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COVID-19 Updates



The Kingston Board of Health, Board of Selectmen, Town Administrator and Emergency Management Team are closely monitoring the situation regarding the Coronavirus (COVID-19). We are prepared to make informed decisions that align with the Massachusetts Department of Public Health's guidelines. Our priority is to serve and

support Kingston residents, employees, and businesses through the continuity of basic services and operations. We will continue to update this page as the situation develops. For the latest up-to-date information, please visit the Center for Disease Control and Massachusetts Department of Public Health's websites listed below.

The situation surrounding COVID-19 is extremely fluid. For the latest up-to-date information, regarding the Town of Kingston's response to the virus please <u>click here.</u>

CDC.GOV - CORONAVIRUS UPDATES

MASS.GOV - REOPENING MASSACHUSETTS

Massachusetts Emergency Management Agency COVID-19 Command Center Daily Situation Reports

Number of Confirmed Cases of COVID-19	#
PLYMOUTH COUNTY	
Statistics based on June 3, 2020 DATA	

<u>Click here</u> to view the most recent COVID-19 Update video on PACTV

Residents in need of additional support or services are advised to contact the appropriate individual below during the hours of 8:00 AM - 5:00 PM, 7 days a week. We will be checking voicemails regularly, and will work diligently to direct residents to the appropriate

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Services:	Contact: 8:00 am to 5:00 pm	Phone #
Elderly Services / Residents with Disabilities	Paula Rossi-Clapp, Director of Elder Affairs	781-585-0511
General Information	Tom Calter, Town Administrator	508-717- 1483
Board of Health	Arthur Boyle, Health Agent	781-585-0503
Fire and Non-Emergency EMS Services	Mark Douglass, Fire Chief and Adam Hatch, Deputy Fire Chief	781-585-0532

For All Medical Emergencies Call 9-1-1

Kingston's Plan to Reopen Buildings and Facilities

Animal Control: Kingston's Animal Control offices remain on-call throughout the COVID-19 pandemic, with limited on-site services. Staff are scheduled to return to their offices on Monday, June 1st, and

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volunteers are tentatively scheduled to return on Monday, June 8th. Please contact Animal Control at (781) 585-0529 with any questions.

Council on Aging: Kingston's Council on Aging has remained open for outreach services and meal deliveries throughout the COVID-19 pandemic. Transportation services are scheduled to resume on Monday, June 1st. The building and related programming will remain closed, pending further guidance from the Commonwealth. Please contact the Council on Aging at (781) 585-0511 with any questions.

Kingston Harbormaster: The Ah Dee Nah is open for limited use. Rules for use have been posted throughout the property. The parking lot is closed at 9:00 PM. Shellfishing is open for the season. For additional information regarding shellfishing licenses can be found online at <u>https://bit.ly/3eqDOJU</u>. Please contact the Kingston Harbormaster at (781) 585-0519 with any questions.

Library: The Kingston Public Library has maintained digital services and programming throughout the COVID-19 pandemic. The building will remain closed to the public through June 29th, with curbside pickup services beginning on Monday, June 1st. Please contact the Kingston Public Library at (781) 585-0517 with any questions.

Recreation Department: Staff are scheduled to return to their offices on Monday, June 1st. Gray's Beach Park is currently open with restrictions and limited amenities. Rules for use have been posted throughout the property. Athletic fields will remain closed, pending further guidance from the Commonwealth. Please contact the Kingston Recreation Department at (781) 585-0533 with any questions.

Schools: Please visit www.slrsd.org for information relating to the Silver Lake Regional School District.

Town House: Staff are scheduled to return to their offices on Monday, June 1st. The building will open to the public by appointment on June 8th. If you would like to schedule an appointment to meet with staff in the building, please call the appropriate department to make those arrangements. Department phone numbers will be posted on the doors, and can be found at <u>www.kingstonmass.org</u>. If visiting the Town House, please adhere to the posted rules and traffic flow signage.

*All dates are subject to change. We ask for your continued patience as we safely and responsibly reopen the Town of Kingston.

Massachusetts 2-1-1 will now provide real-time COVID-19 information, resources, and referrals in multiple languages. Residents can call 2-1-1 to learn more about:

COVID-19 prevention, symptoms, and treatment Information about testing . Guidance for people planning or returning from travel.

Massachusetts 2-1-1 is open to callers 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. Operators fluent in Spanish are available, and more than 150 other languages are supported through an interpreter services line that is available 24/7.

Residents with questions can dial 2-1-1 from any landline or cellphone. Callers dialing 2-1-1 will hear an automated menu of options. Callers press 2-6 for coronavirus. Residents can also reach 2-1-1 through a live chat option on the <u>Massachusetts 2-1-1 website</u>.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts has launched a messaging tool called **"AlertsMA"** which will allow residents to subscribe to real-time notifications by **texting the keyword COVIDMA to 888-777**. After signing up, state and public health officials can send short messages and links to information directly to a resident's cell phone or other mobile device.

Taking care of your emotional health and well-being during this time is important. <u>Click here</u> for tips from the Massachusetts Department of Public Health for resources for reducing stress and healthy coping, combating isolation and loneliness, activities for children, mental health crisis support, and more.

The Executive Office of Health and Human Services has created a **Nursing Home Family Resource Line.** This is a dedicated phone line to connect family members of nursing home and rest home residents with the information and resources they need. This resource provides one central contact for families and community members who have questions about the nursing home or rest home care their loved one is receiving during the COVID-19 pandemic. **The Nursing Home Family Resource Line is staffed from 9:00 AM – 5:00 PM, 7 days a week, and can be reached at 617-660-5399.**

<u>Click here</u> to view the CDC's instructions on how to make face coverings from household items or from common materials at a low cost.

For information regarding closures and program cancellations, please visit: <u>Council on Aging</u> <u>Kingston Public Library</u> <u>Recreation Department</u> <u>Silver Lake Regional School District</u> List of Essential Workers per Gov. Bakers Orders 3/23/20 6/4/2020

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American Red Cross COVID-19 Resources

Prevention of Domestic Violence During Crisis

The Baker-Polito Administration announced the expansion of SafeLink, the Commonwealth's statewide, 24/7, toll-free and confidential domestic violence hotline to now include resources and support for survivors of sexual assault. The SafeLink toll-free number is (877) 785-2020. For the hearing-impaired, the SafeLink TTY number is (877) 521-2601. Advocates are available in English and Spanish and can provide translation in more than 130 languages

Emergency/Crisis Services

If you or a family member are experiencing a mental health or substance use disorder crisis, the Emergency Services Program/Mobile Crisis Intervention (ESP/MCI) is available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, 365 days a year. Anyone may contact ESP/MCI for assistance. Call toll-free at 1 (877) 382-1609.

COVID-19 Relief Funds List

Archived Letters to Residents re: COVID-19

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