

WEEKLY UPDATE



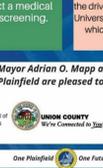
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COVID-19 RESOURCES

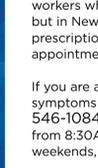
Please stay at home and help save lives.

Dear Friends,

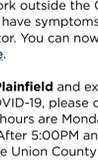
Here are the latest resources and state information regarding COVID-19. Please let us know if we can be of any assistance during this time.



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TESTING SITES

PLAINFIELD COVID-19 TESTING PROCEDURE

If you are a Plainfield resident, feel unwell, and believe it might be COVID-19 related, please call our hotline number: (908) 546-1084 Monday-Friday from 8:30AM-5:00PM. After 5:00PM and on weekends, please call the Union County hotline at #908-214-7107

You'll be connected to a health professional who will conduct a medical telehealth screening.

If you meet the criteria for testing, arrangements will be made for you to be tested at the drive through site at Keen University, or by a mobile unit which will come to your residence.

Mayor Adrian O. Mapp and the City of Plainfield are pleased to partner with:

Union County Health Department
UNION COUNTY
"We Connect To You!"
One Plainfield One Future

Union County: Hours at the Keen University test site have changed to 9 am - 4 pm on the weekdays.

Testing is now available to all Union County residents who wish to be tested, whether or not they are experiencing symptoms. It is also available to all first responders and frontline health workers who are asymptomatic and that work in Union County, regardless of their residence. Testing is also available to first responders and frontline health workers who live and work outside the County, but in New Jersey, must have symptoms and a prescription from a doctor. You can now make an appointment online here.

If you are a resident of Plainfield and experiencing symptoms related to COVID-19, please call (908) 546-1084. The hotline hours are Monday-Friday from 8:30AM- 5:00PM. After 5:00PM and on weekends, please call the Union County hotline.

Middlesex County: Testing will be available next week at the New Brunswick and Piscataway sites. Please visit <http://www.middlesexcounty.nj.gov/Government/Departments/PSH/Pages/COVID-19-Testing.aspx> to make an appointment

Schedule:

New Brunswick
(A.C. Redshaw Elementary School, 216 Livingston Avenue)
Walk-Up Clinic:

Tuesday, May 26
(book on Friday, May 22 via phone and online)
Wednesday, May 27
(book on Saturday, May 23 via phone and online)

Piscataway
(1 Ericsson Drive)
Drive-Through Clinic:

Thursday, May 28
(book on Tuesday, May 26 via phone and online)
Friday, May 29
(book on Wednesday, May 27 via phone and online)

COVID-19 DRIVE-THRU SCREENING

ARE YOU EXPERIENCING SHORTNESS OF BREATH, FEVER, COUGH?

CALL US 24/7 TO BE TESTED

COUNTY RESIDENTS DEDICATED PHONE LINE 908-214-7107

OPEN TO ALL UNION COUNTY - RESIDENTS - FIRST RESPONDERS - HEALTH CARE PROFESSIONALS "FREE OF CHARGE"

DOCTORS & HEALTH CARE PROFESSIONALS
Please refer patients experiencing COVID-19 symptoms to: **CALL 24/7 908-214-7107**

A SERVICE OF THE UNION COUNTY BOARD OF CHOSEN FREEHOLDERS
UNION COUNTY
"We're Connected To You!"
MORE INFO ON UNION COUNTY'S COVID-19 RESPONSE AT: WWW.UCCNJ.ORG

Somerset & Hunterdon TESTING SITE for COVID-19

Location: Raritan Valley Community College, 118 Livingston Rd, Branchburg, NJ 08876
Time: 10 am to 5 pm
Dates: April 16, 17, 18, 20

WHO CAN BE TESTED?

- Must be a resident of Hunterdon or Somerset County age 5 & above
- Must show proof of residency at the test site, such as a valid driver's license or state-issued identification.
- Must have a valid prescription or written order from a physician.
- Patients must arrive by car and have an appointment.

