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State of Connecticut reports 16 positive tests for COVID-19 in Manchester; Town continues to coordinate response to help reduce the spread of the virus and urges residents, businesses to continue social distancing.

MANCHESTER, CT- As of March 29, 2020, there has been a total of 16 laboratory-confirmed cases of COVID-19 reported in Manchester. In total, 1,993 Connecticut residents have tested positive, according to latest data from the state's Department of Public Health (DPH). In Hartford County, 276 residents are reported to have tested positive, with 67 hospitalizations and two deaths.

"While the majority of confirmed Connecticut COVID-19 cases have occurred in Fairfield County, the continued spread of the coronavirus across the northern and eastern parts of the state show the importance of continuing proactive measures including social distancing to limit the exposure risk the Manchester community," said General Manager Scott Shanley.

Public Health experts project that Connecticut is just now experiencing the anticipated spike in cases, which will likely peak sometime in mid-April. "To limit the amount of peak cases, it is absolutely critical that the Manchester community abide by the Governor's "Stay Safe. Stay Home." order over the next several weeks," said Jeffrey Catlett, MPH, R.S, Manchester's Director of Health.

"The entire Manchester community, including residents, businesses, and Town employees, have stepped up in the face of the challenge posed by the coronavirus," said Mayor Jay Moran. "I am proud of the way Manchester has responded and I urge the people of our great town to continue to take steps to minimize the spread. Here in Manchester, we are resilient, we look out for one another, and nothing can keep us down for long. We will get through this together."

The Town of Manchester continues to provide essential services to the community including emergency medical services, police, fire, public safety, sanitation, and public health. To ensure the on-going delivery of these services, the Town has developed and implemented pro-active measures to help prevent the potential spread of the virus, including:

- Reducing or eliminating non-essential public services
- Social distancing for staff
- Implemented telework, when possible
- Using Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) where possible and available
- Temperature monitoring for employees

"Manchester's frontline workers are critical in keeping us healthy and safe, especially during the coronavirus outbreak. The resiliency and determination of the Town workforce in the face of the crisis continues to be a source of inspiration for the entire community," said Deputy General Manager Steve Stephanou.

As a reminder:

- All Town of Manchester buildings and administrative offices will be closed indefinitely to the public except for appointment only services. Essential services will continue.
- All public parks are closed to group activities indefinitely. Passive recreation that adheres to social distancing protocol is allowed.



Please visit our website at <http://www.townofmanchester.org/> and click on the COVID-19 link for updates on the Town's response to the Coronavirus, and follow the Town of Manchester on [Facebook](#), [Twitter](#), and [Instagram](#).

For questions regarding non-emergency town operations and services for specific departments, please see the contact information for each department below.

General questions about Town services and operations may be directed to our Customer Service Center at 860-647-5235. The Town's Citizen Request System provides around the clock electronic access to Town Hall at (http://crs.townofmanchester.org/Public_Entry_GIS.cfm), which is monitored by Town staff.

For Department specific questions please use the following contact information:

Information, Customer Service	860-647-5235
Animal Control	860-645-5516
Assessor, Motor Vehicle, Personal Property	860-647-3017
Assessor, Real Estate	860-647-3016
Board of Directors, Mayor's Office	860-647-3130
Building Inspection, Property Maintenance	860-647-3052
Cemetery	860-647-3081
Customer Service & Information Center	860-647-5235
Dial A Ride	860-870-7940
Energy Assistance	860-560-5800
Engineering	860-647-3152
Finance	860-647-3101
Fire Marshal, non-emergency	860-647-3267
General Manager	860-647-3123
Health	860-647-3173
Highway, Town Roads	860-647-3233
Housing Authority	860-643-2163
Human Resources	860-647-3126
Human Services	860-647-3092
Human Services Info Line	860-647-3270
Landfill, Sanitation Dept.	860-647-3200
Library, Mary Cheney	860-643-2471
Library, Whiton Memorial	860-643-6892
Neighborhoods and Families	860-647-3089
Parks and Recreation	860-647-3084
Planning & Economic Development	860-647-3044
Police, non-emergency	860-645-5500
Probate Court	860-647-3227
Public Works Administration	860-647-3067
Recycling, Trash & Bulk Collection	860-647-3200
Registrar of Voters	860-647-3025



Senior, Adult and Family Services	860-647-3096
Senior Center	860-647-3211
Tax and Revenue Collector	860-647-3018
Town Clerk	860-647-3037
Water and Sewer	860-647-3115
Water and Sewer Emergencies	860-647-3111
Youth Service Bureau	860-647-5213
Zoning Enforcement	860-647-3057

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