

Board of Health Presentation

March 5, 2024



Crisis Intervention Training held at the Essex County Prosecutor's Office



Hygiene Kits to the Community



National Poison Prevention Week | March 17-23, 2024

**POISON
HELP**

1-800-222-1222



**WHEN THE
UNEXPECTED
HAPPENS**

Poison Help is Here for You.

#NPPW24

Animal Control Update



Applications are
still open
with a \$7 late fee

NOW AVAILABLE



2024 Dog & Cat Licenses

\$15 FOR NEUTERED/SPAYED PETS
\$18 FOR NON-FIXED PETS
A \$7 LATE FEE WILL BE APPLIED
AFTER 1/31/24



ACCORDING TO TOWN ORDINANCE
113-7: LICENSES SHALL BE REQUIRED
FOR ALL DOGS/CATS OF LICENSING
AGE



<https://tinyurl.com/ysth3pr>



QUESTIONS?
Call 973-762-8120 ext 2006



MAPLEWOOD
HEALTH DEPARTMENT

Use this QR code or
link to register now





Maplewood Township Dog and Leash Ordinance

Maplewood Police Department has received complaints regarding dogs off leashes & would like to remind all residents that MPD will be strictly enforcing the issue moving forward.

Leashing of Dogs:

Per Maplewood T.O. 113-12(F): All dog owners must control their dogs with an adequate leash not more than six feet long. This applies to all of Maplewood Township INCLUDING all parks. Additionally, no dog, leashed or unleashed, shall be permitted to enter upon any basketball, tennis or paddle tennis courts within the Township of Maplewood.

Any person found in violation shall be subject to a fine as follows:

(1) First offense: \$50.

(2) Second offense: \$100.

(3) Any subsequent offense: an amount not to exceed \$500.

FRIENDLY REMINDER TO PLEASE CLEAN UP AFTER YOUR PETS AS WELL



**All Township Ordinances regarding pets may be viewed at:
<https://www.ecode360.com/9419650t>**





BLOOMFIELD ANIMAL SHELTER/ANIMAL CONTROL



MONTHLY REPORT

| | |
|-----------------------------|-----------------|
| Month & Year: FEBRUARY 2024 | City: MAPLEWOOD |
|-----------------------------|-----------------|

| 1. ACO PATROL ACTIVITIES IN THE FIELD | | 2. TOTAL BITE INCIDENTS PER BREED | | | | | |
|--|----------|-----------------------------------|----------|---------------|----------|--------------|----------|
| Total # of Animal Control Calls | 6 | Canine | # | Feline | # | Other | # |
| Total Domestic | 3 | | | | | Bat | 1 |
| Total Sick/Injured Wildlife | 3 | | | | | | |
| Total Bite Investigations | 1 | | | | | | |
| Total # of After-Hours Calls | 1 | | | | | | |

Environmental Health



Reporting a Concern

- To report health concerns and trigger health department intervention in the community:
 1. Go to Maplewood Township Website
 2. Hover over the Government tab
 3. Click on Report a Concern under Public Health & Social Services
 4. Direct link: https://main.govpilot.com/web/public/fb3e6a4a-528_Report-a-Concern-maplewood?uid=7127&ust=NJ&pu=1&id=0

OR

Call us: 973-762-8120

Email us: healthdepartment@maplewoodnj.gov

Environmental Health-February

- Restaurant inspections:6
 - Pre-operation inspections: 0
 - Re-inspections:
 - Mobile Food Trucks: 0
- School inspections: 0
- Daycare inspections: 3
- Camps: 0
- Kennels: 0
- Complaints:23
- NOVs: 4
- Summonses: 2



Nursing Update



Nursing Report- February

Reportable Disease Investigated: 2

COVID-19 Cases Investigated: 4

Initial Immunization Audits: 4

Immunization Re-audits: 9



Maplewood Senior Apartments Health Screenings and Mobile Drug Drop Box



- The Maplewood Police Department accompanied us on our quarterly health maintenance screenings at the Maplewood Senior Apartments to bring their Mobile Drug Drop Box
- **We collected ~15lbs. of unused or expired medications** from residents of the building
- **We screened 15 people (Blood Pressure, Glucose, and/or Cholesterol)**



Health Screenings at Senior's Lunch & Learn



February is
American Heart Month



*Tuesday, February 20th 12pm-2pm
Maplewood Senior Center
106 Burnett Ave*

Heart health screenings, including blood pressure, glucose, and cholesterol tests will be offered through the Maplewood Health Department.

