
JERSEY CITY CUTS 278 JOBS



Jersey City, New Jersey will lay off 278 employees on February 26th to combat a budget deficit in the millions. 240 season workers, 36 provisional employees and 2 unclassified employees will lose positions. None of the job losses are civil service positions. These lay offs will save Jersey City \$1.3 million in 2010 and \$4.3 million in 2011. Without these cuts the city budget would raise taxes by \$800 for the owner of a home assessed at \$100,000 according to officials. Last month the city also closed four fire companies and scaled back the arson unit. The City Council will hold a public hearing on the budget February 24.

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