



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 28, 2020, the following City of Chicopee Departments has reported:

Mayor’s Office

- Developing a re-opening plan and will review at the Department Head meeting
- State recorded 527 new cases and 74 deaths from COVID-19 which continues the trend statewide towards re-opening more activities
- The City remains at six deaths for some time which shows our mitigation efforts are working
- We are flattening the curve and providing room for our healthcare professional to work and treat patients
- We have been focused on COVID-19 and not able to focus on other City projects and plans

Health Department

- We have 121 open cases, 235 people who have recovered, 39 N/A as they are not Chicopee people and six deaths.
- Testing is down at the Big E testing site with fewer individuals needing tests so they are reducing hours
- The nursing homes are doing well and continue to monitor their patients

Police Department

- Status quo on department and services

Fire Department

- The Department is status quo with staffing

Emergency Management

- We are continuing with services and support
- CEL has a gap and needs some PPE which we are working on for them

- Numbers show the daily rate of new infections decreasing
 - While the total number of cases increases the rate of infection is actually decreasing
 - Infection rates went from 18% in the beginning of April to below 1% now in Hampden County
 - Hartford County and surrounding Counties are showing a declining rate of infections as well
 - The rate of doubling went from every 2 to 3 days to now 30 days to double
 - The mortality rate was 20% but has declined to 0.7%
 - Order of cloth masks are available for pick up
- Will be reviewing expense submissions over the weekend to prepare for reimbursement submission

OSHA Safety

- Another order from MEMA was received and included thermometers
- We still need gloves and wipes which are ordered
- Beginning a supply of masks and hand sanitizer for any outbreak
 - Need a storage place
 - Want to get some incase of outbreak from reasonable suppliers
- Vendors are being researched for best prices and service

COA

- Status Quo on services and staffing

DPW

- Status quo with full staffing
- Working on bringing back all employees for June 1st and open for public by appointment only on June 8th
- Drop-off area plan being put in place for the 8th to be ready for public