



CITY OF CLEVELAND
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City of Cleveland Daily News Updates - #326

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 March 31, 2021 extending the City's Proclamation of Civil Emergency through April 30, 2021.** [Click here to view the order.](#) Essential services such as Police, Fire, EMS, waste collection and Utilities will remain operational.

City of Cleveland Board of Control Issues Resolution for NFL Draft Vendors

As the City of Cleveland prepares to host the NFL Draft from April 29, 2021 – May 1, 2021 vendors should be advised of required regulations and Codified Ordinances within the City. [Click here to read the resolution.](#)

City of Cleveland Seeks Applicants for CMSD Board Appointment

Mayor Frank G. Jackson has announced that applications will be accepted from now until Monday, May 3, 2021 for appointment to four seats on the Cleveland Metropolitan School District (CMSD) Board of Education. The four seats are for expiring terms ending Wednesday, June 30, 2021. New terms will begin July 1, 2021 and expire June 30, 2025.

To be considered, applicants must be residents of the Cleveland Metropolitan School District. Interested parties can mail their applications to the Nominating Panel at 601 Lakeside Avenue, Room 227, Cleveland, Ohio 44114, attention Dr. Monyka Price or drop off applications at City Hall. Applications must be turned in by close of business Monday, May 3, 2021.

To obtain an application please

visit www.city.cleveland.oh.us, www.cpl.org and www.clevelandmetroschool.org or contact Dr. Price at (216) 420-8087 for more information. Applications can also be found at branches of the Cleveland Public Library and City of Cleveland Recreation Centers.

- [Click here to obtain an English language application.](#)
- [Click here to obtain a Spanish language application](#)

City of Cleveland Hosts Women's History Month Event

In celebration of Women's History Month, the City of Cleveland commemorated the vital role of women in Cleveland's history and honored employees who help to make Cleveland a great city to live, work and play.

Throughout the month of March, the City of Cleveland recognized the contributions of women who work behind the scenes at the City on its social media accounts. The month-long celebration concluded with a Facebook Live event on March 31, hosted by the Department of Community Relations, honoring City workers at an employee recognition ceremony. Honorees include:

Kimberly Davis-Sowell
Sgt. Melissa Dawson
Carla Ellis
Deidra Gill
Margreat Jackson
Paulette Jackson
Deirdre Jones
Nancy Kelsey-Carroll
Stephanie Melnyk

Donna Motley

Chiefs of the Mayor's cabinet:

Chief Sharon Dumas
Former Chief Natoya Walker-Minor
Chief Dr. Monyka Price
Chief Valarie McCall
Chief Tracy Martin-Thompson

[Click here to view footage of the ceremony.](#) TV20 will also air the event and include it on its YouTube page at <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCS2ywvcNn9xSTmlzHzV5enw>.

City of Cleveland Reminds Residents of City Office Holiday Closures and NO DELAY in Waste Collection

In observance of Good Friday, City of Cleveland offices – including City Hall and public utilities – will be closed on Friday, April 2, 2021. The Willard Garage attached to City Hall will be open only to keycard holders.

The City of Cleveland Department of Public Works WILL collect waste on Good Friday, April 2, 2021. There will be no delay in waste collection due to the holiday.

Other Important Reminders

City of Cleveland and Cleveland Department of Public Health to Begin Reporting Weekly COVID-19 Cases

The Cleveland Department of Public Health (CDPH) is committed to reporting COVID-19-related information accurately to the community. Starting the week of April 5, CDPH will begin posting a COVID-19 weekly summary report that includes data pertaining to reported COVID cases and vaccine distribution. The new weekly comprehensive summary report will replace our daily COVID-19 case numbers report. The report will be released in the City of Cleveland's news updates and posted to the CDPH website.

As previously announced, case numbers will be reported Monday-Friday until the week of April 5.