Preregistration is required:
Contact the Maplewood Health Department
at 973-762-8120 x4300 or email
amarkarova@maplewoodnj.gov



We attended the Lunch & Learn to provide heart health screenings for individuals at the Lunch & Learn or any community members that made an appointment

16 people screened for
Blood Pressure, Glucose,
and/or Cholesterol



Heart Health Screenings

- February 20th Senior Center Lunch and Learn- **16 people screened**
 - 14 Blood Pressure Screenings
 - 13 Glucose Tests
 - 16 Cholesterol Tests
- February 23rd Maplewood Senior Apartment – **15 people screened**
 - 14 Blood Pressure Screenings
 - 15 Glucose Tests
 - 11 Cholesterol Tests

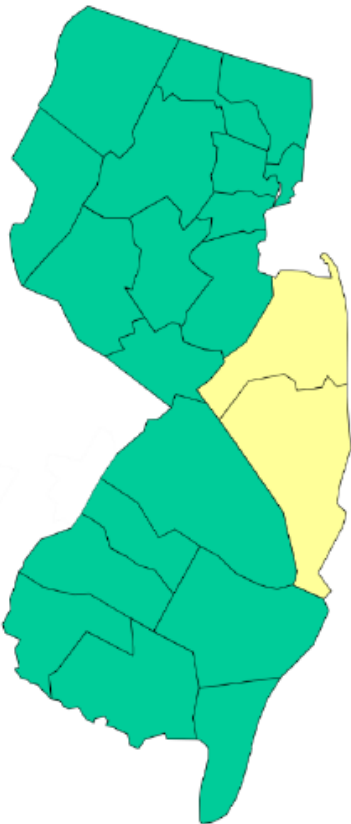
COVID and COVID Vaccine Update



COVID-19 update February 24, 2024

1. COVID-19 Hospitalizations

This report summarizes surveillance information for COVID-19, RSV, and other non-influenza viral respiratory illnesses. For information on influenza, please refer to the [weekly Influenza Surveillance Reports](#).



[CDC COVID-19 hospital admission levels](#) are the primary surveillance indicator to help guide individual and community decisions related to risk and preventative measures. The number of new COVID-19 hospital admissions for every 100,000 persons in the past week is used to classify county risk levels as low, medium, or high as follows:

| New COVID-19 Hospital Admissions per 100,000 population | |
|---|-------------|
| Low | <10 |
| Medium | 10.0 – 19.9 |
| High | ≥ 20.0 |

In addition to new hospital admissions, the percentage of inpatient beds and ICU beds occupied by COVID-19 patients are important metrics for monitoring COVID-19 activity. Table 1 includes current values for these metrics and a comparison from the previous week.

