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BURLCO HEALTH DEPARTMENT ISSUES EXCESSIVE HEAT ADVISORY

Freeholders Offer Free Fans to Low Income Elderly or Disabled

The Burlington County Freeholders will distribute free electric box fans to qualified residents – the elderly or disabled who meet income levels - due to the local National Weather Service predicting excessive heat for today in our area. The Burlington County Health Department is asking residents to take precautions to avoid heat-related illness during the high temperatures this week.

The Office on Aging is screening applicants and the Office of Human Services is distributing the fans. Residents can call **(609) 265-5069** during normal business hours, from 8 am to 5 pm, or dial **2-1-1** after business hours to apply for a fan and get advice on avoiding heat-related illnesses.

“We are continuing our fan distribution program so that our most frail residents have a way to stay cool during this excessive heat,” Freeholder Mary Ann O’Brien said. “Residents who do not have air conditioning should visit a public facility within the county such as malls or libraries during the hottest hours of the day.”

For more information on heat-related illnesses, prevention tips and first aid recommendations please go to:

- Burlington County Health Department web site – www.co.burlington.nj.us
- New Jersey Department of Health and Senior Service – www.state.nj.us/health
- The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention – www.cdc.gov

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