



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, May 3, 2021, the following City of Chicopee Departments have reported:

Mayor's Office

- We continue to refer questions on vaccine appointments to the City website to sign up or to the state webpage
- We have gotten positive comments on both the River Mills site and the Castle of Knights site
- The state COVID numbers are showing a slight decrease with 786 new cases which is below 1,000 for the first time in a long while
- There were a total of 24,104 open cases which is down by about 2,000 cases
- The state numbers were 4 new deaths which is continuing to decrease
- The state had 525 cases in hospitals, with 143 in an ICU. The average age of hospitalization remained at 61 years old
- The state seven day average positivity is also decreasing a rate of 1.49%
- Testing is slowing but active with 61,480 molecular tests reported and brings the cumulative tests to 21,509,976 tests

Health

- We are starting to see a decrease in the number of cases in Chicopee with only 18 so far today
- City Case Counts
 - There are 198 open cases
 - There are 26 deaths
 - 120 N/A
 - 3,961 recovered
 - A total of 4,305 cases to date
- We had 158 vaccinations Friday at the Castle of Knights
- The Council on Aging had meet the target of 160 vaccinations a day site for the week
- Holyoke Health Care will be going out to Housing Authorities for mobile vaccinations
- We are continuing to run our testing site

Police Department

- Status quo on services and staffing

Fire Department

- Status quo on services with one firefighter in quarantine
- We have 180 individuals signed up for the Castle of Knights vaccination site tomorrow
- There is the ability to have friends and neighbors vaccinated at the Castle of Knights by setting up an appointment with the site
- We are looking for creative ways to get people into the vaccination site
- The K of C is available for walk-ins from 10:00 am to 1:00 pm which will help us manage doses
- The Castle site will need some volunteers this week and we are working with the Red Cross to have some volunteers help at the site
- A Clerk was hired for the site and will start this week

Emergency Management

- Status quo on services and staffing
- The Holyoke Health Center will be leafletting the Center businesses and the Housing Authorities a week before going there with the mobile van
- That will help generate interest in the mobile vaccination van and get hard to reach populations to the mobile van
- The Center may be difficult as the CVS is in the Center and is easily accessible to the Housing Authority
- Holyoke Health is working with the Housing Authority and the C-3 Policing unit

Safety

- Status Quo on staffing
- We had 22 tests so far today
- Monday and Wednesday are continuing as testing days at the River Mills Center

DPW

- Status quo on staffing
- We have one employee out and he will return on Wednesday

COA

- Status Quo on staffing and services
- Appointments continue to come into the COA and we are directing them to the Castle of Knights site
- A resident who is an EMT in another Fire Department wants to volunteer at our Chicopee vaccination site
- We will have two employees out with COVID on quarantine

Human Resources

- Status Quo on services

Treasurer

- Status Quo