Old Saybrook

COVID 19 Community UPDATE #2 - March 17, 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

- The Nation, State, and Town remain under Declared States of Emergency.
- The Town's Emergency Operation Center (EOC) is operational. As a community service and in support of our local merchants, the EOC communicated with all local restaurants today. A list of all restaurants that are open for take-out and/or delivery are available at this link: https://www.oldsaybrookct.gov/sites/oldsaybrookct/files/pages/open restaurant list 03172020.pdf.
- The Public Safety Leadership Team met today to brief the First Selectman and to coordinate preparedness and response activities for the Town of Old Saybrook.
- Additional N-95 masks were supplied to the Ambulance Association as requested.
- Police response to doctor's offices, medical facilities, convalescent homes, and rehabilitation facilities have been adjusted to protect patients and the public safety workforce.
- Police, Fire, and Emergency Medical Services stand at the ready to respond.
- There is NO curfew. (We're getting questions about that!) No Curfew has been imposed.
- The EOC contacted Old Saybrook retail food suppliers today to confirm their hours of operation and/or any special schedules. Stop & Shop is offering "Senior ONLY Shopping" from 6:30-8 AM. The complete list will be attached to this notice.
- The Emergency Operations Center is using Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, and Snapchat to connect with residents. Search COVID19OS to find us on your favorite social media platform.
- Please visit the Emergency Management Website as your one local online source of all information related to the COVID-19 Public Health Emergency.

 https://www.oldsaybrookct.gov/emergency-management

Public Health

- There are currently no confirmed COVID-19 Cases in Old Saybrook.
- DO NOT go out into the public if you have a fever or flu like systems.
- Practice social distancing. Maintain six (6) feet from other people.
- All Fitness Centers are CLOSED. Restaurants and Bars (that serve food) TAKE OUT ONLY.

Municipal Government Operations

- Town Hall is open for citizens to conduct essential business by appointment. Please contact the department you need to conduct business with to schedule an appointment. This practice proved to be successful today.
- Town Hall employees will also be available to bring documents and/or forms not available online to your vehicle or you can receive them via e-mail/mail upon request. Contact the First Selectman's Office. 860-395-3123
- Boards and Commissions are still conducting essential business. Arrangements are being made for Board and Commission members to participate in meetings via phone and for meetings to be streamed for public viewing. Please check the Town Website for a list of meeting schedules and times: LINK
- Outdoor recreation facilities are OPEN! Please follow "Social Distancing" recommendations, stay in groups of less than ten (10) people but GO OUTSIDE!

Social Services / Youth and Family Services

- Social Services Appointments will be conducted by phone, Contact Sue Consoli 860-395-3188
- Behavioral Health Support and Resources are available via phone by contacting Director Heather McNeil 860-510-5042.
- Other services are available by contacting 211

Public School District

- The District began disseminating technology to families that self-identified needs for either internet access or computers for their students today. The process worked well.
- The District's plan for providing free and reduced lunch was approved today. Food distribution for families that participate in this program will commence by the end of this week. School kitchens have been sanitized and will be inspected by the Regional Public Health District tomorrow. Information will follow to families by the Superintendent.
- The OSPS website is being updated for parents and students daily. https://www.oldsaybrookschools.org/



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