

“The noblest search is the search for excellence.” - Lyndon B. Johnson

Great schools, an ever-growing Rowan University, a vibrant downtown, our amazing new Town Square, great infrastructures, safe neighborhoods and caring people. These are a few of my favorite things about Glassboro. And as Mayor, I am proud to invite you to experience everything that makes Glassboro the cultural and economic capital of South Jersey and my favorite place to be!

Glassboro’s explosive growth has created a thriving suburban lifestyle - *“321 Glassboro properties sold in 2016, up 44% in one year” - Philadelphia Magazine March 2017* - because it’s being managed carefully through adherence to strict Borough ordinances and solid planning. Borough leaders anticipate growth, prepare for it and consider developers as partners in the community’s growth. The Borough Council continues to seek opportunities to increase the Borough’s value by working to attract new business to our community. We also continue to support our existing businesses by sharing information on services and by providing programs to help them succeed. We take local businesses to another level and wholeheartedly support the over 500 businesses in town. When our businesses are successful, the Borough thrives.

Glassboro is decidedly pro-business, spurring an incredible amount of development recently, which once complete, the Rowan Boulevard Redevelopment will include 144,537 sf of retail space, 114 apartments, a 129 room hotel, 2,771 student beds, 82,000 sf of classroom space, 28,000 sf of medical space, a 17,700 sf fitness center, a 1.75 acre town square and 2 parking garages totaling over 2,300 parking spaces. It has created thousands of union construction jobs and hundreds of permanent jobs. Yet we retain a small-town feeling, evidenced by events such as a century-old Memorial Day Parade each spring that features bands and floats, Gloucester County’s largest Egg Hunt with 25,000 eggs, a Car Show with over 300 cars, St. Anthony’s Italian Festival, Craft beer Festival with over 30 Breweries, Community Day, and Boro In Lights Tree Lighting Ceremony that brings tens of thousands of people together to celebrate. This is just a sample of such events!

I am very proud to invite you to celebrate to 50th Anniversary of the “Glassboro Summit” which was the 23–25 June 1967 meeting of the heads of government of the USA and the USSR—President Lyndon B. Johnson and Premier Alexei Kosygin, for the purpose of discussing Soviet Union–United States relations in Glassboro, New Jersey. Although Johnson and Kosygin failed to reach agreement on anything important, the generally amicable atmosphere of the summit was referred to as the "Spirit of Glassboro" and is seen to have improved Soviet–US relations.

Please join me and Borough Council on June 24, 2017, for a Borough-wide celebration of this commemorative event, where we will celebrate the ever-present “Spirit of Glassboro”.

Sincerely, -  
Mayor Leo McCabe