

Old Saybrook

COVID 19 Community UPDATE #50 – May 4, 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 four (4) new CONFIRMED cases of COVID-19 today in our Health District.
- The Town of Chester lost a resident to COVID-19 today. Our condolences to the family.
- These are the current reported Positive Cases according to CRAHD:

-	Chester	-	37 Confirmed Cases	8 Deaths
-	Clinton	-	32 Confirmed Cases	3 Deaths
-	Deep River	-	9 Confirmed Cases	1 Death
-	Haddam	-	22 Confirmed Cases	
-	Old Saybrook	-	23 Confirmed Cases	
- 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.
- Old Saybrook Residents WILL receive face masks this week. **ONLY OS Residents.**
- Distribution for Old Saybrook Residents is scheduled for Wednesday, May 6, 2020.
- Masks will be handed out from Noon to 6 PM. (or until the masks are gone!)
- Masks to be handed out are FDA approved, three (3) ply surgical facemasks.
- Based on a population of 10,200 residents, we hope to provide two (2) masks per person.
- Two locations will be used to hand out the masks, Old Saybrook Middle School & High School
- Residents will travel to where they vote in elections to receive their masks.

- Voting District 1 will get their masks at the Middle School.
- Voting District 2 will get their masks at the High School.
- You DO NOT have to be registered to vote to get a mask. But you MUST be an OS resident!
- Please review the attached list to determine which location you will go to get your masks.
- Those attending WILL have to prove residency. A piece of mail or Government ID will work!
- Only one (1) person per household needs to come to pick up the masks.
- Unable to leave your home & desire masks? No Problem! We got you! You will be provided with a phone number to call on Wednesday to schedule a delivery. (Homebound people only!)
- A phone call was sent this evening to residents concerning the Mask for OS Program.
- Another phone call will be sent tomorrow night & on Wednesday Morning with information.
- You may listen to tonight's phone call here: <https://youtu.be/xPRsS-w2sd4>
- Didn't get the call? Make sure your cell phone is signed up! Visit www.CTAlert.gov
- We will provide more information on Operation "Masks for OS" over the next few days.
- Please see the attached flyer for more information.
- If you are able, please help us restock our local food pantry by bringing a non-perishable food items when picking up your masks.
- You DO NOT need to donate food to get your masks. Only do so if you are able.
- DO NOT try to get your masks now. We are not there. The program will happen Wednesday.

Recovery Taskforce – Open OS!

- One of the four (4) phases of Emergency Management is "Recovery".
- You have an opportunity now to provide direct input with our Recovery planning.
- We are getting lots of great ideas! Thank you for all your emails!
- An announcement concerning our beaches will happen tomorrow. (*Hint..Open with rules!*)
- This is your opportunity to let your voice be heard! Email us today! All ideas are welcomed!
- Email your thoughts and ideas to: OpenOS@OldSaybrookPolice.com

Public School District

- 330 students were served breakfast & Lunch today.
- Beginning tomorrow, those that pick up their meals at the high school will receive them in the rear of the high school cafeteria. (Please access the backlot off of Donnelly Road)
- We expect an announcement from the State this week regarding the closure of schools.

Public Health

- It is extremely important that EVERYONE takes this Public Health Emergency seriously!
- 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! It helps stop the spread of the virus!

Municipal Government Operations

- Municipal Government will be OPEN tomorrow!
- Schedule 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.

Good News!!

New Contest - Show & Spread Some TRUE LOVE Old Saybrook!!
RED Hearts are popping up all over Town – Let's Spread the **LOVE!**
Put a **RED heart** up in your doorway, on your lawn, house, or car!

Display a **RED Heart** for the **TRUE LOVE** you have for:

Essential Workers.....

(Healthcare, Public Safety, Restaurant, Educators, Retail, Licensed Trade Workers)

For the **TRUE LOVE** you have for **Old Saybrook!!**

Take a Picture of your **RED Heart** or **Hearts** on display and email it to:

Fun@OldSaybrookPolice.com

- Be safe. Keep Smiling. We will get through this!



**ONE COMMUNITY.
ONE TEAM.**