



Borough of North Plainfield

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Dear Resident:

Enclosed please find your property tax bill for 2013. The municipal portion of the property tax bill – the portion that is under the direct control of the Mayor and Borough Council - represents 33% of your total tax bill, with the balance distributed to the Board of Education and Somerset County.

Budgetary reforms implemented locally and at the State level have helped blunt the impact of increasing property taxes. However, the lagging economy and continued diversion of the Energy Tax Receipts by the State work against property tax relief. The Borough Council and I will continue to lobby for restoration of this source of funding which was once exclusively dedicated to local property tax relief.

Likewise, the Council and I have taken a proactive approach to the redevelopment of our tax base. These efforts are coming to fruition as evidenced by the construction of the new Costco store on Rt. 22 and numerous other redevelopment sites, the development of a new Master Plan, and significant investments in our roads, sidewalks, sewers, and emergency services.

We continue our work to economize and share services where we can, as evidenced by the Shared Municipal Court Personnel agreement with Green Brook and Watchung which is in its first full year of implementation. We strive to provide and improve the municipal services you've come to expect as North Plainfield taxpayers.

The Borough Council works hard on behalf of our residents to stabilize taxes, improve our quality of life, and strengthen our community. When they are not involved in the workings of government, you will find these unpaid public servants organizing or giving time to the numerous activities sponsored by the town. These individuals serve as inspiration for the many other community volunteers who give countless hours serving on committees, volunteering at recreation events, helping clean our brooks, etc. They, along with our Borough staff of dedicated employees and professionals, help make North Plainfield thrive.

I enjoy working with all of our citizens, and no question, suggestion or complaint is too small to have my attention. If you have any, or would like to become more involved in our community, please contact me or any member of our Borough staff. We're here to serve you.

Very truly yours,

Michael Giordano, Jr.
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(P.S. Please see reverse for important information on stormwater!)