 with Penn Waste. As part of the new municipal contract, residents are required to use a toter for both trash and recycling services. In short, nothing can be outside of the toter.

Each household can have up to two trash toters and two recycling toters. Additionally, smaller containers are available for residents who are limited in storage space and/or generate less volume of trash and recycling.

To resolve your trash or recycling issues please contact Penn Waste at 717-767-4456 or visit **www.pennwaste.com**. On the website under "Customer Service" you will see several options to choose from where you can enter your information to remedy a situation or make general inquires. Some of these options include:

- Missed pickup
- Bulk item pickup
- Broken/lost container
- Season/vacation hold
- Transfer service
- I am moving
- General inquiry
- Start service

While Manchester Township bills residents for their trash and sewer, Penn Waste customer service is the source to resolve your service issues.



In 2024, through a competitive bidding process, Manchester Township entered into a 5-year agreement with low bidder, Penn Waste, for curbside refuse and recycling collection services. The 2025-2029 agreement established a 44% increase in collection services. In 2025 the Manchester Township Board of Supervisors took action to not increase rates that were reflective of the new contract.

Per Resolution #2025-19, and after the oneyear reprieve in a rate increase, beginning the second quarter of 2026 (April) the refuse/ recycling collection rate will increase from \$50 to \$70 quarterly, reflective of the new contract. The Board of Supervisors is hopeful to hold the \$70 rate through the remainder of the 2025-2029 agreement. The current \$120 quarterly sewer rate will remain the same for 2026.

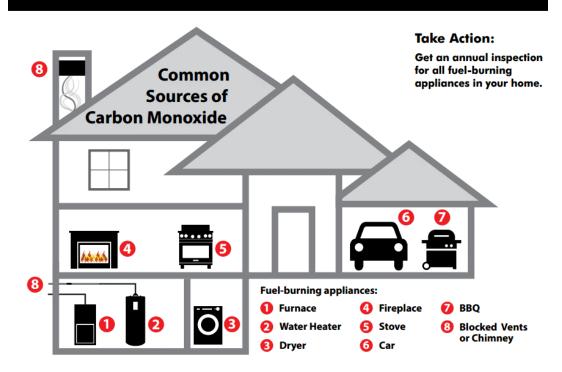
For your information and comparison the following are current rates for surrounding townships:

Conewago \$93.72 East Manchester \$81.15 Springettsbury \$98.40 West Manchester \$96.00 York \$93.64



# **14** Community Reminders

## **Carbon Monoxide Prevention**



## **Carbon Monoxide Fact Sheet**

Carbon monoxide is a deadly, colorless, odorless poisonous gas produced by the incomplete burning of various fuels such as coal, wood, charcoal, oil, kerosene, propane and natural gas. Because it is odorless and colorless people may not know they are being exposed. High levels of exposure can result in mental confusion, vomiting, loss of muscular coordination, loss of consciousness and ultimately death. Symptom severity is related to both the CO level and the length of exposure.

#### How can you prevent carbon monoxide poisoning?

- Be sure appliances are installed according to the manufacturer's instructions.
- Install a CO alarm that meets the UL 2034 safety standard.

#### · Do NOT:

- Operate a portable generator or any other gas engine powered tool in an enclosed space such as a garage, house, or other building even with windows and doors open.
- Use portable fuel burning camping equipment in the home, garage, vehicle or tent unless it is specifically designed for use in an enclosed space.
- Burn charcoal inside a home, garage, vehicle or tent.
- Leave a car running in an attached garage even with the garage door open.
- Use gas appliances such as ranges or ovens to heat the home.
- Operate unvented fuel-burning appliances in a room where people are sleeping.
- Cover the bottom of natural gas or propane ovens with aluminum foil.



## Create an account

Sign in for free and get started doing your part. It just takes your email, phone number and address.

## **Enter the info** that matters most

Enter valuable information that can help us assist more effectively during an emergency.

## **Help your Fire Department when** seconds count

That's it. Just keep us updated when things change overtime so we can always be prepared.

### WHAT KINDS OF INFORMATION **CAN I PROVIDE?**

Any information you provide through Community Connect is completely voluntary and based on what you are comfortable sharing. We have made it easy for you to know what may be important by organizing your secure portal into buckets of information you can enter.









### **HOW SECURE IS MY DATA** AND HOW IS IT USED?

Data that you provide Community Connect is secure and is used only for the purpose of better serving you during emergency situations. Your information is never used for any other purpose. All logins are password protected with bank level encryption and security. If you're comfortable logging in to your online bank you'll be comfortable logging in to Community Connect.











Community Connect is

Safe & Secure

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#### **Recreation Commission**

Meets the 2nd Thursday of each month at the municipal office, unless otherwise noted, at 7:00 p.m. Public is welcome to attend.

Manchester Township 3200 Farmtrail Road York, PA 17406-5699 (717) 764-4646

#### **Commission Members**

Craig Jacoby, Chairperson Virginia Hobbs, Vice-Chairperson James Kohr Douglas Hershey Adam Levine

**Upcoming Recreation Commission Meeting Dates** 

January 8, 2026 February 12, 2026 March 12, 2026 April 9, 2026

