



City of Easthampton Situation Report

April 30, 2021

Massachusetts Reopening Update

Effective Friday, April 30th, the Face Coverings Order will be relaxed for some outdoor settings:

- Face coverings will still be required at all times in *indoor public places*, with certain exceptions noted in the sector-specific rules (e.g., eating, sitting in your own office).
- Face coverings will be required *outside in public when it is not possible to socially distance*, and at other times required by sector-specific guidance (e.g., at events or gatherings). The \$300 fine as an enforcement mechanism will be eliminated.

Easthampton Board of Health orders have been updated to align with the state's guidance and the order can be reviewed online [HERE](#).

Subject to public health data, all remaining industries will be allowed to reopen effective August 1, 2021. *Please note that this date may be reevaluated depending on public health metrics.*

All updates can be reviewed online at <https://www.mass.gov/info-details/reopening-massachusetts>.

FEMA COVID-19 Funeral Expense Assistance Program

The Federal Emergency Management Administration (FEMA) will provide financial assistance for COVID-19-related funeral expenses incurred after January 20, 2020.

At this time, there is no deadline to apply for this financial assistance.

For more information on how to apply and eligibility requirements, please visit <https://www.mass.gov/info-details/covid-19-funeral-assistance>

Restaurant Revitalization Fund

The American Rescue Plan Act established the Restaurant Revitalization Fund (RRF) to provide funding to help restaurants and other eligible businesses keep their doors open. This program will provide restaurants with funding equal to their pandemic-related revenue loss up to \$10 million per business and no more than \$5 million per physical location.

Registration for the SBA application portal will begin on Friday, April 30, 2021, at 9 am ET. Applications will open on Monday, May 3, 2021, at noon ET.

Please click [HERE](#) to learn more.

Easthampton Fish Ladder Public Access by Appointment

Effective Friday, April 30th, 2021 the City of Easthampton Fish Ladder will be open for the season.

The Fish Ladder will be open to the public every Friday afternoon from 1:00 pm – 3:00 pm *by appointment* until July 1, 2021.

To schedule an appointment please contact the DPW office at 413-529-1410 or by email at dpw@easthamptonma.gov.

Walk, Bike, & Roll to School Day 2021

Walk, Bike, & Roll to School Day is Wednesday, May 5, 2021.

In Easthampton, middle schoolers will be meeting at 7:30am and elementary students will be meeting at 8:15am.

Students will be meeting at the Manhan Rail Trail next to the Public Safety Complex located at 32 Payson Avenue. They will then head to school safely distanced and wearing masks.

