



# FREDERICK COUNTY, MARYLAND JOINT INFORMATION CENTER COVID-19



## News Release

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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:

### Frederick County Agency Updates for June 30, 2020

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#### **Change in Frequency of Updates:**

*\*\*Beginning in July, updates from the Frederick County Joint Information Center for COVID-19 will be released on Tuesdays and Thursdays, unless there is an urgent update. Statistics will continue to be updated daily at <http://FrederickCountyMD.gov/COVIDstats>\*\**

#### **Frederick County Health Department:**

Confirmed Cases

**2,490**

Change in Last 24 Hours: +4

Confirmed Deaths

**110**

Change in Last 24 Hours: +0

7-Day Positivity Rate

**4%**

Please check our dashboard for daily statistics: <http://FrederickCountyMD.gov/COVIDstats>.

#### *Upcoming Testing Clinics*

The Frederick County Health Department testing clinics are open to the public with no appointment. Face coverings and physical distancing are required, but no documentation, insurance, or doctor's order is needed. Testing is FREE and you don't have to be sick to be tested. Go to [health.frederickcountymd.gov/coronavirus](http://health.frederickcountymd.gov/coronavirus) for details.

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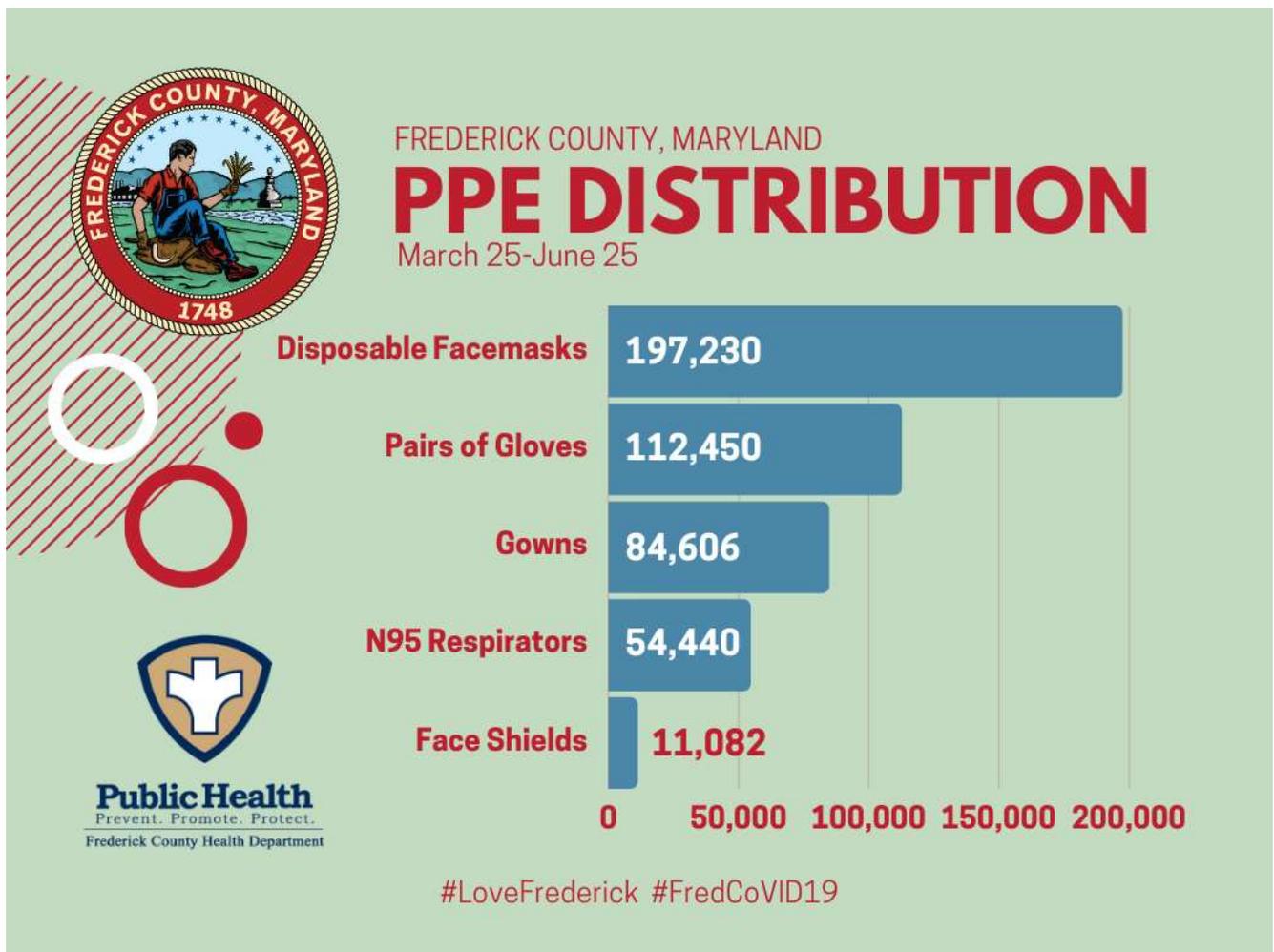
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The next testing clinics will be:

- Thursdays in Brunswick at Railroad Square from 5-7pm
- Fridays in Thurmont in the municipal building parking lot, 615 E. Main Street, from 5-7pm
- Tuesdays at the Seton Center, 226 Lincoln Ave in Emmitsburg, 12-2pm

*PPE Update*

In 3 months, the Frederick County Health Department distributed over 450,000 pieces of personal protective equipment (PPE)! With the amazing help of the Frederick County Fire Marshal's Office, they made over 400 distributions to more than 250 recipients throughout the county. While many health care providers are now able to get their own PPE, we are continuing to supply providers when there is a shortage and work on an adequate stockpile so we can be prepared for future needs.



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### **Maryland Department of Health**

*Contact Tracing: Respond. Connect. Recover*

MDH's contact tracing program works like this: when an individual tests positive, case investigators reach out to that person by phone within 24 hours. Based on information collected about the COVID-19 positive individual's symptoms and contact history, case investigators will call other people with whom the individual has had close contact and provide necessary guidance about monitoring symptoms, isolating at home and getting tested.



The contact tracer will ask about the individual's health, symptoms, duration of symptoms and interactions with other people. A contact investigator will never ask for Social Security numbers, financial or bank account information or personal details unrelated to COVID-19. They will not ask for photographs, videos, passwords or payment.

### **JIC:**

*From the State of Maryland Office of People's Counsel*

Governor Hogan has reissued the Executive Order that now extends the prohibition of utility turn-offs and late fees through August 1, 2020. View the updated Executive Order [here](#). For more information please [visit the OPC website](#).

Underemployed? Unemployed? Do you need help paying your gas and electric bill? You may be eligible to apply for assistance through the State Office of Home Energy Programs (OHEP) or the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP).

- Apply at [www.mydhrbenefits.dhr.state.md.us](http://www.mydhrbenefits.dhr.state.md.us)
- Apply by Phone: Call 1-800-332-6347 Mon- Fri, 8AM-4:30PM if you need help with an application by phone.
- Apply by Mail: No internet access? Call 1-800-332-6347 Mon- Fri, 8AM-4:30PM to request an application by mail.

See [www.opc.maryland.gov](http://www.opc.maryland.gov) for more updates on utilities and resources.

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## **TransIT**

On Monday, July 6th, TransIT will resume Peak Connector service. For more information, please see the [rider bulletin](#).

### **COVID-19 PRECAUTIONS:**

- The following precautions will remain in effect.
  - Masks or facial covering are still required when boarding a TransIT vehicle.
  - Passengers must board using the rear door unless ADA accessibility needed.
  - Bus capacity limits will be increased to 15-20 passengers depending on the bus size. Please continue physical distancing while onboard.

**ALL TRANSIT SERVICE WILL REMAIN FARE FREE UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE.**

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

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