

Old Saybrook

COVID 19 Community UPDATE #72 – June 25, 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 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 have no new CONFIRMED cases of COVID-19 in OS since our last report.
- Sadly a second Old Saybrook Resident succumbed to COVID 19. Our condolences.
- 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 in our District since our last report.
- These are the current reported Positive Cases according to CRAHD:

-	Chester	-	46 Confirmed Cases	10 Deaths
-	Clinton	-	64 Confirmed Cases	4 Deaths
-	Deep River	-	17 Confirmed Cases	2 Deaths
-	Haddam	-	37 Confirmed Cases	1 Death
-	Old Saybrook	-	38 Confirmed Cases	2 Death
- One (1) previously reported Old Saybrook residential case has been deducted from the above list as it was found that the patient did not reside in Old Saybrook or our Health District.
- Old Saybrook has done a great job at preventing Community Spread – Thank You!
- PLEASE do not lessen your efforts yet! Let’s keep doing the things we are doing to save lives.
- We have learned much about how to protect ourselves & others from COVID-19.
- PLEASE wear a mask when in public to prevent Community Spread. IT WORKS!
- Still need face masks? No problem! We have them at the Police Department for you!
- The community transmission rate is now the lowest since the onset of the virus!
- Are you a tad bit confused about what is open and what size crowd you can be in?
- Much has changed and more changes are coming...Everything is detailed here:

<https://portal.ct.gov/Coronavirus/Covid-19-Knowledge-Base/Latest-Guidance>

Long Term Recovery Taskforce

- Your voice matters! Let us know how we are doing with Old Saybrook's reopening efforts!
- Give us your thoughts and ideas – we will share them with the Recovery Taskforce!
- Email us at Recovery@OldSaybrookPolice.com

Working Groups Spotlight – Small Business & Non-Profit Success!

- We are spotlighting two of our Working Groups for an exciting announcement!
- Small business are the backbone of our economy.
- We often look to Non-Profits and Civic Service Organizations to provide us with help!
- Small Businesses & Non-Profit Organizations have suffered because of COVID-19.
- Groups like SCORE, the Lions Club, The Rotary Club, The Exchange Club just to name a few!!!
- Now these valuable clubs and organizations need our help!
- Small businesses need help to survive!
- The Chamber of Commerce (*a Non Profit themselves*) has come to the rescue!
- They just launched an Online Auction! (With some really GREAT items!)
- Show your support by bidding OFTEN and HIGH through July 16!
- Check out the Auction website: www.oschamber.cbo.io
- Proceeds will be distributed to eligible small businesses/non-profits that apply.
- Cash donations welcomed as well.
- Questions? Contact: info@oldsaybrookchamber.com
- There is a little friendly contest between item # 124 and # 179.....Let's start the bidding!

Sign Up for the Bi-Monthly OSPD Newsletter!

- Simply text OSPOLICE to 888-777 and you are signed up! **TEXT - OSPOLICE to 888-777**
- You will receive Police news, trends, tips, and information – We will keep you in the know!
- Signing up will also allow you to get instant information during an emergency/crisis.

Social Services / Youth and Family Services

- Your emotional wellness is important! Make sure you're both physically & emotionally well!
- To learn about special summer youth programs through Youth and Family Services, sign up at our website www.osyfs.org to receive our newsletters and updates!
- Youth and Family Services Counselors are providing tele-counseling services. 860-395-3190.
- As the Phase II reopening occurs, please be mindful of the established State sector rules!

Shorts for Saybrook!

- The Police Department commenced its annual Summer Fundraiser!
- This year we are raising money for Old Saybrook residents that have been negatively impacted by the COVID-19 Public Health Emergency.
- Participating Police Officers and Dispatchers pay \$5/day to wear our “summer style” uniform.
- The Police and Dispatcher Unions MATCH their member’s donations – dollar for dollar!
- We need YOUR Help!! We know we can raise lots of money to help OS Residents Out!
- Donate to this VERY important fundraiser! Visit www.Shorts4Saybrook.com
- You may also mail or drop off your donation to the Police Department – 36 Lynde Street.
- Please make checks out to “Shorts4Saybrook”.
- We appreciate your partnership with this very important fundraiser!

Municipal Government Operations

- Town Hall is OPEN to the public! Our employees are in their offices ready to help!
- You may choose to still make appointments or do business with us electronically.
- Your Tax Bill should have arrived! Payments may be made online or via US Mail.
- PLEASE be mindful of the “rules” posted at the Transfer Station & practice social distancing.
- Mini Golf is OPEN!! Go play a round! Get outside and HAVE FUN! Recreation is important!
- Park & Rec has released information about the Summer Concert Series!
- Reservations WILL be required to ensure proper social distancing – to keep everyone safe!
- Check the schedule out here: https://oldsaybrookct.myrec.com/documents/summer_music_poster_2020b.pdf
- We are working on a plan to increase beach parking (from 50%) after July 1, 2020.
- Still need your beach pass? Visit: <https://oldsaybrookbeach.cityhallsystems.com/index.php>
- “Check Out” all things Acton Public Library:
<https://mailchi.mp/8a922faeb5d1/acton-public-library-closed-1366736?e=e7021469c0>

Public School District

- The State will release a comprehensive reopening plan on Monday.
- As announced, the plan includes ALL students returning to the classroom fulltime in the fall!
- While we are awaiting the formal guidance from the State about the Fall reopening of schools, we are making preparations to ensure a safe school environment for our students, parents, and staff.
- The current meal program will continue Monday – Friday until July 30, 2020.
- Information about where students can obtain meals after July 30, 2020 will be announced in July.

Good News!!

Old Saybrook is OPEN for Business!!!

Our Goal was to Open Old Saybrook SAFELY and SUCCESSFULLY.....

That is Happening Now!

Our new contest is simple.....

***Send us a picture of your
favorite person(s) (including you)***

at your favorite Old Saybrook Restaurant or Dessert Place!

Most Creative, Most Humorous & Just Simply Very Happy will win a prize!!!

(Probably from your favorite place....)

Send your entries to:

Fun@OldSaybrookPolice.com

- Stay Healthy, Stay Safe, Keep Smiling. We will get through this!



**ONE COMMUNITY.
ONE TEAM.**