

Old Saybrook

COVID 19 Community UPDATE #40 – April 24, 2020

The following Community Update is being provided to you from the
Town of Old Saybrook Emergency Operations Center.

The intent of this document is to provide a daily summary of preparedness,
response and other government activities.

Public Safety & Community Information

- The Nation, State, and Town remain under Declared States of Emergency.
- The Town’s Emergency Operations Center (EOC) remains operational.
- There were no new CONFIRMED cases of COVID-19 today in Old Saybrook.
- Old Saybrook belongs to the Connecticut River Area Health District (CRAHD).
- This includes the Towns of Chester, Clinton, Deep River, Haddam, and Old Saybrook.
- These are the current reported Positive Cases according to CRAHD: (No new cases today!)

-	Chester	-	31 Confirmed Cases	6 Deaths
-	Clinton	-	30 Confirmed Cases	2 Deaths
-	Deep River	-	9 Confirmed Cases	
-	Haddam	-	18 Confirmed Cases	
-	Old Saybrook	-	21 Confirmed Cases	
- The weekend is upon us and tomorrow’s weather looks nice! Go outside and enjoy the sun!
- Please make sure you adhere to Social Distancing Rules when going outside this weekend!
- No groups of more than five (5) people AND please maintain six (6) feet apart from others.
- PLEASE adhere to the Governor’s Order and wear a mask in public!
- The Police Department will respond to complaints of those not following the rules.
- Do your part to prevent “community spread.” Your actions affect the health of others.
- The Emergency Operations Center is *working on* a Face Mask for all Program for OS Citizens.
- Find a COVID-19 Testing Center Near You! [COVID-19 Testing Sites Locator](#)
- The Public Safety Leadership Team met today with the First Selectman.
- We have seen a slight increase of crime. Unattended homes and vehicles should be locked.
- An updated list of this weekend’s church services is attached.

Public School District

- The Public School District served 338 students breakfast and lunch today.
- The District is working on plans for year-end grading and activities, by getting input from educators, parents, and students.
- The Superintendent and School Administrators are maintaining open communication with all students, parents, and staff.
- Registration for the early childhood and kindergarten classes of 2020-21 is OPEN!
- To register click here: https://www.oldsaybrookschoools.org/parents/enrollment_registration

Public Health

- It is extremely important that EVERYONE takes this Public Health Emergency seriously!
- Restaurants MUST close their outdoor eating areas to the public.
- Your emotional health is very important as well!
- Set a limit on media consumption, including social media, local or national news.
- Stay hydrated and avoid excessive amounts of caffeine or alcohol. (Please!)
- Connect with loved ones and others who may be experiencing stress about the outbreak.
- Talk about your feelings and enjoy conversation unrelated to the outbreak.

Municipal Government Operations

- The Transfer Station will be OPEN tomorrow. Please practice social distancing.
- A public conference call for business owners will take place this Saturday at 10 AM.
- Call in information can be found here: <https://www.oldsaybrookchamber.com/>
- Subscribe to Acton Library's email newsletter for programs news and announcements:
<http://actonlibrary.org/subscribe/>

Social Services / Youth and Family Services

- Social Services Appointments will be conducted by phone, 860-395-3188.
- Youth and Family Services Counselors are providing tele-counseling services. 860-395-3190.
- Sesame Workshop is increasing its efforts to help kids and parents stay informed and educated during the coronavirus pandemic. In a special collaboration with CNN, the news network will air *The ABC's of Covid-19: A CNN/Sesame Street Town Hall for Kids and Parents* on Saturday.
- The 90-minute program will tackle a number of topics kids and parents may be grappling with in the midst of the ongoing pandemic, including anxiety, education, screen time and changes with playdates. *Sesame Street* characters like Elmo, Abby Cadabby, Rosita and Grover are set to make appearances in the town hall and answer questions submitted by families with the help of medical experts.

Good News!!

BRING SMILES, JOY & COMFORT

Winners Announced and Pizzas Delivered!!

Over 200 cards & pictures will be delivered to Gladeview Health Care & Apple Rehab next week.

(We are currently laminating them all so they can be cleaned between patients.)

We will have a video to show you many of the submissions very soon! It will brighten your day!

Our next Contest will be announced soon...Here's a Hint... **Funny Faces.....**

Faces that when you see them – you can't help but simply SMILE!

Time to get your Funny on Old Saybrook!

Submit your entry to Fun@OldSaybrookPolice.com

- Our Random Acts of Kindness Program continues tomorrow!
- Be safe. Keep Smiling. We will get through this!



**ONE COMMUNITY.
ONE TEAM.**