

# Town of Glastonbury

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Richard J. Johnson Town Manager ITEM #7 02-23-2021 Meeting

February 19, 2021

The Glastonbury Town Council 2155 Main Street Glastonbury, CT 06033

Re:

**Town Manager's Report** 

Dear Council Members:

The following will keep you up to date on various topics.

#### 1. COVID-19

Attached is a copy of the most recent weekly report and summary of Town operations.

#### 2. 1098 New London Turnpike

Unless advised otherwise, this Town owned property will transition to an affordable rental unit in cooperation with the Housing Authority. The prior multi-year resident opted to relocate making this residence available.

### 3. Library Project

Annulli & Sons, the general contractor for the library project, advises steel for the addition will arrive on site the week of February 22<sup>nd</sup>. Erection is expected to start shortly thereafter.

Sincerely

Richard J. Johnson Town Manager

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## News

# Weekly Town Manager COVID-19 Update - February 19, 2021

**Post Date:** 

02/19/2021 9:10 AM

Recent COVID-19 updates for the Town of Glastonbury are summarized in this weekly update.

## **Glastonbury COVID-19 Figures**

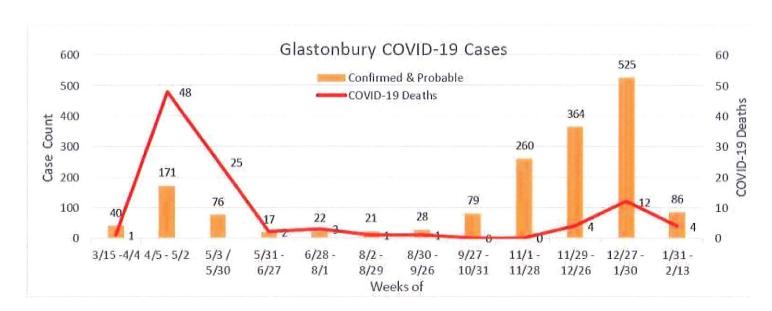
*Numbers in (parentheses) indicate change from the previous week.* 

As per CT Department of Public Health (CT DPH) lab testing data available 2/13/21:

- 18,663 COVID-19 tests have been performed on residents (+342)
- Of the 18,663 tests, 1,689 (+44) are laboratory confirmed positive and probable cases of COVID-19
- Deaths are recorded using information from the Office of the Chief Medical Examiner. No additional COVID-19 deaths were reported this week for Glastonbury residents, leaving the loss of residents at 101.
- By gender, a total of 891 female (+22) and 798 male (+22) positive cases have been reported.

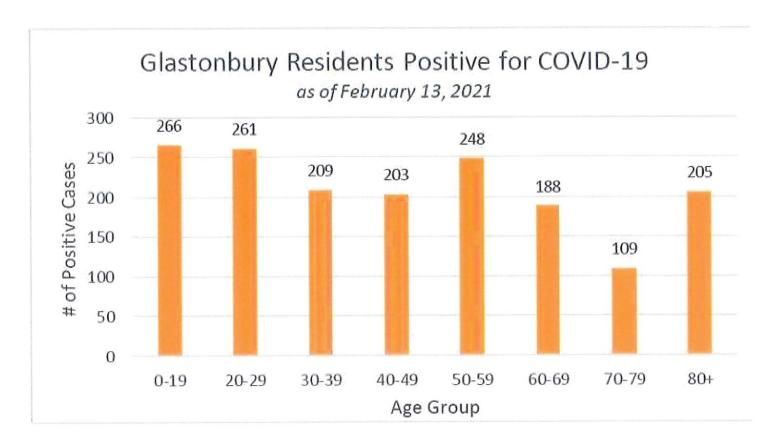
The graph below shows a count of residents with confirmed positive and probable cases and COVID-19 related deaths in approximate one-month timeframes. The U.S. is now in what is arguably considered the third wave of this pandemic.

Notes: COVID-19 deaths are depicted on a secondary Y axis with a separate (right hand) scale. The data in the last column is only for the weeks of 1/31 - 2/13.



The CT DPH color-coded <u>Town Alert System</u> map is updated weekly and shows positive COVID-19 cases per 100,000 population using a 14 day average. (Please note, the map does <u>not</u> include cases among people who reside in nursing home, assisted living, or correctional facilities.) Glastonbury is currently in Red at 35.6 (-4.4) cases per 100,000. As of Thursday, 2/18, 138 of the 169 Connecticut cities and towns are in the Red zone with 15+ cases per 100,000 population.

