

Muñoz, Bramnick Sign Pledge To Protect Senior Prescriptions

WESTFIELD — Assemblyman Eric Muñoz, M.D. and Assemblyman Jon Bramnick, Republicans representing the 21st Legislative District, have signed a pledge to fight for full funding of the state's Pharmaceutical Assistance to the Aged and Disabled Prescription and the Senior Gold Prescription programs in this year's state budget.

The pledge, put forth by the American Association for Retired Persons, asks legislators to protect low income seniors and the disabled from reduced benefits or increased costs in obtaining necessary prescription drugs through these programs.

Assemblymen Muñoz and Bramnick have pledged to vote against the Fiscal Year 2004 state budget if it reduces PAAD and Senior Gold eligibility, cuts senior benefits or increases participant expenses.

"There are better ways to deal with a budget deficit than changing the eligibility for the PAAD program. Our seniors need to continue to have access to affordable prescription drugs," said Assemblyman Muñoz, a trauma surgeon at the University of Medicine and Dentistry of New Jersey.

Under Governor James McGreevey's budget proposal,

single seniors with total assets above \$75,000 and married couples over \$100,000 would be switched from PAAD to the less generous Senior Gold program. Homes are excluded from the list of assets. Up to now, the program has been based on total income, not assets.

Seniors pay a \$5 copayment for PAAD prescriptions. Under Senior Gold, seniors pay a \$15 copayment per prescription, in addition to 50 percent of the first \$2,000 of their out-of-pocket expenses per year.

Assemblyman Bramnick said seniors currently eligible for PAAD depend on the program to pay for their prescription drugs.

"The budget ax should not fall on the back of our most vulnerable citizens — the elderly and disabled. These citizens already have diminished levels of health coverage in our state," Mr. Bramnick said.

In addition to changing eligibility standards for PAAD, the Governor plans to limit the number of drugs covered under PAAD in order for the state to negotiate better bulk prices from manufacturers.

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Asw. Stender Addresses Heating Assistance Program

SCOTCH PLAINS — Assemblywoman Linda Stender announced that the deadline to apply for the Low Income Heating Home Assistance Program has been extended to June 30.

"An unusually cold winter and soaring home heating costs have placed a sizeable burden on New Jersey residents," said Assemblywoman Stender.

The Low Income Heating Home Assistance Program (LIHEAP) is a federally funded program that helps individuals with their energy expenses. The level of assistance varies per individual or household. Assistance is calculated by examining a number of factors including family income, the number of dependents, geographical location, and the type of fuel used.

Specifically, benefits may be provided to residents with a gross monthly income that does not exceed 175 percent of the poverty line. This includes an individual with an annual income of \$15,504 or less, a family of two with an annual income of \$20,892 or less or a family of three with an annual income of \$26,280 or less.

"These benefits are available for heating assistance, cooling assistance and energy crisis intervention. I strongly urge qualified residents to apply for this program as soon as possible," said Assemblywoman Stender.

Tickets may be purchased for \$100 by calling any of event's co-chairmen, Edward Fitzgerald at (908) 668-1448, James Dougherty at (732) 774-3704 or Patrick Fay at (908) 276-4639.

Jersey residents," said Assemblywoman Stender. "This assistance program can make a real difference for seniors on a fixed income, low income individuals and families who are struggling to pay their heating bills."

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PUBLIC NOTICE

SUPERIOR COURT OF NEW JERSEY CHANCERY DIVISION UNION COUNTY DOCKET NO. F-11985-02 FILE NO. 36.0962

NOTICE TO ABSENT DEFENDANT (L.S.) STATE OF NEW JERSEY TO:
OLIVIA TERRY G/A/L FOR SAMUEL TERRY

You are hereby summoned and required to serve upon FRANK J. MARTONE, P.C., plaintiffs attorneys, whose address is 4 Brighton Road, Clifton, New Jersey, 07012, an answer to the complaint (and amendment(s) to complaint, if any) filed in a civil action in which NATIONAL CITY MORTGAGE CO. is plaintiff and CARLOS A. SANTOS AND MARIA SANTOS, HIS WIFE, et als. are defendants, pending in the Superior Court of New Jersey, Chancery Division, UNION County and bearing Docket No. F-11985-02 within thirty-five (35) days after April 17, 2003 exclusive of said date.

If you fail to do so, judgment by default may be rendered against you for relief demanded in the complaint (and amendment(s) to complaint, if any). You shall file your answer and proof of service in duplicate with the Clerk of the Superior Court of New Jersey, Hughes Justice Complex, 25 Market Street, CN-971, Trenton, New Jersey 08625, in accordance with the Rules of Civil Practice and Procedure.

