



NEEDHAM PUBLIC HEALTH DIVISION



Update on COVID-19 From the Town of Needham and Needham Public Health

March 18, 2020 – The Town of Needham and Needham Public Health today provided the following update regarding COVID-19.

State DPH COVID-19 Numbers

The Massachusetts Department of Public Health is reporting that as of March 18, 2020, there are 256 confirmed cases as of COVID-19 in Massachusetts, including 45 in Norfolk County.

Senior Meal Delivery

Public Health and the Aging Services Division have partnered with Springwell to deliver free bagged lunches to seniors in need at home. Staff from the Center at the Heights will deliver the meals. This is a new program, aimed at assisting those seniors who find themselves at home during the COVID-19 outbreak. The Town is still running the Traveling Meals program for eligible seniors. For more information, call the Center at the Heights 781-455-7555.

Town Launches Online permitting for DPW and Building Permits

The Town of Needham is pleased to announce that effective today, we are moving Building Department and Department of Public Works Permit applications online. We are using Viewpoint Cloud which you'll find here: <https://needham.viewpointcloud.com/>

Applications for most existing permits are available. Credit card payments are coming soon to Viewpoint Cloud Needham. Until then, you will need to pay by check only. Please mail your check, complete with permit number and property address: Needham Building Department, 500 Dedham Ave., Needham, MA 02492 OR Needham Department of Public Works, 500 Dedham Ave., Needham, MA 02492.

Governor Orders Daycares Closed Beginning March 23, 2020

Beginning Monday, March 23, all early education and family care daycare centers across Massachusetts will be closed. The state is working to set up emergency childcare facilities for medical personnel, emergency workers and others who need childcare while working on the front lines of the COVID-19 outbreak. Needham Public Health closed Needham-based daycares on March 16. <https://www.needhamma.gov/DocumentCenter/View/21002/Needham-Public-Health-Letter-re-Daycares-during-COVID-19-Outbreak>

Goodwill bin now closed

Effective today, the Goodwill trailer at the RTS has been closed for the time being. Please do not drop any donations off at this time. Thanks for your cooperation.

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