



# TOWN OF HUDSON

## EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT

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The following is an update regarding the activities of the Hudson Emergency Operations Center in response to the COVID-19 pandemic. You will note that we review several pieces of information in an attempt to forecast our response locally. This is an ever changing event that requires a close coordination with local, state and federal partners.

### General Overview

#### International COVID-19 Timeline

*Summary of World Health Organization Data*

DATE	COUNTRIES / Territories	EVENT	COMMENTS
31 Dec 2019	Wuhan City, China	44 with pneumonia	Unknown cause China reports
7 Jan 2020	China	Coronavirus identified	China identifies the agent
14 Jan	China	Infrared thermometers in All Chinese airports, rail, bus, ferry stations	Chinese restrictions begin
20 Jan	Japan, Thailand, Korea + China 282 cases WW	Corona infections	Spread confirmed outside China
31 Jan	19 countries  2 cases in Italy 6 cases in US	9,826 cases 213 Deaths	W.H.O. recommends social distancing, detection, isolation
15 Feb	25 countries	50,580 cases 1,524 Deaths WW 1,522 Deaths / China	20,000 / week case increase. No travel advisory by WHO.
1 Mar	58 countries 1,128 cases in Italy 62 cases in US	87,137 cases 2,977 Deaths WW 2,873 Deaths / China	No travel advisory. O2 Rx is major intervention.
15 Mar	143 countries 2,157 cases in Italy 1,678 cases in US	153,517 cases 5,735 Deaths WW 3,204 Deaths / China	WW deaths now approaching China's in 10 weeks.
31 Mar	201 countries 101,739 cases Italy 164,000 cases in US 3,100 Deaths in US	803,528 cases 39,040 Deaths WW 3,310 Deaths / China	<b>In last 2 weeks:</b> ↑ in 58 countries ↑ of 162,322 / US US Deaths ~ doubled

7 April	140,510 Spain 132,547 Italy <b>369,069 US</b>	1,365,004 cases 76,507 deaths WW	
April 14, 2020	<b>US 582,634</b> Spain 172,541 Italy 159,516	1,935,646 cases 120,914 deaths WW	
April 21, 2020	<b>US 787,960</b> Spain 204,178 Italy 183,957	2,531,804 cases 174,336 deaths WW	39,643 Cases 1809 deaths Mass 3rd
April 28, 2020	<b>US 988,469</b> Spain 232,128 Italy 199,414	3,057,957 211,522 deaths WW	56,462 Cases 3,003 deaths Mass
May 5, 2020	<b>US 1,180,634</b> Spain 218,011 Italy 191,832	3,610,006 252,301 death WW	69,087 4,090 deaths Mass
May 12, 2020	<b>US 1,351,248</b> Russia 232,243 UK 227,735	4,215,514 287,809 deaths WW	78,462 5,108 deaths Mass
May 19,2020	<b>US 1,508,957</b> Russia 299,941 Brazil 257,396	4,822,430 318,851 deaths WW	87,052 5,862 deaths Mass
May 26, 2020	<b>US 1,643,499</b> Brazil 363,211 Russia 353,427	5,428,605 345,375 deaths WW	92,675 6,372 deaths Mass
June 2, 2020	<b>US 1,811,277</b> Brazil 526,447 Russia 423,186	6,288,167 375,987 deaths WW	100,805 7,035 deaths Mass
June 9, 2020	<b>US 1,961,185</b> Brazil 707,412 Russia 484,630	7,131,261 406,913 deaths WW	103,436 7,316 deaths Mass
June 16, 2020	<b>US 2,114,026</b> Brazil 867,624 Russia 536,484	8,052,090 437,283 deaths WW	105,690 7,647 deaths Mass

Ref: World Health Organization, Novel Coronavirus Situation Updates

## U.S. COVID-19 Data

*Summary of Centers for Disease Control (CDC) Data*

**Date**            **# of U.S. Cases**

1/22/20            1

1/31/20	7	
2/15/20	13	
2/29/20	24	
3/15/20	3,487	
3/18/20	10,442	
<u>3/21/20</u>	<u>24,583</u>	<u>60 Days from 1<sup>st</sup> US case</u>
3/24/20	54,453	
3/28/20	122,653	
3/31/20	164,000	3,100 deaths (now exceeds 9/11 toll)
4/07/20	369,069	10,993 deaths
4/14/2020	582,634	23,654 deaths
4/21/2020	787,960	42,364 deaths
4/28/2020	988,469	56,253 deaths
5/5/2020	1,180,634	68,934 deaths
5/12/2020	1,347,936	80,684
5/19/2020	1,508,957	90,396
6/2/2020	1,811,277	105,147
6/9/2020	1,961,185	111,007
6/16/2020	2,114,026	116,127

**Current Data:**

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**New Hampshire:**

5,345 Positives                      320 deaths                      2,963 Hillsborough County  
103 estimated to be in Hudson.

