

CORONAVIRUS

(COVID-19)

Situational Update

Monday, December 21, 2020

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DC HEALTH
DEPARTMENT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

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PUBLIC TESTING SCHEDULE

**NO
APPOINTMENT
NEEDED.**

Save time in line!
Pre-register at
[coronavirus.dc.gov/
register](https://coronavirus.dc.gov/register)

Monday, December 21	Tuesday, December 22	Wednesday, December 23	Thursday, December 24	Friday, December 25	Saturday, December 26	Sunday, December 27
8:30 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. Judiciary Square F St., NW between 4th & 5th St., NW Anacostia 2241 Martin Luther King Jr. Ave., SE	8:30 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. Judiciary Square F St., NW between 4th & 5th St., NW UDC-CC Bertie Beckus Campus 5171 South Dakota Ave., NE	8:30 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. Judiciary Square F St., NW between 4th & 5th St., NW Anacostia 2241 Martin Luther King Jr. Ave., SE	8:30 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. Judiciary Square F St., NW between 4th & 5th St., NW UDC-CC Bertie Beckus Campus 5171 South Dakota Ave., NE	CLOSED in observance of Christmas Day	12:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m. Emery Heights Community Center 5701 Georgia Ave., NW IN PARTNERSHIP WITH CORE	12:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m. Engine 4 2531 Sherman Ave., NW
2:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m. Gelco Garage @ Nationals Park S. Capitol St., SE & N St., SE Engine 4 2531 Sherman Ave., NW Engine 11 3420 14th St., NW Engine 24 5101 Georgia Ave., NW Engine 31 4930 Connecticut Ave., NW	12:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m. Barry Farm Recreation Center 1230 Summer Rd., SE IN PARTNERSHIP WITH CORE	12:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m. Hillcrest Recreation Center 3100 Denver St., SE	12:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m. Ridge Road Community Center 850 Ridge Rd., SE		12:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m. Engine 8 1520 C St., SE Engine 10 1342 Florida Ave., NE Engine 30 50 49th St., NE Engine 33 101 Atlantic St., SE	12:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m. Engine 8 1520 C St., SE Engine 10 1342 Florida Ave., NE Engine 31 4930 Connecticut Ave., NW
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WHERE WE ARE TODAY

Level of Community Spread	Daily case rate	Rate of transmission	Test positivity rate	New cases from quarantined contacts
	35.1 (Dec 19) <small>7-day avg. per 100,000 pop.</small>	0.87 (Dec 9) <small>Effective reproduction number (R_t)</small>	5.0% (Dec 17) <small>Percent positive from RT-PCR tests</small>	10.0% (Dec 17) <small>7-day average</small>
Health System Capacity	Percent hospital utilization	Percent COVID-19 patients	Mean test turnaround time	Diagnostic tests conducted
	82.4% (Dec 19) <small>of available beds without surge</small>	11.7% (Dec 19) <small>of daily hospital census, 7-day average</small>	2.5 (Dec 19) <small>(days) 7-day average</small>	8,739 (Dec 17) <small>7-day avg. per million pop.</small>
Public Health System Capacity	Positive cases with contact attempt	Close contacts with contact attempt		
	99.8% (Dec 18) <small>7-day avg. attempt within 1 day</small>	94.2% (Dec 17) <small>7-day avg. attempt within 2 days</small>		
Community Engagement	Positive cases interviewed	Positive cases who provide close contacts	Mean number close contacts provided	Exposure Notification Opt-in
	77.8% (Dec 17) <small>7-day avg. completed within 3 days</small>	41.4% (Dec 17) <small>7-day avg.</small>	1.1 (Dec 17) <small>7-day avg. mean per positive case</small>	490,179 (Dec 17) <small>cumulative # of smart phones opted-in to official exposure notification system</small>

COVID-19 cases, hospitalizations, and deaths are on the rise in Washington, DC.