This action has been instituted for the purpose of foreclosing a mortgage dated January 25, 1999 made by CARLOS A. SANTOS AND MARIA SANTOS, HUSBAND AND WIFE, as Mortgagor(s), to NATIONAL CITY MORTGAGE CO. DBA COMMONWEALTH UNITED MORTGAGE COMPANY, recorded on February 8, 1999, in Block 7068 of Mortgages for UNION County, Page 0043, and subsequently assigned to the plaintiff; and to recover possession of the lands and premises commonly known as: 247 CRANN STREET, HILLSIDE, NEW JERSEY 07205.

If you are unable to obtain an attorney, you may communicate with the New Jersey State Bar Association by calling (732) 249-5000. You may also contact the lawyer referral service of UNION the County of Venue by calling 908-353-4715. If you cannot afford an attorney, you may communicate with the Legal Services Office of the County of Venue by calling 908-354-4340.

You, OLIVIA TERRY G/A/L FOR SAMUEL TERRY, are made a party defendant to this foreclosure action because you hold a mortgage/lien/judgment that may affect the mortgaged premises and the mortgage being foreclosed herein. You are entitled to Notice of this action for any right, title, claim or interest you may have in, to or against said mortgage premises.

DONALD F. PHELAN
CLERK OF THE SUPERIOR COURT OF NEW JERSEY

FRANK J. MARTONE, P.C.
4 Brighton Road
Clifton, New Jersey 07012
1 T - 4/17/03, The Leader Fee: \$69.36

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4 Brighton Road
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PUBLIC NOTICE

2003 MUNICIPAL BUDGET BOROUGH OF FANWOOD, COUNTY OF UNION

FOR THE CALENDAR YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2003

Revenue and Appropriation Summaries

SUMMARY OF REVENUES

	2003	2002
1. Surplus	\$800,000.00	\$775,000.00
2. Total Miscellaneous Revenues	\$1,739,429.22	\$1,646,644.01
3. Receipts from Delinquent Taxes	\$172,000.00	\$150,000.00
4. Local Tax for Municipal Purposes	\$3,821,430.78	\$3,595,820.92
Total General Revenues	\$6,532,860.00	\$6,167,464.93

SUMMARY OF APPROPRIATIONS

	2003 BUDGET	2002 BUDGET
1. Operating Expenses: Salaries & Wages	\$2,844,872.00	\$2,719,594.00
Other Expenses	\$2,606,504.81	\$2,354,591.23
2. Deferred Charges & Other Appropriations	\$131,681.03	\$125,099.62
3. Capital Improvements	\$54,252.00	\$39,467.50
4. Debt Service	\$545,550.16	\$558,712.58
5. Reserve for Uncollected Taxes	\$350,000.00	\$370,000.00
Total General Appropriations	\$6,532,860.00	\$6,167,464.93
Total Number of Employees	82	82

BALANCE OF OUTSTANDING DEBT

	GENERAL
Interest	\$406,084.00
Principal	\$2,134,000.00
Outstanding Balance	\$2,540,084.00

Notice is hereby given that the budget and tax resolution was approved by the Borough Council of the Borough of Fanwood, County of Union on April 8, 2003.

A hearing on the budget and tax resolution will be held at the Municipal Building on May 13, 2003 at 8:00 o'clock (PM) at which time and place objections to the Budget and Tax Resolution for the year 2003 may be presented by taxpayers or other interested persons.

Copies of the budget are available in the office of Eleanor McGovern, Borough Clerk, at the Municipal Building, 75 North Martine Avenue, Fanwood, New Jersey, 07023, (908) 322-8236, during the hours of 8:00 (A.M.) to 4:00 (P.M.).
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Eleanor McGovern, Borough Clerk
Fee: \$131.58

HELP WANTED

NATIONAL CITY MORTGAGE CO. the 5th Largest Wholesale Lender in the nation, has immediate, full-time employment positions in their Clark, New Jersey location. Looking to fill several positions in the Underwriting, Processing, Closing & Post-Closing Departments. E.O.E. (Experience Required)

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(732) 382-9758

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67 Walnut Avenue, Suite #306
Clark, New Jersey 07066

HELP WANTED

LIFEGUARD(S) - Needed FT/PT starting 5/24/03. Amer. Red Cross lifeguard training avail. Scotch Plains & Bridgewater.
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HELP WANTED

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED
Westfield Volunteer Rescue Squad seeks persons willing to train as Emergency Medical Technicians. No prior exp. needed. Valid NJ Driv. Lic., req., min. 4 hrs/wk. We offer 24 hr. coverage. Wkday 9am - 1 pm or 1-5pm slots are perfect for parents of school children. **Childcare reimbursement available!**
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Mountainside/Springfield Insurance Agency needs a person to handle mailroom duties, filing, faxes, order supplies. Some typing & system entry. MS Word needed. Salary & Benefits.
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PUBLIC NOTICE

