

TOWN OF MONROE Office of the First Selectman

COVID-19 Pandemic Update March 27, 2020

There are currently a total of 6 laboratory-confirmed cases of COVID-19 in Monroe. We should all expect to have additional cases in the days ahead, just as other towns in Fairfield County are experiencing. We continue to post updated counts daily on our website.

Some additional updates, based upon the Governor's latest executive orders, and our efforts to maintain appropriate services during these challenging times:

- Late last night, the Governor issued a new executive order that further limits social and recreational gatherings to
 no more than <u>five</u> people. Please follow these requirements, including the use of our parks. Wolfe Park and Great
 Hollow Lake have ample open space to enjoy safely while maintaining social distancing. I implore everyone to
 follow these requirements, so that further restrictions do not become necessary.
- Restaurants and retail locations that remain open must begin taking additional steps as practical to minimize interaction.
- As announced earlier this week, schools will remain closed until at least April 20, 2020.
- For residents and businesses that need to conduct transactions with Town Hall departments, we have established a drop box in the lobby of the police station.
- Starting Monday, March 30 the Town's Licensed Clinical Social Worker will offer free telehealth services by appointment. More information is on our website.
- Through a collaboration of our Library, Senior Center, Social Services and Parks & Recreation, we have created some guides on things to do during these days of social distancing. Check out the Edith Wheeler Memorial Library website for suggestions intended to help everyone have a little fun, be productive, and take a stress-break.

We continue to post updates on the Town website at <u>www.MonroeCT.org/COVID-19</u>.

Thank you for continuing to help slow the spread of illness, which will help preserve critical healthcare resources for those who will need it most.

Kenneth M. Kellogg First Selectman