



## Mayor Vieau - COVID-19 Situational Update

*We are in this together!*

The City of Chicopee has 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 Wednesday, January 5, 2022, the following City of Chicopee Departments have reported:

### **Mayor's Office**

- The statewide numbers for infections continue to increase in all age categories
- The state had 27,612 new cases which is up significantly from last week
- The state numbers indicated 54 new deaths yesterday which is a large increase from last week
- The state had 2,426 cases in hospitals, with 427 in ICU which is up significantly compared to last week
- The state seven day average positivity is 22.06%
- Testing is continuing with 138,316 molecular tests reported which brings the cumulative tests to 36,631,691 tests
- Vaccination opportunities are available to residents and we remain at 59% vaccinated
- The group of 20-40 year olds remain the largest group being infected with children 5-14 the next highest group of infections
- We are encouraging vaccinations

### **Health**

- City Case Counts
  - There are 426 open cases
  - There are 32 deaths
  - 140 N/A
  - 7,295 recovered
  - A total of 7,896 cases to date
- We are averaging 50 cases a day
- We continue to encourage vaccines, hand washing, wearing a mask, and distancing
- Vaccinations are available at pharmacies and they are administering Booster doses as well
- The COA is offering a vaccine clinic 1/6/2022
- The vaccine does not mean that you cannot get COVID, it just decreases the severity of the infection so we are urging testing for the holidays to know your status
- It is more important to know your status for the holidays so you do not spread the virus

**Police Department**

- 7 officers are out with Covid
- 7 officers have returned

**Fire Department**

- 9 firefighters are out with Covid
- 6 firefighters have returned

**Emergency Management**

- Status quo on staffing
- The trends in the area and state are not good with increasing infections
- Increased help needed to maintain a successful testing site

**Safety**

- Status quo on staffing
- There were 367 tests administered on Monday and 138 tested positive for COVID
- We continue to see individuals who were vaccinated getting infected and surprised with the positive tests
- These individuals have no or only minor symptoms

**DPW**

- Status quo on staffing and services

**COA**

- Status Quo on staffing and services
- Holding a vaccine clinic on January 6, 2022

**Human Resources**

- Status Quo on services

**Library**

- 2 staff members are out with Covid

**Treasurer**

- Status Quo