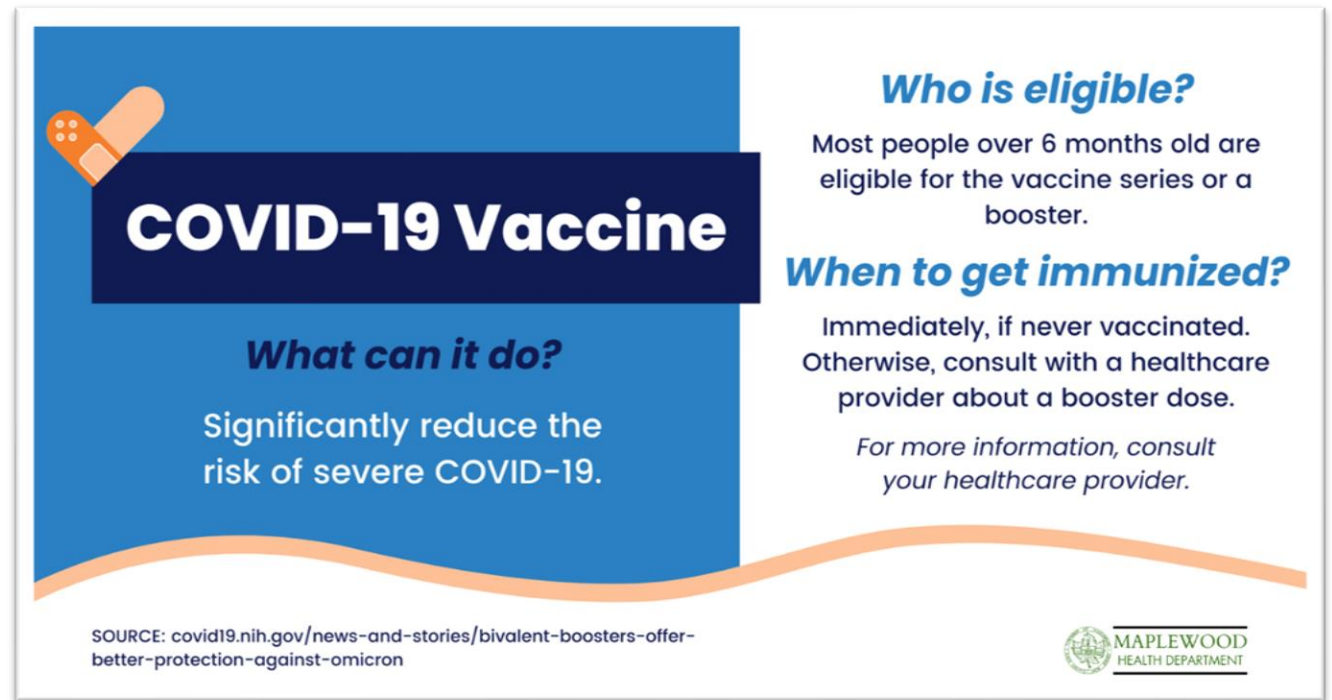
Many individuals have immunity against COVID-19 due to vaccination and/or prior infection. Immunity, in addition to treatments, have greatly reduced the risk of severe outcomes from COVID-19. In the meantime, immunocompromised individuals and persons with certain underlying health conditions continue to be at higher risk for severe illness. The following table includes recommendations for protecting yourself, your family, and communities.



2023-2024 COVID-19 Vaccine Guidance

To locate a 2023-2024 COVID-19 vaccine near you visit:

<https://www.vaccines.gov/>



The infographic features a blue background with a white band across the top containing the text 'COVID-19 Vaccine'. To the left of this band is an orange bandage icon. Below the band, the text 'What can it do?' is followed by 'Significantly reduce the risk of severe COVID-19.' To the right, the text 'Who is eligible?' is followed by 'Most people over 6 months old are eligible for the vaccine series or a booster.' Below that, 'When to get immunized?' is followed by 'Immediately, if never vaccinated. Otherwise, consult with a healthcare provider about a booster dose.' At the bottom right is the 'MAPLEWOOD HEALTH DEPARTMENT' logo. At the bottom left is the source: 'SOURCE: covid19.nih.gov/news-and-stories/bivalent-boosters-offer-better-protection-against-omicron'.

COVID-19 Vaccine

Who is eligible?
Most people over 6 months old are eligible for the vaccine series or a booster.

When to get immunized?
Immediately, if never vaccinated. Otherwise, consult with a healthcare provider about a booster dose.
For more information, consult your healthcare provider.

What can it do?
Significantly reduce the risk of severe COVID-19.

SOURCE: covid19.nih.gov/news-and-stories/bivalent-boosters-offer-better-protection-against-omicron

MAPLEWOOD HEALTH DEPARTMENT

COVID 19 Vaccine Coverage for ESSEX

MAPLEWOOD

26.9%

Health Department test kits available to South Orange and Maplewood Residents



How can I get free COVID-19 Rapid Home Test Kits?

1. Visit the Maplewood Health Department. We have free Rapid "BinaxNOW" COVID Tests at the Maplewood Municipal Building
574 Valley St
M-F 9-4:30

2. Beginning November 20th, every US household can place an order to receive four more free COVID-19 rapid tests. Visit <https://www.covid.gov/tests>



EXPIRED DATE

Before you throw out "Expired" Tests: Check to see if your COVID-19 tests' expiration dates have been extended.

<https://www.fda.gov/medical-devices/coronavirus-covid-19-and-medical-devices/home-otc-covid-19-diagnostic-test>

Call 973-762-8120 x.2006 or email HealthDepartment@maplewoodnj.gov with questions

When to Take an At-Home COVID-19 Test



- 1 You have symptoms of COVID-19
- 2 You had close contact with someone who has COVID-19
- 3 You will be with someone who is at high risk for severe COVID-19
- 4 You plan to attend an event or gathering

Learn more about when to take an at-home COVID-19 test and what to do with your results.



