



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 Tuesday, May 26, 2020, the following City of Chicopee Departments has reported:

Mayor’s Office

- The Governor’s four phase approach is continuing.
 - Hair and barber shops open by appointment, non-essential retail open for curbside, offices open at 25%, and Chicopee State Park open
- Weekend state numbers are improving
 - 80 deaths reported on Friday the 22nd,
 - 76 on Saturday,
 - 68 on Sunday; and,
 - 44 deaths reported on Monday the 25th
- New cases are on a downtrend and testing continues to increase
- There was a robocall for residents which was well received
- Working on protocol for municipal buildings to reopen

Health Department

- We had one case reported on Saturday, four on Sunday and four today for a total of nine cases over the weekend
- We have 152 open cases, 200 people who have recovered and six deaths
- Car washes must keep vacuums closed
 - Had to enforce the closure over the weekend
- We had some nail and barber shops reported open on Saturday and Sunday
- Some cities are interpreting the Governor’s phases differently
 - Chicopee continues with an educational, informative approach with businesses and residents

Police Department

- One positive case had two negative tests and returned to work. Status quo on department and services
- Each division has a thermometer and checking officers temperatures at beginning of the shift
- C-3 policing are walking beats in center and may ride bikes if they choose

Fire Department

- The Department is status quo with staffing
- Temperature checks are performed every morning and at shift changes at every station

Emergency Management/ OSHA Safety

- Continuing with services and support
- Have adequate PPE for departments and fulfilling at requests
- Received a request from CEL being filled and looking at a larger stockpile for the future
- Working on thermometers for all municipal buildings with three in DPW, one in City Hall, Police and Fire are covered and working with COA on supplying them for drivers to test person before providing a ride
- Power point presentation was drafted for employees and submitted for review
- Continue to work on FEMA and Cares Act reimbursement

COA

- Preparing 250 meals for distribution tomorrow
- Working with School Department
 - freezer truck to get fresh meat for distribution to seniors
 - freezer space for perishables

DPW

- Status quo with full staffing
- Services continuing and ready for June 1st all employees returning to regular shifts