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## **City of Cleveland Provides Coronavirus & Other Important Updates - **Update #259****

The City of Cleveland continues to take numerous precautions across multiple departments and divisions amid increasing cases of coronavirus (COVID-19). Below are some important updates. Mayor Frank G. Jackson signed an order on December 22 extending the City's Proclamation of Civil Emergency through Jan. 31, 2021. Mayor Jackson's order was amended to include a Stay At Home Advisory. [Click here to view the order.](#) Essential services such as Police, Fire, EMS, waste collection and Utilities will remain operational. [Click here to view Mayor Jackson's recent telephone town hall](#) on Dec. 30 to discuss the pandemic, vaccines and other prevention efforts.

### **669 New Confirmed Coronavirus Cases Reported in Cleveland and Three Fatalities (Jan. 1-4, 2021)**

The Cleveland Department of Public Health (CDPH) has been notified of 669 more confirmed cases of coronavirus in city residents and three fatalities Jan. 1-4, 2021. This brings the total to 19,648 confirmed cases in the City of Cleveland and 183 fatalities. The new confirmed cases include males and females whose ages range from under 1 year old to their 90s. CDPH is working to identify their close contacts who would require testing or monitoring for COVID-19 symptoms. Additionally, 24 cases were transferred as it was determined they were not Cleveland residents. The breakdown of the cases for Jan. 1-4 are:

- Jan. 1-2:
  - Cases: 413
  - Age Range: less than 1-year-old to their 90's
- Jan. 3:
  - Cases: 137
  - Age Range: less than 10 years old to their 80's
- Jan. 4:
  - Cases: 119
  - Age Range: less than 10 years old to their 90's

As of Jan. 4, there are 650,929 confirmed cases and 8,262 confirmed fatalities in the State of Ohio. There are more than 20.75 million cases and 352,858 deaths in the U.S.

*Reminder: The City of Cleveland will disseminate Saturday and Sunday COVID-19 numbers on its Facebook and Twitter pages when they become available.*

The City of Cleveland COVID-19 Dashboard displays the most recent preliminary data from the Ohio Department of Health about COVID-19 cases, hospitalizations, deaths and recoveries in Cleveland by selected demographics. [View the dashboard here](#). For individuals' privacy, CDPH will not be releasing any additional demographic info related to COVID-19 cases aside from age range and gender.

### **Statement on the Increase in Violent Crime (Issued Nov. 2020)**

The City of Cleveland and urban areas across the United States have been severely affected by skyrocketing violent crime statistics including shootings and homicides. While many of the cases can be traced to incidents of drug and gang activity, the exact cause of the drastic increase is unknown. Investigators continue to work hard every day to solve cases while policing in unprecedented circumstances in times where situations and resources change rapidly due to the COVID-19 pandemic. Law Enforcement continue to encourage citizens to report criminal activity to police and remind members of the public that they can do so anonymously to Crimestoppers by calling 216-25-CRIME.

## **Other Important Reminders (Previous Announcements)**

### **2021 City of Cleveland Division of Waste Bulk Pick-Up Schedule Now Available**

The 2021 City of Cleveland Division of Waste Bulk Pick-Up Calendar is available for [download here](#).

In addition to bulk pick-up dates, the calendar includes information about proper waste set out. Here are some tips to make sure your waste collection is compliant with city set out guidelines:

- Rule of three: Remember that the limit for bulk pick-up is three items.
- Residents may leave out for collection items such as appliances, tables, chairs, mattress box springs, couches and furniture.
- All mattresses, box springs and cloth furniture must be wrapped in plastic.
- In addition to the three items, residents may leave out up to four tires.
- The City does not accept construction material.
- Boxes and loose bags are not bulk items.
- Carpet must be cut and rolled into 3-foot long pieces and must not exceed 40 pounds.

The Division of Waste also reminds residents of the following waste regulations:

- Only waste in officially issued City carts will be accepted, and loose trash or bags outside City roll carts will not be accepted.
- The following will be not be accepted in or outside of roll carts: construction materials, hazardous waste, bricks, dirt, concrete, cinder blocks, auto parts, loose metal items, medical waste or fluorescent tubes. No wet paint should be placed in roll carts. All paint cans should be dry before they are placed in roll carts.
- Do not place hot charcoal ashes in roll carts.

For further information regarding waste collection, please call the Division of Waste Collection at (216) 664-3711 or visit <http://www.clevelandohio.gov>.

### **Public Works and Port Control Hiring Snow Removal Vehicle Operators**

The City of Cleveland Department of Public Works is hiring [Snow Removal Vehicle Operators](#). This position is seasonal and will be used only during the snow removal season. Required qualifications include:

- High School Diploma or GED;
- Valid Commercial Drivers' License (CDL) Type B with Air Brake Endorsement; and

- Good driving record.