CDC COVID-19 Isolation Guidance Update

- On **March 1, 2024** the CDC released new COVID-19 guidance stating Americans who test positive for the coronavirus no longer need to routinely stay home from work and school for five days under new guidance
 - NJDOH is reviewing the new CDC guidance
- The agency is loosening its COVID-19 isolation recommendations for the first time since 2021 to reflect the changing landscape of covid-19 four years after the virus emerged. Although coronavirus infections are continuing at levels similar to years past, new infections are now causing less severe illness and far fewer hospitalizations or deaths, CDC data show.

Flu and RSV Vaccine Update

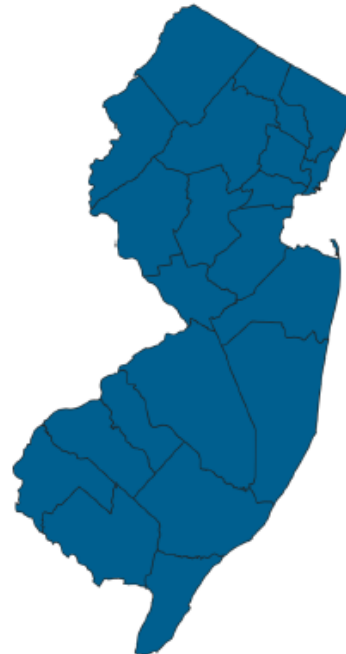


Influenza Transmission February 24, 2024

1. Current Influenza Activity Level

This report summarizes surveillance information for influenza illnesses reported to the New Jersey Department of Health (NJDOH) Communicable Disease Service. As per regulation, influenza is a laboratory reportable condition but it is not possible to count every case that occurs since some individuals will not seek medical care or may never get tested. Surveillance is conducted year round and this report is published from October to May. The [Morbidity and Mortality Weekly Report \(MMWR\) week](#) is the time frame used by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) for disease reporting and activity Levels are defined in the table on page 7 of this report. **Counts displayed below are the cumulative totals reported for the season beginning with MMWR week 40, week ending October 7, 2023.**

| State Activity Level | |
|--|------|
| HIGH | |
| Regional Data | |
| Northwest <small>Morris, Passaic, Sussex, Warren</small> | HIGH |
| Northeast <small>Bergen, Essex, Hudson</small> | HIGH |
| Central West <small>Hunterdon, Mercer, Somerset</small> | HIGH |
| Central East <small>Middlesex, Monmouth, Ocean, Union</small> | HIGH |
| Southwest <small>Burlington, Camden, Gloucester, Salem</small> | HIGH |
| Southeast <small>Atlantic, Cape May, Cumberland</small> | HIGH |



61,506
Cases reported (PCR & Rapid)

119
Total Outbreaks

2
Pediatric flu deaths (confirmed)



Social Services/ Mental Health



Breaking Barriers, Building Bonds SOMA NEIGHBORS CONNECT



- Engage in dialogue on local issues
- Meet neighbors & make new friends
- Receive neighborhood updates

Thurs., March 7, 2024

7:00–9:00 PM

SOPAC Loft
1 SOPAC Way
South Orange, NJ

REGISTER HERE



EVERYONE IS WELCOME!



Light refreshments and giveaways



Co-sponsor

SOPAC
SOUTH ORANGE
PERFORMING ARTS CENTER

Soma@CommunityCoalitionOnRace.org



In Celebration of Women's History Month

South Orange/Maplewood Community Coalition on Race

presents



A Black Maternal Health Panel Discussion

Stakeholders involved with Black Maternal Health will share their perspectives, experiences, and recommendations for addressing this critical women's health issue.

Participants will include medical and nursing professionals, other pre-natal and post-natal professionals and a mother. A Question & Answer session will follow.

Saturday, March 9, 2024
1:00–3:00 pm

The Woodland Parlor
60 Woodland Rd.
Maplewood NJ 07040

All are welcome to this
free event



REGISTER HERE





Universal Home Visiting

Family Connects NJ is a **free, voluntary program** offering a visit at home by specially trained nurses for any family caring for a newborn baby. The program is available to all New Jersey families.

