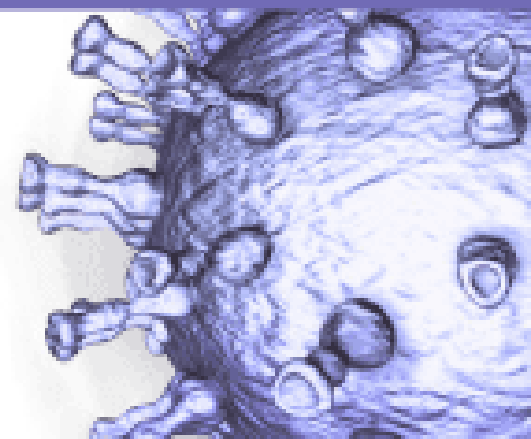
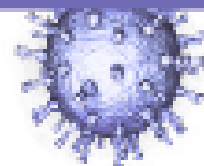
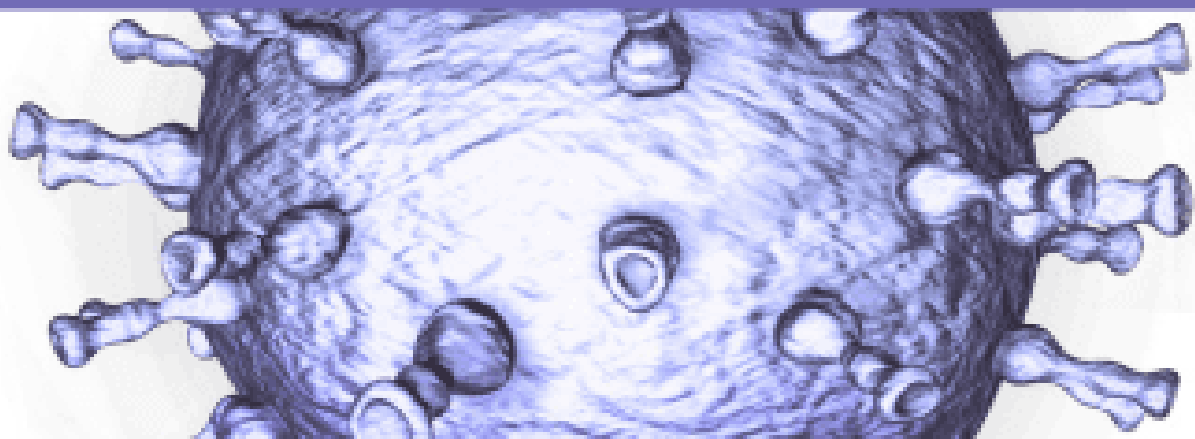
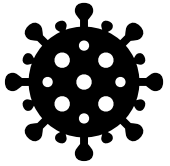


CITY OF FRAMINGHAM

COVID-19 INFORMATION





COVID-19: Recent Trends in Framingham

- **Since Friday, June 4, 5 residents have tested positive for, 3 more have recovered, and the City learns of 3 more fatalities associated with COVID-19**
- Number of people in the City who have tested positive for COVID-19: 8,337.
- 7,649 recovered
- 249 fatalities
- 439 active cases
- 499 residents in quarantine

- The Framingham Public Health Department connect families with services for isolating in place, such as:

- Emergency food
- Rental & mortgage assistance
- Fuel assistance
- Temporary housing

State COVID-19 Updates: Reopening & Vaccinations



Reopening:

- All industries are now permitted to open at 100% capacity.
- Face-covering requirements have been lifted, except for public and private transportation systems and facilities housing vulnerable populations, such as nursing homes.
- Gathering limits have been rescinded.



Vaccination Updates:

- Mass Vaccination Site Closures (dates tentative):
 - Gillette Stadium: June 14
 - Hynes Convention Center: June 22
 - Natick Mall: June 23
 - Reggie Lewis Center: June 27
 - Doubletree in Danvers: June 30
 - Eastfield Mall in Springfield: July 6
 - Former Circuit City in Dartmouth: July 13
- The online vaccine finder tool at vaxfinder.mass.gov is still available.