Residents can make an appointment and complete a registration form by visiting: <https://somermet-hunterdon.adidasovtest.com>

Residents without access to a computer can call: (908) 227-7150

For more information, contact coronavirus@ccs.somermet.net

Somerset County: Somerset County has opened a new testing site in partnership with Hunterdon County located on the campus of Raritan Valley Community College.

Testing is by appointment only. Click here to schedule an appointment <https://somermet-hunterdon.adidasovtest.com/>

FAQs for testing sites in NJ: https://covid19.nj.gov/faqs/ni-information/general-public/where-and-how-do-i-get-tested-for-covid-19-in-new-jersey-who-so-get-testing?fbclid=IwAR3-2gF_Kd9IH9rboVdnWeAUzd824XlcXv5HVBfJcIBRIL4xQG64Y1ZY

PRIMARY ELECTION INFORMATION:

The July 7th primary will be a primarily vote-by-mail election. ALL registered Democratic and Republican voters will receive a postage-paid vote-by-mail ballot. ALL unaffiliated and inactive voters will receive a postage-paid vote-by-mail ballot application.

There will be a limited number of in-person polling places in each county that will be open to ensure that everyone can exercise their right to vote.

The deadline by which votes must be received by a county Board of Elections to be counted as valid will be extended from 48 hours after polls close to seven days after polls close.

EXECUTIVE ORDERS

Executive Order 144: Protects public health by mailing every registered voter a VBM ballot or application ahead of the Primary Election

Executive Order 145: Allows Elective Surgeries and Invasive Procedures to resume on May 26th

- More information on guidelines by the New Jersey Department of Health for resuming Elective Surgery can be found [here](#)

Executive Order 146: Reopens Charter Fishing and Watercraft Rental Businesses

Executive Order 147:

COVID-19 UPDATE

SIGNING AN EXECUTIVE ORDER TO ALLOW SOME OUTDOOR BUSINESSES TO RESTART EFFECTIVE MAY 22, 2020:

- Batting cages and golf ranges
- Shooting and archery ranges
- Horseback riding
- Private tennis clubs
- Community gardens

Executive Order ???:

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MAY 22, 2020:

- The limit on outdoor gatherings is lifted from 10 individuals to 25 individuals
- Public and private recreational campgrounds may open, effective immediately
- Indoor gatherings remain limited to 10 people

Administrative Order 13: Clarifies businesses that can operate under Executive Order 103

COVID-19 UPDATE

IN-PERSON SALES AT THE FOLLOWING BUSINESSES MAY RESUME ON MAY 20, 2020, AT 6:00 AM:

- AUTOMOBILE AND MOTORCYCLE DEALERSHIPS
- BICYCLE SHOPS

THE ROAD BACK: RESTORING ECONOMIC HEALTH THROUGH PUBLIC HEALTH

Governor Murphy announced a 3-Stage plan for reopening the State through a phase in program. Here is the layout of the proposed plan:

The Road Back: Restoring Economic Health through Public Health

Maximum restrictions → STAGE 1 → STAGE 2 → STAGE 3 → New normal

What is happening?
- Strict social distancing
- Non-essential businesses closed

Which precautions apply across stages?
- Work that can be done from home should be done from home
- Hand hygiene
- Face masks in public

Which businesses are open?
- Essential businesses with safety and health protocols, e.g., food, essential construction with social distancing
- Retail stores
- Child care
- K-12 and higher education engaged in distance learning
- Summer school and summer camps
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What drives stages?
- Health indicators: high rates, hospitalizations, low ICU use or ventilators
- Availability of testing and contact tracing capacity (100,000 residents)
- Resiliency (e.g., health care, PPE)
- Ability to effectively enforce workplace
- Sufficient child care, education, mental resources
- Compliance of individuals and employers

The Road Back: Moving Forward Cautiously

Maximum restrictions → STAGE 1 → STAGE 2 → STAGE 3 → New normal

Precautions applying across stages:

- Work that can be done at home should continue to be done at home
- Clinically high-risk individuals who can stay at home should continue to do so
- All residents and businesses should follow State & Federal safeguarding guidelines:

Wash hands, Respect social distancing, Minimize gatherings, No mass gatherings

More information can be found here: <https://nj.gov/governor/news/news/562020/approved/20200518a.shtml>

UNEMPLOYMENT & BUSINESS RESOURCES

- The Department of Labor has released new guidance and FAQs:
 - Self-employed or independent contractors who may be eligible for assistance can view this guide for assistance: <https://myunemployment.nj.gov/labor/myunemployment/independentcontractors.shtml>
- If you are eligible to certify for unemployment more info can be found at: <https://myunemployment.nj.gov/labor/myunemployment/schedule.shtml>
- Looking for employment? Please visit the jobs portal — jobs.covid19.nj.gov
- Business Action Center: The BAC is still operating and small businesses can call the 1800-JERSEY-7 hotline or <https://www.nj.gov/state/bac/> for any questions related to their business

Encouraging every business and non-profit organization to fill out a short survey.

Survey is available at COVID19.nj.gov

DEPARTMENT OF MOTOR VEHICLES

The MVC has further extended expiration dates, which applies to licenses, registrations, temp tags and some placards:

- March thru May expiration dates are further extended to July 31
- June 30 expiration to Aug 31
- July 31 expirations to Sept 30

Additional online services while agencies, road testing, and inspection facilities remain closed to the public can be found here: <https://www.state.nj.us/mvc/online-services.html>

CENSUS

Please make sure to fill out the Census online or by phone

- <https://2020census.gov/en.html> (Census Bureau Questionnaire)
- <https://nj.gov/state/censuss.shtml> (NJ Census website)

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CENSUS.NJ.GOV

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Support Your Teen's Mental Health

- Acknowledge your teen's emotional pain
- Offer reassurance when facing fears
- Consider help from a professional
- Educate yourself about how the body reacts to anxiety
- Let your teen know: "It's ok not to be ok"

Call 2nd Floor Hotline at 1-888-222-2228 or access services from one of our Family Support Organizations at 1-877-652-7624.

MASK UP!

Reduce Risk of Transmission

COVID-19 Carrier vs Others

HIGHEST RISK, HIGH RISK, LOWER RISK, LOWEST RISK

NEW JERSEY DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION

MAKING A DIFFERENCE



- PPE Donations**
 - Items in demand: N95 Masks or similar face masks, Eye protectors, Gloves, Gowns, Nitrile gloves, respirators
- Blood Donations**
 - Vitalant, American Red Cross, NY Blood Center
- Food Bank Information**
- Volunteer Opportunities:** Visit <http://helpnjinow.org/>

LEGISLATIVE DISTRICT 22 SPOTLIGHT

Across our district, neighbors are stepping together to help our communities in this difficult time. We are all deeply appreciative of these efforts, and hope they serve as examples for more to emulate. This week we are shining the spotlight on the following examples, both shared from local media.

In Plainfield, Rebecca Tucker of Moms Helping Moms joined with Stacy Greene of the Plainfield Schools Family Success Center and Brooke Vuono of the Teen Parenting Program at Plainfield High School to launch an effort to provide critical supplies to children and families during the COVID-19 pandemic. Their story can be found [here](#). Thank you for your care and your service!

Vidhi Chowdhari is the owner of Desi Mojo Foods, and Indian restaurant in Green Brook. Like many restaurants still in operation, Desi Mojo has been going above and beyond by donating and delivering food to essential workers throughout their community. In addition, Desi Mojo donated and delivered boxed meals all the way to Newark Beth Israel Medical Center. You can read more [here](#). Thank you for your service, Vidhi, and we hope you and your staff stay safe!

If you wish to recommend an individual or organization for recognition, please click [here](#).

TOWN UPDATES

PLEASE VISIT YOUR LOCAL MUNICIPAL PAGE FOR DAILY TOWNSHIP UPDATES:

- Clark
- Dunellen
- Fanwood
- Green Brook
- Linden
- Middlesex
- North Plainfield
- Plainfield
- Rahway
- Scotch Plains
- Winfield

Questions: If you would like to submit a question to the legislatures, please fill out [this form](#).