



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 Friday, June 5, 2020, the following City of Chicopee Departments has reported:

Mayor's Office

- Car parade today for Chicopee Comprehensive High Graduates with a set route
- Preparing for protests this weekend.
 - Police have worked on a positive relationship with community and will continue to build relationships
- MA COVID numbers for today/a month ago- May 5th
 - 471 new cases / 1,000 new cases a month ago
 - 50 new deaths / 81 deaths a month ago
 - 8,000 tests
 - Trending in the right direction
- Outdoor dining moving forward
 - Foreseeing a need for a vaccine for large athletic and sporting events

Health Department

- We had 3 new cases reported. There are 99 open cases and 277 recovered, 42 N/A, 3 hospitalized and 6 deaths
- Plans for dining are being received and getting questions.
 - Application will be ready today and posted
 - Guidelines will be specific and tailored to Chicopee
- Retail browsing will be allowed with limitations

Police Department

- Status quo on department and services
- Working with Lisa on plans and awaiting guidelines for outdoor dining

Fire Department

- The Department is status quo with staffing and supplies

Emergency Management

- We are status quo continuing with services

OSDH Safety

- Status Quo for PPE, gloves, masks and sanitizer
- Appointment sheets will be available for the doors on Monday as municipal buildings open by appointment only

COA

- Status Quo on services and staffing
- July/August newsletter is ready to release with lots of virtual and Zoom programing.
 - Operating in partnership with Arbors and Other groups
- MOCA is cancelling the tax preparation service for the rest of this year
- Transportation for emergencies has been worked out both with updated policies and procedures

DPW

- Status quo with full staffing
- One person tested positive, but retest was negative

Parks

- One employee test positive (asymptomatic) and second test was negative.
 - Awaiting results on two other employees
- Still waiting for direction on opening summer programs.
 - Looking at more smaller programs to ensure safety of staff and participants
- State should be releasing guidance on Pools, Parks and Playgrounds soon
 - we will need to review and plan

“Safety and wellbeing of every employee is paramount in our actions and decisions.” Mayor Vieau