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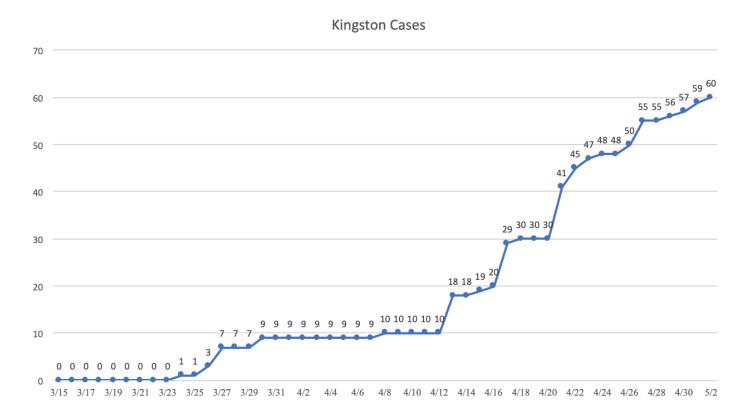
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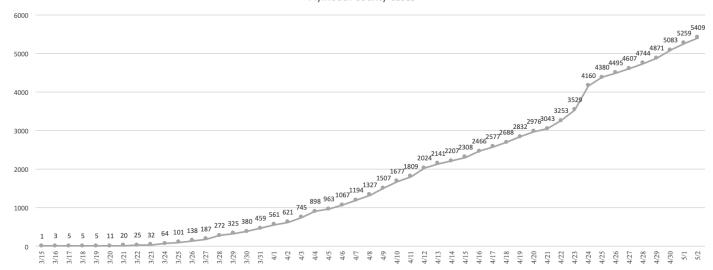
Saturday, May 2, 2020

To the Residents of Kingston,

This afternoon the Massachusetts Department of Public Health announced that there were 5,409 confirmed positive cases of COVID-19 in Plymouth County. This represents an increase of 150 from yesterday's count of 5,259. Earlier today the Town of Kingston was informed of 1 additional confirmed positive case of COVID-19, bringing the Town's total number of cases to 60. Of the Town's total number of confirmed positive cases, 29 are from one facility. Our Health Agent and Public Safety Officers will continue to monitor these local cases. Due to privacy requirements, the demographics of these cases will remain anonymous.

These graphs are a visual companion to the numbers that we have been reporting each day.





As shared in yesterday's "Advisory 50," pursuant to Governor Baker's Executive Order, effective Wednesday, May 6th, everyone in the Commonwealth is required to wear a face mask or similar covering in public. This order includes those entering businesses, spending time outdoors, or traveling on public transportation, if they are unable to socially distance themselves from others. The Department of Public Health, local boards of health, and authorized agents pursuant to G. L. c. 111, § 30 are authorized to enforce this Order and if necessary may do so with the assistance of State or municipal police. Violation of the terms of this Order may result in a civil fine of up to \$300 per violation.

Yesterday morning PACTV aired a COVID-19 Update featuring District Attorney Tim Cruz, Town Clerk Paul Gallagher, and Town Administrator Tom Calter. COVID-19 and social distancing have not stopped individuals determined to take advantage of unsuspecting victims. DA Cruz discussed what Kingston residents can do to protect themselves from some of the scams that are being run during this pandemic as well as how this virus has impacted the court system. Town Administrator Calter spoke to the Town's response to this pandemic, the collaboration and high morale among Town employees, and how this event will impact the Town's budget. Town Clerk Gallagher spoke about Kingston's upcoming elections and how they will look amidst this pandemic. The program will be rebroadcast on Kingston's government channels (Comcast 15 and Verizon 42), and a link to the program has been posted to the Town's website.

Please continue to visit www.kingstonmass.org for daily updates from Kingston's Emergency Management Team, as well as links to the Massachusetts Department of Public Health (DPH) and the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) websites.

We are all in this together.

Kshua A. Warren, Chairman

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