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COVID-19 UPDATE

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Roughly 41% of New Positive Cases Connected to Long Term and Skilled Nursing Facilities;
Health Department Releases Demographic COVID-19 Data Information

- Ninety-one additional residents test positive, City learns of three new COVID-19-related fatalities, and 76 more people have recovered: The number of people in the City who have tested positive for COVID-19 is now 974. With 274 cases recovered and 31 fatalities, Framingham currently has 669 active cases. Approximately 41% of today's new cases are connected to long term and skilled nursing facilities in Framingham. Today's notable case count is partly due to more testing being completed at nursing homes and assisted living residences. The Health Department reports that it continues to see a high number of cases resulting from household transmissions and in apartment settings, in addition to essential services workers. The Department continues to offer hotel stays for those who have tested positive, but a majority have declined the offer. 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 (contact tracing). In addition to the active cases, the Framingham Health Department currently is following 187 residents in quarantine.
- The City's Department of Public Health releases demographic COVID-19 data every Saturday
 on all confirmed COVID-19 Cases in Framingham since March 1, 2020: This data includes
 information about confirmed cases by age, gender, race/ethnicity, fatalities, nursing homes,
 skilled nursing facilities, and residential settings. The data release also includes information
 about rates per 100,000 population. Reference today's data release here.
- 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. For questions regarding COVID-19 in Framingham, please call the Emergency Operations Center at (508) 532-5800. 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/