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

### **Thirty-nine Additional Residents Test Positive, City announces Six New COVID-19-Related Fatalities, Sixteen More People have Recovered;**

*City Launches a New Mental Health and Substance Use Resource Page*

- **Thirty-nine additional residents test positive, City Announces six new COVID-19-related fatalities and 16 more people have recovered from the virus:** The number of people in the City who have tested positive for COVID-19 is now 1,146. With 290 cases recovered and 42 fatalities, Framingham currently has 814 active cases. The Framingham Health 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 241 residents in quarantine.
- **City launches a new Mental Health and Substance Use resource page:** Yesterday, Mayor Yvonne M. Spicer hosted a [virtual Community Hour](#) focused on mental health and substance use disorder amid COVID-19. The past several weeks have been stressful and sometimes overwhelming as we all have made changes in our daily lives to help slow the spread of the virus. It is understandable that changes like social distancing, staying at home, working and learning remotely, or even not working, bring feelings that are difficult to manage. To help, the City created a [new resource page](#) for residents to learn more about the programs and services that can support them during this time.
- **Framingham Public Library and Health Department is still collecting donated cloth face coverings:** So far, people have created and donated more than 500 face coverings, but additional donations are still needed! People can find examples of how to make a homemade cloth face coverings from the Centers for Disease Control's [website](#). Once created, please package the cloth face coverings in an envelope or plastic bag and drop them off at the specially marked drive-up library book returns at the Main Library, 49 Lexington Street, and the McAuliffe Branch Library, 746 Water Street. Remember, cloth face coverings protect you and others. Thank you for keeping us all healthy and safe.
- **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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