RTA and Civic Partners Provide Free Ride to Vaccination Centers

The Greater Cleveland Regional Transit Authority (RTA) is partnering with Cuyahoga County and the City of Cleveland to provide All Day passes good for a free ride on bus, rail and paratransit to the Wolstein Center and [vaccination sites](#) throughout the county. [Read the full release here.](#)

Mayor Frank G. Jackson Announces Return of the Exterior Paint Program The City of Cleveland invites residents to take advantage of its 2021 Exterior Paint Program. Applications must be received by April 30, 2021.

The Exterior Paint Program provides paint and materials to homeowners who wish to paint the exterior of their homes. Labor is not included. The goal for 2021 is 500 homes with a total allocation of \$500,000 for the program.

“The goal of this program is to help residents protect their home investments, improve housing stock in our neighborhoods and create a better, more equitable quality of life,” said Mayor Frank G. Jackson.

Homeowners, as well as tenants, who meet income guidelines, are welcome to apply for the program. Funds cover the cost of up to \$1,500 for owner occupants or up to \$750 for tenants in paint and materials, though restrictions do apply. Inspections of the property must also be conducted. Applications must be received by April 30, 2021 and the painting must be completed by October 31, 2021.

The Department of Community Development’s Division of Neighborhood Services administers services on a first-come, first-served basis. Interested Cleveland residents can obtain applications by calling (216) 664-2045.

Exterior Paint Program Income Guidelines

FAMILY SIZE	INCOME LEVEL	FAMILY SIZE	INCOME LEVEL
1	\$51,600	5	\$79,600
2	\$59,000	6	\$85,500
3	\$66,350	7	\$91,400
4	\$73,700	8	\$97,300

Small Business Administration (SBA) – Paycheck Protection Program (PPP) Loans Update

SBA has announced an additional tranche of PPP funding to assist small businesses. PPP loans are available until **March 31, 2021** to help keep businesses open during the COVID-19 Pandemic. PPP Loans may be eligible for forgiveness if certain conditions are met:

- Employee and compensation levels are maintained
- Loan proceeds are spent on payroll costs and other expenses
- At least 60% of proceeds are spent on payroll costs

President Biden has announced several changes to the program to make it more accessible:

- **Beginning February 24 and through March 10**, only businesses with fewer than 20 employees are eligible to apply in order to ensure that the smallest businesses have access to this program.
- Rules for sole proprietors, self-employed individuals and independent contractors have been modified to increase access for certain felony convictions.
- Elimination of student loan debt delinquency as a disqualifier to PPP loans
- Non-citizen small business owners may use Individual Tax Identification Numbers to apply for PPP.

Information about the program, including matching small businesses with area lenders, can be found at: <https://www.sba.gov/funding-programs/loans/coronavirus-relief-options/paycheck-protection-program>

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:

Finance Committee Meeting

Thursday, April 22 at 8:30 a.m. via Microsoft Teams

[Click here to join the meeting](#)

Or call in (audio only)

[+1 216-815-0098, 571164429#](tel:+12168150098571164429#) United States, Cleveland

Phone Conference ID: 571 164 429#

[Find a local number](#) | [Reset PIN](#)

[Learn More](#) | [Meeting options](#)

Cleveland Plan Progress Committee Refresh Retreat

Friday, April 23, 2021 at 1 p.m. via Zoom

<https://zoom.us/j/93125169762?pwd=MWNKUE9jUTZNaGpxSXJEWUdTMGZuUT09>

Meeting ID: 931 2516 9762 Passcode: 637409

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Dial by your location

+1 646 558 8656 US (New York)

Find your local number: <https://zoom.us/u/adbbpeaKcU>

Cleveland Transformation Alliance Board Meeting

Monday, April 26 at 5:30 p.m. via Zoom

<https://zoom.us/j/96577426538?pwd=dU5GLzZqUWlsNSs5THBWV05KWFJRZz09>

Meeting ID: 965 7742 6538 Passcode: 333569

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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
- <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. Twitter at @cityofcleveland or Facebook at www.facebook.com/cityofcleveland.