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Ocean County Library Toms River Branch to Host 2024 Mental Health Provider Fair



TOMS RIVER –The Ocean County Library, the [Mental Health Awareness Committee of Ocean County](#) and the Ocean County chapter of the [National Alliance on Mental Illness \(NAMI\)](#) will mark Mental Health Awareness Month with the 2024 Mental Health Provider Fair and Awards Ceremony at the OCL Toms River Branch, 4:30 PM to 7 PM on Wednesday, May 1.

Representatives from Ocean County agencies that support children and adults affected by mental illnesses and/or substance abuse will be available to discuss resources and services at the Fair in Mancini Hall. Light refreshments will be provided.

The event will also feature the “Celebrating Wellness” awards ceremony at 5:30 PM. It will feature a proclamation presentation by the [Ocean County Board of Commissioners](#).

The Ocean County Mental Health Awareness Committee will honor community members who have worked to end the stigma often associated with mental health conditions. Fifth-grade students will be honored for participating in the “What a Difference a Friend Makes” art contest. Teens and young adults will be recognized for their art in the “Creative Expressions” contest.

Please register at <https://tinyurl.com/OcITrNAMI> for this free program. For more information, stop by the OCL Toms River Branch, 101 Washington Street, call (732) 349-6200 or visit www.theoceancountylibrary.org/events.

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CELEBRATING WELLNESS

Community Awards & Proclamation Ceremony



Wednesday, May 1st at 5:30PM

Ocean County Library - Toms River Branch,
Mancini Hall

101 Washington Street, Toms River

**Light refreshments & the NAMI Provider Fair begins at
4:30PM**

Join the Ocean County Mental Health Awareness Committee in an evening to proclaim May as Mental Health Awareness Month! This special program is dedicated to highlighting the many activities our community has cultivated in an effort to reduce stigma, increase awareness surrounding mental illness, and celebrate wellness and recovery. The Ocean County Board of Commissioners will present a proclamation, followed by an awards ceremony for our Community Advocates, Creative Expression contest artists, "What A Difference A Friend Makes" 5th grade artists and Stigma Free towns!

