

WEEKLY UPDATE



22ND LEGISLATIVE DISTRICT



Please stay at home and help save lives.

Dear Friends,

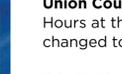
Here are the latest resources and state information regarding COVID-19. Please let us know if we can be of any assistance during this time.

As we celebrate both Teacher Appreciation Week and National Nurse Appreciation Week, we wish to express our heartfelt gratitude towards these critical public servants. Thank you, and please stay safe!



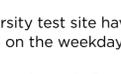
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TESTING SITES

PLAINFIELD COVID-19 TESTING PROCEDURE

If you are a Plainfield resident, feel unwell, and believe it might be COVID-19 related, please call our hotline number: (908) 546-1084 Monday-Friday from 8:30AM-5:00PM. After 5:00PM and on weekends, please call the Union County hotline at #908-214-7107.

You'll be connected to a health professional who will conduct a medical telehealth screening.

If you meet the criteria for testing, arrangements will be made for you to be tested at the drive through site at Kean University, or by a mobile unit which will come to your residence.

Mayor Adrian O. Mapp and the City of Plainfield are pleased to partner with:

Sponsored by the Union County Board of Chosen Freeholders

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High Meadows Health Center

One Plainfield One Future

Union County:
Hours at the Kean University test site have changed to 9 am - 4 pm on the weekdays

COVID-19 testing is now available in **Plainfield**. If you're experiencing symptoms you think might be related to the coronavirus please call our hotline at (908) 546-1084 Monday-Friday from 8:30AM-5:00PM. You'll be connected to a health professional who will conduct a medical telehealth screening. If you meet the criteria for testing, arrangements will be made for you to be tested at the drive through site at Kean University, or by a mobile unit which will come to you. After 5:00PM and on weekends, please call the Union County hotline at (908) 214-7107

COVID-19 DRIVE-THRU SCREENING

ARE YOU EXPERIENCING SHORTNESS OF BREATH, FEVER, COUGH?

CALL US 24/7 TO BE TESTED

COUNTY RESIDENTS DEDICATED PHONE LINE
908-214-7107

OPEN TO ALL UNION COUNTY RESIDENTS - FIRST RESPONDERS - HEALTH CARE PROFESSIONALS
FREE OF CHARGE

DOCTORS & HEALTH CARE PROFESSIONALS
Please refer patients experiencing COVID-19 symptoms to:
CALL 24/7 908-214-7107

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MORE INFO ON UNION COUNTY'S COVID-19 RESPONSE AT: WWW.UC.NJ.ORG

Middlesex County:
Middlesex testing locations:

- 33 Kilmer Road in **Edison**
- The City of **New Brunswick** and the City of New Brunswick Public School System, have opened a walk-up COVID-19 testing site at the A.C. Redshaw Elementary School located at 216 Livingston Avenue in New Brunswick.
- South Brunswick** test site will be at 2236 Route 130 North, Dayton.

Testing will require an appointment. Click here to find more information: <http://www.middlesexcountynj.gov/Government/Departments/PSH/Pages/COVID-19--Testing.aspx>

SOMERSET & HUNTERDON TESTING SITE for COVID-19

Location: Raritan Valley Community College, 118 Lumberton Rd, Branchburg, NJ 08876

Time: 10 am to 1 pm

Dates: APR April 16, 17 & 20

WHO CAN BE TESTED?

- Must be a resident of Hunterdon or Somerset County age 5 & above.
- Must show proof of residency at the test site, such as a valid driver's license or state-issued identification.
- Must be exhibiting symptoms: FEVER, COUGH, SHORTNESS OF BREATH.
- Must have a valid prescription or written order from a physician.
- Patients must arrive by car and have an appointment.

Residents can make an appointment and complete a registration form by visiting: <https://somer-set-hunterdon.adlabscovidtest.com>

Residents without access to a computer can call: (908) 237-7150

STAY HOME. STAY SAFE. SAVE LIVES.

For more information, contact coronavirus@co.somerset.nj.us

GOVERNMENT OF NEW JERSEY

Somerset County:
Somerset County has opened a new testing site in partnership with Hunterdon County located on the campus of Raritan Valley Community College.

Testing is by appointment only. Click here to schedule an appointment <https://somer-set-hunterdon.adlabscovidtest.com/>

FAQs for testing sites in NJ: https://covid19.nj.gov/faqs/nj-information/general-public/where-and-how-do-i-get-tested-for-covid-19-in-new-jersey-who-should-get-testing?fbclid=IwAR3-2gF_oKd9jH9rrboVdnWeAUzd824X-lcXv5HVBfJc1BRIL4xQGe4Y1ZYokD-9jH9rrboVdnWeAUzd824XlCv5HVBfJc1BRIL4xQGe4Y1ZY

DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

Governor Murphy has announced remote learning will continue for the remainder of the school year - to protect the health of our children, our educators, and their families.

The Administration will create a steering committee consisting of a diverse group of stakeholders in the education community to:

- Explore summer learning opportunities for all students, including summer-sponsored summer programming and Extended School Year for students with disabilities
- Provide recommendations to the Administration as to which services need to continue to be provided remotely should the public health emergency extend past the conclusion of the 2019-2020 school year.
- Explore approaches for the safest and most efficient re-opening of schools for the 2020-2021 school year.

