

Mantua Township



Mantua Township, which has a total area of 15.919 square miles, is located in the middle of Gloucester County. The Township borders Greenwich and West Deptford Townships to the north; the Borough of Wenonah, Deptford and Washington Townships to the east; the Borough of Pitman and part of Glassboro Borough to the south; Harrison Township to the southwest and East Greenwich Township to the west.

It is situated on an elevated bluff overlooking Mantua Creek, from which the township derives its name. Mantua Creek is named from the Indian word “Manta”, meaning frog, because of the frog chorus which yearly occurred in this area. Mantua Creek was the chief source of navigation and transportation at that time.

Mantua Township was formerly a part of Greenwich Township. An act was passed on February 23, 1853 by the New Jersey Legislature, creating the new township of Mantua. The first town meeting was held on March 9, 1853, at the Union School House, Carpenter’s Landing.

Mantua Township has a population of 15,217 (2010 Census), 14,217 (2000 Census), 10,074 (1990 Census).

Gloucester County is 329 square miles with a Total Population of 288,288.

Median Household Income: \$69,990

Median House Value in Gloucester County: \$220,400

