

Old Saybrook

COVID 19 Community UPDATE #46 – April 30, 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 were two (2) new CONFIRMED cases of COVID-19 today in our Health District.
- These are the current reported Positive Cases according to CRAHD:

-	Chester	-	35 Confirmed Cases	7 Deaths
-	Clinton	-	31 Confirmed Cases	3 Deaths
-	Deep River	-	9 Confirmed Cases	
-	Haddam	-	20 Confirmed Cases	
-	Old Saybrook	-	22 Confirmed Cases	
- This is the eighth (8th) day in a row of decreasing hospital admissions in Connecticut.
- 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.
- Wear a facemask when in public. It really, truly, helps prevent the spread.
- Some seem to not be wearing their face mask properly. We can help!
- Click this link from the CDC on how to properly wear a mask.
<https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/downloads/DIY-cloth-face-covering-instructions.pdf>
- We will have news over the weekend about the “Masks for All” program.
- We will hold a public conference call with local businesses on Saturday at 10 AM.

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.
- You have an opportunity now to provide direct input with our Recovery planning.
- What are your thoughts about our beaches, Mini Golf, Saybrook Point Gatherings, Camps?
- Email your thoughts and ideas to: OpenOS@OldSaybrookPolice.com

Public School District

- The Public School District served breakfast and lunch to 272 students today!
- Student & Parents are providing input concerning alternative high school graduation plans.

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.
- Maintain Social Distancing – Stay six (6) Feet away from another person.
- 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!

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.
- Register for a library card online. Click the link below to do so!

<http://actonlibrary.org/online-library-card-renewal-or-registration/>

- This weekend is 2020 Census Digital Action Weekend! Check out the attachment!

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!

- Thanks to donations from private citizens, Saybrook Hardware, MAR. Floral & The Funktion Fitness Foundation, Old Saybrook Police Employee's travelled around Town again 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 120 households.
- Here is a link to one of the news reports about this Random Acts of Kindness Program.
<https://www.fox61.com/article/news/health/coronavirus/old-saybrook-pd-delivers-flowers/520-2b66e4ec-50d7-4673-80f6-9df43b9b1638>
- Be safe. Keep Smiling. We will get through this!



**ONE COMMUNITY.
ONE TEAM.**