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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 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 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.

Dear Friends and Neighbors,

As of today, there are now **6** confirmed cases of COVID-19 in Essex. Please continue to protect yourselves by following the guidelines of washing hands, staying home when possible, social distancing, wearing masks in public locations, etc. We are heading into the peak period so it's important that the guidelines are taken seriously.

A great idea was suggested by Essex resident, Jeanne-Yvonne Tucker. We should go to the end of our properties at 7:00 pm every evening to say hello to our neighbors (from a safe distance), make sure they are doing well, and make some noise!

Animal Control officer, Caitlyn Sikora, has reported a marked increase in dog related incidents in the Tri-Town area. Dog aggression, fighting, and biting is becoming a problem mostly due to the increase in unleashed dogs walking with owners. **For everyone's safety, please keep your dog on a leash at all times.** We appreciate your cooperation and care in keeping everyone safe.

Yesterday, Governor Ned Lamont announced that he is

directing U.S. and State of Connecticut flags to be lowered to half-staff statewide effective immediately in recognition and mourning of all those who have lost their lives and been affected by COVID-19. The flags will remain lowered throughout the emergency. Accordingly, since no flag should fly higher than the U.S. flag, all other flags - including state, municipal, corporate, or otherwise - should also be lowered during this same duration of time.

Stay safe,

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HELP FOR SMALL BUSINESSES

- [Paycheck Protection Program Webinar](#): Offers forgivable loans to small businesses hit hard by the pandemic.
- [Business Resources](#): Information on tax filing extension, SBA loans, Cares Act, paycheck protection, unemployment assistance, etc.

HOW YOU CAN HELP

- Many local businesses are now selling merchandise online for pickup and/or delivery. If you have the means, please try to support them through this difficult time
 - [Supporttheshoreline.com](#)
 - [Board of Trade Facebook page](#).
- Town of Essex Emergency Assistance Fund. Donate today to help residents in need. Donations should be mailed to the Town of Essex Social Services Department, 29 West Avenue, Essex, CT 06426.

LATEST COVID-19 FACTS

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

STAY HOME. STOP THE SPREAD. SAVE LIVES.

Town of Essex