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BUSINESS NEWS FROM AROUND SOUTH JERSEY

Advisory and accounting firm **CLM Advisors** made a charitable donation to the Washington Township Police K-9 Unit, which will offset the costs of purchasing, training and caring for additional dogs.

**Camden Community Partnership** recently received a \$75,000 grant from **Horizon Blue Cross Blue Shield of New Jersey** through its



Camden Community Partnership

Horizon Foundation for New Jersey, which will fund new and existing evidence-based health and fitness initiatives to promote healthy living in Camden.



Sixers Youth Foundation donation presentation

The **Sixers Youth Foundation** provided an additional six-figure donation to the partnership last month in support of its youth fitness programs.

The American Council of Engineering Companies of New Jersey recently recognized the **NJ TRANSIT** infrastructure upgrades at Camden's Newton Avenue bus garage with a 2024 Engineering Excellence Award.

Construction started last month on **Rowan University's** Shreiber School of Veterinary Medicine, located on Rowan's West Campus in Harrison Township. It will be the state's first veterinary school, as well as the second in the nation to offer three veterinary degrees.

Late last month, the **New Jersey Manufacturing Extension Program (NJMEP)** announced the strategic transition of its State-of-the-State of Manufacturing Summit to the **New Jersey Business & Industry Association**. The partnership is designed to elevate both advocacy and dialogue in New Jersey's manufacturing industry.



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On April 3, a ribbon-cutting ceremony celebrated the introduction of new affordable senior housing in Camden's Cramer Hill. The Harrison, developed by **The Michaels Organization**, is a \$16.3 million development integrating 55 age-restricted apartments with an array of health, wellness and activity options. It is the second of four phases in the \$165 million redevelopment of Ablett Village, Camden's oldest public housing community, with an expected summer 2024 start on the final two development phases.

**Cherry Hill's** 309 miles of paved streets are about to undergo a significant overhaul, with the town preparing to spend an estimated \$10 million on repairs this year, a sizable increase from 2023's \$8.1 million in fixing its roadways and 2022's \$3.4 million price tag.

**Stockton University** is continuing to test how viable a New Jersey maple-syrup industry could be. The college is now in its fourth year of using a \$1 million grant from the U.S. Department of Agriculture to tap syrup from the 300 acres of red maple trees around the school, each of which contain about half the sugar of a Vermont maple.

Law firm **BorgerMatez, P.A.**, has joined the firm of Weir Greenblatt Pierce LLP (WGP). All five attorneys from BorgerMatez have joined WGP in its Haddonfield office and the combined firm will continue to operate as Weir Greenblatt Pierce LLP.

The Camden-based nonprofit **Hopeworks** expanded its mission helping young adults find long-term, living-wage careers with its inaugural H.O.P.E. Summit last month, showcasing impactful panel discussions, networking opportunities and interactive workshops that focused on critical skills like digital literacy, professional development and navigating AI.

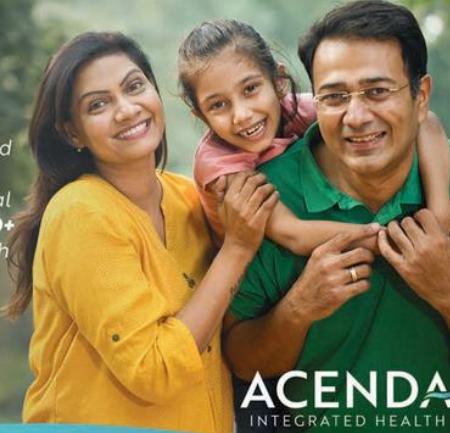


The **South Jersey Port Corporation**, with ports in Paulsboro and Salem, is expecting a 25% increase in cargo volume as a result of the recent collapse of Baltimore's Francis Scott Key Bridge.


**DIGroup Architecture** will once again work on a Camden school, as the local firm has been tasked with designing the city's new Eastside High School. Eastside is planned for

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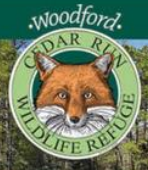



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- **Become a Volunteer:** we have corporate volunteer days available!
- **Give back:** we are always in need of donated supplies from our wish lists!
- **Come visit!** We are open daily from 10am-4pm.

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