The number of Glastonbury cases by age group is shown in the following chart:



- View the Connecticut COVID-19 website, including resources & data points
- Latest COVID-19 Data on Nursing Homes and Assisted Living Facilities

The Town will continue to modify its programs, services, and operations to align with state and CDC guidance, with all updates posted to the Town website at <a href="https://www.glastonburyct.gov/covid19">www.glastonburyct.gov/covid19</a>.

# Glastonbury COVID-19 Events and Programming Changes

#### **Vaccine Informational Session (Virtual)**

The Glastonbury Senior Services and Health Departments will present a virtual COVID-19 Vaccine informational discussion on Wednesday, February 24, 2021 at 10:00AM. For more information or to register, please call **(860) 652-7638** or email <u>diana.patterson@glastonbury-ct.gov</u> or <u>nicole.mercer@glastonbury-ct.gov</u>.

#### **COVID-19 Fatigue Support Group (Virtual)**

Join Jessica Daniels and Dana Segall, Licensed Clinical Social Workers for the Town of Glastonbury, to help you work through COVID 19 fatigue. Discussions will be focused on finding direction, creating connections, and self-compassion. The group will meet virtually on the following Wednesdays at 11:30AM: February 24, March 24, and April 21, 2021.

# AARP Tax-Aide Program Modified this year due to COVID-19

Due to the COVID 19 Pandemic the AARP Tax-Aide Program will be provided on a modified and limited basis from prior years. To obtain this service this year, individuals must meet the following criteria:

- 1. 60+ years of age or permanently disabled
- 2. Gross Adjusted Household Income of under \$75,000
- 3. Had your taxes done by AARP in either of the last 2 years
- 4. A resident of the Town of Glastonbury

This program is offered Mondays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays beginning Friday 17, 2021 by appointment only. Please call **(860) 652-7638** or email <u>diana.patterson@glastonbury-ct.gov</u> or <u>nicole.mercer@glastonbury-ct.gov</u> to schedule your required appointment. For more information, please review the <u>Sharing Tree Newsletter</u>.

For an overview of how the pandemic continues to affect Town operations and programming, please visit <a href="https://www.glastonburyct.gov/covid19">www.glastonburyct.gov/covid19</a> and click on the 3 document links under the introductory paragraph.

#### **Vaccine Information and Resources**

Connecticut is currently in <u>Phase 1b</u> of its vaccination rollout plan. Individuals ages 65+ are currently able to schedule appointments for the vaccine.

## Vaccine Appointment Scheduling Resources:

- View Eligibility <a href="https://portal.ct.gov/Coronavirus/COVID-19-Vaccination---Phases">https://portal.ct.gov/Coronavirus/COVID-19-Vaccination---Phases</a>
- VAMS Enrollment scheduling form: https://dphsubmissions.ct.gov/OnlineVaccine
- General vaccine information ct.gov/covidvaccine
- CT COVID Vaccine Appointment Assistance Line (877) 918-2224 (8AM-8PM, 7 days/week)
- www.glastonburyct.gov/vaccine
- Vaccine Distribution Map available on the state website here
- Hartford Healthcare Vaccine Hotline at (860) 972-4993

#### **Vaccination Clinics and Locations:**

Residents are advised to follow the local news and visit <u>ct.gov/covidvaccine</u> for the latest updates on vaccine availability, or to contact the Hartford Healthcare Vaccine Hotline at **(860) 972-4993**.

- CVS visit the CVS webpage
- Walgreens <a href="https://www.walgreens.com/topic/covid19vac/CT.jsp">https://www.walgreens.com/topic/covid19vac/CT.jsp</a>
- Walmart <a href="https://www.walmart.com/cp/1228302">https://www.walmart.com/cp/1228302</a>
- Hartford HealthCare: Click here to make an appointment
- Yale New Haven Health: Click here to make an appointment using this system,
- Town of Glastonbury Clinics Town-hosted clinics will be held at the RCC as vaccine supplies are available and will be posted to the VAMS portal. Eligible residents will only be able to view the VAMS portal for upcoming clinics <u>AFTER</u> creating an account in the VAMS system. To access the VAMS enrollment form, please visit <a href="https://dphsubmissions.ct.gov/OnlineVaccine">https://dphsubmissions.ct.gov/OnlineVaccine</a>.

# Wastewater Testing for COVID-19 in Glastonbury – as of 2/17/2021

UCONN is conducting ongoing wastewater testing in the Glastonbury community to help evaluate areas of poten<sup>+ial</sup> COVID-19 infection. Please <u>click here to view the latest testing results (Feb 17, 2021).</u>

The Town will continue to provide any updates it receives through this weekly update and the Town website/Facebook page as applicable.

Sincerely,

Richard J. Johnson

Town Manager

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