During the critical first weeks following childbirth, Family Connects NJ provides families with a private visit at home by a specially trained nurse. Program nurses will check the baby's weight, assess physical and emotional health of both newborn and parents. Family Connects NJ nurses also provide information on important topics like feeding, sleeping, and community resources available, if needed.

How to Enroll

Families can learn more information and request a nurse visit by visiting the Family Connects NJ website. For families who would rather enroll by phone, the website also includes phone numbers for local Family Connects NJ nurse providers in your home county.

To learn more and sign-up,
visit FamilyConnectsNJ.org
or scan the QR code.



Program Highlights

- ✓ Care is provided at **no cost to you**, in the comfort of the family home, and is completely voluntary.
- ✓ Services are available to **birth, adoptive, and resource families** with a newborn, as well as parents experiencing a stillbirth or loss of their newborn.
- ✓ Nurse visits are initially open to residents of Essex, Middlesex, Mercer, Cumberland, and Gloucester Counties starting in January 2024.*
- ✓ **Specially-trained registered nurses** evaluate health, screen for potential complications, answer questions, and address any unexpected changes families are experiencing during the first two weeks after delivery.
- ✓ Nurses will connect families to **community resources** based on their specific circumstances.

*While the program will initially be limited to select counties, it will gradually expand service to additional NJ counties.



NATIONAL COLORECTAL CANCER AWARENESS MONTH EVENT



Strollin' Through the Colon

Wednesday, March 20, 2024 | 9:00 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.

Cooperman Barnabas Medical Center, Cooperman Family Pavilion Lobby, 94 Old Short Hills Road, Livingston, NJ

Travel through a 20-foot-long inflatable replica of the human colon. It just may save your life.

The interactive colon is designed to lessen the fear of colonoscopy by showing the benefits of early detection and polyp removal, which has shown to greatly improve survival of the second leading cause of cancer-related deaths in the U.S.

On hand to answer questions about colon health, disease prevention and screenings, and available treatments for colon diseases will be Mark E. Gilder, MD, colon and rectal surgeon, and Matthew Askin, MD, gastroenterologist, members of RWJBarnabas Health Medical Group, Angela McCabe, MSW, LCSW-R, OSW-C, and staff from The Cancer Center at Cooperman Barnabas Medical Center and Gastro Intestinal (GI) Endoscopy Center.

Free FIT kits, an at-home screening tool for colon cancer, will be distributed.

**The event is free and open to the public.
Registration is not required.**

To schedule a screening appointment or to learn more, visit rwjbh.org/colonscreening.

**RWJBarnabas
HEALTH**

The Cancer Center at
**Cooperman Barnabas
Medical Center**

RUTGERS
Cancer Institute
of New Jersey
RUTGERS HEALTH

Rutgers Cancer Institute of New Jersey is the state's only NCI-designated Comprehensive Cancer Center. Together RWJBarnabas Health and Rutgers Cancer Institute offer the most advanced cancer treatment options close to home.



VIRTUAL NARCAN TRAINING



MAXIMUM OF 25
PARTICIPANTS

APRIL 25, 2024
11:00 AM

LEARN HOW TO
RECOGNIZE AND
RESPOND TO AN OPIOID
OVERDOSE AND RECEIVE
A FREE NARCAN KIT



REGISTER TODAY:

Colette DeGrazia

cdegrazia@dchs.essexcountynj.org



RUTGERS

ADAPT

Alcohol and Drug Abuse Prevention Team



RECALL NOTICE

Equate Lubricant Eye Ointment, Equate Styel Lubricant Eye Ointment, CVS Health Lubricant Eye Ointment, Lubricant PM Ointment with expiration dates ranging from February 2024 to September 2025



The products are being recalled due to lack of sterility assurance at the facility noted during an inspection conducted by the Food and Drug Administration (FDA).

For those patients who use these products, there is a potential risk of eye infections or related harm.

To date, Brassica Pharma Pvt. Ltd. has not received any reports of adverse events up to 16th February 2024 related to this recall.

Consumers with questions regarding this recall can contact Brassica Pharma Pvt. Ltd. at +1 833-225-9564 or info@brassicapharma.com. Consumers should contact their physician or healthcare provider if they have experienced any problems that may be related to taking or using this drug product



RECALL NOTICE

Sanford Family Croquet Sets Recalled Due to Violations of the Federal Lead Paint and Phthalates Bans; Sold Exclusively on Amazon by DOM Sports from May 2015 through June 2021 for \$225



The paint or surface coating on the red mallet, blue mallet, red hoop, and winning post contain levels of lead that exceed the federal lead paint ban, posing a lead poisoning hazard. In addition, the coating on the red and blue mallets contains levels of regulated phthalates that exceed the prohibition of specific phthalates. Lead and phthalates are toxic if ingested by young children and can cause adverse health issues.

