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Discover Non-Profits in Cape May County

Welcome to the Chamber's Non-Profit Newsletter, spotlighting news, events, and more of the extraordinary non-profit organizations in Cape May County!

Giving Spotlight: Mudhen Hospitality



MudHen Hospitality Group: Supporting Local Causes Through Community Engagement

The Wildwood based MudHen Hospitality Group, which includes Dogtooth Bar & Grill, Poppi's Brick Oven, MudHen Brewery and The Hen Houses, has long been dedicated to giving back to the Cape May County community, making a significant impact through their charitable contributions and support for local causes.

They actively host fundraising events throughout the year, including their popular "Dining for Dollars" initiatives, and participates in food drives and community outreach programs. The group regularly partners with local organizations such as the Lunch with Lynch Foundation, The Branches Outreach, Step Back Foundation, Cape Charities, the Cape May County Coast Guard, Lazarus House Food Pantry, and local schools to support causes like youth sports programs, educational scholarships, and food assistance for those in need.

To learn more about MudHen Hospitality, visit their [website](#) or [Facebook page](#).

We want to hear from you! If you have been involved with a non-profit organization and have an inspiring story to share, we would love to feature it in our newsletter. Whether it's about volunteering, fundraising, or any act of kindness, your experiences can inspire others to make a difference. Please send your stories and photos to events@cmchamber.com and help us celebrate the incredible work being done in our community.

Welcome to Our Newest Non-Profit Member:

Green Creek Bethel United Methodist Church welcomes people of all ages, backgrounds, and beliefs, offering a place where everyone is treated with mutual respect. With a traditional yet casual worship style, the church hosts services on Sundays at 9:00 am, along with Bible studies, meals, service projects, and fun activities throughout the week. Through initiatives like the Our Part Ministry, which provides weekend meals for local children in need, the church serves both its community and beyond, inviting all to grow in faith and build meaningful relationships. [Learn more.](#)

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In the News:



Cape May County Chamber
EDUCATION FOUNDATION

Now Accepting Scholarship Applications!

The Education Foundation is now accepting scholarship applications for graduating high school seniors heading to college or trade school, with the April 13, 2025 deadline fast approaching. Since its establishment in 2015, the Foundation has proudly awarded over \$73,000 in scholarships to support students in achieving their educational goals across a range of programs.

The Education Foundation is dedicated to the enhancement, promotion, and support of educational and training programs. These programs are designed to cultivate the skills, knowledge, and leadership of local professionals and youth, with the ultimate goal of advancing our county's talent pool, entrepreneurial spirit, and economic growth.

[Learn more about the Education Foundation Scholarships.](#)



Business at the Beach Expo Non-Profit Opportunities

The Business @ The Beach Expo on Tuesday, April 15, 2025, from 4:00 PM to 7:00 PM at the Wildwoods Convention Center, is an excellent opportunity for non-profits to connect with the business community, raise awareness, and expand their reach. This event features a special *Non-Profit Exhibit Booth rate of \$230*, making it an affordable way to showcase your mission and engage with potential supporters and partners. Be sure to arrive early for the FREE 3:00 PM Keynote Session, "Storytelling for Impact: Elevate Your Leadership Presence," presented by Anita Zinsmeister, President of Dale Carnegie Training—a valuable session for professionals looking to strengthen their leadership skills. The Expo is free to attend and offers incredible networking opportunities, along with door prizes and giveaways. [Learn more.](#)



Mike's Seafood Run/Walk for Autism

More than 2,100 participants and more than 3,000 supporters gathered for the 17th annual Mike's Seafood Run/Walk for Autism on Saturday, February 15. Runners and walkers united to make a powerful impact, raising more than \$150,000 to benefit children and young adults with Autism and other disabilities. Among the attendees were retired Philadelphia Eagles center Jason Kelce, his wife Kylie, and Ryan Hammond, executive director of the Eagles Autism Foundation, who all joined the walk on the Promenade to show their support. In addition to the 5K run and 1-mile family fun walk, participants enjoyed a variety of activities, including face painting, balloon art, informative vendor tables from different organizations, and snacks, water and juice for the participants.

In the men's overall category, Alexander Ermold of Shillington, PA claimed first place, followed by Will Sponaule in second and Mason Short in third. On the women's side, Stephanie VandenBerg of Northfield took first, with Jessica Rosetti and Corinne Conley securing second and third place, respectively.

