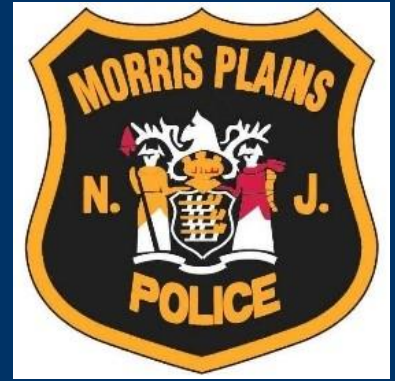


# BUILDING A SAFER MORRIS PLAINS TOGETHER



**Your Voice. Your Vote. Your Future. Your Safety.**

## **IMPROVING PUBLIC & OFFICER SAFETY:**

Our current Holding and Processing area is non-compliant and does not meet the NJ Department of Corrections criteria to qualify as a Cell or Holding Room.

## **Public Engagement & Privacy:**

Our current Headquarters does not provide a space for interaction with victims, witnesses, or juveniles (as required by the Juvenile Justice Commission). Our current interview room serves as a secondary holding area, a meeting room and a meal area for staff.

## **SPACE CONSTRAINTS:**

Oversubscribed for the current site inside and out, police vehicles and emergency equipment are stored in the Sally Port (not compliant with D.O.C. Standards), on different levels of the building, and at an off-site location.



**"We are committed to a facility that reflects the professionalism that our community and our first responders deserve."**

- Chief Mike Koroski, Morris Plains Police Department

Shall the Borough of Morris Plains be authorized to undertake renovations and improvements to the existing Police Department Headquarters, or alternatively, construct a new Police Department facility on Borough-owned property located on Tabor Road, and issue bonds in an amount not to exceed \$12 million to fund such project, in order to comply with required NJ Facility standards set by the Department of Corrections, Juvenile Justice Commission, and Officer Safety guidelines?

\* Impact: For the average homeowner, the estimated tax impact is approximately \$253 per year for 20 years. This figure may vary slightly over time, depending on future financial and assessment factors.

**\$5,060.00 per home would provide a community centered, efficient, and future ready public safety building.**

## As we celebrate our centennial in 2026, let's make an investment in our next 100 years!

- Facility upgrades would allow the Borough to meet modern and future standards for municipal and police operations.

- **Optimizing Municipal Space:** If new construction is approved, the existing police department space could be repurposed to house the Construction and Zoning Departments, which currently operate out of a converted residential structure behind the Municipal Building. This would centralize operations and improve accessibility for residents and staff.
- **Enhancing Emergency Response:** A newly constructed facility could include dedicated spaces for Fire Department and EMS vehicles, ensuring that first responders are better positioned to serve the entire Borough—especially during severe weather and flooding events that frequently impact access at “The Underpass”.

Renovations would...

- **Rectify Holding Area Deficiencies:** The department's sole holding area lacks safety and security standards necessary to protect both officers and detained individuals.
- **Provide Professional Workspace:** There is insufficient room for interviews of victims and witnesses, meetings or meal breaks for staff who frequently work 18 hours shifts.
- **Ensure Storage & Evidence Management:** Enhancing storage areas for evidence, records, and emergency equipment would improve organization, security, and operational efficiency.

### Take a tour of the facility!

Residents who have seen the building first hand have said it was, “Eye Opening” and, “A Picture is Worth a Thousand Words”.

Can't attend one of our scheduled remaining tours, e-mail Chief Koroski to set up a private tour.

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