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## **\*COVID-19 UPDATE\***

**Two Additional Residents Test Positive for Virus, Bringing Total to 251; New Fatality due to COVID-19;**

*Explanation of Where New Positive Cases are Coming From;*

*Trash and Recycling Collection - No Holiday Schedule in Effect for the Week of April 20, Patriots' Day*

- **Two more people test positive for COVID-19 in Framingham:** The number of people in the City who have tested positive for COVID-19 is now 251. With 21 cases recovered and seven fatalities, Framingham currently has 223 active cases. Following the guidance from the Massachusetts Department of Public Health, the Framingham Department of Health has not shared any additional information about those who have tested positive because of privacy laws. The Department contacts the people who were potentially exposed and the owners of the businesses or places of employment where the potential exposures occurred to inform and counsel them on next steps.
- **Those testing positive recently for COVID-19 coming primarily from three groups:** Many of the newly diagnosed COVID-19 positive cases are coming primarily from three groups.
  1. Workers at essential businesses.
  2. Close contacts of existing cases, especially those who live with people who have already tested positive and find it difficult to isolate in their current living environment. The City is working on a solution to include housing those who have tested positive so they can isolate away from their household members.
  3. Residents under the State's custody.
- **Trash and Recycling Collection - No Holiday Schedule in Effect for the Week of April 20, Patriots' Day:** The Trash and Recycling collection for the week of Patriots' Day, which is Monday, April 20, will run on a **REGULAR** Monday-Friday schedule. Meaning, the City will pick up trash and recycling on its regular collection day next week without a one-day delay for the Patriots' Day holiday.
- **COVID-19 in Framingham:** Information on COVID-19 in Framingham can be found [here](#). To receive information from the City on a mobile device, text "Join FraminghamMA" to 30890. Residents also can find updates on [Facebook](#) and Twitter - @Framingham\_MA. If there is an urgent update, the City will employ the "Alert Framingham" phone messaging system, otherwise known as Rave. To sign up for the City's Rave system, please go here: <https://www.smart911.com/>

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