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COVID-19 UPDATE

Since Friday, February 26, 54 Residents have Tested Positive, 57 More have Recovered, and City Learns of One New Fatality Associated with COVID-19;

City Reopens Skate Park as COVID-19 Cases Diminish;

Weekly Food Resource Guide During Current COVID-19 Surge;

Health Department Distributes Demographic COVID-19 Data;

Reminder: Community Hour Tuesday - Join us to Kick off Women's History;

Effective Today, Massachusetts Communities Permitted to Move to Step 2 of Phase 3 of Reopening

- **Since Friday, February 26, 54 residents have tested positive, 57 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 6,848. With 5,399 recovered and 226 fatalities, Framingham currently has 1,223 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 470 residents in quarantine.
- **City Reopens Skate Park as COVID-19 Cases Diminish:** City reopens skate park on Dudley Road as numbers of COVID-19 cases decrease. Skaters asked to wear face coverings, practice social distancing, and not clear the ice and snow, as it will damage the skating surface.
- **Weekly food resource guide during current COVID-19 surge:** To better manage the food demand during the recent COVID-19 surge, Framingham's Emergency Food Line's coordinators have developed a weekly guide about residents' food availability. View this week's guide in English, Portuguese, and Spanish, [here](#).
- **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](#).
- **Community Hour Tuesday, March 2, at 5 p.m. - Kick off Women's History Month and Learn about Women's Contributions to Framingham:** Join Mayor Yvonne M. Spicer; City Councilor Margareth Shepard; Nicole Doak, Framingham Resident who is on the Police Advisory Committee making a difference every day during the pandemic; Anita Lavakumar, Framingham Resident who is soon to receive a Doctorate in Education while raising two young children in the City; and Bianca Blackman, a Member of the Human Relations Commission and community activists to discuss the important roles women have played to shape Framingham. Click [here](#) for more info on how to join. Attendees will be able to pose questions during the hour via Zoom's Chat function. If you cannot attend and have questions, please email

kmcfalls@framinghamma.gov with the subject line: March 2 Community Hour. A video recording of the Zoom will be available following for those who cannot attend.

- **Effective Today, March 1: All communities in Massachusetts are permitted to move [to Step 2 of Phase 3 of reopening](#).**
- **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 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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