



CITY OF CLEVELAND  
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## **City of Cleveland Provides Coronavirus & Other Important Updates - **Update #284****

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 Jan. 26 extending the City's Proclamation of Civil Emergency through Feb. 28, 2021.** . [Click here to view the order.](#) Essential services such as Police, Fire, EMS, waste collection and Utilities will remain operational.

### **91 New Confirmed Coronavirus Cases, 2 Fatalities Reported in Cleveland**

The Cleveland Department of Public Health (CDPH) has been notified of 91 more confirmed coronavirus cases and two fatalities in city residents on February 4. This brings the total to 23,862 confirmed cases in the City of Cleveland and 221 fatalities. The new confirmed cases include males and females whose ages range from under 2 years old to their 90s. CDPH is working to identify their close contacts who would require testing or monitoring for COVID-19 symptoms. In addition, 42 cases have been transferred as it was determined the individuals are not Cleveland residents.

As of February 4, there are 791,191 confirmed cases and 10,225 confirmed fatalities in the State of Ohio. There are more than 26.64 million cases and 454,596 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 release additional demographic info related to COVID-19 cases aside from age range and gender.**

### **Mayor Jackson Swears In Interim Commissioner of Cleveland Public Power**

On February 3, Mayor Frank G. Jackson administered the oath of office to Richard D. Barton, swearing him in as Interim Commissioner of Cleveland Public Power (Department of Public Utilities).

A graduate of Cleveland Central Catholic and Cleveland State University, he began his career as a civil servant in 1973 in the Division of Recreation, administering a federal grant that extended the

City's recreation centers' operating hours as a means to reducing crime. He later served in the Municipal Clerk of Court's office, focusing on relocating that office to the newly built Justice Center. In 1978, Barton was appointed Commissioner of the Division of Light and Power, which would later become Cleveland Public Power.

Throughout his tenure with the City, Barton has held many leadership roles at CPP, including Deputy and Assistant Commissioner. He has also served in the ITS and Radio Communications divisions for Cleveland.

He has overseen the Operations section of Cleveland Public Power, including Trouble, Street Lighting, Construction, and Maintenance. He has also participated in NERC/Reliability First Standards Compliance, labor negotiations, and work order management.

To view Richard D. Barton's headshot, [click here](#).

### **City of Cleveland Update on Hopkins Airport**

Cleveland Hopkins International Airport (CLE) like other airports worldwide has had a dramatic drop in air service and travelers due to the COVID-19 pandemic. Concerns over health and safety as well as quarantines, coupled with many businesses cancelling travel and leisure travelers staying home, have impacted flights.

We are currently averaging 4,305 in the past seven days, compared with the 314 passengers we reported on April 20, 2020. [Click here to view regularly updated numbers on airport travel on the Hopkins website.](#)

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

#### **Cleveland Division of Police Deputy to Retire After More Than 30 Years of Service**

Mayor Frank G. Jackson, Director of Public Safety Karrie D. Howard and Police Chief Calvin D. Williams announce that Cleveland Police Deputy Chief Deon McCaulley is retiring after serving with the Cleveland Division of Police for over 30 years. Deputy Chief McCaulley currently serves as the Deputy Chief of Administrative Operations, overseeing the Bureau of Communications and Property Control and the Bureau of Support Services, including the Communications Control Section, Logistics, Property, Personnel, Records and the Training Section. [Click here to view McCaulley's headshot.](#)

"On behalf of the citizens of the City of Cleveland, I want to congratulate Deputy Chief Deon McCaulley for his appointment as the new Chief of Police for the Cleveland Clinic. I know that he will do a great job in his new position, just as he has done here for more than 30 years at the City of Cleveland," said Mayor Jackson. "On a personal note, I worked with him when I first served as Councilman of Ward 5 on Cleveland City Council, when he was a Lieutenant over Vice in the old Fifth District. Deputy Chief McCaulley always demonstrated professionalism, dedication and commitment as he rose through the ranks in the Division of Police. I am confident that he will carry this with him in his position as Chief of Police for the Cleveland Clinic Foundation."

Deputy Chief Deon McCaulley previously served with the United States Marine Corps Reserves. He was hired by the Cleveland Division of Police in June 1990, promoted to Sergeant in 1997 and to Lieutenant in 2000. In 2006, he was appointed to Commander by Mayor Jackson, overseeing the Bureau of Community Policing and then the Fourth Neighborhood Police District. In 2015, Mayor Jackson again promoted McCaulley to Deputy Chief.

“I want to thank Deputy Chief Deon McCaulley for his service to the citizens of the City of Cleveland,” said Safety Director Howard. “I look forward to continuing to work alongside him in his new role.”

