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COVID-19 UPDATE

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Information on Framingham's COVID-19 Vaccination Clinics;

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- **Since Monday, 37 residents have tested positive, 43 more have recovered, and the City learns of one new fatality associated with COVID-19:** The number of people in the City who have tested positive for COVID-19 is 6,299. With 4,941 recovered and 206 fatalities, Framingham currently has 1,152 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 Health Department is following 550 residents in quarantine.
- **Information on Framingham's COVID-19 Vaccination Clinics:** Yesterday afternoon, the City hosted a Community Hour on Zoom about the COVID-19 vaccine. That Community Hour can be viewed [here](#). Framingham plans to hold a series of Saturday clinics for the 75+ community at Keefe Technical High School (750 Winter St, Framingham, MA 01702) based on the available doses of vaccine received from the State. The Framingham Vaccine Clinic process is as follows:
 - Every Monday, the Health Department requests a vaccine allotment from the State (300 doses is the maximum the City can request for now). The City may not receive as many vaccines as requested, and the numbers can change week by week. The number of vaccine doses received determines how many appointments can be offered.
 - On Wednesday/Thursday, the City will learn how many vaccine doses it will receive
 - Every Friday, the City will announce clinic information **for the following Saturday** (not the next day, the Saturday that is eight days later). **At the same time, Framingham will announce when the registration will open at a set time and day.** Each vaccination clinic is a separate event with a separate listing and registration.
 - **NOTE:** Residents who receive Dose 1 at the City's clinics will be invited to register for a Dose 2 clinic via email. The Dose 2 clinic will be for a specific date and time and **will not** be publicly advertised. The second vaccine clinic is critical as it ensures residents are offered Dose 2 at the appropriate time. The City will only receive enough Dose 2 vaccines for the residents vaccinated at a Dose 1 clinic.

Due to high demand and a constrained supply at the State and Federal level, Framingham's ability to provide vaccines to residents is limited. Residents who are currently eligible for the vaccine and can travel should regularly check the State's [website](#) for clinic availability.

For updated vaccine information, visit: <https://www.framinghamma.gov/3214/COVID-19-Vaccine-Information>

- **Reminder - Project Beacon Testing Site Closed Thursday, February 4, to add Another Lane:** Addition of lane to the State's [Project Beacon Testing Site](#) (located at 484 Franklin Street, Framingham, MA 01702) will increase testing capacity by approximately 150 tests per hour.
- **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 City's informational line at (508) 532-5411, Mon-Fri., 8:30 a.m.- 3:30 p.m. 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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