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## **City of Cleveland Provides General Updates on Coronavirus & Safety Protocols - **Update #96****

**CLEVELAND** – The City of Cleveland continues to take numerous precautions across multiple departments and divisions amid increasing cases of coronavirus (COVID-19). Below are some important updates. Mayor Frank G. Jackson signed an order on May 26, extending the City's Proclamation of Civil Emergency through June 30, 2020. [Click here to view the order.](#)

Essential services such as Police, Fire, EMS, waste collection and Utilities will remain operational.

### **10 New Confirmed Cases of Coronavirus in Cleveland**

The Cleveland Department of Public Health (CDPH) has been notified of 10 more confirmed test results for coronavirus in residents of the city and no new fatalities. **This brings the total to 1,707 confirmed cases in the City of Cleveland and 57 fatalities.** The new confirmed cases include males and females whose ages range from under 21 years old to their 90s. CDPH is working to identify close contacts of these residents who would require testing or monitoring for COVID-19 symptoms.

As of today, there are 35,408 confirmed cases and 2,148 fatalities in the State of Ohio. There are more than 1.9 million confirmed cases and 109,702 deaths in the U.S.

The City of Cleveland COVID-19 Dashboard displays the most recent preliminary data from the Ohio Department of Health about COVID-19 cases, hospitalizations, deaths and recoveries in Cleveland by selected demographics. [View the dashboard here.](#) For individuals' privacy, CDPH will not be releasing any additional demographic info related to COVID-19 cases aside from age range and gender.

### **Update from Peaceful Demonstration Today**

At approximately 2 p.m. today, demonstrators gathered outside of the Cleveland Police Second District to protest the police officer involved fatal shooting of Desmond Franklin. It is estimated that 1,000 people participated. The participants marched to the area of Riverside Cemetery and participated in a prayer service before continuing their march. The demonstrations remained peaceful and no arrests were made.

The City of Cleveland and Division of Police recognize and respect its citizens' First Amendment rights to free speech and assembly. To date, a total of 117 individuals have been arrested for crimes including Aggravated Rioting, Vandalism and Curfew associated with the May 30, 2020 civil unrest in downtown Cleveland. [Click here to view the list of those arrested.](#)

## **Juvenile Arrested for Aggravated Rioting and Vandalism, Police Seek Public's Health to Identify Others**

Today at approximately 5:30 p.m., a juvenile male was arrested by members of the Northern Ohio Violent Fugitive Task Force and the United States Marshals Service on a warrant issued for Aggravated Rioting and Vandalism, acts committed during the May 30, 2020 civil unrest in downtown Cleveland. The arrestee is a 17-year-old male of Olmsted Falls, Ohio.

- Police ask for the public's help in finding two men wanted for rioting and arson offenses during the May 30 civil unrest. [Click here to read more and view video.](#)
- In addition, Cleveland Police are asking for the public's help to identify a woman wanted for offenses of vandalism and theft. [Click here to read](#) more.

The Cleveland Division of Police along with partnering law enforcement agencies will continue to aggressively pursue those who committed acts of violence during the May 30, 2020 civil unrest in downtown Cleveland. Investigators seek the public's help to investigate criminal offenses that occurred during the rioting. Information and crime tips can be provided to Crimestoppers by calling 216-25-CRIME. Citizens can upload information, photos and video to <https://ClevelandOHPD.evidence.com/axon/citizen/public/2020protest> in order to share evidence that may assist law enforcement. The Division of Police continues to investigate complaints against officers and will accept info regarding those complaints via the aforementioned link.

## **Reminder: Emergency Working Capital – Impacted Businesses Program**

The Emergency Working Capital – Impacted Businesses program will provide an additional \$20,000 loan, with up to 50 percent forgivable for investments in personal protective equipment and health and safety measures, to businesses in the restaurants, retail and personal care sectors. The Restoration Working Capital Program will provide loans of up to \$100,000 for qualifying businesses with additional capital needs as the businesses prepare to re-open, with no payments due until 2021. Awards will be made when federal funds become available. [Click here for more info.](#)

## **Cleveland Transformation Alliance Board Meeting**

The Cleveland Transformation Alliance Board of Directors will convene for a virtual public meeting on Monday, June 8, at 5:30 p.m. To dial in, call **415-655-0001** and use the Event ID: **1601682568#**. To access the public meeting, visit: <https://cmsd.webex.com/cmsd/onstage/g.php?MTID=e6c928e06aaae28d4a608c21de8297da5>.

## **Other Important Reminders**

### **Mayor Jackson Announces Restart CLE**

Mayor Frank G. Jackson has unveiled his strategic plan for the recovery of Cleveland's economy amid the coronavirus pandemic. As the city began this recovery planning process, it engaged experts from Cleveland State University and local medical institutions and made a deliberate choice to build from a health and medical perspective in order to protect those at risk from the coronavirus and then incorporate economic and social support to help the people and businesses who need assistance.

[View Mayor Jackson's full plan here.](#)

[View Mayor Jackson's Facebook Live announcement here.](#)

### **City Excise Tax Payment Extension**

The City of Cleveland is extending payment deadlines for the following excise tax returns to alleviate administrative burden for businesses that are facing operational impacts from the coronavirus public health emergency:

- Admissions tax due April 30, May 30 and June 30
- Motor Vehicle Lessor (rental car) tax due April 30, May 31 and June 30
- Parking tax due April 20, May 20 and June 20
- Transient Occupancy (hotel or lodging) tax due April 30, May 31 and June 30

The Commissioner of the Division of Assessments and Licenses is authorized to extend excise tax (admissions, parking, motor vehicle lessor and transient occupancy) payment deadlines to July 20 in response to the coronavirus pandemic. Federal, state and local governments use various strategies to propose due date relief to businesses through tax guidance and legislation. This proposal extends the April, May and June excise tax payment due dates to July 20 without incurring interest and penalties. The goal is to provide cash flow flexibility to taxpayers that cannot timely pay their excise tax obligation and provide guidance to individual taxpayer(s) through administrative rulings to address issues resulting from the national pandemic on a case by case request including statutory timing deadlines of administrative processes.

### **County, State & Federal Updates and Reminders**

- [View the governor's daily updates here](#)
  - The governor has extended the Stay at Home Order
  - **The governor launched Responsible Restart Ohio** which gives Ohioans a roadmap to reopening the state starting May 1. [View information about responsible protocols, operating requirements, sector closures and more.](#)
  - [View supportive documents and orders released from the governor's office](#)
- **Census:** The 2020 Census is happening now. Visit [www.2020census.gov](http://www.2020census.gov)
- **Scams:** [IRS issues warning about Coronavirus-related scams; watch out for schemes tied to economic impact payments](#)

### **Federal, State and Local Tax Deadline Extension Reminder**

The Ohio House voted to extend the state's income tax return deadline to July 15. This is the same date for local and federal taxes. [View the bill summary with additional provisions here.](#)

### **CodeRED**

Sign up for CodeRED alerts to receive calls and emails from the administration with important info regarding Coronavirus. To sign up online, visit <https://bit.ly/CLECodeRED>, get mobile alerts by downloading the CodeRED app via the Apple or Google Play stores. Seniors who need assistance signing up are welcome to call the Department of Aging at 216-664-4383 for periodic phone call messaging.

### **Previous COVID-19 Updates from the City of Cleveland**

[Click here to view previous updates.](#)

**For more information about COVID-19, visit the following:**

- [www.cdc.gov/coronavirus](http://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus)
- <https://coronavirus.ohio.gov/wps/portal/gov/covid-19/>

- <http://www.clevelandhealth.org/>

### **About the City of Cleveland**

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