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While it is a difficult sacrifice, Washingtonians are asked to protect their families and friends by **staying home for the holidays.**

DO:

- Consider your most vulnerable family members while planning
- Remember that testing has its limitations and does not replace the need to wear masks, social distance, and practice good hygiene
- Plan an alternate celebration for 2021

DON'T:

- Travel
- Gather in groups or have people from different households sitting close to each other
- Let down your guard around family and friends

PHASE TWO ADJUSTMENTS

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The Public Health Emergency
is extended through
March 31, 2021.

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With the spike in COVID cases, hospitalizations, and deaths, various activities are paused from

10:00 p.m. on Wednesday, December 23

until

5:00 a.m. on Friday, January 15, 2021.



PAUSED: Indoor Dining



During the pause,
restaurants can still offer:



Delivery



Grab and
go



Outdoor
dining





During the pause, outdoor dining structures, tents, and/or canopies are permitted to have up to two side flaps or walls.

Streeteries and Parklets cannot be used during a Snow Emergency.

Using Electric Heaters:

- Small electric heaters may be used with 8- or 10-gauge extension cords.
- Prior to using electric heaters, the establishment must obtain a permit from the Fire Marshall's office for an electric heater and extension cords. To apply, go to fems.dc.gov; when you click "Application for Permits and Inspections" choose the "Mayor's Emergency Order" option.
- The permit fee is waived.
- For additional questions, contact the Department of Fire and EMS at fems.fireprevention@dc.gov





PAUSED:

Workers at non-essential, non-retail businesses who are not needed for in-person operations are required to telework.

Example:

Employees who work in an office and can complete their duties from home must now telework.





Non-essential retail can operate at 25% capacity or no more than 250 people and with social distancing measures in place.

Examples:

- bookstores
- clothing stores
- gift shops
- boutiques
- toy stores

Personal services can still operate by appointment only with stations seated at least six feet apart.

Examples:

- barbers
- hair salons
- nail salons



PAUSED:

Museums are closed to the public and all guided tours are suspended

Only staff and contractors may enter museums to continue minimum operations. All guided tours, such as bus tours and Segway tours, are prohibited.



Additionally, the DC Circulator National Mall route is **suspended**.



PAUSED: All indoor services

Libraries must only offer
curbside pickup and
book drop-off.





PAUSED:

Any group indoor activities (e.g. groups of ten people doing socially distanced drills are now suspended)

The only allowable indoor operations at Department of Parks and Recreation facilities are individual reservations for swimming and fitness rooms. Socially distanced, non-high-contact activities can continue outdoors for adult and youth sports groups, and residents may continue to use fields for individual exercise.





FOOD SELLERS (Grocery Stores & Big Box Stores)



Stores must make plans that provide for safe **social distancing** and **limit occupancy** to the extent necessary for safety.





HOUSES OF WORSHIP

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While the most recent update allows houses of worship to move to 25% of capacity (as reflected on their certificates of occupancy) or 250 people, whichever is fewer, **DC residents are strongly encouraged to worship from home via virtual services.**

We thank our faith-based partners who are going above and beyond to keep congregants safe and spiritually connected while physically distanced.



VACCINE UPDATE

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Both the FDA and CDC concluded that the Moderna vaccine is safe and effective for use in people 18 and older.

Fast facts about the Moderna vaccine:

- Just like the Pfizer vaccine, years of vaccine research and development laid the groundwork for this vaccine.
- This year, more than 30,000 people participated in the Moderna vaccine trial.
- With two doses, the vaccine has proven to be 95% effective.
- Common immune responses to the Moderna vaccine: pain at the injection site, fatigue, headache, muscle pain, and/or joint pain.

Last week, the District received an initial allotment of 6,825 doses of the Pfizer vaccine. Already, more than 4,500 health care workers and frontline workers have started receiving the vaccine.



This week, the District will receive:

- **8,775 doses** of the Pfizer vaccine from Virginia
- **4,875 doses** of the Pfizer vaccine from Operation Warp Speed
- **8,000 doses** of the Moderna vaccine from Maryland
- **12,600 doses** of the Moderna vaccine from Operation Warp Speed

The second and third shipments of the Pfizer vaccine will arrive the week of December 21 and the week of December 28.



