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**Hunterdon County Continues To Receive
Recognition As A Great Place To Live**

**US News & World Report's Annual National Report
Says Hunterdon One Of The Healthiest In Country**

**Analysis Lists County School Systems
As 2nd Highest In The Entire Nation**

Hunterdon County has received additional national recognition of its special qualities, with the U.S. News & World Report's Annual Healthiest Communities Report listing the County as one of the top healthiest counties in the nation, as well as second in the entire country for education, Hunterdon County Board of Commissioners Director Susan J. Soloway has announced.

Director Soloway stated, "We all know Hunterdon County is a special place. It is why we choose to live here. However, to continually have independent sources, this time the US News and World Report, verify the quality of life in our county is a true recognition of the efforts of officials at all levels of government and our community leaders."

The U.S. News & World Report, in conjunction with the Aetna Foundation, recently listed Hunterdon County as the fifteenth healthiest county in the nation, and ranked the county's school systems as the second highest in the entire country, earning a 94.9 score out of 100 in scoring on the on-line magazine's list of Top 25 School Systems.

Soloway noted, "Various respected entities have consistently named our county as the healthiest, safest, and one of the best places for a child to get an education. They may be telling us what we already know, but it is great to hear it from outside sources."

Soloway pointed out, "A recent report by the University of Wisconsin Population Health Institute, that was funded by the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation, determined that Hunterdon County is the healthiest county in New Jersey.

And a report by 24/7 Wall Street, a financial news company, has listed the County as one of the twenty best places to live in the entire country, based on the United Nations Development Program's Human Development Index.



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Additionally, one of the most significant findings has been by the international nonprofit ‘Save the Children Fund’ that recognized Hunterdon County as the safest County in America to raise children.

Recently, the leadership and dedication of our municipalities has also been recognized when Safewise.com, an on-line resource that analyzes safety around the nation, announced that Clinton Township, Raritan Township, and Readington are among the 50 Safest towns in New Jersey, and further placing Raritan among the top 100 safest towns in the United States.”

Soloway concluded, “These latest reports on health and education are such good news, and they reinforce the successful work being done throughout Hunterdon County by the many people engaged in our communities. I thank and congratulate all involved in helping to make Hunterdon County a special place to live.”

For information on how counties were ranked, visit <https://www.usnews.com/news/healthiest-communities/articles/methodology> and to read about the 2021 Healthiest Communities nationwide, visit <https://www.usnews.com/news/healthiest-communities/rankings>