FREE COVID-19 Project Beacon Drive-Up Testing Site in Framingham: By Appointment Only

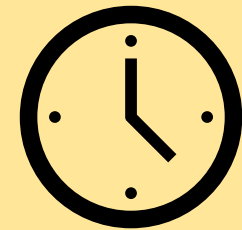
- No insurance required
- Open to everyone; symptomatic and asymptomatic
- Test Results: Receive results in approximately 72 hours

- Location: 123 Maple Street (Framingham State Maple Street Commuter Lot)

- Scheduling an appointment: Register online at <https://app.beacontesting.com/login> to see available appointment slots.

- NO WALK UPS, by drive through and appointment only

- Effort to secure walk-up testing site ongoing



FREE COVID-19 Project Beacon Walk-Up Testing Site in Framingham: By Appointment Only

- No insurance required
 - Open to everyone; symptomatic and asymptomatic
 - Test Results: Receive results in approximately 72 hours
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- Location: Saint Tarcisius Parish - 562 Waverly Street, indoors at the Father Maschi Parish Center, behind the parish
 - **Limited parking is available at: 562 Waverly Street. Enter on Waverly Ct.**
 - **Public Transportation: Framingham Commuter Rail at 417 Waverly St and Framingham MBTA Station (Stop ID: F02)**
 - Scheduling an appointment: Register online at <https://app.beacontesting.com/login> to see available appointments
 - **By appointment only**



Vaccine Access in Massachusetts



- COVID-19 vaccinations are **free for all MA residents**
 - You **do not need insurance**
 - **Vaccine is free for undocumented residents**
 - **To request a home visit, please call the City's Public Health Nursing Office at 508-532-5667. Leave your name, phone number, and address, and someone will return your call within 36 hours.**
- Visit vaxfinder.mass.gov for more information about appointments, including walk-up vaccination opportunities

The American Rescue Plan— What Do You Think Are the Best Ways to Invest in Our City?

- Available in English, Spanish, and Portuguese:



- English: <https://www.framinghamma.gov/FormCenter/Office-of-the-Mayor-12/American-Rescue-Plan-88>
- Spanish: <https://www.framinghamma.gov/FormCenter/Office-of-the-Mayor-12/American-Rescue-Plan-Spanish-90>
- Portuguese: <https://www.framinghamma.gov/FormCenter/Office-of-the-Mayor-12/American-Rescue-Plan-Portuguese-89>
- Asks about the issues you care most about and the solutions you favor to address them

The American Rescue Plan — Survey Responses

- 287 responses as of June 7, 9:59 am

Top 5 first-choice issues (choose 1):

- 1. Struggling businesses (18.1%)
- 2. Individual financial hardship for residents (12.2%)
- 3. Housing affordability (10.5%)
- 4. Food insecurity (8.7%)
- 5. & 6. TIE - Access to open spaces & Better coordinated municipal services (7.3%)

Top 5 first-choice issue solutions (select all that apply):

- 1. Financial assistance to residents (36.6%)
- 2. Social services (28.2%)
- 3. Innovation & strategic planning (26.8%)
- 4. & 5. TIE - Road maintenance or upgrades & Neighborhood services (26.1%)

Apply to Serve on a Board or Commission!



- Inform legislation, City goals and objectives, bylaws and/or ordinances, provide community insight to the Mayor and City Council, and shape the future of the community and quality of life.
- Serving on a board, commission, or committee gives residents a voice in government and opportunity to contribute unique perspectives and enhance the processes of democracy.
- Seats are opening up this month! For a list & to apply, visit <https://www.framinghamma.gov/2523/City-Boards-Commissions-Committees-Offic>
- **Questions? Contact Alaa Abusalah, Citizen Participation Officer at ama@framinghamma.gov**



Mayor's Youth Internship Program (MYIP)

