

## Honoring Our Heroes & Plan Now for Holiday Travel! Apply for a Passport at one of our Passport Offices.

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### Honoring Our Heroes

November is Veterans and Military Families Month, and Monmouth County Clerk Christine Giordano Hanlon would like to take this opportunity to thank all of our veterans and members of the armed forces for their service and sacrifice.

The County Clerk's Office is proud to issue Veterans' ID and Gold Star Family Cards at our Freehold and Neptune Offices to honor and identify those Monmouth County residents and their families who have served our country.

Veterans' ID cards are available to Monmouth County veterans that served in active military duty.

The Gold Star Family Cards are available to Monmouth County parents, spouses, or children of service members who made the ultimate sacrifice.

In addition, Clerk Hanlon's "Honoring Our Heroes" Military Appreciation program encourages Monmouth County businesses to provide discounts to our veterans and Gold Star family members. The full list of participating businesses can be found in our Veteran and Gold Star Family Discount Guidebook, available at our offices and on our website, [MonmouthCountyClerk.com](http://MonmouthCountyClerk.com).





## Plan Ahead for Holiday Travel

With the holidays fast approaching, Clerk Hanlon is reminding residents that now is the time to apply for or to renew your passport!

According to the U.S. State Department, the current federal passport processing times are as follows:

- Routine service – 6 to 9 weeks from when the application is submitted to the day a new passport is received.
- Expedited service (for an additional \$60) – 3 to 5 weeks from when the application is submitted to the day a new passport is received.

Residents can apply for a passport at one of the County Clerk's two convenient Passport Offices in Freehold and Neptune.

The County Clerk's Passport Office locations are:

- Freehold Borough - Monmouth County Clerk's Office located in the Market Yard at 33 Mechanic Street (south of Main Street). The hours are Monday through Friday from 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. Please call 732-431-7324 to schedule an appointment.
- Neptune - Monmouth County Connection at 3544 Route 66 (near Home Depot). The hours are Monday through Friday from 10 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. and Saturdays from 9:00 a.m. to noon. Please call 732-303-2828 to schedule an appointment.

Appointments are required for parties of 4 or more. For more information, including the required documentation to obtain a passport, visit our website at [MonmouthCountyClerk.com](http://MonmouthCountyClerk.com).

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## Upcoming Events & Holidays

- **Thursday, November 24:** Thanksgiving Day, All Monmouth County Government Offices Will Be Closed
- **Friday, November 25:** Day After Thanksgiving, All Monmouth County Government Offices Will Be Closed
- **Tuesday, December 6:** Notary Notebook Seminar, Hominy Hill Golf Course, Colts Neck, 9 a.m.-12 p.m.
- **Saturday, December 10:** [Holiday Made in Monmouth](#), Robert J. Collins Arena, Brookdale Community College, Lincroft