



## The Chatham Turkey Trot • 130 Huron Drive • Chatham, NJ 07928

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Dear Editor:

This past Thanksgiving morning, more than 1,300 runners, walkers, [volunteers](#), and [sponsors](#) came to the Highlands section of Chatham Township to support the [17th Annual Chatham Turkey Trot](#). This year's event [raised more than \\$35,000](#), bringing our 17-year total to over \$365,000 to support first responders, diabetes research and education, and veterans.

The funds raised go directly to [organizations](#) dedicated to protecting and caring for our community every day: the Chatham Township Volunteer Fire Department, the Chatham Emergency Squad, Chatham Township PBA #170, the Diabetes Research Institute Foundation, The Barton Center for Diabetes Education, and the Tunnel to Towers Foundation. These groups keep our community safe, support those living with diabetes, and honor and assist veterans and their families.

This year's Turkey Trot was also held in memory of our friend and neighbor, [Kevin Myler](#), who passed away unexpectedly in early November. Seeing families and friends fill the Highlands neighborhood to run, cheer, and give back was a testament to his spirit. In his memory, we will also be donating to the [Overlook Foundation](#).

None of this impact would be possible without the generosity of [local businesses](#) that step up year after year. Special thanks go to our **Underwriter: A.Y. Strauss Attorneys at Law/Rosemary Stone-Dougherty, Esq.**; **Gold Sponsors: Bucky's Pizza, Debbie Woerner Real Estate Team/Coldwell Banker, Dreyer's Lumber and Hardware, Elements Psychological Services, GoBallistic Sports, KraftMaster Renovations, and The Pick-Up Club**; and **Silver Sponsors: Bauer Automotive, Boxcar, and Morris Animal Inn**. Their support helps turn a holiday run into real, measurable help for neighbors in need.

The Chatham Turkey Trot has become a Thanksgiving tradition because our community chooses to start the holiday by giving back. Thank you to everyone who ran, walked, sponsored, donated, or volunteered for making this year's event such a meaningful start to the day of thanks!

For those already looking forward to next year, get a jump start and [register today](#). Thanks again for making The Chatham Turkey Trot the success it's become over the past 17 years!

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads 'Curt Ritter'.

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