- Partnership between Mayor's office & MassHire the Metro South/West Workforce Investment Board
- Includes pre-employment and professional development training and civic leadership opportunities

- **ELIGIBILITY AND REQUIREMENTS:**

- must be between the ages of 14-21
- complete a minimum of 15 hours a week, maximum of 25
- commit to employment between the months of June - August
- proof of income
- students will be paid \$13.50/hour
- Job placement is not guaranteed

Youth deadline June 14

For more info, visit:
framinghamma.gov/youth



Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion

CITY OF FRAMINGHAM

DR. MARITSA BARROS

CHIEF DIVERSITY, EQUITY, AND INCLUSION OFFICER

“The civil rights movement didn't begin in Montgomery and it didn't end in the 1960s. It continues on to this very minute.”

- JULIAN BOND

The Role of the Chief Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Officer

- ❖ Serves as principal advisor to the Mayor on issues of diversity, inclusion and equitable practices throughout the City of Framingham.
- ❖ Provides cohesiveness and serves as a channel for numerous divisions.
- ❖ Serves as a resource and collaborative partner for the school department, and staff programs and activities to promote inclusive excellence and welcoming environments for all.

DEI In Motion

The aim is to infuse Diversity, Equitable and Inclusive practices across divisions and within the very fabric that makes up the culture and services of the municipality.

The goal is to build, develop, and strengthen the capacity and skill sets of all employee in the municipality; providing them the tools to effectively engage within and across difference.



Leadership Support

❖ Human Resources

❖ Library

❖ Fire

❖ Police

❖ *Planning and Economic
Development*

❖ Public Works

❖ *Inspectional Services*

❖ **Parks & Recreation**

❖ Public Health

❖ *Capital Projects and Facilities*

❖ **Finance and Administration**

Learning & Development

- ❖ Inclusive Leadership Training

- Eight-Part Series

- ❖ Public Safety DEI Conversation (4 Part-Series)

- Fire

- Police

- ❖ Minimizing Unconscious Bias in the Hiring Process

- Hiring Teams

Programming

❖ Mental Health Awareness Event

- Mental Health Declassified
- Behavioral Health Partners

❖ PRIDE Flag Raising Ceremony

- Office of the Mayor
- Framingham City Council
- Framingham Public Library
- Framingham Office of Human Resources
- Framingham Capitol Projects & Facilities
- Framingham PFLAG
- OUT MetroWest
- Framingham Interfaith Community Association
- Framingham Public Schools

❖ Juneteenth

- Framingham State University
- Greater Framingham Church

❖ ADA Awareness Month (looking for partners)

Collaborative Initiatives

- ❖ Racial Equity Municipal Action Plan (REMAP)

- Government Alliance on Race and Equity (GARE)
- Federal Reserve Bank of Boston
- Metropolitan Area Planning Council (MAPC)

- ❖ Framingham Reads

- ❖ Mayor's Youth Internship Program

- Intern currently supporting DEI (MassHire)

- ❖ Strategic Planning

- ❖ Vaccine Equity Working Group

- ❖ Mayor's Institute on City Design (MICD)

- ❖ Framingham History Center (planning committee)

- ❖ MetroWest Non-Profit (Community Action Presentation – Historical Legacies of Oppression) 3/21

- ❖ Mayor's Women & Families Working Group

- ❖ MetroWest Chamber of Commerce

- ❖ MA DEI Coalition

- ❖ Framingham CDOs Connect

Boards & Commissions

- ❖ Human Relations Commission
- ❖ Welcoming Immigrants Committee
- ❖ Fair Housing Commission
- ❖ Youth Council

The future is **diverse**.

Here's why:

Successful startup ecosystems over the next two decades will be **those that close the Inclusion Gap and tap into full diversity of their populations and talents**. Those that don't, will fall behind - even if they are today's top performers.

A Vision Forward

What is your vision for the City of Framingham and how can the practice of applying a DEI lens benefit us in achieving progress towards inclusive excellence?