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**\*COVID-19 UPDATE\***

**Since Wednesday, Aug. 26, 21 Residents have Tested Positive for COVID-19 and 78 More have Recovered;**

*City Establishes Additional Free Walk-up COVID-19 Testing at the South Middlesex Opportunity Council (SMOC) on Bishop Street;*

*City to Shut-down Recreational Facilities, Including Basketball Courts and the Skate Park;*

*Community Hour Tues., Sept. 1, focused on Continuing the Conversation: Proposed Housing Moratorium*

- **Since Wednesday, Aug. 26, 21 residents have tested positive for COVID-19, and 78 more have recovered:** The number of people in the City who have tested positive for COVID-19 is 1,979. With 1,768 recovered and 123 fatalities, Framingham currently has 88 active cases. The Framingham Health Department contacts the people who were potentially exposed and the owners of the businesses or places of employment where the potential exposures occurred to inform and counsel them on next steps (contact tracing). In addition to the active cases, the Health Department is following 68 residents in quarantine.
- **With the generous support from SMOC, the City establishes an additional free, walk-up COVID-19 testing site at their facility:**
  - **Location:** South Middlesex Opportunity Council (SMOC), 7 Bishop Street, Framingham
  - **Date:** Starting, Monday, August 31
  - **Time:** Monday, Wednesday, and Friday, 3-6 p.m.
  - **Format:** Walk-up (limited parking available on-site)
  - **Eligibility:** Open to everyone; symptomatic and asymptomatic
  - **Cost:** FREE; no health insurance required
  - **Test Results:** People will receive results in approximately 72 hours from Fallon Ambulance, who is conducting the tests.
- **Free walk-up testing continues at Amazing Things Art Center** through Thursday, September 10.
- **City to shut-down recreational facilities, including basketball courts, and the skate park:** In response to the recent uptick of positive COVID-19 cases in Framingham, effective immediately, the City will begin to shut-down recreational facilities, including basketball courts, the skate park, and other facilities as necessary. These steps are being taken to combat the spread of the virus and discourage people from gathering at the facilities.
- **Community Hour Tuesday, September 1, at 5 p.m., focused on continuing the conversation, proposed housing moratorium:** Mayor Spicer will be joined by District 1 City Councilor Christine Long to continue discussing the proposed housing moratorium in Framingham. Attendees will be able to pose questions/comments during the hour via the chat function. If people cannot attend and have questions, please email [kmcfalls@framinghamma.gov](mailto:kmcfalls@framinghamma.gov) with the subject line: September 1 Community Hour. Click [here](#) for information on how to join. The Community Hour will be available on the [Framingham Government Channel](#) and live on Access Framingham TV on

RCN channel 3, RCN HD channel 1100, Verizon channel 43, and Comcast channel 9. A video recording of the Zoom will be available following for those who cannot attend.

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