



TOWN OF MONROE

OFFICE OF THE FIRST SELECTMAN

COVID-19 Pandemic Update

April 1, 2021

CASE RATE UPDATE

- Our 2-week rolling case rate in Monroe remains at just under 6 new cases per day, and Connecticut is currently among the top 10 states with the highest case rates in the country, along with much of the northeast.
- Our 2-week case is 29.7 cases per 100,000 population.
- As of yesterday's report, Monroe has had 1,246 cases, and 14 deaths, since the start of the pandemic.
- While number of hospitalizations in Connecticut has increased this week, along with the test positivity rate, the hospital and ICU capacity in our state remains strong.

VACCINATION

- 36% of Monroe's population has now received at least one vaccination. The statewide rate is currently 33%.
- All individuals over the age of 16 are now eligible for vaccination.
- Please continue to check the link on the Town's website for the state vaccine portal, which is the most comprehensive listing of all available vaccination options. We have been notified that in addition to our local Walgreens, the Rite Aid on Monroe Turnpike will also begin offering vaccination in the near future as well.
- The Monroe Health Department continues to run weekly vaccine clinics, and new appointments are posted in VAMS each week, typically on Thursday morning. We also continue to post our vaccination "standby" list each Monday morning between 8:00-8:30.

The steadily increasing numbers of vaccinated individuals continues to bring us hope to end this pandemic. However, the increase in case rates remind us that must continue to be cautious and follow the state rules and guidelines.

For those observing the holidays, I wish you a happy and peaceful Passover and Easter.

Thank you,

Kenneth M. Kellogg
First Selectman