There have been no reports of incidents or injuries at this time

Consumers should immediately stop using the recalled family croquet sets, and contact DOM Sports for more information on how to email a photo of the recalled products being disposed of to support@domsports.com to receive the free replacement parts. DOM Sports and Amazon are contacting all known purchasers



10 Things you should know about your Local Health Department



Scan here to get connected with us!

The Maplewood Health Department Works to...



CONTROL THE SPREAD OF DISEASE
We are responsible for investigating infectious diseases within our community. This helps ensure the disease is spread to less people and people receive timely treatment



PROTECT YOU AND OUR TOWN AGAINST ENVIRONMENTAL HAZARDS
We protect you from environmental contaminants such as lead poisoning in homes and inspect your favorite community establishments (public pools/restaurants).



PROMOTE HEALTHY BEHAVIORS
We plan and host programs to educate residents on healthy lifestyle choices. From quitting smoking, sun care, to getting vaccinated, we have the resources available to help you make informed choices.



ENFORCE PUBLIC HEALTH LAWS
We also work as an enforcement agency. To keep you and the community safe, we ensure that all local and state public health laws are followed



DEVELOP COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIPS
We bring together many stakeholders to address the health needs of our community.



DEVELOP POLICIES THAT KEEP YOU SAFE
We have our own Board of Health, and the health department provides expert guidance to help them develop public health policies and regulations



RESPOND TO AND PREPARE FOR EMERGENCIES
During emergencies, we plan an important role in coordination, enforcement, and ensuring access to treatment/preventative measures so that people do not get sick, injured, or die.



COMMUNICATE ACCURATELY AND TIMELY
It is our job to ensure that all the communities we serve have access to reliable and accurate information in ways that the community can understand.



ADDRESS SOCIAL DETERMINANTS OF HEALTH
83% of what impacts your health happens in the community, we provide health services, develop policies and regulations, and build partnerships to reduce health disparities for all residents



ENSURE EFFECTIVE OPERATIONS
All health departments must comply with NJ Public Health Practice Standards and employ licenses professionals who follow a code of ethics and receive annual training.



HealthDepartment@maplewoodnj.gov

973-762-8120 x2006



You can dispose of unused or expired medication safely at the
Maplewood Police Department 24/7



DISPOSE OF UNUSED OR EXPIRED MEDICATION SAFELY

**THE MAPLEWOOD POLICE DEPARTMENT
HAS A PERMANENT DRUG DROP BOX
AVAILABLE IN THEIR LOBBY 24/7
1681 SPRINGFIELD AVE.**



**SAVE OUR STREAMS AND RIVERS:
Please do not throw medication in the sink
or toilet**



MAKE THE RIGHT CALL

Emergency

911

- Fire
- Severe injury or medical problem
- Criminal Activity
- Life threatening situation

Mental Health Crisis

988

- Suicidal thoughts
- Emotional Distress
- Concern for a friend or family member

Social Services

211

- Food
- Housing
- Utility Assistance
- Healthcare services
- Transportation
- Legal services
- Counseling & Support

Poison Control

800-222-1222

Poison exposure from:

- Medications
- Household Cleaners
- Plants
- Bites/Stings
- Lead
- Pesticides
- Recreational Drugs

AVAILABLE 24 HOURS A DAY, 7 DAYS A WEEK.



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HEALTH DEPARTMENT




Maplewood Health Department

Medical Equipment Loaner Program

Wheelchairs, Walkers, Crutches,
Canes, Shower Chairs, Commodes



To pick up what you need or to
make a donation:

 **973-762-8120, x2006**

 **HealthDepartment@maplewoodnj.gov**

 Or stop by:
Maplewood Health Department
574 Valley Street
9AM to 4:30 PM Monday through Friday



**We can longer accept donations
of shower chairs or commodes
at this time due to capacity.**

**If a resident has one they would
like to donate, we suggest
posting them to a Facebook
Community Group or reaching
out to local centers such as
Winchester Gardens**

