



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 Monday, June 22, 2020, the following City of Chicopee Departments has reported:

Mayor's Office

- The vigil and wake for Officer Angela Santiago was held and well attended by city representatives. Both appeared to have been appreciated by her family and Chicopee High School was well represented as she was an SRO for the school
- The state reported continued progress in reducing infections;
 - Testing completed were 8,800
 - 125 new cases were reported
 - 30 deaths
 - Overall MA has had 107,000 cases and conducted close to 1 million tests
- A large number of outdoor dining facilities have opened with Fire, Police, Building and Health inspecting to locations and issuing permits. There was a request to close an alleyway for dining which will require review, especially from the Fire Department if it is an access point for equipment and apparatus or exit way for a building experiencing a fire
- Budget hearings start Tuesday

Health Department

- We had two new cases reported over the weekend. Chicopee has 53 cases open, 339 recovered and 45 N/A. We unfortunately have 10 of individuals aged 58 – 100 all of whom had underline health conditions
- County trends for Hampden County continues to show progress with ICU and hospital capacity both trending in a favorable direction
- Inspections of indoor dining facilities will begin

Police Department

- Status quo on services and staffing
- Team continues to help with inspections
- Seniors are at risk and continue to focus on them

Fire Department

- Status quo with staffing and supplies
- Conducting inspections of facilities as they open to ensure fire safety

Emergency Management

- If any department needs PPE please reach out
- Services continue and status is good

OSHA Safety

- Working with Park Department on reopening Park programs. Focus is on cleaning equipment and restrooms. Staffing of parks with two or three attendants to ensure disinfecting is taking place
- Continuing to provide PPE
- Working with DPW crews on masks and guidelines as days get into the high 80's and 90 degrees. Must wear mask if cannot socially distance and should stay more than six feet away from other workers

COA

- Status Quo on services and staffing with 900 meals last week and on track for 1000 meals this week
- Five Zoom classes were scheduled and have participants in these activities
- Tablets owned by COA are being programed and will be loaned out to members
- Working on grants as funds for meals is running out

DPW

- Status quo with staffing and services