



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, March 8, 2021, the following City of Chicopee Departments have reported:

Mayor's Office

- The state COVID numbers remain low with 1,281 new cases reported for a total of 27,320 open cases
- The state numbers were 41 new deaths and 665 cases in hospitals, with 116 in an ICU. The average age of hospitalization remained at 69 years old
- The state seven day average positivity rate remained below 2% at 1.66%
- A CVS in Chicopee has begun to administer vaccinations
- Dr. Fauci indicated the variants are spreading through the US and the UK variant is seen as increasing the number of infections, keeping the rate steady which negates the progress we were making with virus controls and protocols with a somewhat steady rate of 60,000 to 70,000 new cases a day
- For vaccinations in the state there were 2.4 million doses delivered and 2.1 million doses administered. This includes the federal numbers as well as the doses disbursed by the state

Health

- City Case Counts
 - We have 204 open cases
 - There are 23 deaths (two more are pending covid-confirmation)
 - 114 N/A
 - 3,045 recovered
 - A total of 3,386 cases to date
- The state is asking us to deliver doses to homebound seniors or provide information for the state to administer doses
- We will discuss this at the 2:00 pm Vaccine Task Force Meeting

Police Department

- Status Quo on services
- We still have one officer out on long-term recovery
- Two officers are in quarantine testing positive
- We will be sending a notice to officers who choose not to be vaccinated that the J&J vaccine is now available

Fire Department

- Status quo on services with one firefighter out on long-term recovery
- No new cases

Emergency Management

- Services and staffing continue
- Wisniewski Park distribution of food, coats, gloves, and clothing by Lorraine's, the Sts. Constantine and Helen Greek Orthodox Church and the city went very well with recipients appreciative of the offerings

Safety

- Status Quo on staffing
- There were 60 tests administered so far today, Monday
- We have ordered another batch of test kits for the rest of the month as tests are steady

DPW

- Status quo on staffing
- We had one employee return and now have another employee out on quarantine

COA

- Status Quo on staffing and services
- We have distributed 48 food boxes and continue to see a need for food
- Names of the homebound have been sent to the Mayor's Office and distributed to Health and Fire

Human Resources

- Status Quo on services

Treasurer

- Receipts are good and funds are available for CARES Act with one reimbursement received