Mayor Rilling Provides Local Update on Coronavirus

(Norwalk, Conn.) - City officials are working closely with partners at the state and federal levels, as well as partners in Norwalk, to monitor and respond to COVID-19, the 2019 novel Coronavirus. Statewide updates can be found online at ct.gov/coronavirus. Mayor Rilling provided the following Norwalk-area specific updates regarding COVID-19 coronavirus as of 5:30 p.m. on Tuesday, April 14, 2020:

- Since yesterday, there are 26 new positive cases in Norwalk, bringing the total positive reported cases in Norwalk to 773. There were also four new deaths reported. Now, a total of 36 residents have died as a result of coronavirus. In Fairfield County, the number of new positive cases went from 6,004 to 6,213.
- It has been a month since the first positive case of COVID-19 was reported in Norwalk. City officials continue to stress that the coronavirus pandemic is ongoing, and not to relax physical distancing measures which have been proven to slow the spread of the virus.
- The City is live streaming meetings on YouTube, but received feedback that the page was difficult to find. The City created a new link (norwalkct.org/youtube) that when entered into a browser automatically launches the City’s official YouTube channel. The public can subscribe to the YouTube channel to receive notifications about the latest videos.
- City officials remind members of the public and local nonprofits of information and resources available on the City’s website during COVID-19. Members of the public can complete a volunteer survey and the City will help connect them with a local organization who is seeking help. Additionally, nonprofits can complete a survey on the services they are providing and resources they need. Finally, residents can view Community-Based Organizations that are offering assistance. These resources can be found at norwalkct.org/citynews.

“Any time I learn of another death in our community it’s like a punch to the gut, but I know that is nothing compared to what these families are feeling. Coronavirus took their loved ones away from them too soon, and I am sorry for that. My thoughts and prayers are with them during these difficult times,” said Mayor Rilling. “I know a lot has changed for many of us over the last month since the first positive case of COVID-19 was reported in Norwalk. It’s been a hard, frustrating, and in many cases, heartbreaking month. Norwalk, we’ll emerge in a new normal someday, but we are not out of the woods just yet. I thank the public for their continued cooperation and patience as we navigate these uncharted waters together.”

Members of the public are encouraged to sign-up for the City’s CodeRED Emergency Alert Notification System at norwalkct.org/codered.

Updates on City services, hours, and community resources will be routinely published at norwalkct.org/citynews. The latest health updates can be found at norwalkct.org/coronavirus.

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