Old Saybrook

COVID 19 Community UPDATE #45 – April 29, 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.
- There was one (1) new CONFIRMED case of COVID-19 today in our Health District.
- The Town of Chester lost a resident to COVID-19. Our condolences to the family.
- These are the current reported Positive Cases according to CRAHD:

- Chester - 35 Confirmed Cases 7 Deaths - Clinton - 30 Confirmed Cases 3 Deaths

Deep River - 9 Confirmed Cases
 Haddam - 19 Confirmed Cases
 Old Saybrook - 22 Confirmed Cases

- The number of COVID-19 related hospital admissions are decreasing statewide.
- We hope to see a reduction in confirmed cases and deaths.
- A steady decrease for a fourteen (14) day period is what we are eager to see.
- Now more than ever, we truly need EVERYONE, to help PREVENT Community Spread.
- Maintain Social Distancing Stay six (6) Feet away from another person.
- Wear a facemask when in public.
- Do not participate in group activities that have more than five (5) people.
- Wash your hands often. (Soap and water!)
- Shop alone! If you must go out for essential items, please do so alone!

- If you do not need to go out Stay Home and Stay Safe!
- Wearing a mask tomorrow when in public may save someone's life, not a bad reason to do it!
- The Police Department will respond to complaints of those not following the rules.
- The Public Safety Leadership Team participated in a conference call with the Governor today.

Recovery Taskforce – Open OS!

- One of the four (4) phases of Emergency Management is "Recovery".
- We will be simultaneously "Responding" and "Recovering" for quite some time.
- The Town has established a Recovery Taskforce.
- The goal of the Taskforce is to ensure the Town opens SAFELY & SUCCESSFULLY.
- All plans must be in concert with the Governor's Orders and Public Health Guidance.
- We would like to hear your ideas!! Email them to: OpenOS@OldSaybrookPolice.com

Public School District

- The Public School District served breakfast and lunch to 410 students today!
- In the last two days Principals have met with Middle School and High School Parents.
- Registration for the early childhood and kindergarten classes of 2020-21 is OPEN!
- To register click here: https://www.oldsaybrookschools.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.
- Public Health Employees are inspecting restaurants daily to ensure sanitary compliance.

Municipal Government Operations

- The Town Hall will be open tomorrow. Municipal Government is operational!
- Please make an appointment with the Department you wish to do business with.
- Check the Town website for information concerning remote access to Town Meetings.

Social Services / Youth and Family Services

- Social Services Appointments will be conducted by phone, 860-395-3188.
- This is a difficult time for many people. Please know we care and we are here for you.
- Youth and Family Services Counselors are providing tele-counseling services. 860-395-3190.
- Our services are completely professional and confidential.
- Please click here to locate a virtual AA Meeting: https://www.aa.org/press-releases/en US/press-releases/aa-groups-using-digital-platforms-to-find-sobriety-during-coronavirus-covid-19-outbreak

Good News!!

Funny Faces.....is the name of our current contest!

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

Time to get your Funny on Old Saybrook!

Send your Funny FACE to:

Fun@OldSaybrookPolice.com

New Pictures – Older Pictures – Babies – Kids – Adults – Pets

If it makes you smile – help us share that joy with Old Saybrook!

The submissions we are getting are absolutely hysterical! You are making us smile!!

Keep them coming Old Saybrook!

- Our Random Acts of Kindness Program blossomed in a big WAY today!
- Thanks to donations from private citizens, Saybrook Hardware, MAR. Floral & The Funktion Fitness Foundation, Old Saybrook Police Employee's travelled around Town today to "Check In" with some of our residents!
- Each person visited was provided with a beautiful floral arrangement symbolizing better times to come!
- To date we have "checked in" on over eighty (80) households.
- We will be "checking in" with many more over the eight (8) days!
- Be safe. Keep Smiling. We will get through this!



ONE COMMUNITY. ONE TEAM.