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Frederick County Agency Updates for June 18, 2020

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County Executive:

Executive Gardner announced that 1,179 applications were received for the Frederick County JumpStart grant program. A total of \$5 million is being awarded to small businesses and full-time farmers who were impacted by the pandemic. Applications for grants were received from 449 women-owned businesses, 232 minority-owned, and 73 veteran-owned.

Applicants who received letters announcing their award have until 5 p.m. Monday, July 22, to complete the final paperwork needed so that the grants can be deposited directly into businesses' bank accounts.

Health Department:

The Health Department is now reporting that 2,342 (+6 in 24hrs) residents have tested positive for COVID-19 and 108 (+0 in 24hrs) people have confirmed COVID-19 as cause of death. For more statistics, please visit <http://FrederickCountyMD.gov/COVIDstats>.

Update on Testing Locations

Frederick County Health Department is providing on-site, community testing in addition to the existing testing locations around the county. These community testing sites are designed to take into consideration vulnerable and minority communities who may be more at risk for being infected by COVID-19 and who may experience barriers to testing, as well as provide support to community and faith-based organizations.

We will have a three-pronged approach: recurring public clinics, pop-up public clinics in different locations, and some closed clinics for specific groups.

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Recurring public clinics will be scheduled in Brunswick on Thursdays from 5-7pm and Thurmont on Fridays 5-7pm. Other locations are coming soon and will be announced as they are scheduled.

If you are interested in hosting a testing clinic for your community group, please send an email to dhaskin@frederickcountymd.gov with the following:

- What population would be coming to your testing clinic?
- How many people do you expect to attend?
- Will your on-site clinic be open to the public? If so, is parking/public transportation nearby?
- What day and hours are you requesting?

Our goal is to provide the exam for persons who are unable to use the drive-thru testing sites or have other challenges to testing. We will try to accommodate as many requests as we are able.

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A message from Maryland Department of Health's Office of Faith Based and Community Partnerships:

Dear Faith and Community Partners: As you plan your re-opening processes, resources are available to support those efforts. The Center for Faith and Opportunity Initiatives Partnership Center is supporting HHS and FEMA's efforts to [make face coverings widely available in order to limit the spread of COVID-19](#). The face coverings, produced and delivered in partnership with USPS and the National Council of Textile Organizations, are being made available to community-based organizations **at no cost** (and while supplies last). Please [click here](#) for information on the face coverings and how to order.

A few things to note:

- Face coverings are 100% Cotton Jersey, bind around face and ears, and are treated with a 0.5% OWG Agion AMB-10 Antimicrobial (contains silver and copper, which will help to prevent the growth of viruses and germs. Washable up to 15 times). Adult One-size fits all.
- They **do not replace the N95 face mask** used in healthcare settings and should not be used when caring for those with COVID-19. They are intended to expand the community's capacity to limit the spread of COVID-19.
- The face coverings come in cartons of **500 masks per carton**. (Minimum order is one carton) Larger orders may be expedited more quickly.
- They are not to be sold and are to be used within US States/Territories/Tribal Nations.
- Delivery locations must be [USPS](#) deliverable addresses.
- Allow 10-15 days to process your order. Shipments will vary in arrival time. Please be patient.
- See also the CDC's [Information About Your Cloth Face Covering](#) as a user guide.

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Sheriff's Office:

The Frederick County Sheriff's Office will be re-opening Fingerprinting Services by appointment only beginning Tuesday, June 23rd. Hours will remain the same; Tuesday-Thursday 11 AM-5 PM. We will only be accepting two appointments every half hour, with a maximum of 24 appointments allowed in one day. For more information and to schedule an appointment, visit www.frederickcosheriff.com/fingerprinting.

Appointments may also be made by phone by calling our Fingerprinting Services line at 301-600-4058 and leaving a message. A representative will call you back promptly to schedule your appointment. An appointment is required, and no walk-ins will be accepted.

State's Attorney's Office:

The SAO and Senior services will be partnering once again this year for June Elder Abuse Awareness Month. Due to COVID-19, we will not be visiting the County Senior Centers.

On June 22nd at 9:30am, the State's Attorney's Office will host a LIVE ZOOM EVENT in partnership with Frederick County Senior Services to discuss how local seniors can identify and avoid becoming a victim of online scams. This year's discussion will focus on the threats posed by cybercriminals during the COVID-19 pandemic. The event will be hosted by Chief of the Economic Crimes Unit Jason Shoemaker.

For registration and additional information, please email VirtualSeniorCenter@FrederickCountyMD.gov. Residents can also visit www.FrederickCountyMD.gov/virtual50 for information on other virtual programs.

For more information:

Frederick County residents can call 866-411-6803 to reach our local 211 center with general questions about coronavirus or COVID19. Accurate COVID-19 information is critical to the community. For the most current and accurate information about this situation, please refer to the following:

- City of Frederick: [//cityoffrederickmd.gov/covid19](http://cityoffrederickmd.gov/covid19)
- Frederick County Government: www.frederickcountymd.gov/Coronavirus
- Frederick County Health Department: health.frederickcountymd.gov/coronavirus
- Maryland Department of Health (MDH): coronavirus.maryland.gov
- Centers for Disease Control (CDC): coronavirus.gov

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