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## **Wildwood Crest Fall Beach Sweep, paper-shredding service planned for October 19**

WILDWOOD CREST – The Wildwood Crest Department of Public Works, in conjunction with Clean Ocean Action/NJ Clean Communities, will host a fall Beach Sweep event on Saturday, Oct. 19, from 9 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., staged from Centennial Park.

In conjunction with the Beach Sweep, the borough will also host a paper-shredding service for borough residents from 9 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., also at Centennial Park. An industrial-sized paper shredder will be available for borough residents. A current Wildwood Crest recycling permit is required to use the paper shredder.

The Oct. 19 Beach Sweep event will be held rain or shine and will adhere to all current state and local CDC guidelines.

Volunteers must register in advance. Volunteers will be required to sign a waiver and agree to follow all safety guidelines. Please follow the link below to register:

<https://cleanoceanaction.org/aboutbeachsweeps>.

Volunteers of all ages are needed for the Beach Sweep. Participants collect, remove and record valuable data about debris, which is presented in annual reports and used to advance federal, state and local programs to reduce litter on New Jersey beaches and waterways.

Registered volunteers should check in at Centennial Park, located at Fern Road and Ocean Avenue, on the day of the event. Volunteers should wear weather appropriate clothing and are asked to bring their own gloves, water, hand sanitizer and snacks. Volunteers are also encouraged to bring their own buckets to reduce plastic bag use.

The Wildwood Crest Department of Public Works will provide water and snacks for all registered participants. Participants should bring their own reusable water bottle.

Participants who are members of the Wildwood Crest Adopt-A-Beach program will receive credit for one clean.

This Beach Sweep will be extremely helpful to the borough's already intensive efforts to keep its vast expanse of beaches clean.

For further information about the Beach Sweep or the paper shredding service, contact the Wildwood Crest Department of Public Works at (609) 522-7446 or via email at [jtait@wildwoodcrest.org](mailto:jtait@wildwoodcrest.org).