



CITY OF FRAMINGHAM

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COVID-19 UPDATE

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Registration Link Available on the City Website Tuesday, January 4, at 1 p.m. for Second Public Distribution Day for Rapid COVID-19 Test Kits that is Scheduled for Saturday, January 8;

Trilingual Food Resource Guide;

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Health Department Distributes Demographic COVID-19 and Vaccination Data;

Reminder: The Memorial Building and other Non-Essential Municipal Buildings will be Closed Friday, December 31, in Observance of New Year's Day;

State's Project Beacon Walk-through COVID-19 Testing Site at Saint Tarcisus Parish

Adjusts Hours for the Week of New Year's;

The City's Public Health Nursing Clinic will be Closed to the Public, Monday-Friday, Dec. 27-31;

Public Health Nursing Clinic Hours Changing Effective on Monday, Jan. 3, 2022

- **Since Wednesday, December 22, 474 Residents have Tested Positive and 140 More have Recovered from COVID-19:** The number of people in the City who have tested positive for COVID-19 is 11,031. With 9,712 recovered and 258 fatalities, Framingham currently has 994 active cases. The Framingham Health Department contacts individuals who test positive and the people who were potentially exposed to inform and counsel them on the next steps.

- **A Registration link will be available on the City Website Tuesday, January 4, at 1 p.m. for Second Public Distribution Day for Rapid COVID-19 Test Kits that is Scheduled for Saturday, January 8:** Please remember the following when signing up for a test kit when the registration link is posted on the [City's website](#) and [COVID-19 page](#) at Tuesday, January 4, at 1 p.m.
 - The Main Library, 49 Lexington Street, will have several designated computers available for registration if needed.
 - Priority for the public distribution will be given to **Framingham residents ONLY who attest to financial hardship.** Once tests have been assigned, the online application form will be closed.
 - An email will be sent, including details for picking up test kit distribution (location) on Thursday, January 6.
 - **SUBMISSION OF THIS FORM DOES NOT GUARANTEE A TEST KIT!**
 - On the day of pick-up, bring and show a copy of the email verification (electronic or print) and proof of residency (driver's license, another form of identification, or piece of mail). Names and addresses will be verified on the day of the pick-up.
 - Only **ONE** form submission per household. Duplicate form submissions with the same IP address **WILL BE DELETED.**
 - There are two tests in each test kit. A maximum of two kits (four tests total) will be provided per household.
 - Face coverings are **REQUIRED** when collecting test kits.

- If inclement weather occurs, the distribution will be rescheduled.
 - Please do not call city departments to request a test kit. **At this time, the City is NOT keeping a phone-based list for public distribution.**
 - The City recognizes that the demand for test kits far exceeds the number the State has provided. The City will make additional announcements regarding future distributions.
- **Food Resource Guide:** View the guide in English, Portuguese, and Spanish [here](#).
 - **Massachusetts Department of Public Health Adopts Updated [Guidance from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention \(CDC\)](#) Regarding Isolation and Quarantine Periods Effective Immediately:** Reference further details from the Massachusetts Department of Public Health [here](#).
 - **Health Department Distributes Demographic COVID-19 and Vaccination Data:** The City's Department of Public Health distributes demographic COVID-19 data about confirmed COVID-19 cases and vaccination efforts in Framingham. Reference today's data release [here](#).
 - **Update on the Vaccine [Equity Initiative](#) in Framingham:** Since Wednesday, March 24, 8,730 vaccines – first, second, and booster doses - (Moderna, Pfizer, and Johnson and Johnson) have been administered under the Equity Initiative. Framingham continues to exceed many of the state benchmarks on COVID-19 vaccinations. To request a home visit, please call the City's Public Health Nursing Office at (508) 532-5667. Leave your name, phone number, and address, and someone will return your call within 36 hours. See the State's Vaccine Equity Initiative dashboard [here](#).
 - **Reminder: The Memorial Building and other Non-Essential Municipal Buildings will be Closed Friday, December 31, in Observance of New Year's Day.**
 - **State's Project Beacon Walk-through COVID-19 Testing Site at Saint Tarcisus Parish to Adjust Hours for the Week of New Year's:**
 - Thursday, December 30: 8 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.
 - Friday, December 31: **CLOSED**
 - Saturday, January 1: **CLOSED**

Additional local COVID-19 testing resources can be referenced [here](#).

- **The City's Public Health Nursing Clinic, 113 Concord Street, will be Closed to the Public, Monday-Friday, December 27-31.**
- **Public Health Nursing Clinic Hours Changing Effective Monday, January 3:**
 - **Rapid Binax COVID-19 Testing **BY APPOINTMENT ONLY**:** Monday-Thursday, 1-4 p.m.
 - **COVID-19 Vaccines (NO appointment needed):** Monday-Thursday, 4-7 p.m.
 - **Other Nursing Services, childhood vaccinations, lead screening, tuberculosis testing, and more (NO appointment needed):** Monday-Thursday, 4-7 p.m.

To schedule an appointment for a rapid COVID-19 test, please call (508) 532-5667. Face coverings/masks must be worn at all times in the clinic.

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