Spot Lot Series to Begin This Saturday

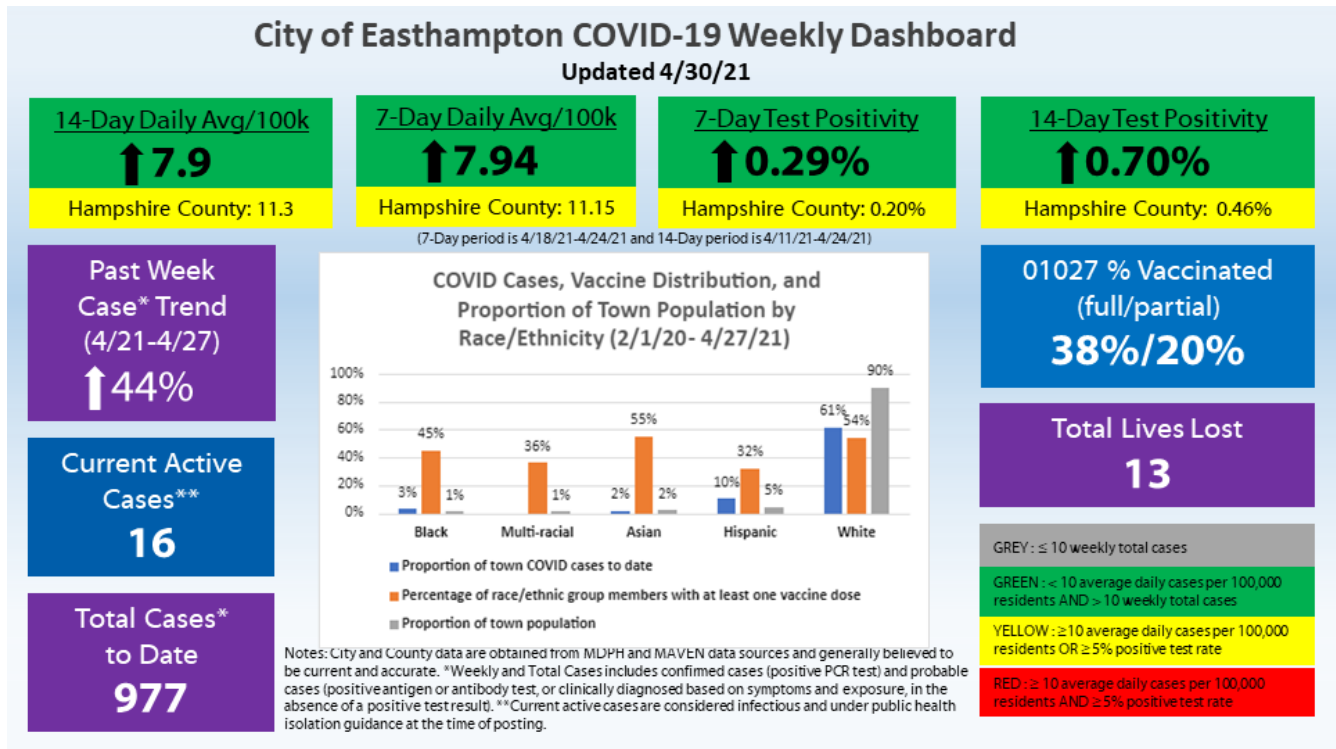
Reminder that the Easthampton City Arts' Spring Spot Lot Series will begin this Saturday, May 1st. Tony Silva will start at 4pm and the Salsa Train Orchestra will follow at 5pm!

The Spot Lot Series takes place at 50 Payson Avenue. Please note that parking is provided for people requiring assistance—all others should plan to park off-site. ALL attendees must register at the welcome table, located at the PAYSON AVENUE entrance. Everyone must follow health and safety protocols pertaining to COVID-19.

- **Saturday May 8 // 4-6PM**
 - 4:00pm - Khalif Neville
 - 5:00pm - The 'Matics
- **Saturday May 15 // 4-6PM**
 - 4:00pm - Pamela Means
 - 5:00pm - Stomp Box Trio
- **Saturday May 22 // 4-7PM**
 - 4:00pm - Gather Hear Tour by Miki Sawada
 - 5:00pm - Carl Clements, Austin McMahan, & Fumi Tomita
 - 6:00pm - Kimaya Diggs

Weekly COVID-19 Dashboard

Prepared every Friday by Easthampton Public Health Nurse, Amy Hardt.



City Meeting Calendar Week of May 3rd to May 7th

Monday, May 3, 2021	Tuesday, May 4, 2021	Wednesday, May 5, 2021	Thursday, May 6, 2021
City Council – Property Committee – 5:30pm Zoom Link	Commission on Disability– 10:00am Zoom Link	Board of Public Works – 5:00pm Zoom Link	Easthampton Garden Committee – 7:00pm Zoom Link
Ordinance Review Committee – 6:30pm Zoom Link	School Building Committee – 5:00pm Zoom Link	City Council – 6:00pm Zoom Link	
	Community Relations Committee – 6:00pm Zoom Link		
	City Council – Ordinance Committee – 6:00pm Zoom Link		
	Planning Board – 6:00pm Zoom Link		

Please note: All agendas and Zoom links are also uploaded to the city website at <https://easthamptonma.gov/agendas-minutes.html>.