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COVID-19 UPDATE

Since Friday, October 2, 44 Residents have Tested Positive, 25 More have Recovered, and City Learns of One New Fatality Associated with COVID-19;

Health Department Distributes Demographic COVID-19 Data;

City Issuing \$500 Fines to those Violating for the Governor's Order on Gatherings on First Offense;

Reminder: Community Hour Tuesday: What's In Store for the Next Framingham Government Academy

- **Since Friday, October 2, 44 residents have tested positive, 25 more have recovered, and the City learns of one new fatality associated with COVID-19:** The number of people in the City who have tested positive for COVID-19 is 2,324. With 2,042 recovered and 137 fatalities, Framingham currently has 145 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 122 residents in quarantine.
- **The City's Department of Public Health distributes demographic COVID-19 data on all confirmed Cases in Framingham since March 1, 2020:** Data includes information on confirmed cases by age, gender, race/ethnicity, fatalities, nursing homes, and residential settings. Reference today's data release [here](#).
- **City now issuing \$500 fines, on first offense, to those violating the Governor's Order on gatherings:** In mid-September, the Framingham Public Health Department, with support from the City's Police Department, began levying fines to those violating the Governor's [Order](#) on gatherings on their second offense, following an initial warning letter. Framingham's current spike in COVID-19 cases can be attributed to gatherings across the City and to help slow the spread, the City will no longer provide a warning and instead immediately issue a \$500 fine for violation of the gathering order. Under the Governor's Order, those who violate the restrictions on gatherings can be fined \$500 per incident. For single-family homes, it is the property owner or the renters of the homes who could be fined. For multi-family dwellings, such as apartment and condominium complexes, the City will work to identify the one hosting the gathering to determine who should be fined. If the event is held in a common area of an apartment or condominium complex, the property owner could be liable if the City is unable to identify the person who organized the gathering.
- **Community Hour Tuesday, October 6, at 5 p.m. – What's in store for the next Framingham Government Academy:** Mayor Spicer will be joined by Alaa Abusalah, Citizen Participation Officer, to discuss the next [Framingham Government Academy](#) (FGA), which kicks off October 13. The FGA is a series of virtual educational workshops guided by representatives from City

departments to educate residents about a variety of municipal functions and increase their understanding of the community. If people cannot attend the Community Hour and have questions, please email kmcfalls@framinghamma.gov with the subject line: October 6 Community Hour. Click [here](#) for information on how to join the Community Hour. 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 or watch.

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