Deputy Chief Deon McCaulley will officially retire from the Cleveland Division of Police on Feb. 15, 2021. He will continue to serve the citizens of the City of Cleveland as the next Chief of Police of the Cleveland Clinic Police Department.

“Deputy Chief Deon McCaulley is an excellent leader and although we are sad to see him leave the Cleveland Division of Police, we are pleased to know he will continue to serve alongside our members with an important law enforcement partner, the Cleveland Clinic Police Department,” said Chief Williams. “I wish Deon well and look forward to watching him further his career as Chief.”

An Acting Deputy Chief of Administration will be appointed until a new member of the Cleveland Division of Police Command Staff is selected.

### **The City of Cleveland Commemorates Black History Month with Series of Virtual Events**

The 2021 City of Cleveland Black History Month celebration kicked off on Monday, Feb. 1 with a virtual opening ceremony.

This year’s theme, “Strengthening Black Families through the Quest for Equity and Equality,” celebrates the contributions and achievements made by residents and leaders in the Black community with a series of virtual events. All of these virtual events are free and open to the public.

“Each year, our Black History Month celebration serves to recognize Cleveland’s long-standing history of Black leadership and honor Black individuals who contribute to our city’s legacy of cultural diversity and equality,” said Mayor Frank G. Jackson. “We continue this tradition by celebrating the men and women of the Black community who strive to make Cleveland a great place to live, work, play and do businesses, for our residents and their families.”

Some of the events, though virtual, offer Facebook Live viewers the opportunity to interact with panelists by asking questions in the comments. [Click here to view a calendar of events](#). Please note that some events will be livestreamed to Facebook and some will be available to the public via WebEx, though registration is required via Eventbrite. To participate in Facebook events, visit the City of Cleveland Facebook page at [www.facebook.com/CityofCleveland](http://www.facebook.com/CityofCleveland).

### **Students Invited to Apply for Mayor Frank G. Jackson Scholarship Program**

The Mayor Frank G. Jackson Scholarship Program is now accepting applications for the 2021-2022 academic year. The deadline to submit your application is March 28, 2021. To learn more and to apply, [click here](#).

The Mayor Frank G. Jackson Scholarship Program was created by the City of Cleveland in 2007 to provide scholarship funds to the following individuals:

1. City employees
2. Dependents of City employees
3. High school seniors graduating from the Cleveland Metropolitan School District
4. High school seniors in the Youth Development Program or involved with the City of Cleveland Department of Recreation

The program provides scholarships of \$1,000 per year for up to 4 years. Selected scholarship recipients must be a full-time (minimum 12 credit hours each term) student at a four-year, public or private, not-for-profit higher education institution.

Scholarships are renewable for up to three additional years from the first awarded academic year. To be eligible for renewal of the scholarship, students must maintain a 2.5 cumulative GPA and full-time status.

The City of Cleveland's Mayor Frank G. Jackson Scholarship program is administered through [College Now Greater Cleveland](#). For questions about the scholarship applications, please contact College Now at 216-635-0324.

### **City Of Cleveland Establishes Call Center to Answer General Vaccine Distribution Questions**

The City of Cleveland has established a call center that is currently available to answer general questions pertaining to the City's vaccine distribution efforts and assist eligible individuals in scheduling an appointment to receive the vaccine.

- Call Center Number: (216) 664-2222
- Hours of Operation: Monday-Friday; 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

As a reminder, only individuals who meet the Ohio Department of Health's criteria are eligible to receive the vaccine at this time. Due to limited supply, it will take time for eligible individuals to receive the vaccine. We ask for your patience. As we receive additional supply, we will be opening up additional vaccination sites and scheduling appointments for eligible individuals to receive the vaccine.

### **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:

#### ***Communication and Engagement Committee***

February 9, 2021 at 3 p.m. via Microsoft Teams

[Click here to join the meeting on your computer or mobile app.](#)

Or call in (audio only): [+1 216-815-0098,605888041#](tel:+12168150098605888041)

Phone Conference ID: 605 888 041#

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#### ***Charter Review Committee***

February 24, 2021 at 2 p.m. via Microsoft Teams

[Click here to join the meeting on your computer or mobile app.](#)

Or call in (audio only): [+1 216-815-0098,916557569#](tel:+12168150098916557569) United States, Cleveland

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#### ***Finance Committee***

March 11, 2021 at 8:30 a.m. via Microsoft Teams

[Click here to join the meeting on your computer or mobile app.](#)

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#### ***Cleveland Transformation Alliance Board Meeting***

March 15, 2021 at 5:30 p.m. via Zoom

Register in advance for this webinar:

[https://zoom.us/webinar/register/WN\\_eq22wuvaSMvTS0x1dmgQkw](https://zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_eq22wuvaSMvTS0x1dmgQkw)

After registering, you will receive a confirmation email containing information about joining the webinar.

#### **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).