Thirty townships are winners in the State Association’s 52nd Annual Township Citizen Communication Contest, which recognizes outstanding efforts to keep residents informed about community issues and events.

Eight townships received first-place honors in the categories of newsletters, most improved newsletter, other publications, audiovisual communication, cable TV programs, electronic newsletters, social media, and websites. Additional townships took second- and third-place spots in the same categories.

For the first time this year, the Association is honoring two townships with an Outstanding Citizen Communication Award — one each from among those with a population over 5,000 and those with a population of 5,000 and under. The recipients of the Annual Outstanding Citizen Communication Award are **Upper Merion Township, Montgomery County**, and **Clifton Township, Lackawanna County**. The townships will receive their awards in May during the Excellence Awards Ceremony at the Association’s Annual Educational Conference in Hershey.

This annual contest recognizes townships across the state for their achievements in communicating with their residents through various publications and other media.

Entries in the newsletter category were judged based on four population classifications, while entries in the other categories competed against those in the same category regardless of population. Judges for the competition included PSATS Power of One volunteers and staff members.

Following are the winners in each category.
Most Improved Newsletter

- **First Place** — Horsham Township, Montgomery County
- **Second Place** — Upper Providence Township, Montgomery County
- **Third Place (two-way tie):**
  - Exeter Township, Bucks County
  - West Hanover Township, Dauphin County

Electronic Newsletter

- **First Place** — Moon Township, Allegheny County
- **Second Place** — West Goshen Township, Chester County
- **Third Place (two-way tie):**
  - Doylestown Township, Bucks County, for its Parks and Recreation Program Guide
  - Millcreek Township, Erie County, for its 2019 calendar
  - Worcester Township, Montgomery County, for its new resident welcome mailer
- **Third Place (two-way tie):**
  - Doylestown Township, Bucks County, for various flyers and printed materials
  - Summit Township, Erie County, for its 2019 calendar

Other Publications

- **First Place** — Doylestown Township, Bucks County, for its Parks and Recreation Program Guide
- **Second Place (two-way tie):**
  - Millcreek Township, Erie County, for its 2019 calendar
  - Worcester Township, Montgomery County, for its new resident welcome mailer
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Audiovisual Communication

- **First Place** — Lower Providence Township, Montgomery County, for “Board of Supervisors Open House”
- **Second Place** — Doylestown Township, Bucks County, for “Preserving the Past, Embracing the Future”
- **Third Place** — Warrington Township, Bucks County, for live streams of board of supervisors and planning commission meetings

More First-Place Winners

- Populations 5,001 to 10,000 Newsletters:
  - Londonderry Twp., Dauphin Co.
  - East Calm Twp., Chester Co.
- Populations 2,001 to 5,000 Newsletters:
  - Lower Providence Twp., Montgomery Co.
- Most Improved Newsletter:
  - Horsham Twp., Montgomery Co.
- Electronic Newsletters:
  - Plumstead Township, Bucks County (plumstead.org)
  - Pine Township, Allegheny County (twp.pine.pa.us)
- Websites:
  - Plumstead Township, Bucks County (plumstead.org)
  - Pine Township, Allegheny County (twp.pine.pa.us)
  - Horsham Twp., Montgomery Co.
  - East Calm Twp., Chester Co.

Watch for details on the 2020 contest coming in late summer and fall!
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Citizen Communication Contest Winners

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Other Publications:

Doylestown Twp., Bucks Co.

Audiovisual Communications:

Lower Providence Twp., Montgomery Co.

(Board of Supervisors Open House)

Social Media: Horsham Twp., Montgomery Co.

Websites: Plumstead Twp., Bucks Co.