**Incident Goals**

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As presented to the Board of Selectmen during the March 24, 2020 meeting the following goals were established;

- Provide for employee health and safety.
- Create a plan that would provide services to the community during the NH State of Emergency.

## **Incident Update**

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With the sunset of the Stay at Home order we are seeing an increase in activity around town. With the orders rescinding we are also seeing the establishment of indoor dining, gyms and libraries opening at 50% capacity. This week we will also see Benson Park and Robinson Pond Beach area open.

Currently town staff is demobilizing the COOP plan and preparing for the opening of Town Hall to the public for the first time since the middle of March. Final adjustments are underway and we are preparing for the Town Clerks office to open on Monday, June 22<sup>nd</sup>.

We are currently working through the recovery efforts associated with the grants management group. We have received the recovery money to cover the first responder stipends that have and will be paid out. This program will sunset the end of June.

The Town of Hudson EOC is preparing to move to partial activation. We have been operating at full activation since mid-March. As we continue to move further into the recovery phase it is the appropriate time for us to move back to partial activation. The Command staff will continue to work continue to implement additional guidance that are distributed regarding the COVID-19 incident.

As we officially move into the recovery phase of the COVID-19 event we need to remain vigilant in our safety practices. Locally we continue to see an increase case count of active cases in Hudson.

The Town of Hudson's Emergency Operation Center continues to work diligently as we enter the recovery mode of the incident. We have started to plan for long term practices that will reengineer processes and policy to improve service delivery for the future. Please remember our goals provide for employee health and safety and to create a plan that would provide services to the community during the NH State of Emergency.

A reminder to continue good health and safety practices.

## **Accomplishments**

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- The Continuity of Operations plan supported by the Board of Selectmen has been put into place and adjusted to make sure we were meeting the intent of Governor Sununu's stay at home order. This was issued effective Friday, March 27, 2020.
- The following guidelines and messaging has been developed
  - Remote working guideline
  - Earned time usage guideline
  - Secondary employment guideline
  - Emergency order review
  - Development of messaging regarding virtual recreation programs
  - Development of messaging regarding available conservation areas
  - CDC Guideline review
  - Implementation of Convenient MD program
- We continue to monitor and adjust protective clothing updates.
- We are reviewing and implementing new CDC guidelines for both employment and public use.
- Public Messaging regarding COVID-19 information and town impacted services have been made available to the public through the Town of Hudson webpage, social media platforms and Hudson Community Television programs.

- We have issued an updated Incident Action Plan for this week.
- Develop Employee health and safety plans
- Continue to develop virtual meeting platforms
- Implementation of localized testing
- Implementation of wellness programs for town employees
- Continue implementation of the six goals created by the command staff to further develop the EOC Operation
- Implementation of Emergency Order #40 Stay at Home 2.0
- Implementation of a hot line for questions from Hudson Residents
- Continue to pursue and identify funding opportunities
- Implementation of plan to improve workspace safety levels
- Start the development phase of the suggested re-opening plan
- Implemented a long term solution for collecting public input during Board of Selectmen's meetings
- Develop a mass vaccination program
- Implementation of recreational and committee meeting safety protocols
- We continue FEMA ICS 214 Activity forms, tracking department activities to support the disaster declaration authorized by the President of the United States.

## **Concerns**

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- We continue to implement Stay at Home 2.0, specifically the requirements for outdoor dining.
- As we start to roll out of the Stay at Home order I am concerned about complacency. I am hopeful we can continue to maintain declining numbers throughout the remainder of the summer.
- We continue to monitor protective clothing supplies for first responders. Currently the State of NH continues to identify opportunities to improve supply numbers. We are additionally looking to secure a supply chain that will support efforts for the long term, with the forecasted outbreak in the fall.

## **Financial Review**

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As established in the Emergency Operations Plan, we have established a Finance branch led by Kathy Carpentier Finance Director. Early on we established this organizational branch so we could track all purchases undertaken to support our efforts to meet the challenges of the COVID-19 incident. To date our expenditures have totaled \$354,869.91. The bulk of the noted increase is related to the first responder stipends for both fire and police departments.

## **Weekly Goals**

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The following goals are being established;

- Continue to work towards the reopening of Town Hall
- Review and consider EOC guidelines for sun setting or reconsideration
- Prepare for the demobilization of the EOC

This report is a synopsis of the activities that have taken place to meet the challenges of COVID-19. As we have reviewed, this event is constantly evolving and information is usually outdated prior to a briefing being written. I am thankful for the support of our partners and staff who have a tremendous amount of time invested into the event. If it was not for our team we would severely be hampered in our efforts.