

Old Saybrook

COVID 19 Community UPDATE #55 – May 9, 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 no new CONFIRMED cases of COVID-19 today in our Health District.
- These are the current reported Positive Cases according to CRAHD:

-	Chester	-	40 Confirmed Cases	9 Deaths
-	Clinton	-	37 Confirmed Cases	3 Deaths
-	Deep River	-	10 Confirmed Cases	2 Deaths
-	Haddam	-	24 Confirmed Cases	
-	Old Saybrook	-	24 Confirmed Cases	
- A Public Conference Call with local businesses has held this morning.
- Still need masks? Not able to make it the other day? No problem!
- Simply stop by the Police Department, provide proof of residency, and get your masks!
- It’s that easy! Wearing a Face Mask prevents the Community Spread of COVID-19.
- We are getting prepared to provide face masks for business to give their employees.
- This is an effort to ensure businesses that are able to open on May 20, 2020 in accordance with the Governor’s Directives/Orders have the proper PPE for their employees.
- Businesses – Please click the link and complete the form.
<https://forms.gle/dAhEzbvELesAYcxu6>
- We have reached edition # 55! We hope that you have found these daily updates beneficial.
- We will continue to bring you response and recovery news, just on a different schedule.
- The COVID 19 Community UPDATE will be published on Monday, Wednesday, and Friday.

Public Health

- 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!
- Wear a mask to help prevent community spread! (That’s why we handed them out!)
- May 20th is NOT a full “Return to Normal” Date. Returning to normal will happen in phases.

Recovery Taskforce – Open OS!

- One of the four (4) phases of Emergency Management is “Recovery”.
- The State released a “sample” of what our “new normal” will look like come May 20th.
- Things will be much different for a bit, as we return to normal.
- We have attached the State’s “reopening” rules as they pertain to: Hair Salons/Barber Shops, Restaurants, Offices and Retail Establishments. Read them & let us know what you think!
- The Town’s Recovery Taskforce will meet this week.
- We will look for whatever creative ways we can legally be supportive of our local businesses.
- You have an opportunity now to provide direct input with our Recovery planning.
- 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

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.
- YFS Staff continues to “virtually check in on” over 130 senior citizens each week.

Municipal Government Operations

- Get your Beach Pass ON LINE!! <https://oldsaybrookbeach.cityhallsystems.com/index.php>
- Beginning this weekend, ONLY Town Residents will be allowed to park at our beaches.
- Both Town Beach and Harvey’s Beach will operate at 50% Capacity.
- There will be no bathroom or shower facilities open. (Plan ahead).
- Police Officers will be at our beaches to ensure these Emergency Orders are followed.
- The Emergency Orders regarding the beaches will be in effect until at least June 30, 2020.
- PLEASE don’t complain to the young adults working at the beach. They didn’t make the rules.

Public School District

- The District will begin planning for the Fall Opening of Schools as best as possible.
- Federal and State Authorities have not yet issued final guidance on the matter.
- District Leaders continue to collaborate with students, parents, and staff to formulate plans to honor the Graduating Class of 2020.

Good News!!

Thank you Old Saybrook for all your **TRUE LOVE!!**

We **LOVE** all the **RED Hearts** that popped up all over Town

Way to Spread the **LOVE!**

Check out this link to see many of the contest submissions:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=eJLxvwe4Gys&feature=youtu.be>

Our next contest will involve some thought.....

We are seeking nominations for someone who could use a

“Little Random Act of Kindness” in their life this week.

Submit your entry to the EOC

Let us know who and why!

Fun@OldSaybrookPolice.com

- Happy Mother's Day!!!
- Be safe. Keep Smiling. We will get through this!



**ONE COMMUNITY.
ONE TEAM.**