Mark your calendars for the 18th annual Mike's Seafood Valentine's Day Run/Walk for Autism, set for Saturday, February 14, 2026, on the Sea Isle City Boardwalk! [Learn more.](#)



Avalon Lions Charities Donates to Habitat for Humanity

Habitat for Humanity of Cape May County received a \$7,000 donation from Avalon Lions Charities to support its mission of building strength, stability, and self-reliance through affordable homeownership. This contribution reflects the Lions' dedication to addressing food insecurity, healthcare access, homelessness, and other vital community needs. [Learn more.](#)

Next Gen 30 is dedicated to supporting youth and educational initiatives in Cape May County, particularly through its scholarship opportunities. These include the “Three-Point” Scholarship, a \$3,000 award for a college-bound senior who excels in academics, athletics, and service; the “Pay it Forward” Scholarship, a \$1,500 award for a senior girl’s basketball player; and the “Making of a Leader” Scholarship, a \$1,025 award for an eighth-grader attending Wildwood Catholic Academy. Applications for these awards are due by April 25, 2025. [Learn more.](#)



Run Wild 5K & 1 Mile Walk at Cape May County Park and Zoo

The Sturdy Savings Bank Run Wild 5K Run & 1 Mile Walk returns to the Cape May County Park and Zoo on Sunday, April 27. Participants can run or walk through the world-famous zoo, with proceeds benefiting the Cape May County Park and Zoo, the Cape May County Zoological Society, and The Branches Outreach in Rio Grande. [Learn more.](#)

Non-Profit Upcoming Events:



SAVE THE DATE:

11th ANNUAL FORE EDUCATION GOLF TOURNAMENT
MONDAY, JUNE 30 - THE SHORE CLUB
HONORING TOM BYRNE

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- The **Caring for Kids NJ** Community Baby Shower, hosted at the Martin Luther King Center in Whitesboro, will take place on April 4, 2025, from 11:00 AM to 3:00 PM. This fun-filled event celebrates new beginnings for moms and babies, featuring interactive games like Baby Bingo, the Feeding Dads Baby Food Challenge, and the Candy Bar in a Diaper Challenge. Attendees can enjoy chair massages, scratch-off lottery games, connect with local support services, and enter to win a gift basket, all while receiving free baby gifts and essential resources to support their families. Registration is required.... [Learn more.](#)
- **Cape May MAC's** Sherlock Holmes Weekend, taking place April 5-6, 2025, invites attendees to join Sherlock and his investigative team as they unravel a thrilling mystery in *Sherlock Holmes and the Familiar Face*. The weekend event, running from 9:00 AM to 4:00 PM on Saturday, challenges participants to search the streets of Cape May for clues, helping to solve the case of a former adversary accused of a heinous crime. The weekend culminates with the mystery’s resolution on Sunday, and the grand prize—a weekend for two at next year’s performance—awaits the most dedicated sleuths. Tickets are \$150 and include all performances, along with breakfast on Saturday and lunch on Sunday... [Learn more.](#)
- On April 11, 2025, **CompleteCare Health Foundation** will host the Cumberland County Legends, an evening honoring individuals who have made a lasting impact on the community. This year’s event is held at Merighi’s Savoy Inn and holds special significance as it also marks the foundation’s 10th anniversary, celebrating a decade of advancing healthcare and improving lives. Tickets are \$100 and can be purchased online... [Learn more.](#)
- **The Branches Outreach** will host its 1st Annual Hops, Hope & Hunger Fundraiser on April 24, 2025, from 6:00 to 8:00 PM at The MudHen Brewing Company in Wildwood. This evening of fun and generosity will support the organization’s mission to provide food, personal care, and compassionate support to those in need in Cape May County. Tickets are \$50 in advance and \$65 at the door, with guests enjoying food, drinks, music, and a basket raffle while making a difference in the community... [Learn more.](#)
- The **Cape May County Coast Guard Community Foundation** is proud to host the annual Southern New Jersey Coast Guard Ball on April 26, 2025 at Wildwoods Convention Center. This year will be a celebration of the 10th

anniversary of the Designated Coast Guard Community as well as the Foundation. Tickets are \$90 and can be purchased online... [Learn more.](#)

- **No Limits Academy**, located in Rio Grande and a nonprofit serving Cape May County for three years, provides a free boxing and youth development program that offers a safe space for children while fostering personal, professional, and spiritual growth, is hosting Battle in Rio-13 Amateur Boxing Show on April 26 from 4:00 to 8:00 PM. Tickets are \$20 each in advance or \$25 at the door... [Learn more.](#)

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Cape May Court House, NJ 08210

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Fin@atlantic.edu

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Atlantic Cape Community College offers [Candid Community](#), a free public access database filled with valuable applications and resources to support your needs. This program is funded by Cape May County bizHub, Atlantic Cape Foundation, and Thrive AC and can be found at the Atlantic City and Cape May County Campuses.

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