LEGISLATIVE ACTION

This week this Senate Budget and Appropriations Committee and the Assembly Appropriations Committee remotely voted on a number of COVID-19 related bills:

- S-1055/A3659** Permits qualified municipalities to prohibit conversion of affordable residential rental units to certain forms of ownership housing.
- S-2034/A3970** Establishes the "Mortgage Assistance Pilot Program."
- S-2330/A3908** "COVID-19 Financial Security for Consumers Act."
- S-2350** Concerns benefits and leave provided to workers.
- S-237/ A3959** Establishes NJ Hospitality Emergency Loan Program in EDA to provide no-interest loans to qualified small hospitality businesses; makes \$5 million appropriation to EDA.
- S-2383** Requires Commissioner of Education to establish three-year "Bridge Year Pilot Program" for students graduating high school in 2021 and 2022 who were impacted by public health state of emergency caused by coronavirus disease 2019.
- S-2384/A-4129** Requires health care facilities to report certain coronavirus disease 2019 (COVID-19) data related to health care workers and certain first responders.
- S-2387/A4123** Extends time period for filing and processing certain property tax appeals in 2020.
- S-2388** Authorizes certain forms of testing for coronavirus disease 2019.
- S-2392** Allows extension of certain local government timeframes; allows local governments to accept certain payments; allows local governments to conduct certain meetings remotely; permits counties to waive certain interest; clarifies certain property tax notice requirements.

COVID-19 REGIONAL ADVISORY COUNCIL

NJ - NY - PA - CT - DE - RI - MA

A MULTI-STATE COUNCIL TO GET PEOPLE BACK TO WORK AND RESTORE THE ECONOMY

RESTART & RECOVERY ADVISORY COUNCIL

EXECUTIVE ORDERS

- Executive Order 135:** Suspends in-person requirements for receipt of a marriage license and marriage ceremonies, and for the receipt of working papers for minors
- Executive Order 136:** Extends statutory deadlines for various environmental laws
- Executive Order 137:** Recognizes new fiscal realities due to COVID-19 Pandemic
- Executive Order 138:** Extends Public Health Emergency in New Jersey
- Executive Order 140:** Creates the Restart and Recovery Advisory Council to work in conjunction with the Restart and Recovery Commission. The Council will consist of leaders from various industries, communities, and faith-based groups and institutions from across the state of New Jersey.

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Need help? 211 COVID-19

WANT UP-TO-DATE INFO?

Call: 2-1-1
Call (24/7): 1-800-962-1253
Text: NJCOVID to 898-211
Text: your zip code to 898-211 for live text assistance

UNEMPLOYMENT

The Department of Labor has released new guidance and FAQ's:
Self-employed or independent contractors who may be eligible for PUA can view this guide for assistance: <https://myunemployment.nj.gov/labor/myunemployment/independentcontractors.shtml>
If you are eligible to certify for unemployment more info can be found at <https://myunemployment.nj.gov/labor/myunemployment/schedule.shtml>
Looking for employment? Please visit the jobs portal – jobs.covid19.nj.gov

CENSUS

Please make sure to fill out the Census online or by phone

- <https://2020census.gov/en.html> (Census Bureau Questionnaire)
- <https://nj.gov/governor/news/562020/approved/20200505a.shtml> (NJ Census website)

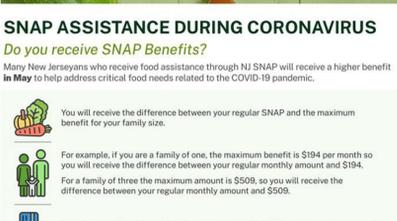
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CENSUS.NJ.GOV

STATE RESOURCES

Governor Murphy and Attorney General Grewal Announce Recent Graduates of Health Care Programs Can Now Join the Fight Against COVID-19 While Waiting to Take Licensing Exams: <https://nj.gov/governor/news/news/562020/approved/20200505a.shtml>

- Residential Mortgage Relief**
- Official State of New Jersey COVID-19 website: <https://covid19.nj.gov/faqs/nj-information/general-public/is-there-help-for-homeowners-what-if-i-cant-pay-my-mortgage>
 - Department of Banking and Insurance COVID-19 website: <https://www.state.nj.us/dobi/covid/mortgagerelief.html>



SNAP ASSISTANCE DURING CORONAVIRUS

Do you receive SNAP Benefits?

Many New Jerseyans who receive food assistance through NJ SNAP will receive a higher benefit in May to help address critical food needs related to the COVID-19 pandemic.

- You will receive the difference between your regular SNAP and the maximum benefit for your family size.
- For example, if you are a family of one, the maximum benefit is \$194 per month so you will receive the difference between your regular monthly amount and \$194.
- For a family of three the maximum amount is \$509, so you will receive the difference between your regular monthly amount and \$509.
- The extra benefit will be added directly to your families EBT card. You will receive your May SNAP benefits during your regular time at the new maximum level.
- If you want to check your balance before you go to the grocery store, please visit www.NJFamilyFirst.com where you can view your current card balance and transaction history, or call the number on your card to hear the information.

This institution is an equal opportunity provider.

MAKING A DIFFERENCE



- PPE Donations**
 - Items in demand: N95 Masks or similar face masks, Eye protectors, Gloves, Gowns, Nitrile gloves, respirators
- Blood Donations**
 - Vitalant, American Red Cross, NY Blood Center**
- Food Bank Information**
- Volunteer Opportunities:**
Visit <http://helpnjin.org/>

TOWN UPDATES

PLEASE VISIT YOUR LOCAL MUNICIPAL PAGE FOR DAILY TOWNSHIP UPDATES:

- [Clark](#)
- [Dunellen](#)
- [Fanwood](#)
- [Green Brook](#)
- [Linden](#)
- [Middlesex](#)
- [North Plainfield](#)
- [Plainfield](#)
- [Rahway](#)
- [Scotch Plains](#)
- [Winfield](#)



Questions: If you would like to submit a question to the legislatures, please fill out [this form](#).