

TOWN ASKS RESIDENTS TO SIGN PETITION DEMANDING CLOSURE OF THE NJ SPORTS AUTHORITY'S KEEGAN LANDFILL IN KEARNY

Please join the Town of Kearny in the fight by signing the petition to help call attention to the illegal dumping of waste at the Keegan Landfill. Kearny demands closure of the Keegan Landfill and will not stop until this stops. Until this is fixed, if you smell the sulfur odor, keep calling it in to both the NJ DEP (877-927-6337) and Hudson Regional (201-817-9844) complaint lines.

Link to [change.org](http://chnng.org) petition:

<http://chnng.it/LKBWCn7Qkf>

Petitions are also available at the following municipal building locations:

Kearny Town Hall

Town Clerk's Office
402 Kearny Avenue
Kearny, NJ 07032
Monday – Friday, 9am to 5:00pm

Kearny Public Library

318 Kearny Avenue
Kearny, NJ 07032
Monday, 9:30am – 6:00pm
Tuesday, 9:30am – 8:00pm
Wednesday, 9:30am – 8:00pm
Thursday, 9:30am – 6:00pm
Friday, 9:30am – 6:00pm
Saturday, 9:00am – 1:00pm

Branch Library

759 Kearny Avenue
Kearny, NJ 07032
Monday, 1:00pm – 5:00pm
Tuesday, 1:00pm – 5:00pm
Wednesday, 1:00pm – 5:00pm
Thursday, 1:00pm – 5:00pm

Kearny Health Department

645 Kearny Avenue
Kearny, New Jersey 07032
Monday through Friday, 8:30am to 4:30pm



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We, the residents of Kearny, ask the State Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) and Governor Phil Murphy to close the Keegan Landfill in Kearny which is owned and operated by the New Jersey Sports and Exposition Authority (NJSEA).

Noxious odors emanating from this landfill permeate through town daily and is having a **DETRIMENTAL IMPACT ON THE QUALITY OF LIFE** for the residents of Kearny. Many are complaining of headaches, nausea and there are raised worries about difficulty breathing due to the odors. Inspectors have verified elevated levels of hydrogen sulfide at the landfill.

The State's continued operation of the Keegan Landfill poses a public health emergency and grave environmental harm. Violations issued by the DEP include:

- Illegal disposal of liquid sewage sludge on the site (July 2018).
- Never having obtained the required air venting permits (January 2019).
- A breach in the landfill's slurry wall, which exposes the adjacent Kearny Marsh to contamination from the landfill's leachate (February 2018). The Kearny Marsh is approximately 400 acres of significant freshwater wetlands which serve as a critical regional water bird habitat.

THE LANDFILL POSES A GRAVE HEALTH CONCERN TO THE COMMUNITY OF KEARNY since it is less than 1,000 feet from residences and only 1/4 mile from Franklin Elementary School which serves over 1,000 children in grades K to 6. The landfill is also near a municipal outdoor soccer facility known as Harvey Field, a municipal public works facility and several commercial businesses.

What is being done to the residents of Kearny is a GREAT INJUSTICE and MUST END NOW. We demand the State of New Jersey immediately revoke NJSEA's operating permit and close the Keegan Landfill.