The City of Cleveland Department of Port Control is also hiring [Snow Removal Vehicle Operators](#). This position is seasonal and will be used only during the snow removal season. Airport and departmental requirements include:

- Must successfully complete a Transportation Security Administration (TSA) 10 year fingerprint-based Criminal History Records Check and employment background check and Security Threat Assessment.
- Must be able to pass a pre-employment physical and drug test; and
- Must successfully complete all applicable regulatory airfield Ground Vehicle Operator and Winter Operations training/assessments and maintain corresponding airfield driving privileges.

For more information and to view more available City of Cleveland positions, [click here](#).

### **City Now Accepting Applications for Cleveland Small Business Grant *Emergency Working Capital Program – Specially Impacted Businesses***

The Emergency Working Capital program is designed to assist businesses whose operations are specifically impacted by COVID and have had to take exceptional measures to maintain operations throughout the pandemic. Businesses may receive a \$10,000 loan for working capital and operations costs and a \$10,000 grant to offset costs of PPE and other safety measures. Applicants must complete the Emergency Capital Working Fund [Loan Application](#) and the 1-page [supplemental questionnaire](#). Applications for this program should be submitted electronically to [economicdevelopment@clevelandohio.gov](mailto:economicdevelopment@clevelandohio.gov).

### **Calls Regarding COVID-19 Complaints**

With the passage by Cleveland City Council of an ordinance authorizing penalties for non-compliance with Mayor Jackson's mask mandate, enforcement is now in effect.

There are two numbers Clevelanders should call regarding non-compliance:

- **Business complaints:** CDPH hotline at (216) 857-7165
- **Individual or private residence complaints:** Cleveland Police non-emergency line at (216) 621-1234

Cleveland City Council recently approved the mandatory use of masks in public spaces as well as certain penalties for individuals and businesses that do not comply. On July 3, Mayor Jackson signed an amended order mandating the use of masks in public in the City of Cleveland to slow the spread of the highly contagious coronavirus. This includes mandatory use in bars, restaurants, shared office settings, rideshares and other shared spaces.

Citations may be issued with fines for the following:

- Any business or person violating the mask or safe-seating order (which maintains social distancing of at least six feet between patrons) is subject to civil penalties in accordance with Ordinance No. 556-2020, specifically chapters 602 and 236.
- Any business in the City of Cleveland with an employee who becomes ill with the coronavirus is required to immediately disinfect and sanitize the premises. Following a warning, they may be subject to a civil penalty of \$1,000 for the first offense and a civil penalty of \$3,000 for each subsequent violation.

### **Upcoming Cleveland Transformation Alliance Meetings**

The Cleveland Transformation Alliance Committee (CTA) is currently hosting public meetings via Zoom or Microsoft Teams. For more information on these meetings, please visit <http://www.myCLEschool.org>. See details for upcoming meetings below:

### ***Governance Committee***

Tuesday, January 5, 2021 at 10 a.m.

<https://zoom.us/j/99562498689?pwd=UVBsMlJKdnkrcTVVV0FWMkZ0V0p0Zz09>

Meeting ID: 995 6249 8689      Passcode: 610799

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### ***CTA Board Meeting***

Monday, January 25, 2021 at 5:30 p.m.

<https://zoom.us/j/95274808308?pwd=UFRQL3QzZk51VjN5Y1BTNWozdnRqUT09>

Meeting ID: 952 7480 8308      Passcode: 028052

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### **CodeRED**

Sign up for CodeRED alerts to receive calls and emails with important info regarding the coronavirus. To sign up online, visit <https://bit.ly/CLECodeRED>, get mobile alerts by downloading the CodeRED app via the Apple or Google Play stores. Seniors who need assistance signing up are welcome to call the Department of Aging at (216) 664-4383 for periodic phone call messaging.

### **Previous COVID-19 Updates from the City of Cleveland**

[Click here to view previous updates.](#)

**For more information about COVID-19, visit the following:**

- [www.cdc.gov/coronavirus](http://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus)
- <https://coronavirus.ohio.gov/wps/portal/gov/covid-19/>
- <http://www.clevelandhealth.org/>

### **About the City of Cleveland**

The City of Cleveland is committed to improving the quality of life for its residents by strengthening neighborhoods, delivering superior services, embracing diversity and making Cleveland a desirable, safe city in which to live, work, play, and do business. For more information on the City of Cleveland, visit online at [www.clevelandohio.gov](http://www.clevelandohio.gov), Twitter at @cityofcleveland or Facebook at [www.facebook.com/cityofcleveland](http://www.facebook.com/cityofcleveland).