



CITY OF FRAMINGHAM

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COVID-19 UPDATE

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- **Since Monday, 67 residents have tested positive, 94 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 4,345. With 3,210 recovered and 165 fatalities, Framingham currently has 970 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 464 residents in quarantine.
- **Today, City to restart free walk-up testing at 3 p.m. at South Middlesex Opportunity Council (SMOC) for Framingham residents only. However, all free COVID-19 testing canceled Thursday, December 17, due to inclement weather:** Originally, the walk-up testing site at SMOC was one of the State's free Stop the Spread testing sites, open to all Massachusetts residents. Because some in the City do not have a vehicle, the Office of the Mayor and Health Department Leadership wanted to keep the walk-up testing available. Framingham reached an agreement with Transformative Healthcare to use CARES Act funds to keep the walk-up testing site running for **residents only**.
 - **Location:** South Middlesex Opportunity Council (SMOC), 7 Bishop Street, Framingham
 - **Hours:** Monday through Friday, 3-6 p.m.
 - **Eligibility:** Open to Framingham residents; symptomatic and asymptomatic (Proof of residency may be required to be tested.)
 - **Appointment:** No appointment required
 - **Format:** Walk-up (limited parking available on-site)
 - **Cost:** FREE; no health insurance required
 - **Test Results:** Residents will receive results in approximately 24 to 48 hours from Transformative Healthcare, who is conducting the tests.
- **COVID-19 in Framingham:** Information on COVID-19 in Framingham can be found [here](#). To receive information from the City on a mobile device, text "Join FraminghamMA" to 30890. Residents also can find updates on [Facebook](#) and Twitter - @Framingham_MA. For questions regarding COVID-19 in Framingham, please call the City's informational line at (508) 532-5411, Mon-Fri., 8:30 a.m.- 3:30 p.m. If there is an urgent update, the City will

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employ the "Alert Framingham" phone messaging system, otherwise known as Rave. To sign up for the City's Rave system, please go here: <https://www.smart911.com/>

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