NOTICE OF NONDISCRIMINATORY POLICY AS TO STUDENTS

The Westfield Young Artists' Cooperative Theatre, Inc. admits young people of any race, color, national and ethnic origin to all the rights, privileges, programs, and activities generally accorded or made available to young people in the company. It does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, ethnic and national origin in administration of its educational policies, admissions policies, scholarship and loan programs, and athletic and other company-administered programs.
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BOROUGH OF FANWOOD

NOTICE OF INTRODUCTION OF BOND ORDINANCE 03-08-S AND PUBLIC HEARING

The Bond Ordinance published herewith **Ordinance No. 03-08-S** was introduced and passed upon first reading at the meeting of Council of the Borough of Fanwood in the County of Union, New Jersey, held on **April 8, 2003**. It will be further considered for final passage, after public hearing thereon, at a meeting of said Council on **May 13, 2003** at Borough Hall, 75 North Martine Avenue, Fanwood, New Jersey at 8:00 P.M. During the week prior to and up to and including the date of such meeting, copies of said ordinance will be made available at the Clerk's office to the members of the general public who shall request them.

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BOND ORDINANCE PROVIDING AN APPROPRIATION OF \$1,339,040 FOR VARIOUS CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS FOR AND BY THE BOROUGH OF FANWOOD IN THE COUNTY OF UNION, NEW JERSEY AND, AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF \$1,034,788 BONDS OR NOTES OF THE BOROUGH FOR FINANCING PART OF THE APPROPRIATION.

BE IT ORDAINED, BY THE BOROUGH COUNCIL OF THE BOROUGH OF FANWOOD, IN THE COUNTY OF UNION, NEW JERSEY (not less than two-thirds of all members thereof affirmatively concurring) AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1:

The improvements described in Section 3 of this bond ordinance (the "Improvements") are hereby authorized to be undertaken by the Borough of Fanwood, New Jersey (the "Borough") as general improvements. For the said improvements there is hereby appropriated the amount of \$1,339,040, such sum includes the sum of \$250,000 expected to be received from the New Jersey Department of Transportation in connection with the improvement described in Section 3(a) (1) and (b) \$54,252 as the down payment (the "Down Payment") required by the Local Bond Law of the State of New Jersey, constituting Chapter 2 of Title 40A of the New Jersey Statutes, as amended and supplemented (the "Local Bond Law"). The Down Payment is now available by virtue of provisions in one or more previously adopted budgets for down payments for capital improvement purposes.

SECTION 2:

In order to finance the costs of the Improvements, negotiable bonds of the Borough are hereby authorized to be issued in the principal amount of \$1,034,788 pursuant to the provisions of the Local Bond Law (the "Bonds"). In anticipation of the issuance of the Bonds and to temporarily finance said improvements or purposes, negotiable bond anticipation notes of the Borough are hereby authorized to be issued in the principal amount not exceeding \$1,034,788 pursuant to the provisions of the Local Bond Law (the "Bond Anticipation Notes" or "Notes").

SECTION 3:

(a) The Improvements authorized and the purpose for which obligations are to be issued, the estimated cost of each Improvement and the appropriation therefor, the estimated maximum amount of bonds or notes to be issued for each Improvement and the period of usefulness of each Improvement are as follows:

Improvements	Appropriation and Estimated Cost	Estimated Maximum Amount of Bonds or Notes	Period of Usefulness
1. Various road improvements including Woodland Avenue, Westfield Avenue between North and Portland Avenues, and Pleasant Avenue; resurfacing Public Works Complex, milling and resurfacing of Shady Lane, Trenton Avenue and Municipal Complex; slurry seal various streets; curb replacement and sidewalk replacement at various locations; drainage reconstruction at Poplar Place and Clement Place; bikeway path network inspection, including all work or materials necessary therefor or incidental thereto.	\$815,000	\$536,863	15.15
2. Sanitary sewer improvements at various locations, drainage pipe reconstruction of Byron Lane, and reconstruction of Byron Lane drainage, including all work or materials necessary therefor or incidental thereto.	118,000	112,123	40
3. Various recreation improvements including Forest Road Park Building renovations and LaGrande Park Field reconstruction, including all work or materials necessary therefor or incidental thereto.	160,000	152,032	15
4. Acquisition of equipment including dump truck with plow, salt spreader, four wheel drive vehicle, audio system, mobile computers and radar units, file cabinets and computer upgrade.	177,900	169,040	5
5. Various improvements to municipal property, including installation of monitoring wells, salt and gravel bins, construction of loft for fire department, roof for municipal building, elevator study and lighting for library, interior door for police department and tax map modifications.	68,140	64,730	15
TOTAL	\$1,339,040	\$1,034,788	

(b) The estimated maximum amount of Bonds or Notes to be issued for the purpose of financing a portion of the cost of the Improvements is \$1,034,788.

