August 3, 2020

**Easthampton**

**Coronavirus (COVID-19) Situation Awareness Report**

**VIRTUAL TOWN HALL – Thursday 8/6 at 4:00pm**

**Host - Mayor LaChapelle**

**Moderator – Ryan Arnold**

**Easthampton Media**

**Guest – Chuck McCullagh**

will be on to review Williston’s Reopening Plans.

Information on meeting access can be found on the Easthampton Media Facebook page or [HERE](#).

Watch live on Charter Channel 193 or streaming on [YouTube](#).

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**CALL: 211** for MA coronavirus information, resources & SafeLink

**TEXT: COVIDMA to 888-777** to get coronavirus updates in English;

**COVIDMAESP** for updates in Spanish

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If you would like a copy of the Situation Awareness Report emailed to you directly, please contact the Mayor’s Office at [mayor@easthamptonma.gov](mailto:mayor@easthamptonma.gov).

**#MaskUpMA:** The Baker-Polito administration has launched an online portal as an effort to remind residents of the importance of wearing face coverings.

It is important to remember that the Executive Order mandating the use of face coverings in indoor and outdoor areas where social distancing cannot be maintained is still in effect. To view this order, please click [HERE](#).

![#MaskUpMA](#)

**Stop the Spread:** The “Stop the Spread” campaign was started by the Commonwealth of Massachusetts to increase testing in communities where COVID-19 numbers are increasing. The initiative has been expanding to more parts of Massachusetts. For the full list of testing locations, please visit [https://www.mass.gov/info-details/stop-the-spread](https://www.mass.gov/info-details/stop-the-spread). Free testing will be available through August 14th.

**Updated Coronavirus Data:** Reminder that updated Coronavirus numbers are available to the public here: [https://www.mass.gov/info-details/covid-19-response-reporting](https://www.mass.gov/info-details/covid-19-response-reporting). Public health metrics such as confirmed cases and deaths are continuing to be monitored closely.
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**Shared Streets Program:** The City of Easthampton is happy to announce that it was awarded $160,000 from the MassDOT Shared Streets Program. This funding will be used to enhance pedestrian safety and increase bicycle and pedestrian access in key areas of activity and growth in Easthampton.

As a result of the COVID-19 pandemic, the city has observed an increase in pedestrian and bicycle traffic. This funding will be used to support the growing foot and bicycle traffic throughout the city.

For additional information, please click [HERE](https://www.mass.gov/info-details/covid-19-response-reporting) to see the official Press Release.

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### Additional Resources

- **Small Business Strong:** Small Business Strong is a partnership formed to assist women and minority owned small businesses. For more information, please visit their website: [https://www.smallbstrong.com/](https://www.smallbstrong.com/)

- **Center for Women & Enterprise (CWE) – Small Business Resources:** The CWE website provides a helpful breakdown of resources available to small businesses all over New England. For more information, please visit: [https://www.cweonline.org/Entrepreneurs/Resources-Available-to-SmallBusiness-During-COVID-19-Crisis](https://www.cweonline.org/Entrepreneurs/Resources-Available-to-SmallBusiness-During-COVID-19-Crisis)

- **MassSupport:** Free and confidential counseling services during COVID pandemic

  PHONE: 1-888-215-4920 (Phones answered Mon.-Fri. from 9:00am to 6:00pm)

  EMAIL: MassSupport@riversidecc.org

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**All Easthampton public buildings remain closed until further notice. Working remotely, staff are monitoring voice mail and email, prioritizing pandemic related matters. Many staff are working a limited schedule. Thank you for your patience.**