



NEEDHAM PUBLIC HEALTH DIVISION



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

May 19, 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 May 19, 2020 there are:

- 873 new cases today for a total of 87,925 cases statewide
- 7,524 cases in Norfolk County
- 76 new deaths today for a total of 5,938 deaths statewide
- 41 new cases in Needham for a total of 292 (as reported by DPH on 5/13)
- 50 coronavirus deaths in Needham to date (as reported by the Town Clerk on 5/11. *NOTE: The next update will be provide tomorrow, 5/20 instead of 5/25 due to the Memorial Day Holiday)
- Four public safety employees have had confirmed cases of COVID-19. All four have recovered.

It's important to remember that most people who are confirmed to have COVID-19 recover. For more state data, visit www.mass.gov/coronavirus.

Town Re-Opening Plan Coming Next Week

Now that the Governor has released the state's [Reopening Report](#), the Town is preparing to re-open Town buildings and facilities in a phased way beginning June 1st. Not every Town building will open immediately, and appointments will be required. We will share more information next week, including what buildings will re-open first and what employees and members of the public will be required to do in order to help maintain the health and safety of the community. Information will be provided in this update, on social media and on the Town's website.

Updated - Public Meetings Scheduled for This Week*

The following Town boards and commissions meet this week. *Updated to include the School Committee.

- Tuesday, May 19, 2020 at 5:30 pm: [School Committee](#). Watch via [Zoom](#) (password 065581) or livestream on the [Needham Channel](#).
- Tuesday, May 19, 2020 at 7 pm: [Park and Recreation Commission](#). Watch via [Zoom](#).
- Wednesday, May 20, 2020 at 5 pm: [Select Board](#). Watch via [Zoom](#).
- Wednesday, May 20, 2020 at 7 pm: [Finance Committee](#). Watch via [Zoom](#).
- Wednesday, May 20, 2020 at 7:15 pm: [Planning Board](#). To view and participate in this virtual meeting on your computer, at the above date and time, go to www.zoom.us click "Join a Meeting" and enter the following ID: 826-5899-3198
- Thursday, May 21, 2020 at 9 am: [Board of Assessors](#). Watch via [Zoom](#).

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