(c) The estimated cost of the Improvements is \$1,339,040 which amount represents the initial appropriation made by the Borough.

SECTION 4:

All Bond Anticipation Notes issued hereunder shall mature at such times as may be determined by the chief financial officer of the Borough (the "Chief Financial Officer"); provided that no Note shall mature later than one year from its date. The Notes shall bear interest at such rate or rates and be in such form as may be determined by the Chief Financial Officer. The Chief Financial Officer shall determine all matters in connection with Notes issued pursuant to this ordinance, and the signature of the Chief Financial Officer upon the Notes shall be conclusive evidence as to all such determinations. All Notes issued hereunder may be renewed from time to time subject to the provisions of Section 8(a) of the Local Bond Law. The Chief Financial Officer is hereby authorized to sell part or all of the Notes from time to time at public or private sale and to deliver them to the purchasers thereof upon receipt of payment of the purchase price plus accrued interest from their dates to the date of delivery thereof. The Chief Financial Officer is directed to report in writing to the Borough Council of the Borough at the meeting next succeeding the date when any sale or delivery of the Notes pursuant to this ordinance is made. Such report must include the amount, the description, the interest rate and the maturity schedule of the Notes sold, the price obtained and the name of the purchaser.

SECTION 5:

The capital budget of the Borough is hereby amended to conform with the provisions of this ordinance to the extent of any inconsistency herewith. The resolution in the form promulgated by the Local Finance Board showing full detail of the amended capital budget and capital program as approved by the Director, Division of Local Government Services, Department of Community Affairs, State of New Jersey is on file with the Borough Clerk and is available for public inspection.

SECTION 6:

The following additional matters are hereby determined, declared, recited and stated:
(a) The Improvements described in Section 3 of this bond ordinance are not current expenses, and are capital improvements or properties that the Borough may lawfully make or acquire as general improvements, and no part of the cost thereof has been or shall be specially assessed on property specially benefited thereby.
(b) The period of usefulness of the Improvements, within the limitations of the Local Bond Law, and according to the reasonable life thereof computed from the date of the Bonds authorized by this bond ordinance, is 16.15 years.
(c) The Supplemental Debt Statement required by the Local Bond Law has been duly prepared and filed in the office of the Borough Clerk and a complete executed duplicate thereof has been filed in the office of the Director, Division of Local Government Services, Department of Community Affairs, State of New Jersey. Such statement shows that the gross debt of the Borough, as defined in the Local Bond Law, is increased by the authorization of the Bonds and Notes provided in this bond ordinance by \$1,034,788 and the obligations authorized herein will be within all debt limitations prescribed by the Local Bond Law.

(d) An aggregate amount not exceeding \$125,000 for items of expense listed in and permitted under Section 20 of the Local Bond Law is included in the estimated cost of the Improvements, as indicated herein.

SECTION 7:

Any funds received from time to time by the Borough as contributions in aid of financing the purposes described in Section 3 of this Ordinance shall be used for financing said Improvements by application thereof either to direct payment of the cost of said Improvements or to the payment or reduction of the authorization of the obligations of the Borough authorized therefor by this Bond Ordinance. Any such funds received may, and all such funds so received which are not required for direct payment of the cost of said Improvements shall, be held and applied by the Borough as funds applicable only to the payment of obligations of the Borough authorized by this Ordinance.

SECTION 8:

The full faith and credit of the Borough are hereby pledged to the punctual payment of the principal of and interest on the obligations authorized by this bond ordinance. The obligations shall be direct, unlimited obligations of the Borough, and the Borough shall be obligated to levy ad valorem taxes upon all the taxable property within the Borough for the payment of the obligations and the interest thereon without limitation of rate or amount.

SECTION 9:

This Bond Ordinance constitutes a declaration of official intent under Treasury Regulation Section 1.150-2. The Borough reasonably expects to pay expenditures with respect to the Improvements prior to the date that Borough incurs debt obligations under this Bond Ordinance. The Borough reasonably expects to reimburse such expenditures with the proceeds of debt to be incurred by the Borough under this Bond Ordinance. The maximum principal amount of debt expected to be issued for payment of the costs of the Improvements is \$1,034,788.

SECTION 10:

This bond ordinance shall take effect 20 days after the first publication thereof after final adoption, as provided by the Local Bond Law.
Louis C. Jung, Mayor
Eleanor McGovern, Borough Clerk
Fee: \$341.19

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