- **Children’s National Hospital**
(2,925 doses)
- **Howard University Hospital**
(1,950 doses, 975 doses)
- **Medstar Washington Hospital Center and the National Rehabilitation Hospital**
(2,925 doses, 975 doses)
- **The George Washington University Hospital**
(1,950 doses, 975 doses)
- **MedStar Georgetown University Hospital**
(1,950 doses, 975 doses)
- **Sibley Memorial Hospital**
(1,950 doses, 975 doses)

First shipments of the Moderna vaccine will arrive between December 21 and December 29.



- **Community of Hope**
(2 sites, 200 doses per site)
- **Mary's Center**
(1 site, 600 doses)
- **Unity Healthcare**
(2 sites, 700 doses per site)
- **Bread for the City**
(1 site, 400 doses)
- **Safeway Pharmacy**
(10 sites, 500 doses per site)
- **Giant Food and Pharmacy**
(5 sites, 600 doses per site)
- **Bridgepoint**
(2 sites, 600 doses per site)
- **Kaiser Permanente**
(1 site, 3,100 doses)
- **Saint Elizabeths Hospital**
(1 site, 500 doses)
- **United Medical Center**
(1 site, 500 doses)

Additionally, 4,500 doses will be distributed to more than 30 Long-Term Care Facilities across DC.

The following populations are part of Phase 1a and prioritized to start receiving the vaccine:

- Frontline public health and EMS workers
- Skilled Nursing Facility and Assisted Living workers
- Skilled Nursing Facility and Assisted Living residents
- Acute care hospital network and specialty hospital network
- Inpatient psychiatric patients
- Intermediate Care Facility staff
- Home Health Aides
- Urgent Care workers
- Pharmacy staff
- Federally Qualified Health Center staff

Later this week, an online registration system will launch for intermediate care facility staff, home health aides, and urgent care workers. Through this system, workers in the priority group who do not work at a site receiving doses to will be able to get vaccinated at:

- Bread for the City
- Community of Hope
- Giant
- Mary's Center
- Safeway
- Unity Healthcare

RECOVERY UPDATE

ENTERTAINMENT BRIDGE FUND APPLICATIONS OPEN TODAY

The Entertainment Bridge Fund will provide \$29.5 million in financial relief to the entertainment industry.



The Entertainment Bridge Fund has two programs:

1. Venue Program that will support DC's entertainment venues
2. Supporting Business Program that will support entertainment businesses that do not have site control of a venue but their activities heavily rely on live events



What are examples of establishments that are eligible?

- Live Music Venues/Concert Halls
- Bowling Alleys
- Event Venues
- Movie Theaters
- Museums (private institutions)
- Nightclubs
- Bars (with Tavern License & earned less than 25% of revenue from food sales in 2019)
- Performance Venues
- Theaters and Arenas

Learn more at coronavirus.dc.gov/bridgefund



RECOVERY WEEKLY CHECK IN WITH DMPED

Join us to learn about a new funding opportunity for the Entertainment sector through The Bridge Fund.

FEATURING UPDATES FROM:

John Falcicchio, Deputy Mayor, DMPED

Sybongile Cook, Director of Business Development, DMPED

Shawn Townsend, Director, Mayor's Office of Nightlife & Culture (MONC)

SPECIAL GUESTS:

Marc Barnes, Owner, Park at 14th

Ian Callendar, Co-owner, Sandlot Southeast/Suite Nation

Donna Westmoreland, Chief Operating Officer, I.M.P. Productions

Jenny Bilfield, CEO & President, Washington Performing Arts

Rebecca Medrano, CEO, Gala Theater

Tuesday, December 22 at 4:00 PM ET

You can view the presentation on Mayor Bowser's social media accounts or at mayor.dc.gov/live.

RSVP at bit.ly/DERTCall1222



STAY HOME



for the Holidays **DC**

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