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### COVID-19 UPDATE:

There are [10](#) confirmed cases of COVID-19 in Essex. Sadly, we did have one death due to the coronavirus last night. We extend our heartfelt condolences to the family.

It has been challenging to abide by the current restrictions placed on us because of the COVID-19 pandemic but we must continue efforts to protect everyone. Thank you for responding so responsibly. Everyone is doing a terrific job and making a difference.

Stay safe,

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**Estuary Grab & Go Service for seniors self-Isolating while continuing to provide meals on wheels. Call 860-388-1611 or [Click Here](#)**

**Launch of Connecticut's First Rapid COVID-19 Testing Center in New Haven. Test results delivered in 30 minutes, no cost. [Click Here](#)**

**No Cost Life Insurance for Front Line health care workers . [Click Here](#)**

**Disabled American Veterans Helping Furloughed Veterans. For more information and an application please visit [DAV.org/COVIDrelief](https://www.dav.org/COVIDrelief).**

**Unemployment Claims - [Click Here](#)**

**Implementation of System That Will Significantly Speed Up Unemployment Claims During COVID-19 Emergency**

- Additional Weekly \$600 Benefit in Federal Stimulus Funds Will Begin April 24;
- New Benefit Program for Self-Employed Individuals Will Begin by April 30

For more information regarding the impact of the COVID-19 pandemic on unemployment benefits in Connecticut, members of the public are urged to read the list of [Frequently Asked Questions \(FAQ\) provided by the Connecticut Department of Labor](#).

**MEWS+ presents**  
**"Readying for Recovery: Resources for Middlesex County Businesses"**  
**Tuesday, April 21, 2020**  
**1:00 p.m. - 2:00 p.m.**

Join The MEWS+ Entrepreneurial Community as we host the leadership team from the Middlesex County Chamber of Commerce to learn about the many local, state, and federal resources developed to help small businesses navigate and recover from the health and economic crisis. President Larry McHugh, Vice President Johanna Bond, and Vice President Jeff Pugliese will share information on:

- Chamber webinars with Senator Blumenthal, Congressman Joe Courtney, and SBDC Counselor Jim Jackson;
- How the CARES Act provisions - PPP, EIDL, and Tax Credits - apply to small business owners and startups
- The Chamber's Coronavirus Tool Kit;
- SHOUT IT OUT campaign;
- Community partners and local resources; and
- Recovery fund opportunities.

Register in advance for this webinar. After registering, you will receive a confirmation email containing information about joining the webinar.

[Register Here](#)

#### **LATEST COVID-19 FACTS**

- [COVID-19 Self Checker](#)
- [Center for Disease Control](#)
- [State of CT Coronavirus Information](#)
- [Governor Lamont Frequently Asked Questions](#)
- [Emergency Orders Issued by Governor Lamont](#)

**FOR INFO ON COVID-19 CALL 2-1-1**

**STAY HOME. STOP THE SPREAD. SAVE LIVES.**

### **Sign up for Safer Essex Emergency Alerts**

Receive alerts about critical community information directly to your cell phone or email. Go to [www.essexct.gov](http://www.essexct.gov) and search "Safer Essex" or call 860-760-4340 x112.

### **Sign up for Essex News**

Encourage your friends and neighbors to receive this newsletter. Simply send an email request to [essexnews@essexct.gov](mailto:essexnews@essexct.gov) to be added to our distribution list.

### **Sign up for Weekly Check-In Call**

Residents age 62+ are encouraged to sign up for a weekly check-in call from a volunteer. Please call Essex Social Services Department at 860-767-4340 x 201.

**Town of Essex**