



Mayor Vieau - COVID-19 Situational Update

We are in this together!

The City of Chicopee has transitioned to daily updates as the COVID-19 situation has warranted a centralized/increase in the distribution of information. These updates are intended to keep all informed of the actions being taken to reduce the impacts of Coronavirus on the community.

On Thursday, May 14, 2020, the following City of Chicopee Departments have reported:

Mayor's Office

- The Reopening Team for municipal buildings
 - Working on a date to call back all employees to full staff
 - Working on Plexiglas dividers for counters
 - And, hand sanitizer, gloves and face coverings for all staff
- The Governor has given us no indication which businesses will be allowed to open on Monday.
 - Indicated it IS a deliberative approach to withhold any information/hints to what would open first or how
 - No hints will be provided until correct information is released on Monday, the 18th.
 - It was indicated that only businesses that would be able to distance and not have customer interaction or very limited customer interaction

Health Department

- We have 125 open cases, 178 people who have recovered and six deaths. We have 30 people listed as N/A which are from another non-Chicopee facility or not recognized as a Chicopee address.
 - The two day old baby has recovered
- COVID Task Force will be visiting stores and businesses to check compliance
 - Generally most have been in compliance

Police Department

- Staffing is status quo with all shifts reporting and reminding them to wear masks
- One person arrested was reported COVID positive
 - The two arresting officers have been sent for testing
 - There is limited impact on the force from the arrest and all shifts and stations are covered

Fire Department

- The Department is status quo with staff in place and services continuing
- Have adequate PPE for department

Emergency Management

- We are status quo with services and continuing to help with meal distribution
- We are in need of thermometers and are looking for a reasonable source
- Expect a PPE delivery from MEMA tomorrow

COA

- We are continuing to provide services
- There are 250 meals scheduled for Friday
 - Another 100 for the weekend
 - Obtained use of school department freezers to help with meal demand
- Wellness calls are continuing
 - Seniors are doing well but miss their friends and the Center

DPW

- Status quo on staffing and providing services
- The Highway Department is milling College Street with construction programs continuing
- Planning more work projects as staffing increases
- Department has adequate PPE with some cloth masks and surgical masks if others are in short supply

Treasurer's Department

- As we prepare for the return of full staff each department is different and must make plans based upon needs
- Would like a Plexiglas divider for service counter to prevent disease from being spread