



## **Freehold Township Senior Center 2019 Membership Information Sheet**

The Freehold Township Senior Center offers a wide range of recreational, social, and educational programs to its members. The center's primary goal is to provide members and their guests with a safe, healthy, and energetic environment that supports their participation in Senior Center activities and special events.

Senior Center membership runs from April 1, 2019 – March 31, 2020. Membership will be accepted beginning March 1, 2019 and is available throughout the year. Members must be 55 years of age or older. The 2019 membership fee is \$ 20.00 per person and is not pro-rated. Caregivers may be younger than 55 years old; however, are required to be members of the Freehold Township Senior Center.

New members to the Freehold Township Senior Center must be residents of Freehold Township. Due to an increase in enrollment, membership is no longer available to non-residents; however, current non-resident membership has been grandfathered thru May 1, 2019. Proof of residency via a utility bill will be required for membership.

Quarterly membership meetings will be held throughout the year. Meeting dates will be posted in the Senior Center's monthly calendar.

Freehold Township resident members will have priority registration for all activities, available on the first day of each month. Priority registration will remain open to Township residents until the 7<sup>th</sup> of that month at which time registration will be available to all members.

Registration for special events and trips will be available one month prior to the month that the activity will take place. For instance, if a social is to be held in February, registration will be held in January. Members will not be able to register for multiple months at one time.

A registration limit of two members by one member is in effect. During priority registration the two individuals must be Township residents only. After the 7<sup>th</sup> of the month the two registrations by one member may be a combination of non-residents and/or residents; however, the limit of two reservations by one member remains in effect.

Members interested in a social or on a trip should discuss any special need that may affect the member's enjoyment of that program with a Senior Center staff member prior to registering for that program.

Membership cards will be issued to all members and must be presented for all activities. A \$ 25.00 quarterly fee will be charged to non-residents for all group exercise classes. This fee must be paid prior to participation in the first class of that quarter and will be indicated on the individual's membership card.

To enhance member satisfaction and enjoyment, the Freehold Township Board of Parks and Recreation Commission has adopted a Senior Center Code of Conduct outlining behavior acceptable to participation in club activities and/or use of the center's facilities. All members of the Senior Center are required to adhere to the Code of Conduct and must consent in writing to the established guidelines.

As members of the Freehold Township Senior Center, members are expected to conduct themselves in an appropriate manner at all times while participating in programs and services provided or sponsored by Freehold Township Parks and Recreation. It is the policy of the Freehold Township Board of Parks and Recreation Commission to practice appropriate measures when handling member/guest misconduct. In keeping with that policy, all members/guests within the Freehold Township Parks and Recreation Senior Center will be expected to adhere to this code of conduct when participating in programs, taking advantage of services or using facilities. Acts of violence, disrespect of staff or fellow members, conduct unbecoming a member, theft, misuse or abuse of equipment and facility, and use of foul language or gestures will not be tolerated. The Freehold Township Parks and Recreation Department reserves the right to remove members/guests from facilities or programs via suspension periods, which may or may not include termination of membership.

In keeping with standard definitions of social etiquette, the following will be considered unacceptable behaviors:

- Lack of personal cleanliness and good hygiene
- Inappropriate and or revealing attire including footwear.
- Activities that infringe on the rights of Senior Center participants or staff.
- Destruction of Senior Center materials, equipment, furniture, and grounds.
- Inappropriate behavior or language that disturbs other participants.
- Sexual misconduct.
- Inconsiderate or discourteous behavior towards Senior Center participants or staff.
- Infractions again the Senior Center's policies regarding loitering, sales, or solicitation.
- Sale of alcoholic beverages.
- Possession, use, or sale of controlled substances.
- Racial, religious or sexual harassment of participants or staff.
- Vandalism or littering in the Senior Center or on its grounds.
- Violation of any federal, state, or city laws or ordinances.
- Violation of smoking ordinances inside and outside of the building.